

Notes - 4.5 Integration by Substitution

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The Chain Rule states that

$$\frac{d}{dx}(F(g(x))) = F'(g(x))g'(x)$$

Defining an antiderivative follows that

$$\int F'(g(x))g'(x)dx = F(g(x)) + C$$

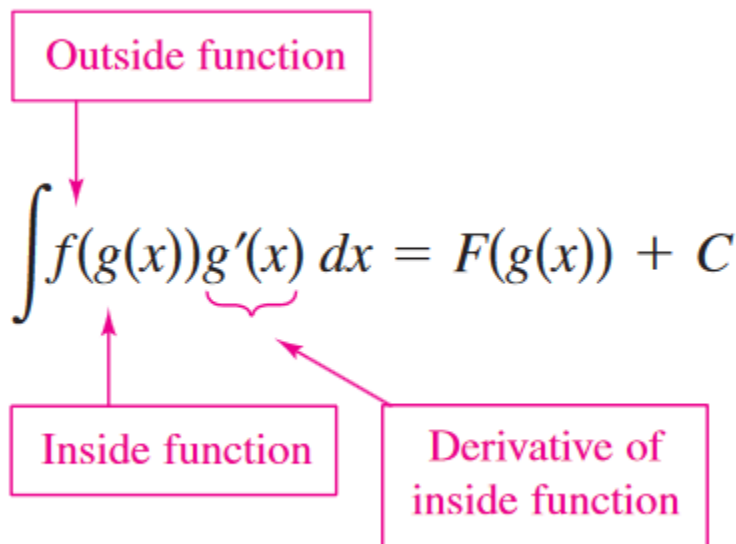
1 Antidifferentiation of a composite function

Let be g a function whose range is an interval I and let f be a function that is continuous on I . If g is differentiable on its domain and F is an antiderivative of f on I then

$$\int f(g(x))g'(x)dx = F(g(x)) + C$$

By letting $u = g(x)$ gives $du = g'(x)$ and

$$\int f(u)du = F(u) + C$$



1.1 Recognizing the $f(g(x))g'(x)$ pattern

Find $\int (x^2 + 1)^2(2x) dx$.

Solution Letting $g(x) = x^2 + 1$, you obtain

$$g'(x) = 2x$$

and

$$f(g(x)) = f(x^2 + 1) = (x^2 + 1)^2.$$

From this, you can recognize that the integrand follows the $f(g(x))g'(x)$ pattern. Using the Power Rule for Integration and Theorem 4.13, you can write

$$\int \overbrace{(x^2 + 1)^2(2x)}^{f(g(x)) \quad g'(x)} dx = \frac{1}{3} (x^2 + 1)^3 + C.$$

Try using the Chain Rule to check that the derivative of $\frac{1}{3}(x^2 + 1)^3 + C$ is integrand of the original integral.

Class solution ("Is the derivative of the inside on the outside?")

$$\int (x^2 + 1)^2(2x) dx \tag{1}$$

$$u = x^2 + 1 \tag{2}$$

$$du = 2x dx \tag{3}$$

$$\int u^2 du \tag{4}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3}(u)^3 + C \tag{5}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3}(x^2 + 1)^3 + C \tag{6}$$

You have done u-substitution correctly if you don't have any more of the original variables.

2. Find $\int 5 \cos 5x dx$

$$u = 5x \tag{1}$$

$$du = 5 dx \tag{2}$$

$$\int 5 \cos 5x dx = \int \cos u du = \sin 5x + C \tag{3}$$

Restating the Constant Multiple Rule

$$\int k f(x) dx = k \int f(x) dx$$

EXAMPLE 3 Multiplying and Dividing by a Constant

Find $\int x(x^2 + 1)^2 dx$.

Solution This is similar to the integral given in Example 1, except that the integrand is missing a factor of 2. Recognizing that $2x$ is the derivative of $x^2 + 1$, you can let $g(x) = x^2 + 1$ and supply the $2x$ as follows.

$$\begin{aligned}\int x(x^2 + 1)^2 dx &= \int (x^2 + 1)^2 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)(2x) dx && \text{Multiply and divide by 2.} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int \overbrace{(x^2 + 1)^2}^{f(g(x))} \overbrace{(2x)}^{g'(x)} dx && \text{Constant Multiple Rule} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{(x^2 + 1)^3}{3} \right] + C && \text{Integrate.} \\ &= \frac{1}{6} (x^2 + 1)^3 + C && \text{Simplify.}\end{aligned}$$

In practice, most people would not write as many steps as are shown in Example 3. For instance, you could evaluate the integral by simply writing

$$\begin{aligned}\int x(x^2 + 1)^2 dx &= \frac{1}{2} \int (x^2 + 1)^2 2x dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{(x^2 + 1)^3}{3} \right] + C \\ &= \frac{1}{6} (x^2 + 1)^3 + C.\end{aligned}$$

NOTE Be sure you see that the *Constant Multiple Rule* applies only to *constants*. You can

2 Change of variables

$$\int f(g(x))g'(x)dx = \int f(u)du = F(u) + C$$

2.1 Example

$$u = 2x - 1 \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2}u + \frac{1}{2} \quad (1)$$

$$du = 2dx \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}du = dx \quad (2)$$

$$\int x\sqrt{2x-1}dx \quad (3)$$

$$= \int \left(\frac{1}{2}u + \frac{1}{2}\right)\sqrt{u}\frac{1}{2}du \quad (4)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(u+1)u^{1/2}du \quad (5)$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \int u^{3/2} + u^{1/2}du \quad (6)$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{2}{5}u^{5/2} + \frac{2}{3}u^{3/2} \right) + C \quad (7)$$

$$= \frac{1}{10}(2x-1)^{5/2} + \frac{1}{6}(2x-1)^{3/2} + C \quad (8)$$

2.2 Example 2

$$\int \sin^2 3x \cos 3x dx \quad (9)$$

$$u = \sin 3x \quad (10)$$

$$du = \cos(3x) \cdot 3dx \Rightarrow \frac{du}{3} = \cos(3x)dx \quad (11)$$

$$\int \sin^2 3x \cos 3x dx \quad (12)$$

$$= \int u^2 \cdot \frac{du}{3} \quad (13)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \int u^2 du \quad (14)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{u^3}{3} \right) + C \quad (15)$$

$$= \frac{1}{9} u^3 + C \quad (16)$$

$$= \frac{1}{9} \sin^3 3x + C \quad (17)$$

3 12/01/2023 Warm-up

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2 - 4}{2 + x^4 - 2} \quad (1)$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2 - 4}{2 + x - 4x^2} \left(\frac{\frac{1}{x^2}}{\frac{1}{x^2}} \right) \quad (2)$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 - \frac{4}{x^2}}{-4 + \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{x^2}} \quad (3)$$

$$= 0 \quad (4)$$

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$$u = x^3 + 1, \quad du = 3x^2 dx \Rightarrow \frac{du}{3} = x^2 dx \quad (5)$$

$$\int x^2 \sqrt{x^3 + 1} dx \quad (6)$$

$$= \int \frac{\sqrt{u}}{3} dx \quad (7)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \int u^{1/2} du \quad (8)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} \frac{u^{3/2}}{\frac{3}{2}} + C \quad (9)$$

$$= \frac{2}{9} (x^3 + 1)^{3/2} + C \quad (10)$$