

## Calculus II

# Integrals of the form $\int \sin^n x \cos^m x dx$ , theory

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

When  $n$  – odd:  
 $\cos x dx$   
 $= d(\sin x)$

Express  $\cos x$   
 via  $\sin x$

Set  $\sin x = u$

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

When  $m$  – odd:  
 $\sin x dx$   
 $= d(-\cos x)$

Express  $\sin x$   
 via  $\cos x$

Set  $\cos x = u$

If both  $m, n$  – even, use  $\left| \begin{array}{l} \sin^2 x = \frac{1 - \cos(2x)}{2} \\ \cos^2 x = \frac{\cos(2x) + 1}{2} \end{array} \right.$  and substitute  $s = 2x$  to lower trig powers. Repeat above considerations.