

Indefinite integrals

Alina Gleska

Institute of Mathematics, Faculty of Electrical Engineering,
Poznań University of Technology, Poland

Indefinite integrals

Until now we were concerned with the basic problem: "Given a function f find its derivative f' ". But now we have an equally important problem: "Given a function f find a function whose derivative is the same as f' ".

Definition

A function F is said to be an **antiderivative** of a function f if $F'(x) = f(x)$ on some interval.

Example

An antiderivative of $f(x) = x^2$ is $F(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^3$ since $F'(x) = x^2$ (but also $F(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^3 + 10$, $F(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^3 - \pi$ and so on).

Theorem

If $G'(x) = F'(x)$ for all x in some interval $[a, b]$, then $G(x) = F(x) + C$, where C is a constant, for all x in the interval.

Definition

For convenience let's introduce a notation for an antiderivative of a function. If $F'(x) = f(x)$, we represent the most general antiderivative of f by

$$\int f(x)dx = F(x) + C.$$

The symbol \int is called **an integral sign**, and the notation $\int f(x)dx$ is called **the indefinite integral** of $f(x)$ with respect to x . The function $f(x)$ is called **the integrand**. The process of finding an antiderivative is called **antidifferentiation** or **integration**. The number C is called **a constant of integration**.

Integrals of Elementary Functions

- ▶ $\int x^\alpha dx = \frac{1}{\alpha+1}x^{\alpha+1} + C$, where $\alpha \neq -1$
- ▶ $\int \frac{1}{x} dx = \ln|x| + C$,
- ▶ $\int a^x dx = \frac{a^x}{\ln(a)} + C \Rightarrow \int e^x dx = e^x + C$,
- ▶ $\int \sin(x) dx = -\cos(x) + C$,
- ▶ $\int \cos(x) dx = \sin(x) + C$,
- ▶ $\int \frac{1}{\cos^2(x)} dx = \tan(x) + C$,
- ▶ $\int \frac{1}{\sin^2(x)} dx = \cot(x) + C$,
- ▶ $\int \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx = \arctan(x) + C$,
- ▶ $\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} dx = \arcsin(x) + C$.

Theorem (Linearity of Indefinite Integrals)

If $F'(x) = f(x)$ and $G'(x) = g(x)$, and a, b are constants, then:

$$\int a \cdot f(x) \pm b \cdot g(x) dx = a \cdot \int f(x) dx \pm b \cdot \int g(x) dx = \\ = a \cdot F(x) \pm b \cdot G(x) + C.$$

Example

▶ $\int (x^3 + \frac{2}{x^2} - 5\sqrt{x} + \frac{7}{\sqrt[5]{x^3}}) dx,$

▶ $\int \frac{x^2-5}{x^2+1} dx,$

▶ $\int \frac{\cos(2x)}{\cos(x)-\sin(x)} dx,$

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

$\int \frac{1+\cos^2(x)}{1+\cos(2x)} dx.$

Theorem (Integration by substitution)

If F is an antiderivative of f , then

$$\int f(g(x))g'(x)dx = F(g(x)) + C.$$

Example

$$1. \int \frac{1}{ax+b} dx = \left| \begin{array}{l} t = ax + b \\ dt = a \cdot dx \end{array} \right| = \int \frac{dt}{a \cdot t} = \frac{1}{a} \ln|t| + C = \frac{1}{a} \ln|ax + b| + C,$$

$$2. \int \frac{f'(x)}{f(x)} dx = \left| \begin{array}{l} t = f(x) \\ dt = f'(x) \cdot dx \end{array} \right| = \int \frac{dt}{t} = \ln|t| + C = \ln|f(x)| + C.$$

Example

Evaluate the integrals: $\int \frac{1}{2x+5} dx$, $\int \frac{2x+5}{x^2+5x+12} dx$, $\int \frac{1}{(7x+13)^{29}} dx$,
 $\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{5x+7}} dx$, $\int x\sqrt{x^2+5} dx$, $\int \frac{x^3}{\sqrt[5]{x^4+3}} dx$, $\int \tan(x) dx$, $\int \cot(x) dx$,
 $\int \sin^5(x) \cos(x) dx$, $\int \sin(7x) dx$, $\int \frac{1}{x^2+25} dx$, $\int \frac{e^x}{1+e^{2x}} dx$, $\int \frac{e^{2x}}{e^x-1} dx$,
 $\int \frac{\cos(x)}{\sqrt{4-9\sin^2(x)}} dx$.

Theorem (Integration by Parts)

If the functions f and g are differentiable in some interval (a, b) then

$$\int f(x)g'(x)dx = f(x)g(x) - \int f'(x)g(x)dx.$$

Example

Evaluate the integrals: $\int x \cdot \cos(x)dx$, $\int \ln(x)dx$, $\int x \cdot \ln(x)dx$, $\int \arctan(x)dx$, $\int e^x \cdot \sin(x)dx$.

Integration of Trigonometric Functions

Example

Evaluate the integrals: $\int \sin(x) dx$, $\int \cos(x) dx$, $\int \frac{1}{\cos^2(x)} dx$,
 $\int \frac{1}{\sin^2(x)} dx$, $\int \sin(x) \cos(x) dx$, $\int \sin^2(x) dx$, $\int \cos^2(x) dx$,
 $\int \sin^2(x) \cos^2(x) dx$, $\int \sin^3(x) dx$, $\int \sin^3(x) \cos^2(x) dx$,
 $\int \sin^2(x) \cos^5(x) dx$, $\int \sin^3(x) \cos^3(x) dx$.

The recurrence formulas:

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

and

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

Example

Evaluate the integrals: $\int \sin^4(x) dx$ and $\int \cos^6(x) dx$.

The reduction formulas:

$$\sin(\alpha) \cos(\beta) = \frac{1}{2}(\sin(\alpha + \beta) + \sin(\alpha - \beta)),$$

$$\cos(\alpha) \cos(\beta) = \frac{1}{2}(\cos(\alpha + \beta) + \cos(\alpha - \beta)),$$

$$\sin(\alpha) \sin(\beta) = -\frac{1}{2}(\cos(\alpha + \beta) - \cos(\alpha - \beta)).$$

Example

Evaluate the integrals: $\int \sin(3x) \cos(2x) dx$,
 $\int \cos(5x) \cos(7x) dx$, and $\int \sin(5x) \sin(2x) dx$.

Universal Substitution:

$$t = \tan\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) \quad \sin(x) = \frac{2t}{1+t^2}$$
$$dx = \frac{2}{1+t^2} dt \quad \cos(x) = \frac{1-t^2}{1+t^2}$$

Example

Evaluate the integrals: $\int \frac{dx}{2+\cos(x)}$ and $\int \frac{dx}{1+\sin(x)+\cos(x)}$.

Integration of Rational Functions

Example

1. $\int \frac{1}{x} dx$, $\int \frac{1}{ax+b} dx$, $\int \frac{1}{(ax+b)^k} dx$

2. $\int \frac{1}{ax^2+bx+c} dx$

▶ $\Delta = 0$: $\int \frac{dx}{9x^2-12x+4}$

▶ $\Delta < 0$: $\int \frac{dx}{2x^2-12x+27}$

▶ $\Delta > 0$: $\int \frac{dx}{3x^2-5x-2}$

3. $\int \frac{ex+f}{ax^2+bx+c} dx$

▶ $\Delta = 0$: $\int \frac{8x-5}{9x^2-6x+1} dx$

▶ $\Delta < 0$: $\int \frac{3x+1}{x^2+4x+5} dx$

▶ $\Delta > 0$: $\int \frac{11x-1}{3x^2-5x-2} dx$