

Problem 1 Find the following integrals.

$$(a) \int 3x^3 + 4x^2 - 2x + 7 \, dx$$

Solution: $\frac{3}{4}x^4 - \frac{4}{3}x^3 - x^2 + 7x + C$

$$(b) \int \frac{1}{x} + e^x + 2^x + \sqrt{x} \, dx$$

Solution: $\ln|x| + e^x + \frac{2^x}{\ln(2)} + \frac{2}{3}x^{\frac{3}{2}} + C$

$$(c) \int \sin(\theta) + \cos(\theta) + \tan(\theta) + \sec(\theta) \, d\theta$$

Solution: $-\cos(\theta) + \sin(\theta) + \ln|\sec(\theta)| + \ln|\sec(\theta) + \tan(\theta)| + C$

$$(d) \int \sec^2(t) + \sec(t) \tan(t) + \frac{1}{1+t^2} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-t^2}} \, dt$$

Solution: $\arctan(t) + \arcsin(t) + \tan(t) + \sec(t) + C$

Problem 2 Find the following integrals.

$$(a) \int 3x^2 \cos(x^3) \, dx$$

Solution: Using the substitution $u = x^3$ with $du = 3x^2 \, dx$ we find:

$$\int 3x^2 \cos(x^3) \, dx = \cos(u) \, du = \sin(u) + C = \sin(x^3) + C$$

$$(b) \int 4\theta \cos(3\theta) \, d\theta$$

Solution: We use integration by parts with $u = 4\theta$, $du = 4d\theta$, $v = \frac{1}{3}\sin(3\theta)$, and $dv = \cos(3\theta) dx$. Thus:

$$\begin{aligned}\int 4\theta \cos(3\theta) d\theta &= (4\theta) \left(\frac{1}{3} \sin(3\theta) \right) - \int \frac{4}{3} \sin(3\theta) d\theta \\ &= \frac{4\theta}{3} \sin(3\theta) - \frac{4}{3} \left(-\frac{1}{3} \cos(3\theta) \right) + C \\ &= \frac{4\theta}{3} \sin(3\theta) + \frac{4}{9} \cos(3\theta) + C\end{aligned}$$

$$(c) \int \tan^2(\theta) \sec^2(\theta) d\theta$$

Solution: Using the substitution $u = \tan(\theta)$ with $du = \sec^2(\theta)d\theta$ we find:

$$\int \tan^2(\theta) \sec^2(\theta) d\theta = \int u^2 du = \frac{1}{3}u^3 + C = \frac{1}{3} \tan^3(\theta) + C$$

Problem 3 Find the following integrals.

$$(a) \int \frac{\ln(\ln(x))}{x} dx$$

Solution: Using the substitution $z = \ln(x)$ with $dz = \frac{1}{x} dx$ we find:

$$\int \frac{\ln(\ln(x))}{x} dx = \int \ln(z) dz$$

Then, we apply integration by parts with $u = \ln(z)$, $du = \frac{1}{z} dz$, $v = z$ and $dv = dz$:

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

$$(b) \int x^2 e^x dx$$

Solution: We apply integration by parts twice. First, with $u = x^2$, $du = 2x dx$, $v = e^x$ and $dv = e^x dx$:

$$\begin{aligned}\int x^2 e^x dx &= (x^2)(e^x) - \int e^x 2x dx \\ &= x^2 e^x - 2 \int x e^x dx\end{aligned}$$

then with $u = x$, $du = dx$, $v = e^x$ and $dv = e^x dx$:

$$\begin{aligned} &= -x^2 e^x - 2 \left(x e^x - \int e^x dx \right) \\ &= -x^2 e^x - 2(x e^x - e^x) + C \\ &= (x^2 - 2x + 2)e^x + C \end{aligned}$$

$$(c) \int \frac{1}{e^x + e^{-x}} dx$$

Solution: We use the substitution $u = e^x$ with $du = e^x dx$. Note that $dx = \frac{du}{e^x} = \frac{du}{u}$. Thus:

$$\int \frac{1}{e^x + e^{-x}} dx = \int \left(\frac{1}{u + u^{-1}} \right) \frac{1}{u} du = \int \left(\frac{1}{u^2 + 1} \right) du = \arctan(u) + C = \arctan(e^x) + C$$

Problem 4 Find $\int \frac{\sqrt{9x^2 - 4}}{x} dx$ for $|x| > 2/3$.

Solution: We build a right triangle with adjacent 2, hypotenuse $3x$, and opposite $\sqrt{9x^2 - 4}$. Note:

$$\sec(\theta) = \frac{3x}{2} \quad \sec(\theta) \tan(\theta) d\theta = \frac{3}{2} dx \quad \tan(\theta) = \frac{\sqrt{9x^2 - 4}}{2},$$

thus

$$x = \frac{2}{3} \sec(\theta) \quad dx = \frac{2}{3} \sec(\theta) \tan(\theta) d\theta \quad \sqrt{9x^2 - 4} = 2 \tan(\theta).$$

We apply this substitution:

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{\sqrt{9x^2 - 4}}{x} dx &= \int \frac{2 \tan(\theta) \frac{2}{3} \sec(\theta) \tan(\theta) d\theta}{\frac{2}{3} \sec(\theta) \frac{2}{3}} \\ &= 2 \int \tan^2(\theta) d\theta \\ &= 2 \int (\sec^2(\theta) - 1) d\theta \\ &= 2(\tan(\theta) - \theta) + C \\ &= \sqrt{9x^2 - 4} - 2 \operatorname{arcsec}\left(\frac{3x}{2}\right) + C \end{aligned}$$

Comments: Don't forget that dx needs to be replaced with $\frac{2}{3} \sec(\theta) \tan(\theta) d\theta$. This was the most common error.

Problem 5 Find the following integrals.

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

Solution: We find the partial fraction decomposition. Since $x^2 - 3x + 2 = (x - 1)(x - 2)$ we want to find A, B so that

$$\frac{1}{x^2 - 3x + 2} = \frac{A}{x - 1} + \frac{B}{x - 2}$$

Putting both sides over a common denominator we want

$$1 = A(x - 1) + B(x - 2) = (A + B)x + (-2A - B).$$

Thus we obtain the system $A + B = 0$, $-A - 2B = 1$, which has solution $A = -1$, $B = 1$. Thus

$$\int \frac{1}{x^2 - 3x + 2} dx = \int \frac{-1}{x - 1} dx + \int \frac{1}{x - 2} dx = -\ln|x - 1| + \ln|x - 2| + C$$

$$(b) \int \frac{x}{x^2 + 6x + 10} dx$$

Solution: Completing the square we find $x^2 + 6x + 10 = (x + 3)^2 + 1$. This suggests the substitution $u = x + 3$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{x}{x^2 + 6x + 10} dx &= \int \frac{(x + 3) - 3}{(x + 3)^2 + 1} dx \\ &= \int \frac{u - 3}{u^2 + 1} du \\ &= \int \frac{u}{u^2 + 1} du - 3 \int \frac{1}{u^2 + 1} du \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \ln(u^2 + 1) - 3 \arctan(u) + C \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \ln(x^2 + 6x + 10) - 3 \arctan(x + 3) + C \end{aligned}$$

Comments: I was pleased by how many students knew to complete the square. Unfortunately, there was confusion about what to do afterwards.

Problem 6 Find the integral $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{5}{9x^2 + 16} dx$.

Solution: First, let us consider the indefinite integral.

$$\begin{aligned}\int \frac{5}{9x^2 + 16} dx &= \frac{5}{9} \int \frac{1}{x^2 + \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^2} dx \\ &= \frac{5}{9} \left(\frac{3}{4} \arctan \left(\frac{3x}{4} \right) \right) + C \\ &= \frac{5}{12} \arctan \left(\frac{3x}{4} \right) + C\end{aligned}$$

Now we return to the definite integral. We break the integral into two separate improper integrals:

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{5}{9x^2 + 16} dx &= \int_{-\infty}^0 \frac{5}{9x^2 + 16} dx + \int_0^{\infty} \frac{5}{9x^2 + 16} dx \\ &= \lim_{a \rightarrow -\infty} \int_a^0 \frac{5}{9x^2 + 16} dx + \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^b \frac{5}{9x^2 + 16} dx \\ &= \lim_{a \rightarrow -\infty} \left[\frac{5}{12} \arctan \left(\frac{3x}{4} \right) \right]_a^0 + \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{5}{12} \arctan \left(\frac{3x}{4} \right) \right]_0^b \\ &= \frac{5}{12} \arctan(0) - \frac{5}{12} \lim_{a \rightarrow -\infty} \arctan \left(\frac{3a}{4} \right) + \frac{5}{12} \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \arctan \left(\frac{3b}{4} \right) - \frac{5}{12} \arctan(0) \\ &= 0 - \frac{5}{12} \left(-\frac{\pi}{2} \right) + \frac{5}{12} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \right) - 0 = \frac{5\pi}{12}\end{aligned}$$

Comments: Expressions like $\arctan(\infty)$ don't really make sense. I know what you mean, but you're going to end up making errors if you start using ∞ as a "number." An alternate approach to the integral is to do $\lim_{a \rightarrow -\infty} \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^b \frac{5}{9x^2 + 16} dx$ instead. This will also work, but you *cannot* use the same variable for both the lower and upper bounds: it will give you the wrong answer in many cases.