

# Lecture 8

## 7.1: Integration by Parts

In Calculus I, you reversed the chain rule:

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

and got u-substitution:

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

( $u = g(x)$ ).

This semester, we reverse the other key differentiation rule: the product rule:

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

Integrating this gives

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

(The constant of integration from the left side is incorporated into the indefinite integrals on the right side.)

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A slight rearrangement of terms gives:

## Integration by Parts

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

Writing  $u=f(x)$  and  $v=g(x)$ , we have the more common formulation:

$$\int u dv = uv - \int v du$$

Incorporating limits of integration, we have

$$\int_a^b u dv = uv \Big|_a^b - \int_a^b v du$$

This is THE BIGGEST GUN you have to attack integration problems. In fact, this tool is so important, it is heavily used in current research in analysis and (partial) differential equations! Before getting into tricks, let's do a simple example:

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$$\underline{\text{Ex:}} \int_1^4 x e^{2x} dx \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} u=x \quad dv=e^{2x} dx \\ du=dx \quad v=\frac{1}{2}e^{2x} \end{array} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} x e^{2x} \Big|_1^4 - \int_1^4 \frac{1}{2} e^{2x} dx$$

$$= \left( 2e^8 - \frac{1}{2}e^2 \right) - \left( \frac{1}{4}e^{2x} \right) \Big|_1^4 = \left( 2e^8 - \frac{1}{2}e^2 \right) - \left( \frac{1}{4}e^8 - \frac{1}{4}e^2 \right)$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{7}{4}e^8 - \frac{1}{4}e^2}$$

Sometimes, it may be necessary to apply IBP two (or more!) times:

$$\underline{\text{Ex:}} \int x^2 \cos x dx \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} u=x^2 \quad dv=\cos x dx \\ du=2x dx \quad v=\sin x \end{array} \right)$$

$$= x^2 \sin x - \int 2x \sin x dx \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} u=2x \quad dv=\sin x dx \\ du=2 dx \quad v=-\cos x \end{array} \right)$$

$$= x^2 \sin x - \left( -2x \cos x + \int 2 \cos x dx \right)$$

$$= x^2 \sin x + 2x \cos x - \int 2 \cos x dx$$

$$= \boxed{x^2 \sin x + 2x \cos x - 2 \sin x + C}$$

Another common trick is letting  $dv = dx$ :

Ex: (a)  $\int \arctan(x) dx$   $\left( \begin{array}{l} u = \arctan x \quad dv = dx \\ du = \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx \quad v = x \end{array} \right)$

$$= x \arctan x - \int \frac{x}{1+x^2} dx \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{u-sub:} \\ u = 1+x^2 \\ du = 2x dx \end{array} \right)$$

$$= x \arctan x - \int \frac{1/2}{u} du = \boxed{x \arctan x - \frac{1}{2} \ln|1+x^2| + C}$$

(b)  $\int \ln(x) dx$   $\left( \begin{array}{l} u = \ln x \quad dv = dx \\ du = \frac{1}{x} dx \quad v = x \end{array} \right)$

$$= x \ln x - \int dx = \boxed{x \ln x - x + C}$$

Finally, another common trick involves the recurrence of an integral:

Ex:  $\int e^x \sin x dx$   $\left( \begin{array}{l} u = \sin x \quad dv = e^x dx \\ du = \cos x dx \quad v = e^x \end{array} \right)$

$$= e^x \sin x - \int e^x \cos x dx \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} u = \cos x \quad dv = e^x dx \\ du = -\sin x dx \quad v = e^x \end{array} \right)$$

$$= e^x \sin x - (e^x \cos x + \int e^x \sin x dx)$$

notice we add this now

$$\Rightarrow 2 \int e^x \sin x dx = e^x \sin x - e^x \cos x + C$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\int e^x \sin x dx = \frac{1}{2} (e^x \sin x - e^x \cos x) + C}$$

Since IBP is your most powerful tool, you should use it only when other methods won't work

1) Is there a formula for the integral?

eg.  $\int x^n dx$ ,  $\int \cos x dx$ ,  $\int e^{ax} dx$ , etc. ...

2) Can the integral be done with a u-substitution?

eg.  $\int x e^{x^2} dx$ ,  $\int \frac{\ln x}{x} dx$ ,  $\int \frac{3x}{1+x^2} dx$ , etc. ...

3) If you do use IBP, there is an acronym that can help you choose  $u$  &  $dv$ . Let  $u$  be whatever shows up first, and  $dv$  be the rest.

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L: logarithm  
I: inverse trig  
A: algebraic  
T: trig  
E: exponential

Sometimes these are switched

The philosophy here is you want  $u$  to be easier to differentiate and  $dv$  to be easier to integrate.

Integration by parts can also be used to obtain the following reduction formulas: ( $m \geq 2$ )

$$\int \sin^m x \, dx \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} u = \sin^{m-1} x \quad dv = \sin x \, dx \\ du = (m-1) \sin^{m-2} x \cos x \, dx \quad v = -\cos x \end{array} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & -\sin^{m-1} x \cos x + (m-1) \int \sin^{m-2} x \cos^2 x \, dx \\ & = -\sin^{m-1} x \cos x + (m-1) \int \sin^{m-2} x (1 - \sin^2 x) \, dx \\ & = -\sin^{m-1} x \cos x + (m-1) \left( \int \sin^{m-2} x \, dx - \int \sin^m x \, dx \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow m \int \sin^m x \, dx = -\sin^{m-1} x \cos x + (m-1) \int \sin^{m-2} x \, dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \sin^m x \, dx = \frac{-1}{m} \left[ \sin^{m-1} x \cos x - (m-1) \int \sin^{m-2} x \, dx \right]$$

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$$\int \cos^m x \, dx \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} u = \cos^{m-1} x \quad dv = \cos x \, dx \\ du = -(m-1) \cos^{m-2} x \sin x \, dx \quad v = \sin x \end{array} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \cos^{m-1} x \sin x + (m-1) \int \cos^{m-2} x \sin^2 x \, dx \\ & = \cos^{m-1} x \sin x + (m-1) \int \cos^{m-2} x (1 - \cos^2 x) \, dx \\ & = \cos^{m-1} x \sin x + (m-1) \left( \int \cos^{m-2} x \, dx - \int \cos^m x \, dx \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow m \int \cos^m x \, dx = \cos^{m-1} x \sin x + (m-1) \int \cos^{m-2} x \, dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \cos^m x \, dx = \frac{1}{m} \left[ \cos^{m-1} x \sin x + (m-1) \int \cos^{m-2} x \, dx \right]$$