

## The indefinite integral

### ■ Integrating irrational functions

Integration of irrational functions, examples

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$$\text{Integrals of the form } \int R \left[ x, \left( \frac{ax+b}{cx+d} \right)^{\frac{p_1}{q_1}}, \left( \frac{ax+b}{cx+d} \right)^{\frac{p_2}{q_2}}, \dots \right] dx$$

where,  $R$  is a rational function and,  $p_1, q_1, p_2, q_2, \dots$  are integers,

we can solve using substitution  $\frac{ax+b}{cx+d} = z^n$ ,

where the power  $n$  is the least common multiple of  $q_1, q_2, \dots$

$$\text{Integration of irrational functions of the form } \int \frac{P_n(x)}{\sqrt{ax^2+bx+c}} dx,$$

where  $P_n(x)$  is an  $n$ -th degree polynomial.

$$\text{Set } \int \frac{P_n(x)}{\sqrt{ax^2+bx+c}} dx = Q_{n-1}(x) \cdot \sqrt{ax^2+bx+c} + \lambda \int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{ax^2+bx+c}},$$

where  $Q_{n-1}(x)$  is an  $(n-1)$ -th degree polynomial of undetermined coefficients and  $\lambda$  is a constant.

Coefficients of the polynomial  $Q$  and the constant  $\lambda$  we obtain by deriving the above identity.

$$\text{Integration of irrational functions of the form } \int \frac{dx}{(x-\alpha)^n \sqrt{ax^2+bx+c}}.$$

Given integral can be solved using the substitution  $x - \alpha = 1/t$ .

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Integrals of the form  $\int R(x, \sqrt{ax^2 + bx + c}) dx$ .

Euler's substitutions

Integrating irrational functions using Euler's substitutions examples

Integrals of the form  $\int R(x, \sqrt{ax^2 + bx + c}) dx$ .

Euler's substitutions

1.  $\sqrt{ax^2 + bx + c} = t \pm \sqrt{a}x, a > 0,$
2.  $\sqrt{ax^2 + bx + c} = \sqrt{a(x-x_1)(x-x_2)} = t(x-x_1) = t(x-x_2),$
3.  $\sqrt{ax^2 + bx + c} = tx \pm \sqrt{c}, c > 0.$

## Binomial integral

Integral of the form

$$\int x^m (a + bx^n)^p dx$$

is called the binomial integral where,  $a$  and  $b$  are real numbers while  $m, n$  and  $p$  are rational numbers.

If  $m, n$  and  $p$  all are integers then the integrand is a rational function integration of which is shown above.

There are only three cases the binomial integral can be solved by elementary functions:

1. if  $m$  and  $n$  are fractions and  $p$  is an integer then, the integral can be solved using substitution  $x = t^s$ , where  $s$  is the least common denominator of  $m$  and  $n$ .
2. if  $p$  is a fraction and  $(m+1)/n$  is an integer, then the integral can be solved using substitution  $a + bx^n = t^s$ , where  $s$  is denominator of  $p$ .
3. if  $p$  is a fraction and  $(m+1)/n + p$  is an integer then, the integral can be solved using substitution  $ax^{-n} + b = t^s$ , where  $s$  is denominator of  $p$ .

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### ■ Trigonometric integrals

Trigonometric integrals of the form  $\int \sin^m x, \cos^n x dx$

Integrals of the rational functions containing sine and cosine,  $\int R(\sin x, \cos x) dx$

Trigonometric integrals of the form

$$\int \sin^m x, \cos^n x dx$$

where  $m$  and  $n$  are integers, we use the following substitutions;

- 1) if  $m$  is a positive odd integer then,  $\cos x = t$
- 2) if  $n$  is a positive odd integer then,  $\sin x = t$
- 3) if  $m + n$  is a negative even integer then,

$$\tan x = t \quad \text{or} \quad x = \tan^{-1} t, \quad dx = \frac{dt}{1+t^2}, \quad \sin x = \frac{t}{\sqrt{1+t^2}} \quad \text{and} \quad \cos x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+t^2}}.$$

If  $m$  and  $n$  are positive even integers then the integrand expression can be transformed using the following trigonometric identities,

$$\sin^2 x = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos 2x), \quad \cos^2 x = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \cos 2x) \quad \text{and} \quad \sin x \cos x = \frac{1}{2} \sin 2x.$$

Trigonometric integrals of the form

$$\int \sin(mx) \sin(nx) dx, \quad \int \sin(mx) \cos(nx) dx, \quad \int \cos(mx) \cos(nx) dx,$$

in these cases we use the following product to sum formulas,

- 1)  $\sin mx \sin nx = \frac{1}{2} [\cos(m-n)x - \cos(m+n)x],$
- 2)  $\sin mx \cos nx = \frac{1}{2} [\sin(m-n)x + \sin(m+n)x],$
- 3)  $\cos mx \cos nx = \frac{1}{2} [\cos(m-n)x + \cos(m+n)x].$