

Calculus Antiderivatives – Substitution Method

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Use a change of variables to find the following indefinite integrals. Check your work by differentiation.

1) $\int 2x(x^2 - 1)^{99} dx$ $\begin{array}{l} u = x^2 - 1 \\ du = 2x dx \end{array}$ $\int u^{99} du = \frac{u^{100}}{100} + C = \frac{(x^2 - 1)^{100}}{100} + C$

2) $\int xe^{x^2} dx$ $\begin{array}{l} u = x^2 \\ du = 2x dx \Rightarrow xdx = \frac{1}{2}du \end{array}$ $\frac{1}{2} \int e^u du = \frac{1}{2}e^u + C = \frac{1}{2}e^{x^2} + C$

3) $\int \frac{2x^2}{\sqrt{1-4x^3}} dx$ $\begin{array}{l} u = 1-4x^3 \\ du = -12x^2 dx \Rightarrow 2x^2 dx = -\frac{1}{6}du \end{array}$ $-\frac{1}{6} \int u^{-1/2} du = -\frac{1}{6} \left(\frac{u^{1/2}}{1/2} \right) + C = -\frac{1}{3} \sqrt{1-4x^3} + C$

4) $\int \frac{(\sqrt{x}+1)^4}{2\sqrt{x}} dx$ $\begin{array}{l} u = \sqrt{x}+1 \\ du = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} dx \end{array}$ $\int u^4 du = \frac{u^5}{5} + C = \frac{(\sqrt{x}+1)^5}{5} + C$

5) $\int (x^2+x)^{10}(2x+1) dx$ $\begin{array}{l} u = x^2+x \\ du = (2x+1) dx \end{array}$ $\int u^{10} du = \frac{u^{11}}{11} + C = \frac{(x^2+x)^{11}}{11} + C$

6) $\int \frac{1}{10x-3} dx$ $\begin{array}{l} u = 10x-3 \\ du = 10dx \Rightarrow dx = \frac{1}{10}du \end{array}$ $\frac{1}{10} \int \frac{1}{u} du = \frac{1}{10} \ln|u| + C = \frac{1}{10} \ln|10x-3| + C$

7) $\int x^3(x^4+16)^6 dx$ $\begin{array}{l} u = x^4+16 \\ du = 4x^3 dx \Rightarrow x^3 dx = \frac{1}{4}du \end{array}$ $\frac{1}{4} \int u^6 du = \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{u^7}{7} \right) + C = \frac{(x^4+16)^7}{28} + C$

8) $\int \sin^{10}\theta \cos\theta d\theta$ $\begin{array}{l} u = \sin\theta \\ du = \cos\theta d\theta \end{array}$ $\int u^{10} du = \frac{u^{11}}{11} + C = \frac{\sin^{11}\theta}{11} + C$

9) $\int x^9 \sin x^{10} dx$ $\begin{array}{l} u = x^{10} \\ du = 10x^9 dx \Rightarrow x^9 dx = \frac{1}{10}du \end{array}$ $\frac{1}{10} \int \sin u du = \frac{1}{10}(-\cos u) + C = -\frac{1}{10} \cos x^{10} + C$

10) $\int (x^6 - 3x^2)(x^5 - x) dx$ $\begin{array}{l} u = x^6 - 3x^2 \\ du = (6x^5 - 6x^2) dx \Rightarrow (x^5 - x) dx = \frac{1}{6}du \end{array}$ $\frac{1}{6} \int u du = \frac{1}{6} \left(\frac{u^2}{2} \right) + C = \frac{(x^6 - 3x^2)^2}{12} + C$

11) $\int \frac{8x+6}{2x^2+3x} dx$ $\begin{array}{l} u = 2x^2 + 3x \\ du = (4x+3) dx \Rightarrow (8x+6) dx = 2du \end{array}$ $2 \int \frac{1}{u} du = 2 \ln|u| + C = 2 \ln|2x^2 + 3x| + C$

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$\int \frac{x}{x-2} dx$ Hint: let $u = x - 2$ $\begin{array}{l} u = x-2 \Rightarrow x = u+2 \\ du = dx \end{array}$ $\int \frac{u+2}{u} du = \int \left(1 + \frac{2}{u} \right) du = u + 2 \ln|u| + C = x - 2 + 2 \ln|x-2| + C$

Evaluate the definite integral by making a u -substitution and integrating from $u(a)$ to $u(b)$.

1) $\int_0^1 2x(4-x^2)dx$ $u=4-x^2$
 $du=-2xdx \Rightarrow 2xdx=-du$ $-\int_4^3 u du = -\left[\frac{u^2}{2}\right]_4^3 = -\left[\frac{9}{2} - \frac{16}{2}\right] = \frac{7}{2}$

2) $\int_0^2 \frac{2x}{(x^2+1)^2}dx$ $u=x^2+1$
 $du=2xdx$ $\int_1^5 u^{-2} du = \left[\frac{u^{-1}}{-1}\right]_1^5 = \left[-\frac{1}{5} - \left(-\frac{1}{1}\right)\right] = \frac{4}{5}$

3) $\int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^2 \theta \cos \theta d\theta$ $u=\sin \theta$
 $du=\cos \theta d\theta$ $\int_0^1 u^2 du = \left[\frac{u^3}{3}\right]_0^1 = \left[\frac{1}{3} - 0\right] = \frac{1}{3}$

4) $\int_0^{\pi/4} \frac{\sin x}{\cos^2 x} dx$ $u=\cos x$
 $du=-\sin x dx$ $-\int_1^{\sqrt{2}/2} u^{-2} du = -\left[\frac{u^{-1}}{-1}\right]_1^{\sqrt{2}/2} = -\left[-\frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} - (-1)\right] = \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} - 1$

5) $\int_{-1}^2 x^2 e^{x^3+1} dx$ $u=x^3+1$
 $du=3x^2 dx \Rightarrow x^2 dx = \frac{1}{3} du$ $\frac{1}{3} \int_0^9 e^u du = \frac{1}{3} [e^u]_0^9 = \frac{1}{3} [e^9 - e^0] = \frac{1}{3} e^9 - \frac{1}{3}$

6) $\int_0^4 \frac{p}{\sqrt{9+p^2}} dp$ $u=9+p^2$
 $du=2p dp \Rightarrow p dp = \frac{1}{2} du$ $\frac{1}{2} \int_9^{25} u^{-1/2} du = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{u^{1/2}}{1/2}\right]_9^{25} = \frac{1}{2} [2\sqrt{25} - 2\sqrt{9}] = 2$

7) $\int_0^3 \frac{v^2+1}{\sqrt{v^3+3v+4}} dv$ $u=v^3+3v+4$
 $du=(3v^2+3)dv \Rightarrow (v^2+1)dv = \frac{1}{3} du$ $\frac{1}{3} \int_4^{40} u^{-1/2} du = \frac{1}{3} \left[\frac{u^{1/2}}{1/2}\right]_4^{40} = \frac{1}{3} [2\sqrt{40} - 2\sqrt{4}]$

8) $\int_0^{1/8} \frac{x}{\sqrt{1-16x^2}} dx$ $u=1-16x^2$
 $du=-32x dx \Rightarrow x dx = -\frac{1}{32} du$ $\int_1^{3/4} u^{-1/2} du = -\frac{1}{32} \left[\frac{u^{1/2}}{1/2}\right]_1^{3/4} = -\frac{1}{32} \left[2\sqrt{\frac{3}{4}} - 2\right]$

9) $\int_0^4 \frac{x}{x^2+1} dx$ $u=x^2+1$
 $du=2x dx \Rightarrow x dx = \frac{1}{2} du$ $\frac{1}{2} \int_1^{17} \frac{1}{u} du = \frac{1}{2} [\ln|u|]_1^{17} = \frac{1}{2} [\ln 17 - \ln 1]$
