

Goal: To evaluate integrals of the form $\int \sin^m x \cos^n x dx$.

1. $\int \sin x \cos^4 x dx$

$$\boxed{u = \cos x} \\ \boxed{du = -\sin x dx} \Rightarrow (-1)du = \sin x dx$$

$$= \int u^4 (-1) du$$

$$= -\frac{1}{5} u^5 + C = -\frac{1}{5} \cos^5 x + C$$

2. $\int \sin^3 x dx$

(Hint: Use the identity $\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1$, then do a u -substitution.)

$$\hookrightarrow \sin^2 x = 1 - \cos^2 x$$

$$= \int \sin^2 x \cdot \sin x dx$$

$$= \int (1 - \cos^2 x) \cdot \sin x dx$$

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$$= \int (1 - u^2) (-1) du$$

$$= \int u^2 - 1 du = \frac{1}{3} u^3 - u + C = \frac{1}{3} \cos^3 x - \cos x + C$$

3. $\int \sin^5 x \cos^2 x dx$

(Hint: write $\sin^5 x = (\sin^2 x)^2 \sin x$.)

$$= \int (\sin^2 x)^2 \cdot \sin x \cdot \cos^2 x dx$$

$$= \int (1 - \cos^2 x)^2 \cdot \sin x \cdot \cos^2 x dx$$

$$\boxed{u = \cos x} \\ \boxed{du = -\sin x dx}$$

$$= \int (1 - u^2)^2 \cdot u^2 \cdot (-1) du$$

$$= -\int (1 - 2u^2 + u^4) u^2 du = -\int u^2 - 2u^4 + u^6 du$$

$$= -\left(\frac{1}{3} u^3 - \frac{2}{5} u^5 + \frac{1}{7} u^7\right) + C = -\frac{1}{3} \cos^3 x + \frac{2}{5} \cos^5 x - \frac{1}{7} \cos^7 x + C$$

4. Use the same strategy as the previous problem. (The algebra gets hairy, so stop once you do the substitution.)

$$\begin{aligned}\int \sin^7 x \cos^4 x \, dx &= \int (\sin^2 x)^3 \cdot \sin x \cdot \cos^4 x \, dx \\ &= \int (1 - \cos^2 x)^3 \cdot \sin x \cdot \cos^4 x \, dx \\ &= \int \underbrace{(1 - u^2)^3} \cdot u^4 \cdot (-1) \, du\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} u = \cos x \\ du = -\sin x \, dx \end{array}$$

to finish, expand this out

5. Describe your strategy to evaluate any integral of the form $\int \sin^m x \cos^n x \, dx$ where m is odd.

Save one copy of $\sin x$ (for du) and convert the remaining even power of sines to cosines.
Use $u = \cos x$ (so $-1)du = \sin x \, dx$.)

6. The same type of trick works if the power on $\cos x$ is odd. What trig identity and u -sub would you use to evaluate the following integral?

$$\begin{aligned}\int \sin^2 x \cos^3 x \, dx &= \int \sin^2 x \cdot \cos^2 x \cdot \cos x \, dx \\ &= \int \sin^2 x \cdot (1 - \sin^2 x) \cdot \cos x \, dx \\ &= \int u^2 (1 - u^2) \, du\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} u = \sin x \\ du = \cos x \, dx \end{array}$$

Use $\cos^2 x = 1 - \sin^2 x$ and $u = \sin x$.

7. Describe your strategy to evaluate any integral of the form $\int \sin^m x \cos^n x \, dx$ where n is odd.

Save one copy of $\cos x$ (for du) and convert the remaining even power of cosines into sines.
Use $u = \sin x$ (so $du = \cos x \, dx$).

If you don't have an odd power of $\sin x$ or $\cos x$, the previous strategies don't work.

8. Evaluate $\int \sin^2 x \, dx$ using the following strategies.

(a) Use the identity $\sin^2 x = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos(2x))$.

$$\begin{aligned}\int \sin^2 x \, dx &= \int \frac{1}{2} (1 - \cos(2x)) \, dx = \frac{1}{2} \int 1 - \cos(2x) \, dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(x - \frac{1}{2} \sin(2x) \right) + C \\ &= \frac{1}{2} x - \frac{1}{4} \sin(2x) + C\end{aligned}$$

(b) Integrate by parts using $\boxed{u = \sin x \text{ and } dv = \sin x \, dx.} \Rightarrow du = \cos x \, dx \text{ and } v = -\cos x$

$$\begin{aligned}\int \sin^2 x \, dx &= \sin x (-\cos x) - \int -\cos x \cdot \cos x \, dx \\ &= -\sin x \cos x + \int \cos^2 x \, dx\end{aligned}$$

$$= -\sin x \cos x + \int 1 - \sin^2 x \, dx$$

$$\begin{aligned}\int \sin^2 x \, dx &= -\sin x \cos x + x - \int \sin^2 x \, dx \\ + \int \sin^2 x \, dx &\quad + \int \sin^2 x \, dx\end{aligned}$$

$$2 \int \sin^2 x \, dx = -\sin x \cos x + x + C$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \sin^2 x \, dx = -\frac{1}{2} \sin x \cos x + \frac{1}{2} x + C$$

(c) Use a trig identity to show that your answers from part (a) and (b) are the same!

$$\sin(2x) = 2 \sin x \cos x \quad \text{so}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{2} x - \frac{1}{4} \sin(2x) + C &= \frac{1}{2} x - \frac{1}{4} (2 \sin x \cos x) + C \\ &= \frac{1}{2} x - \frac{1}{2} \sin x \cos x + C\end{aligned}$$

9. How would you integrate $\int \cos^2 x \, dx$? What about $\int \cos^4 x \, dx$ or $\int \sin^2 x \cos^2 x \, dx$?

Use the "power reducing identities"

$$\sin^2 x = \frac{1}{2} (1 - \cos(2x))$$

$$\cos^2 x = \frac{1}{2} (1 + \cos(2x))$$

For example,

$$\int \sin^2 x \cos^2 x \, dx = \int \frac{1}{2} (1 - \cos(2x)) \cdot \frac{1}{2} (1 + \cos(2x)) \, dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \int (1 - \cos(2x))(1 + \cos(2x)) \, dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \int 1 - \cos^2(2x) \, dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \int 1 \, dx - \frac{1}{4} \int \cos^2(2x) \, dx$$

use the identity again!

$$= \frac{1}{4} x - \frac{1}{4} \int \frac{1}{2} (1 + \cos(2(2x))) \, dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} x - \frac{1}{8} \int 1 + \cos(4x) \, dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} x - \frac{1}{8} \left(x + \frac{1}{4} \sin(4x) \right) + C$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} x - \frac{1}{32} \sin(4x) + C$$