

MATH 2D Prep: Integration Techniques

Facts to Know:

1. Substitution Rule:

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet \int_a^b f(g(x))g'(x)dx &= \int_{x=a}^b f(u)du = \int_{g(a)}^{g(b)} f(u)du & x=a \quad u=g(a) \\ \bullet u &= g(x) \quad du = g'(x)dx \quad \left(\frac{du}{dx} = g'(x) \right) & x=b \quad u=g(b) \end{aligned}$$

2. Integration by part:

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet \int_a^b f(x)g'(x)dx &= \int_a^b u dv = uv \Big|_a^b - \int_a^b v du = f(x)g(x) \Big|_a^b - \int_a^b g(x)f'(x)dx \\ \bullet u &= f(x) \quad du = f'(x)dx \quad v = g(x) \quad dv = g'(x)dx \end{aligned}$$

Examples:

1. Evaluate $\int_0^{\pi/4} \cos^2(x) \sin(x) dx$

$$u = \cos(x) \quad du = -\sin(x)dx$$

$$x=0, \quad u = \cos(0) = 1$$

$$x=\pi/4, \quad u = \cos(\pi/4) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\pi/4} \cos^2(x) \cdot (-du) &= \int_{x=0}^{\pi/4} u^2 \cdot (-du) = \int_1^{\sqrt{2}/2} -u^2 du = -\frac{u^3}{3} \Big|_1^{\sqrt{2}/2} \\ &= -\frac{1}{3} \left[\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} - 1 \right] = \frac{1}{3} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

2. Evaluate $\int_0^1 x^2 e^x dx$

$$u = x^2 \quad du = 2x dx \quad v = e^x \quad dv = e^x dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 x^2 e^x dx &= \int_0^1 u dv = uv \Big|_0^1 - \int_0^1 v du \\ &= x^2 e^x \Big|_0^1 - \int_0^1 e^x \cdot 2x dx \end{aligned}$$

$$= 1^2 e^1 - 0 - 2 \int_0^1 x e^x dx = e - 2 \int_0^1 x e^x dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 x e^x dx &= \int_0^1 x d(e^x) = x e^x \Big|_0^1 - \int_0^1 e^x dx \quad \left(u=x, v=e^x \right) \\ &= 1 \cdot e^1 - 0 - [e^x]_0^1 = e - 0 - [e - 1] = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^1 x^2 e^x dx = e - 2$$