

Review of Integration and Trigonometry

Here is a review of the integration and trigonometric skills you need in this course.

Integration by substitution

$$\begin{aligned}\int e^{2x} dx &= \frac{1}{2}e^{2x} + c \quad u = 2x, du = 2dx \\ \int 2x^3 \sqrt{1+x^2} dx &= \int (u-1)u^{1/2} du = \int u^{3/2} - u^{1/2} du \quad u = 1+x^2, du = 2x dx, x^2 = u-1\end{aligned}$$

Integration by parts

There are 3 classes of integrals that can be evaluated using IBP:

- A) $\int (\text{polynomial})(\sin \text{ or } \cos) dx, \int (\text{polynomial})(\exp) dx$. Let $(u = \text{polynomial})$ to kill off the polynomial one degree at a time.
- B) $\int (\text{polynomial})(\text{logarithm}) dx, \int \arctrig dx$. Let $u = \text{logarithm}$ or $u = \arctrig$.
- C) $\int (\exp)(\sin \text{ or } \cos) dx$. IBP twice, using $u = \text{trig}$ both times, or $u = \exp$ both times. Called FOLDING.

Basic Trigonometric Skills

- A) Definitions of the 6 trig functions in terms of right triangles and in terms of sines and cosines.
- B) Pythagorean identities, 3 flavors. $\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1$, $1 + \cot^2 x = \csc^2 x$, $\tan^2 x + 1 = \sec^2 x$.
- C) Half angle identities. $\sin^2 x = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos(2x))$, $\cos^2 x = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \cos(2x))$.
- D) Double angle identities. $2 \sin x \cos x = \sin(2x)$, $\cos^2 x - \sin^2 x = \cos(2x)$, $2 \cos^2 x - 1 = \cos(2x)$, $1 - 2 \sin^2 x = \cos(2x)$.
- E) Sum and difference identities. $\sin(x \pm y) = \sin x \cos y \pm \sin y \cos x$, $\cos(x \pm y) = \cos x \cos y \mp \sin x \sin y$.
- F) Product identities. $\sin A \cos B = \frac{1}{2}(\sin(A-B) + \sin(A+B))$, $\sin A \sin B = \frac{1}{2}(\cos(A-B) - \cos(A+B))$, $\cos A \cos B = \frac{1}{2}(\cos(A-B) + \cos(A+B))$.
- G) Elementary antiderivatives. $\int \sin x dx = -\cos x + c$, $\int \cos x dx = \sin x + c$, $\int \sec^2 x dx = \tan x + c$, $\int \csc^2 x dx = -\cot x + c$, $\int \sec x \tan x dx = \sec x + c$.
- H) Antiderivatives using logarithmic form. $\int \tan x dx = \int \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} dx = -\int \frac{1}{u} du = -\ln |\cos x| + c$,
 $\int \sec x dx = \int \sec x \frac{\sec x + \tan x}{\sec x + \tan x} dx = \int \frac{1}{u} du = \ln |\sec x + \tan x| + c$.

Trigonometric Integrals

- A) $\int \sin^m x \cos^n x dx$. If n or m is odd, pull off the odd power of \sin or \cos to use in du , let u equal the other trig function, and apply Pythagorean identities if needed. If both n and m are odd, you can let u equal $\sin x$ or $\cos x$. If n and m are both even, apply half angle identities and Pythagorean identities.

Examples:

$$\begin{aligned}\int \cos^3 x \, dx &= \int (1 - \sin^2 x)(\cos x \, dx) = \int (1 - u^2) du \\ \int \sin^3 x \cos^3 x \, dx &= \int (\sin^2 x)(1 - \sin^2 x)(\cos x \, dx) = \int (u^3)(1 - u^2)(du) \\ \int \sin^2 x \, dx &= \int \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos(2x)) \, dx\end{aligned}$$

B) $\int \tan^m x \sec^n x \, dx$. If n is even, pull off a $\sec^2 x$ to use in du , let $u = \tan x$ and apply Pythagorean identity if needed. If m is odd, pull off a $\sec x \tan x$ to use in du , let $u = \sec x$, apply Pythagorean identity if needed. If both n is even and m is odd, you can do either of the above. If n is odd and m is even, God help you. Use Pythagorean identities to reduce to nothing but powers of $\sec x$. Integrals of $\sec x$ and $\sec^3 x$ are standard, and can be looked up in your old Calculus text (you didn't sell it back to the Bookstore, did you?). Higher odd powers of $\sec x$ require careful use of IBP. Even powers can be handled by the second sentence in this paragraph.

Examples:

$$\begin{aligned}\int \tan^2 x \sec^4 x \, dx &= \int \tan^2 x (\tan^2 x + 1)(\sec^2 x \, dx) = \int u^2(u^2 + 1) \, du \\ \int \tan x \sec^{20} x \, dx &= \int \sec^{19} x (\sec x \tan x \, dx) = \int u^{19} \, du \\ \int \tan^2 x \sec x \, dx &= \int (\sec^2 x - 1) \sec x \, dx = \int \sec^3 x - \sec x \, dx\end{aligned}$$

Trigonometric Substitution

Look for expressions of the form $\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}$, $\sqrt{x^2 - a^2}$ or $\sqrt{x^2 + a^2}$, or one of these to a higher power (for example, $(x^2 - 4)^2$ is the square root raised to the fourth power). If there is a minus under the square root, the positive term is the square of the hypotenuse and the negative term is the square of one of the legs; the square root is the other leg. If there is a plus under the square root, then the square root is the hypotenuse, and the terms inside are the squares of the legs. Use the triangle to make a substitution, which converts the integral to a trig integral (see above).

Examples:

1) $\int \frac{1}{x^2 \sqrt{16 - x^2}} \, dx$. The hypotenuse is 4 and the sides are x and $\sqrt{16 - x^2}$. Let $x = 4 \sin \theta$, so $dx = 4 \cos \theta$. The integral becomes $\int \frac{1}{16 \sin^2 \theta \sqrt{16 - 16 \sin^2 \theta}} 4 \cos \theta \, d\theta = \frac{1}{16} \int \frac{1}{\sin^2 \theta} \, d\theta = -\frac{1}{16} \cot \theta + c = -\frac{1}{16} \frac{\sqrt{16 - x^2}}{x} + c$.

2) $\int \frac{x^3}{\sqrt{9 + x^2}} \, dx$. The hypotenuse is $\sqrt{9 + x^2}$ and the legs are x and 3. Let $x = 3 \tan \theta$, so $dx = 3 \sec^2 \theta \, d\theta$. The integral becomes $\int \frac{27 \tan^3 \theta}{3 \sec \theta} 3 \sec^2 \theta \, d\theta = 27 \int \frac{\sin^3 \theta}{\cos^4 \theta} \, d\theta$. Write the numerator as

$$\sin^2 \theta (\sin \theta \, d\theta) = (1 - u^2) du$$

with $u = \cos \theta$. The integral becomes

$$27 \int (1 - u^2) u^{-4} (-du) = 27 \left(-\frac{1}{u} + \frac{1}{3u^3} \right) = \left(-9\sqrt{9 + x^2} + \frac{1}{3}(9 + x^2)^{3/2} \right).$$

Note that $u = \cos \theta = 3/\sqrt{9 + x^2}$. Oh, and don't forget the constant of integration.

Partial Fraction Decomposition

Uses: In Laplace Transform Techniques (ODE's) and Control Theory.

Observation: $\frac{1}{x^2 - 4} = \frac{\frac{1}{4}}{x - 2} - \frac{\frac{1}{4}}{x + 2}$.

$$\text{So, } \int \frac{1}{x^2 - 4} dx = \int \frac{\frac{1}{4}}{x - 2} dx - \int \frac{\frac{1}{4}}{x + 2} dx = \frac{1}{4} \ln |x - 2| - \frac{1}{4} \ln |x + 2| + C.$$

Important Facts:

1. Any polynomial can be decomposed into its linear and irreducible quadratic factors.

$$\text{Example: } Q(x) = x^3 - 3x^2 + x - 3 = (x - 3)(x^2 + 1).$$

2. Fundamental Theorem of Algebra: Every rational function $\frac{P(x)}{Q(x)}$, where $\deg[P(x)] < \deg[Q(x)]$ can be expressed as

$$\frac{P(x)}{Q(x)} = R_1(x) + R_2(x) + \cdots + R_n(x),$$

where each $R_i(x)$ is of the form $\frac{A}{(ax + b)^k}$ or $\frac{Ax + B}{(ax^2 + bx + c)^k}$. [Note: $(ax^2 + bx + c)$ is an irreducible quadratic.] The R_i 's are called the partial fraction decomposition.

3. If $\deg[P(x)] \geq \deg[Q(x)]$, after long division $\frac{P(x)}{Q(x)} = \text{polynomial} + \frac{p(x)}{q(x)}$, where $\deg[p(x)] < \deg[q(x)]$.

Partial fraction decomposition can be applied to $\frac{p(x)}{q(x)}$.

Example:

$$\frac{3x^4 + 3x^3 - 5x^2 + x - 1}{x^2 + x - 2} = (3x^2 + 1) + \left(\frac{1}{x^2 + x - 2} \right). \text{ Here the polynomial is } 3x^2 + 1 \text{ and}$$

$$\frac{p(x)}{q(x)} = \frac{1}{x^2 + x - 2} = \frac{1}{(x + 2)(x - 1)} = \frac{-\frac{1}{3}}{x + 2} + \frac{\frac{1}{3}}{x - 1}.$$

- To find the partial fraction decomposition in the case where $\deg[p(x)] < \deg[q(x)]$ for $\frac{p(x)}{q(x)}$:

1. Factor $q(x)$ into its linear and irreducible quadratics.
2. Linear Factor Rule: For each factor $(ax + b)^m$, the partial fraction decomposition contains

$$\frac{A_1}{ax + b} + \frac{A_2}{(ax + b)^2} + \cdots + \frac{A_n}{(ax + b)^n},$$

where A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n are constants to be determined.

3. Irreducible Quadratic Factor Rule: For each $(ax^2 + bx + c)^m$, the partial fraction decomposition has the form

$$\frac{A_1x + B_1}{ax^2 + bx + c} + \frac{A_2x + B_2}{(ax^2 + bx + c)^2} + \cdots + \frac{A_nx + B_n}{(ax^2 + bx + c)^n},$$

where A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n and B_1, B_2, \dots, B_n are constants to be determined.

Examples:

1. $\int \frac{4}{2x+3} dx$. Let $u = 2x + 3 \implies du = 2 dx$

So, $\int \frac{4}{2x+3} dx = \int \frac{4}{u} \cdot \frac{1}{2} du = \int \frac{2}{u} du = 2 \ln |2x+3| + C$.

2. $\int \frac{4}{(2x+3)^5} dx$. Let $u = 2x + 3 \implies du = 2 dx$

So, $\int \frac{4}{(2x+3)^5} dx = \int \frac{4}{u^5} \cdot \frac{1}{2} du = \int 2u^{-5} du = -\frac{2}{4}u^{-4} + C = -\frac{1}{2(2x+3)^4} + C$.

3. $\int \frac{2}{2x^2 + 4x + 3} dx = \int \frac{2}{2(x+1)^2 + 1} dx$. Let $u = \sqrt{2}(x+1) \implies du = \sqrt{2} dx$.

So, $\int \frac{2}{2x^2 + 4x + 3} dx = \sqrt{2} \int \frac{1}{u^2 + 1} du = \sqrt{2} \tan^{-1}(\sqrt{2}(x+1)) + C$.

4. $\int \frac{2x+1}{2x^2 + 4x + 3} dx$

Note: If you let $u = 2x^2 + 4x + 2 \implies du = (4x+4) dx$. The trouble is the numerator is $2x+1$, not $4x+4$. Some manipulation is needed to deal with this situation.

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{2(2x+1)}{2x^2 + 4x + 3} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{4x+2}{2x^2 + 4x + 3} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{4x+2+(2-2)}{2x^2 + 4x + 3} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{(4x+4)-2}{2x^2 + 4x + 3} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\int \frac{4x+4}{2x^2 + 4x + 3} - \frac{2}{2x^2 + 4x + 3} \right] dx \end{aligned}$$

The first integral is a natural log and the second integral is an inverse tangent (example #3).

So, $\int \frac{2x+1}{2x^2 + 4x + 3} dx = \frac{1}{2} \ln |2x^2 + 4x + 3| - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \tan^{-1}(\sqrt{2}(x+1)) + C$.