



Integration IV

Handout #18

Integration Techniques

Integration of functions that require more than one integration method:

1. Substitution and partial fractions:

Example1

$$\int \frac{dx}{\cos^2 x (\tan^2 x + 6 \tan x + 8)}, \quad u = \tan x, \quad du = dx / \cos^2 x$$

$$= \int \frac{du}{u^2 + 6u + 8}, \quad \frac{1}{u^2 + 6u + 8} = \frac{a}{u + 2} + \frac{b}{u + 4}$$

$$1 = a(u + 4) + b(u + 2) \Rightarrow a = \frac{1}{2}, \quad b = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\int \frac{du}{u^2 + 6u + 8} = \frac{1}{2} \ln |u + 2| - \frac{1}{2} \ln |u + 4| + C = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left| \frac{u + 2}{u + 4} \right| + C$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \ln \left| \frac{\tan x + 2}{\tan x + 4} \right| + C$$

Example2

$$\int \frac{dx}{x^{1/2} - x^{3/2}} = \int \frac{dx}{x^{1/2}(1 - x)} = \int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x}(1 - \sqrt{x})(1 + \sqrt{x})}$$

$$u = \sqrt{x} \Rightarrow du = \frac{dx}{2\sqrt{x}}$$

$$= 2 \int \frac{du}{(1 - u)(1 + u)}, \quad \frac{1}{(1 - u)(1 + u)} = \frac{a}{1 - u} + \frac{b}{1 + u}$$

$$1 = a(1 - u) + b(1 + u) \Rightarrow a = \frac{1}{2}, \quad b = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$2 \int \frac{du}{(1 - u)(1 + u)} = 2 \left[-\frac{1}{2} \ln |1 - u| + \frac{1}{2} \ln |1 + u| \right] + C$$

$$2 \left[\frac{1}{2} \ln \left| \frac{1 + u}{1 - u} \right| \right] + C = \ln \left| \frac{1 + u}{1 - u} \right| + C = \ln \left| \frac{1 + \sqrt{x}}{1 - \sqrt{x}} \right| + C$$



Example3

$$\int \frac{dx}{e^x - e^{-x}} = \int \frac{dx}{e^x - \frac{1}{e^x}} = \int \frac{e^x dx}{e^{2x} - 1}, \quad u = e^x, \quad du = e^x dx$$

$$= \int \frac{du}{u^2 - 1}, \quad \frac{1}{(u-1)(u+1)} = \frac{a}{u-1} + \frac{b}{u+1}$$

$$1 = a(u-1) + b(u+1) \Rightarrow a = -\frac{1}{2}, \quad b = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\int \frac{du}{u^2 - 1} = -\frac{1}{2} \ln|u-1| + \frac{1}{2} \ln|u+1| + C = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left| \frac{u+1}{u-1} \right| + C = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left| \frac{e^x + 1}{e^x - 1} \right| + C$$

2. Substitution and by parts:

$$\int x^5 e^{x^3} dx, \quad u = x^3 + 1 \Rightarrow du = 3x^2 dx \Rightarrow dx = \frac{du}{3x^2}$$

$$\int x^5 e^{x^3} dx = \int x^5 e^u \frac{du}{3x^2} = \frac{1}{3} \int x^3 e^u du \quad \text{But } u = x^3,$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \int u e^u du = u e^u - e^u + C \quad (\text{By Parts}) = \frac{1}{3} (x^3 e^{x^3} - e^{x^3}) + C$$

3. Getting the original integral when using by parts method:

$$\int e^x \sin x dx, \text{ by parts}$$

$$\text{Let } u = \sin x \Rightarrow du = \cos x dx$$

$$\text{Let } dv = e^x dx \Rightarrow v = e^x$$

$$\int e^x \sin x dx = e^x \sin x - \int e^x \cos x dx \quad \leftarrow$$

$$\int e^x \cos x dx \text{ by parts again :}$$

$$u = \cos x \Rightarrow du = -\sin x dx$$

$$dv = e^x dx \Rightarrow v = e^x$$

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

$$\int e^x \sin x dx = e^x \sin x - e^x \cos x - \int e^x \sin x dx$$

We reached the original integral, it is useless to do it by parts again, instead we solve it as an equation in the original integral:

$$\int e^x \sin x dx = e^x \sin x - e^x \cos x - \int e^x \sin x dx; \text{ Let } I = \int e^x \sin x dx$$

$$I = e^x \sin x - e^x \cos x - I \Rightarrow 2I = e^x \sin x - e^x \cos x$$

$$\Rightarrow I = \frac{1}{2} (e^x \sin x - e^x \cos x) = \frac{1}{2} e^x (\sin x - \cos x) + C$$

Exercise : $\int \cos(\ln x) dx$