

1.2 Brief review of integration

Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be an integrable function. Recall that $F(x)$ is the antiderivative of $f(x)$ if and only if $F'(x) = f(x)$, i.e.,

$$F(x) = \int f(x)dx \Leftrightarrow F'(x) = f(x)$$

Theorem 1.4. (Fundamental Theorem of Calculus.)

Let $f(x)$ be a continuous function on the interval $[a, b]$, and let $F(x)$ be the antiderivative of $f(x)$. Then

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = F(x)|_a^b = F(b) - F(a)$$

Theorem 1.5. (Integration by parts.)

Let $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ be continuous functions. Then

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

Where $F(x) = \int f(x)dx$ is the antiderivative of $f(x)$. For definite integrals,

$$\int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx = F(b)g(b) - F(a)g(a) - \int_a^b F(x)g'(x)dx$$

Theorem 1.6. (Integration by substitution.)

Let $f(x)$ be an integrable function. Assume that $g(u)$ is an invertible and continuously differentiable function. The substitution $x = g(u)$ changes the integration variable from x to u as follows:

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

For definite integrals,

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = \int_{g^{-1}(a)}^{g^{-1}(b)} f(g(u))g'(u)du$$

Examples:

$$\int \ln(1+x)dx = \int \ln(1+x) 1 dx$$

Apply the Integral by parts formula:

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

With

$$f(x) = 1$$

$$F(x) = x$$

$$g(x) = \ln(1+x)$$

$$g'(x) = \frac{1}{1+x}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\int \ln(1+x)dx &= x \ln(1+x) - \int \frac{x}{1+x} dx \\ &= x \ln(1+x) - \int 1 - \frac{1}{1+x} dx \\ &= x \ln(1+x) - \int dx + \int \frac{1}{1+x} dx \\ &= x \ln(1+x) - x + \ln(1+x) + C \\ &= (1+x) \ln(1+x) - x + C\end{aligned}$$

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$$\int_1^3 x e^x dx$$

Apply Integration by parts formula:

$$\int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx = F(x)g(x)|_a^b - \int_a^b F(x)g'(x)dx$$

With

$$a = 1$$

$$b = 3$$

$$f(x) = e^x$$

$$g(x) = x$$

$$F(x) = e^x$$

$$g'(x) = 1$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned}F(x)g(x)|_a^b &= x e^x \Big|_1^3 \\ &= 3e^3 - e \\ \int_a^b F(x)g'(x)dx &= \int_1^3 e^x dx \\ &= e^x \Big|_1^3 \\ &= e^3 - e\end{aligned}$$

$$\int_1^3 x e^x dx = (3e^3 - e) - (e^3 - e) = 2e^3$$

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$$\int x^2 \ln(x) dx$$

Apply Integration by parts formula:

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

With

$$f(x) = x^2$$

$$g(x) = \ln(x)$$

$$F(x) = \frac{x^3}{3}$$

$$g'(x) = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$\begin{aligned} F(x)g(x) &= \frac{x^3}{3} \cdot \ln(x) \\ &= \frac{x^3 \ln(x)}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int F(x)g'(x)dx &= \int \frac{x^3}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{x} \cdot dx \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \int x^2 dx \\ &= \frac{1}{9} x^3 + C \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int x^2 \ln(x) dx &= \frac{x^3 \ln(x)}{3} - \frac{1}{9} x^3 - C \\ &= \frac{x^3}{3} \left(\ln(x) - \frac{1}{3} \right) - C \end{aligned}$$

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$$\int \frac{e^{\sqrt{x}}}{\sqrt{x}} dx$$

Apply integration by substitution formula:

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

With

$$u = \sqrt{x}$$

$$du = (\sqrt{x})' dx = \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x}}$$

$$\int \frac{e^{\sqrt{x}}}{\sqrt{x}} dx = \int e^u du = e^u + C = e^{\sqrt{x}} + C$$

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$$\int_{-1}^0 x^2(x^3 - 1)^4 dx$$

Let

$$u = x^3 - 1 \quad du = 3x^2 dx$$

Then with

$$\begin{aligned} x = -1 & \quad u = -2 \\ x = 0 & \quad u = -1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-1}^0 x^2(x^3 - 1)^4 dx &= \frac{1}{3} \int_{-1}^0 (x^3 - 1)^4 3x^2 dx \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \int_{-2}^{-1} u^4 du \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \frac{u^5}{5} \Big|_{-2}^{-1} \\ &= \frac{1}{15} u^5 \Big|_{-2}^{-1} \\ &= \frac{1}{15} ((-1)^5 - (-2)^5) \\ &= \frac{31}{15} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\int \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{e^x - e^{-x}} dx$$

Let

$$\begin{aligned} u &= e^x - e^{-x} \\ du &= (e^x - e^{-x})' dx = (e^x + e^{-x}) dx \\ \int \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{e^x - e^{-x}} dx &= \int \frac{1}{u} du \\ &= \ln(u) + C \\ &= \ln(e^x - e^{-x}) + C \end{aligned}$$