

Calculus Lesson 453: U Substitution with complicated examples

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$$\int (x - 21)(x + 7)^7 dx$$

$$\int x\sqrt{x + 4} dx$$

$$\int x^2\sqrt{x - 2} dx$$

$$\int \frac{\sec\left(\frac{1}{x^2}\right)\tan\left(\frac{1}{x^2}\right)}{x^3} dx$$

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$$u = x + 7 \quad x = u - 7$$

$$du = dx$$

$$\int (x - 21)(x + 7)^7 dx$$

$$\int (u - 7 - 21) u^7 du = \int (u - 28) u^7 du = \int (u^8 - 28u^7) du$$

$$\frac{1}{9} u^9 - \frac{28}{8} u^8 \rightarrow \frac{1}{9} (x+7)^9 - \frac{7}{2} (x+7)^8 + C$$

$$\int x\sqrt{x+4} dx$$

$$u = x + 4$$

$$du = dx$$

$$x = u - 4$$

$$\int (u - 4) u^{1/2} du$$

$$\int (u^{3/2} - 4u^{1/2}) du$$

$$\frac{2}{5} u^{5/2} - \frac{4 \cdot 2}{1 \cdot 3} u^{3/2}$$

$$\frac{2}{5} (x+4)^{5/2} - \frac{8}{3} (x+4)^{3/2} + C$$

$$\int x^2 \sqrt{x-2} dx$$

$$u = x - 2$$

$$du = dx$$

$$x = u + 2$$

$$\int (u+2)^2 u^{1/2} du = \int (u^2 + 4u + 4) u^{1/2} du$$

$$= \int (u^{5/2} + 4u^{3/2} + 4u^{1/2}) du$$

$$= \frac{2}{7} u^{7/2} + \frac{4 \cdot 2}{1 \cdot 5} u^{5/2} + \frac{4 \cdot 2}{1 \cdot 3} u^{3/2}$$

$$= \frac{2}{7} (x-2)^{7/2} + \frac{8}{5} (x-2)^{5/2} + \frac{8}{3} (x-2)^{3/2} + C$$

$$\int \frac{\sec(\frac{1}{x^2}) \tan(\frac{1}{x^2})}{x^3} dx$$

$$u = x^{-2}$$

$$du = -2x^{-3} dx$$

$$-\frac{1}{2} du = \frac{1}{x^3} dx$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \int \sec(u) \tan(u) du$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \sec(u)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \sec\left(\frac{1}{x^2}\right) + C$$

Revisiting Fundamental Theorem of Calculus part 2 using substitution

Using the Fundamental Theorem and the Chain Rule to Calculate Derivatives

Let $F(x) = \int_1^{\sqrt{x}} \sin t dt$. Find $F'(x)$.

Solution

Letting $u(x) = \sqrt{x}$, we have $F(x) = \int_1^{u(x)} \sin t dt$. Thus, by the Fundamental Theorem of Calculus and the chain rule,

$$\begin{aligned} F'(x) &= \sin(u(x)) \frac{du}{dx} \\ &= \sin(u(x)) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2}\right) \\ &= \frac{\sin \sqrt{x}}{2\sqrt{x}}. \end{aligned}$$

Let $F(x) = \int_x^{2x} t^3 dt$. Find $F'(x)$.

Solution

We have $F(x) = \int_x^{2x} t^3 dt$. Both limits of integration are variable, so we need to split this into two integrals. We get

$$\begin{aligned} F(x) &= \int_x^{2x} t^3 dt \\ &= \int_x^0 t^3 dt + \int_0^{2x} t^3 dt \\ &= -\int_0^x t^3 dt + \int_0^{2x} t^3 dt. \end{aligned}$$

Differentiating the first term, we obtain

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[-\int_0^x t^3 dt \right] = -x^3.$$

Differentiating the second term, we first let $u(x) = 2x$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx} \left[\int_0^{2x} t^3 dt \right] &= \frac{d}{dx} \left[\int_0^{u(x)} t^3 dt \right] \\ &= (u(x))^3 \frac{du}{dx} \\ &= (2x)^3 \cdot 2 \\ &= 16x^3. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} F'(x) &= \frac{d}{dx} \left[-\int_0^x t^3 dt \right] + \frac{d}{dx} \left[\int_0^{2x} t^3 dt \right] \\ &= -x^3 + 16x^3 \\ &= 15x^3. \end{aligned}$$

Problems

$$8) \int x(4x-1)^4 dx$$

$$15) \int x(4x+5)^3 dx$$

$$16) \int 5x\sqrt{2x+3} dx$$

$$271. \int x(1-x)^{99} dx$$

$$277. \int \cos^2(\pi t)\sin(\pi t)dt$$

$$278. \int \sin^2 x \cos^3 x dx \quad (\text{Hint: } \sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1)$$

$$279. \int t \sin(t^2)\cos(t^2)dt$$

$$280. \int t^2 \cos^2(t^3)\sin(t^3)dt$$

$$281. \int \frac{x^2}{(x^3-3)^2} dx$$

$$282. \int \frac{x^3}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} dx$$

Problems

(8) $\int x(4x-1)^4 dx = \frac{1}{4} \int \left(\frac{1}{4}u + \frac{1}{4}\right) u^4 du$ 15) $\int x(4x+5)^3 dx$
 $u=4x-1 \quad x = \frac{1}{4}u + \frac{1}{4}$
 $du=4dx$
 $\frac{1}{4}du=dx$
 $= \frac{1}{16} \int (u^5 + u^4) du$
 $= \frac{1}{16} \left[\frac{1}{6}u^6 + \frac{1}{5}u^5 \right]$
 $= \frac{1}{72}(4x-1)^6 + \frac{1}{60}(4x-1)^5 + C$

(16) $\int 5x\sqrt{2x+3} dx = 5 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \int (u-3)u^{1/2} du$ 271. $\int x(1-x)^{99} dx$
 $u=2x+3 \quad x = \frac{1}{2}(u-3)$
 $du=2dx$
 $\frac{1}{2}du=dx$
 $= \frac{5}{4} \int (u^{3/2} - 3u^{1/2}) du$
 $= \frac{5}{4} \left(\frac{2}{5}u^{5/2} - \frac{3}{1} \cdot \frac{2}{3}u^{3/2} \right)$
 $= \frac{1}{2}(2x+3)^{5/2} - \frac{5}{2}(2x+3)^{3/2} + C$

277. $\int \cos^2(\pi t) \sin(\pi t) dt$

(278) $\int \sin^2 x \cos^3 x dx$ (Hint: $\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1$)
 $\cos^2 x = 1 - \sin^2 x$
 $u = \sin x$
 $du = \cos x dx$
 $\int \sin^2 x \cos^2 x \cos x dx$
 $\int \sin^2 x (1 - \sin^2 x) \cos x dx$
 $\int u^2 (1 - u^2) du = \int (u^2 - u^4) du$
 $= \frac{1}{3}u^3 - \frac{1}{5}u^5$
 $= \frac{1}{3}\sin^3 x - \frac{1}{5}\sin^5 x + C$

279. $\int t \sin(t^2) \cos(t^2) dt$

(280) $\int t^2 \cos^2(t^3) \sin(t^3) dt$
 $u = \cos(t^3)$
 $du = -\sin(t^3) \cdot 3t^2 dt$
 $-\frac{1}{3} du = \sin(t^3) t^2 dt$

281. $\int \frac{x^2}{(x^3-3)^2} dx$
 $-\frac{1}{3} \int u^2 du \rightarrow -\frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{3} u^3 \rightarrow -\frac{1}{9} (\cos^3(t^3)) + C$

(282) $\int \frac{x^3}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} dx$ $u = 1-x^2 \quad x^2 = 1-u$
 $du = -2x dx$
 $-\frac{1}{2} du = x dx$
 $\int \frac{x^2 x dx}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} = \int u^{-1/2} (1-u) (-\frac{1}{2} du)$
 $= \int \left(-\frac{1}{2} u^{-1/2} + \frac{1}{2} u^{1/2} \right) du$
 $= -(1-x^2)^{1/2} + \frac{1}{3} (1-x^2)^{3/2} + C$