

MA114 Summer II 2018
Worksheet 3a – Trig Integrals
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Solution

1. Compute the following integrals.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{a) } \int_0^{\pi/2} \cos^3(x) dx &= \int_0^{\pi/2} \cos^2(x) \cos(x) dx \\
 &= \int_0^{\pi/2} (1 - \sin^2(x)) \cos(x) dx && u = \sin(x) \quad du = \cos(x) dx \\
 &= \int_0^1 (1 - u^2) du && x=0: u=0 \quad x=\pi/2: u=1 \\
 &= u - \frac{1}{3}u^3 \Big|_0^1 = \boxed{\frac{2}{3}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{b) } \int \frac{\sin(x)}{\cos^3(x)} dx, \quad u = \cos(x) \quad du = -\sin(x) dx \\
 = \int -\frac{1}{u^3} du = \int -u^{-3} du = \frac{1}{2}u^{-2} + C = \boxed{\frac{1}{2\cos^2(x)} + C}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{c) } \int \sqrt{\cos x} \sin^3(x) dx &= \int \sqrt{\cos(x)} \sin^2(x) \sin(x) dx \\
 &= \int \sqrt{\cos(x)} (1 - \cos^2(x)) \sin(x) dx && u = \cos(x) \quad du = -\sin(x) dx \\
 &= \int -\sqrt{u} (1 - u^2) du \\
 &= \int u^{5/2} - u^{3/2} du \\
 &= \frac{2}{7}u^{7/2} - \frac{2}{3}u^{3/2} + C \\
 &= \boxed{\frac{2}{7}\cos^{7/2}(x) - \frac{2}{3}\cos^{3/2}(x) + C}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{d) } \int_0^{2\pi} \sin^2\left(\frac{1}{3}\theta\right) d\theta &= \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{2} (1 - \cos\left(\frac{2}{3}\theta\right)) d\theta \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\theta - \frac{3}{2} \sin\left(\frac{2}{3}\theta\right) \right] \Big|_0^{2\pi} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[2\pi - \frac{3}{2} \sin\left(\frac{4\pi}{3}\right) - 0 + \frac{3}{2} \sin(0) \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[2\pi + \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{4} \right] \\
 &= \boxed{\pi + \frac{3\sqrt{3}}{8}}
 \end{aligned}$$

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2. Evaluate $\int \sin x \cos x \, dx$ by four methods:

- the substitution $u = \cos x$
- the substitution $u = \sin x$
- the identity $\sin 2x = 2 \sin x \cos x$
- integration by parts.

Explain the different appearances of the answers. How are they related?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } I &= \int -u \, du \\ &= -\frac{1}{2}u^2 + C \\ &= \underline{-\frac{1}{2}\cos^2(x) + C_1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{c) } I &= \frac{1}{2} \int \sin(2x) \, dx \\ &= \underline{-\frac{1}{4} \cos(2x) + C_3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{b) } I &= \int u \, du \\ &= \underline{\frac{1}{2}\sin^2(x) + C_2} \end{aligned}$$

d) Same as a) or b) depending on choice of u, dv .

See [desmos.com/calculator/tb6dyncbts](https://www.desmos.com/calculator/tb6dyncbts)

3. Consider integrating $\sin^m(x) \cos^n(x)$ with respect to x . When are each of the following strategies useful? (Think about whether m and n are even or odd.)

- Save a power of $\cos(x)$, use the Pythagorean identity to convert the others into powers of $\sin(x)$, then substitute $u = \sin(x)$.
- Use the half-angle formulas $\cos^2(x) = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \cos(2x))$ and $\sin^2(x) = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos(2x))$.
- Save a power of $\sin(x)$, use the Pythagorean identity to convert the others into powers of $\cos(x)$, then substitute $u = \cos(x)$.

a) Useful when n is odd (so we can save 1 power of \cos and group the rest into pairs of two).

c) Useful when m is odd (same as a) but for \sin)

b) Useful when both n and m are even.