

M16600 Lecture Notes

Section 7.5: Strategy for Integration

■ **Section 7.5** exercises, page 547: 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 21, 20, 2, 4, 6, 12, 16, 18, 37, 38, 8, 14, 17, 26, .

As we have seen, integration is more challenging than differentiation. No hard and fast rules can be given as to which integration method applies in a given situation, but you can think about these steps as a guideline.

- Do we need to use algebra or trigonometric identities to rewrite the integrand so that we can apply basic integration formulas?
- What about an obvious u -substitution?
- If the integrand is a rational function but the above two steps couldn't solve the integral, think about integration by partial fractions (section 7.4).
- If the integrand is a product of a polynomial with a transcendental function (such as a trigonometric function, exponential, or logarithmic function), then you can try integration by parts.
- If the integrand involves radicals couldn't be solved by an obvious u -sub, you can think about using trigonometric substitution (section 7.3).
- Try again.

Obviously, the first step of integration is to remember basic integral formulas. See next page for the **Table of Integration Formulas**.

Table of Integration Formulas

$$\int x^n dx = \left(\frac{1}{n+1} \right) x^{n+1} + C \quad (n \neq -1)$$

$$\int \sin(x) dx = -\cos(x) + C$$

$$\int \cos(x) dx = \sin(x) + C$$

$$\int \sec^2(x) dx = \tan(x) + C$$

$$\int \csc^2(x) dx = -\cot(x) + C$$

$$\int \sec(x) \tan(x) dx = \sec(x) + C$$

$$\int \csc(x) \cot(x) dx = -\csc(x) + C$$

$$\int e^x dx = e^x + C$$

$$\int \frac{1}{x} dx = \ln |x| + C$$

$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} dx = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{a} \right) + C$$

$$\int \frac{1}{x^2 + a^2} dx = \frac{1}{a} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{a} \right) + C$$

$$\int \sec(x) dx = \ln |\sec x + \tan x| + C$$

$$\int \tan(x) dx = \ln |\sec x| + C$$

$$\int \sinh x dx = \cosh x + C$$

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