

7:11a Integration – Substitution Rule

Basic Integration

Evaluate the following expressions.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } \int (\sin x) dx \\ = -\cos x + C \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b) } \int (e^x) dx \\ = e^x + C \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{c) } \int \left(3x^2 + \frac{1}{x}\right) dx \\ = x^3 + \ln x + C \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{d) } \int \left(3 \frac{1}{\cos^2 x}\right) dx \\ = 3 \tan x + C \end{aligned}$$

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Consider the following ...

Differentiate $y = \sqrt{x^2 + 1}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} \sqrt{x^2 + 1} &= \frac{d}{dx} (x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (x^2 + 1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} (2x) \\ &= x(x^2 + 1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the anti-derivative of $y = x(x^2 + 1)^{-1/2}$ is

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

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Substitution Rule

What we are interested in doing now is how to “undo” the chain rule differentiation rule.

We know that $\frac{d}{dx}F(g(x)) = F'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x)$
Chain Rule

Then, $\int [F'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x)] dx = F(g(x)) + C$

Undoing the chain rule.

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Instead of using $g(x)$, let us substitute $u = g(x)$.

If $u = g(x)$, $g'(x) = \frac{du}{dx}$

Then $\int [F'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x)] dx = F(g(x)) + C$

Becomes $\int \left[F'(u) \frac{du}{dx} \right] dx = F(u) + C$

$$\int [F'(u) du] = F(u) + C$$

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Example 1

Evaluate $\int [(x^3 + 3)^4 (3x^2)] dx$

We need to find a $g(x)$ such that we can substitute
 $g(x) = u$ and $g'(x) = \frac{du}{dx}$.

We see that if $u = x^3 + 3$ then $\frac{du}{dx} = 3x^2$

$$\text{or } du = 3x^2 dx$$

$$\int \left[\underbrace{(x^3 + 3)^4}_u \underbrace{(3x^2)}_{du} \right] dx$$

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$$\int \left[\underbrace{(x^3 + 3)^4}_u \underbrace{(3x^2)}_{du} \right] dx$$

The substitution yields $\int u^4 du$

$$\int u^4 du = \frac{u^5}{5} + C$$

Replacing $u = x^3 + 3$,

$$\int [(x^3 + 3)^4 (3x^2)] dx = \frac{(x^3 + 3)^5}{5} + C$$