

# Chapter 4

## Integrals

### 4.5 The Substitution Rule

**Example to start.** Find the indefinite integral of  $2x\sqrt{1+x^2}$ , that is compute

$$\int 2x\sqrt{1+x^2} dx.$$

Goal: Find  $F(x)$  s.t.  $F'(x) = 2x\sqrt{1+x^2}$ .

$$\bullet \sqrt{x} \rightarrow \frac{x^{3/2}}{3/2}$$

$$\bullet \frac{(1+x^2)^{3/2}}{3/2} \xrightarrow{d/dx} \frac{3/2 (1+x^2)^{1/2}}{3/2} \cdot \frac{d}{dx} (1+x^2)$$

$$\rightarrow \sqrt{1+x^2} \cdot 2x$$
$$\Rightarrow \int 2x\sqrt{1+x^2} dx = \frac{2}{3}(1+x^2)^{3/2} + C$$

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**Another example.** Compute the indefinite integral

$$\int 2x\sqrt{1+x^2} dx.$$

1st: Notice that  $\frac{d}{dx} (1+x^2) = 2x \Rightarrow d(1+x^2) = 2x dx$

2nd: Let  $u = 1+x^2 \rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = 2x \rightarrow du = 2x dx$

3rd:  $\int 2x\sqrt{1+x^2} dx = \int \underbrace{\sqrt{1+x^2}}_u \underbrace{2x dx}_{du}$

$$= \int \sqrt{u} du$$

$$= \frac{u^{3/2}}{3/2} + C$$

$$\Rightarrow I = \frac{2}{3}(1+x^2)^{3/2} + C$$

**Substitution Rule.** If  $u = g(x)$  is a differentiable function whose range is an interval  $I$  and  $f$  is continuous on  $I$ , then

$$\int f'(g(x))g'(x) dx = \int f(u) du.$$

Relation between  $du$  and  $dx$ :

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**EXAMPLE 1** Find  $\int x^3 \cos(x^4 + 2) dx$ .

**EXAMPLE 2** Evaluate  $\int \sqrt{2x + 1} \, dx$ .

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**EXAMPLE 3** Find  $\int \frac{x}{\sqrt{1 - 4x^2}} \, dx$ .

**EXAMPLE 5** Find  $\int \sqrt{1 + x^2} \, x^5 \, dx$ .

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**EXAMPLE 7** Evaluate  $\int_1^2 \frac{dx}{(3 - 5x)^2}$ .