

Class 33: 4/30/14 Section 7.2 I

Last class, we learned that given an integral (definite or indefinite) of the form

$$\int f(g(x))g'(x)dx,$$

one can evaluate or solve the integral via a substitution $u = g(x)$, $du = g'(x)dx$, so that

$$\int \underbrace{f(g(x))}_{du} \underbrace{g'(x)dx}_{du} = \int f(u)du$$

allowing for possible easier interpretation

This is called the Substitution Method or u -Substitution.

Since it comes from the chain Rule for diff, one can also call it the

Anti Chain Rule.

ex. Find the antiderivative of $6x \cos(3x^2+1)$.

Here we seek to evaluate $\int 6x \cos(3x^2+1) dx$, or

$\int \cos(3x^2+1) 6x dx$. Try the substitution $u = 3x^2+1$
 $du = 6x dx$

(The inside function of the composition in the integrand).

$$\text{Then } \int \underbrace{\cos(3x^2+1)}_u \underbrace{6x dx}_{du} = \int \cos(u) du = \sin u + C = \sin(3x^2+1) + C.$$

ex. Find $\int_0^{\pi/2} 3 \sin^2 x \cos x dx$.

Here, let $u = \sin x$, $du = \cos x dx$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \int 3 \sin^2 x \cos x dx &= \int 3 \underbrace{(\sin x)^2}_u \underbrace{\cos x dx}_{du} = \int 3u^2 du \\ &= u^3 + C = \sin^3 x + C \end{aligned}$$

Thus the antiderivative is $\sin^3 x + C$. Hence

$$\int_0^{\pi/2} 3 \sin^2 x \cos x dx = \sin^3 x \Big|_0^{\pi/2} = \sin^3 \frac{\pi}{2} - \sin^3 0 = 1 - 0 = 1.$$

Notes ① One could also change the limits of integration according to the u-substitution. Then there is no need to "go back to" x.

ex In the last problem, $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} 3\sin^2 x \cos x dx$, let $u = \sin x$, $du = \cos x dx$, and when $x=0$, $u = \sin 0 = 0$
 $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$, $u = \sin \frac{\pi}{2} = 1$.

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} 3\sin^2 x \cos x dx = \int_0^1 3u^2 du = u^3 \Big|_0^1 = 1^3 - 0^3 = 1. \quad \square$$

② Constants can be factored in to make the substitution easier:

ex. $\int x e^{x^2} dx$ $\frac{u = x^2}{du = 2x dx}$ or $\frac{1}{2} du = x dx$ $\int \frac{1}{2} e^u du = \frac{1}{2} \int e^u du = \frac{1}{2} e^u + c = \frac{1}{2} e^{x^2} + c$

③ The substitution can also help to clean up any leftover parts of the integrand:

ex. Find $\int_0^{\sqrt{3}} x^3 \sqrt{x^2+1} dx$.

Here, the composition $\sqrt{x^2+1}$ indicates the u -substitution is $u=x^2+1$, $du=2x dx$, and when $x=0$, $u=0^2+1=1$, and $x=\sqrt{3}$, $u=(\sqrt{3})^2+1=4$.

A straightforward substitution yields the partial

result:

$$\int_0^{\sqrt{3}} x^3 \sqrt{x^2+1} dx = \int_0^{\sqrt{3}} \underbrace{x^2}_{\frac{u-1}{2}} \underbrace{\sqrt{x^2+1}}_u \underbrace{x dx}_{\frac{du}{2}} = \int_1^4 \frac{x^2 \sqrt{u} du}{2}$$

We are not done, as we need to render the remaining x^2 part as a function of u :

Here since $u=x^2+1$, $x^2=u-1$, and

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_1^4 x^2 \sqrt{u} du = \frac{1}{2} \int_1^4 (u-1) \sqrt{u} du = \frac{1}{2} \int_1^4 (u^{3/2} - u^{1/2}) du$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{5} u^{5/2} - \frac{2}{3} u^{3/2} \right) \Big|_1^4 = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{5} (4)^{5/2} - \frac{2}{3} (4)^{3/2} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{5} (1)^{5/2} - \frac{2}{3} (1)^{3/2} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{5} (32) - \frac{2}{3} (8) \right) - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{5} - \frac{2}{3} \right) = \dots \quad \square$$

Yet another Anti-Diff Rule.

Recall the Product Rule for Differentiation.

$$\frac{d}{dx}[f(x)g(x)] = f'(x)g(x) + f(x)g'(x).$$

Rewrite this as

$$(*) \quad f(x)g'(x) = \frac{d}{dx}[f(x)g(x)] - f'(x)g(x).$$

Note: (a) If 2 functions are equal, so are their derivatives.

(b) If 2 fns are equal, so are their antiderivatives, only up to a constant !!!

Hence we can integrate the above equation (*) to get

$$\int \underbrace{f(x)}_u \underbrace{g'(x) dx}_{dv} = \int \underbrace{\frac{d}{dx}}_{uv} \underbrace{[f(x)g(x)]}_{uv} dx - \int \underbrace{g(x)}_v \underbrace{f'(x) dx}_{du}.$$

Or, in simpler terms, given the double substitution

$$u = f(x), \quad du = f'(x) dx,$$

$$v = g(x), \quad dv = g'(x) dx,$$

we set $\int u dv = uv - \int v du,$

a shorthand way to view this equation.

This is a new possible way to evaluate an integral that is a product of functions; by replacing it with a different, hopefully easier to handle, ~~any~~ integral.

This replacement is called Integration by Parts

It comes from the Product Rule. I call it

the Anti-Product Rule.