Integration by Parts

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Recall that the substitution rule is a combination of the FTC and the chain rule. We can also combine the FTC and the product rule:

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

Integrate the both sides of the product rule $\frac{d}{dx}[f(x)g(x)] = f(x)g'(x) + f'(x)g(x),$ by the FTC, we have

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

We can rearrange the terms and get

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

This is indeed the Integration by Parts formula.

We can write a perhaps more familiar form of the integration by parts formula by substituting u = f(x) and v = g(x), then

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

gives

$$\int uv' dx = uv - \int vu' dx.$$

Remember that u, v are functions of x. Note that du = u'(x)dx, and dv = v'(x)dx, so we finally have

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

To apply the integration by parts formula:

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

The most important thing is to determine from the given integral which part should be your u, and which part should be your dv.

Let us see how to do this from the first example:

(5.6 E1) Find $\int x \sin x dx$

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Solution:

- Step 1: In order to apply the integration by parts formula $\int u dv = uv \int v du$, we let u = x, and let $dv = \sin x dx$.
- Step 2: We need to find out du = dx, $v = \int \sin x dx = -\cos x$
- Step 3: Plug in the formula $\int u dv = uv \int v du$, we get

$$\int x \sin x dx = (x)(-\cos x) - \int (-\cos x) dx$$

• Step 4: Since $\int \cos x dx = \sin x$, we have the final answer as

$$-x\cos x + \sin x + C$$

Summary of the Steps

In order to apply the integration by parts formula $\int u dv = uv - \int v du$, we need to know four data:

- Step 1: Choose the suitable u and dv from the expression.
 Remember that dv should be of the form v'(x)dx.
- Step 2: From u and dv, we can find out

$$du = u'(x)dx$$
 and $v = \int dv = \int v'(x)dx.$

- Step 3: Plug in the formula $\int u dv = uv \int v du$. The problem is now transformed into finding $\int v du$, which must be simpler than the original $\int u dv$.
- Step 4: Integrate $\int v du$. And get the final answer.

One general principle:

Since we need to differentiate u to get du, and we need to integrate dv to get v,

we are choosing the *u* that is *easy to differentiate* and the *dv* that is *easy to integrate*!

For example: (5.6 E2) Evaluate $\int \ln x dx$

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We have two choices:

- Choose u(x) = 1, and $dv = \ln x dx$;
- Or we choose $u(x) = \ln x$, and dv = dx.

(5.6 E2) Evaluate $\int \ln x dx$

If we go with the first choice: u(x) = 1, and $dv = \ln x dx$, then in order to find du and v, we need to calculate:

$$du = u'(x)dx = 0$$
 $dv = \int \ln x dx$

This doesn't change the problem at all!

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(5.6 E2) Evaluate $\int \ln x dx$

Solution:

- Step 1: Choose $u(x) = \ln x$, and dv = dx.
- Step 2: Find *du* and *v*:

$$du = u'(x)dx = \frac{1}{x}dx;$$
 $v = \int dv = \int dx = x.$

• Step 3: Plug in $\int u dv = uv - \int v du$, and get

$$\int \ln x dx = \ln x \cdot x - \int x \cdot \frac{1}{x} dx = x \ln x - \int dx$$

• Step 4: Since $\int dx = x$, we have

$$\int \ln x dx = x \ln x - x + C$$

Functions that are easy to differentiate (Usually will be set as u):

- *x*; *x*²;... (So that by taking derivatives the power drops)
- ln x
- arctan x; arcsin x

Functions that are easy to integrate (Usually will be set as dv):

- $\sin x dx$; $\cos x dx$
- $e^{x} dx$
- *dx*

(5.6, 3) Find $\int x \cos(5x) dx$

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Solution:

- Step 1: We can typically choose u = x, and $dv = \cos(5x)dx$
- Step 2: We have du = dx. To find

$$v = \int dv = \int \cos(5x) dx$$

We will need to use substitution:

• Step 2': substitute w = 5x, then dw = 5dx. Then

$$v = \int \cos 5x dx = \int \cos w \frac{dw}{5} = \frac{1}{5} \sin w = \frac{1}{5} \sin(5x)$$

(5.6, 3) Find $\int x \cos(5x) dx$

Solution:

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• Step 3: Plug in $\int u dv = uv - \int v du$, and get

$$\int x\cos(5x)dx = \frac{1}{5}\sin(5x)\cdot x - \frac{1}{5}\int\sin(5x)dx$$

- Step 4: We only need to integrate $\int \sin(5x) dx$, which we need to apply substitution (w = 5x), we will get $\int \sin(5x) dx = -\frac{1}{5} \cos x$.
- Step 5: The final answer is

$$\int x\cos(5x)dx = \frac{1}{5}x\sin(5x) - \frac{1}{5} \cdot (-\frac{1}{5}\cos x) = \frac{1}{5}x\sin(5x) + \frac{1}{25}\cos x + C$$

(5.6, 5) Find $\int re^{r/2} dr$

(5.6, 5) Find
$$\int r e^{r/2} dr$$

Solution:

- Step 1: We can typically choose u = r, and $dv = e^{r/2}dr$
- Step 2: We have du = dr. To find

$$v = \int dv = \int e^{r/2} dr$$

We will need to use substitution:

• Step 2': substitute w = r/2, then $dw = \frac{1}{2}dr$. Then

$$v = \int e^w 2dw = 2e^w = 2e^{r/2}$$

(5.6, 5) Find
$$\int r e^{r/2} dr$$

• Step 3: Plug in
$$\int u dv = uv - \int v du$$
, and get

$$\int r e^{r/2} dr = r \cdot (2e^{r/2}) - \int 2e^{r/2} dr$$

- Step 4: We only need to integrate $\int e^{r/2} dr$, which we need to apply substitution (w = r/2), we will get $\int 2e^{r/2} dr = 2e^{r/2}$.
- Step 5: The final answer is

$$\int r e^{r/2} dr = 2r \cdot e^{r/2} - 2 \int e^{r/2} dr = 2r \cdot e^{r/2} - 4e^{r/2} + C$$

(5.6, 12) Find $\int \arcsin t dt$.

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Solution:

- Step 1: Choose $u(t) = \arcsin t dt$, and dv = dt.
- Step 2: Find *du* and *v*:

$$du = u'(t)dt = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-t^2}}dt;$$
 $v = \int dv = \int dt = t.$

• Step 3: Plug in $\int u dv = uv - \int v du$, and get

$$\int lpha ext{rcsin} \, t dt = t lpha ext{rcsin} \, t - \int rac{t}{\sqrt{1-t^2}} dt$$

• Step 4: We now need to find $\int \frac{t}{\sqrt{1-t^2}} dt$. This is already solvable! (By substitution.)

(5.6, 11) Find $\int \arcsin t dt$

Solution:

- Step 5: to find $\int \frac{t}{\sqrt{1-t^2}} dt$, let us substitute $w = 1 t^2$.
- Step 6: From $w = 1 t^2$ we get dw = -2tdt, so $tdt = -\frac{dw}{2}$
- Step 7: The integration becomes $\int \frac{t}{\sqrt{1-t^2}} dt = -\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{w}} \frac{dw}{2}$.
- Step 8: Integrate $-\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{w}} \frac{dw}{2}$ and get $-\frac{1}{2} \cdot 2w^{1/2} = -(1-t^2)^{1/2}$.
- Step 9: So the final answer is

$$\int \arcsin t dt = t \arcsin t + \sqrt{1 - t^2} + C.$$

Another Example:

(5.6, 11) Find $\int \arctan t dt$

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Solution:

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- Step 1: Choose $u(t) = \arctan t dt$, and dv = dt.
- Step 2: Find *du* and *v*:

$$du = u'(t)dt = rac{1}{1+t^2}dt;$$
 $v = \int dv = \int dt = t.$

• Step 3: Plug in $\int u dv = uv - \int v du$, and get

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rctan $t dt = rctan t \cdot t - \int t \cdot rac{1}{1+t^2} dt = t rctan t - \int rac{t}{1+t^2} dt$

• Step 4: We now need to find $\int \frac{t}{1+t^2} dt$. This is solvable by substitution.

(5.6, 11) Find $\int \arctan t dt$

Solution:

- Step 5: to find $\int \frac{t}{1+t^2} dt$, let us substitute $w = 1 + t^2$.
- Step 6: From $w = 1 + t^2$ we get dw = 2tdt, so $tdt = \frac{dw}{2}$
- Step 7: The integration becomes $\int \frac{t}{1+t^2} dt = \int \frac{1}{w} \frac{dw}{2}$.
- Step 8: Integrate $\int \frac{1}{w} \frac{dw}{2}$ and get $\frac{1}{2} \ln |w| = \frac{1}{2} \ln |1 + t^2|$.
- Step 9: So the final answer is

$$\int \arctan t dt = t \arctan t - \frac{1}{2} \ln |1 + t^2| + C$$

Let us now do definite integral. (5.6, E5) Calculate $\int_0^1 \arctan t dt$ (5.6, E5) Calculate $\int_0^1 \arctan t dt$ Solution:

• Step 1: From the last problem, we know that the antiderivative of arctan *t* is

$$t \arctan t - \frac{1}{2} \ln |1 + t^2| + C$$

• Step 2: Use the evaluation theorem, we get

$$\begin{split} \int_0^1 \arctan t dt &= t \arctan t |_0^1 - \frac{1}{2} \ln |1 + t^2|_0^1 \\ &= (1 \arctan 1 - 0 \arctan 0) - (\frac{1}{2} \ln |1 + 1^2| - \frac{1}{2} \ln |1 + 0^2|) \\ &= \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \ln 2 \end{split}$$

From the previous examples we can see that the essential idea of the integration by parts formula

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

is to change the integral $\int u dv$ into another integral $\int v du$. The latter will be "easier" than the former to solve!

Note that "easier" usually means that we have done the same or similar problem before!

(5.6, 23) Find $\int_{1}^{2} (\ln x)^2 dx$.

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(5.6, 23) Find
$$\int_1^2 (\ln x)^2 dx$$
.

Solution:

- Step 1: We use $u = (\ln x)^2$, and dv = dx
- Step 2: Find *du* and *v*:

$$du = 2 \ln x \cdot \frac{1}{x} dx$$
 $v = \int dx = x$

• Step 3: Plug in $\int u dv = uv - \int v du$, and find

$$\int_{1}^{2} (\ln x)^{2} dx = x(\ln x)^{2} - \int x \cdot 2 \ln x \cdot \frac{1}{x} dx$$
$$= x(\ln x)^{2} - 2 \cdot \int \ln x dx$$

Our mission now is to integrate $\int \ln x dx$.

(5.6, 23) Find $\int_{1}^{2} (\ln x)^2 dx$.

Solution:

- Step 4: We have done ∫ ln xdx in a previous example, it was done by integration by parts. (That means to solve this problem, we need to use integration by parts twice!)
- Step 5: We recall the solution: let $u = \ln x$ and dv = dx, so that $du = \frac{1}{x} dx$ and v = x.
- Step 6: By integration by parts, we have $\int \ln x dx = x \ln x \int \frac{x}{x} dx = x \ln x x.$

Integration by Parts (Twice!)

(5.6, 23) Find
$$\int_1^2 (\ln x)^2 dx$$
.

Solution:

• Step 7: Therefore the antiderivative to the original integrant is

$$\int (\ln x)^2 dx = x(\ln x)^2 - 2 \cdot \int \ln x dx$$
$$= x(\ln x)^2 - 2x \ln x + 2x + C$$
$$= x((\ln x)^2 - 2\ln x + 2) + C$$

• Step 8: The final answer:

$$\int_{1}^{2} (\ln x)^{2} dx = x \left((\ln x)^{2} - 2 \ln x + 2 \right) |_{1}^{2}$$

= 2 ((ln 2)^{2} - 2 ln 2 + 2) - 1 ((0)^{2} - 2 \cdot 0 + 2)
= 2(ln 2)^{2} - 4 ln 2 + 2

(5.6 E3) Find $\int t^2 e^t dt$

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Solution:

- Step 1: Use $u = t^2$, $dv = e^t dt$.
- Step 2: To find *u* and *dv*, we have

$$du = 2tdt, \qquad v = e^t$$

• Step 3: Plug in $\int u dv = uv - \int v du$, we have

$$\int t^2 e^t dt = t^2 e^t - \int e^t \cdot 2t dt = t^2 e^t - 2 \int t e^t dt.$$

Now the new integral $\int te^t dt$ needs another integration by parts!

(5.6 E3) Find $\int t^2 e^t dt$

Solution:

- Step 4: To find $\int te^t dt$, we let u = t, $dv = e^t dt$.
- Step 5: We have du = dt, and $v = e^t$,
- Step 6: Plug in $\int u dv = uv \int v du$, we have

$$\int t e^t dt = t e^t - \int e^t dt$$

Now we know the integral $\int e^t dt = e^t$.

• Step 7: The final answer:

$$\int t^2 e^t dt = t^2 e^t - 2 \int t e^t dt = t^2 e^t - 2(t e^t - e^t) + C$$

In the previous solution for $\int t^2 e^t dt$, can we use $u = e^t$ and $dv = t^2 dt$ instead?

The answer is NO! Let us see what will happen if we choose $u = e^t$ and $dv = t^2 dt$.

In this case, $du = e^t dt$ is all fine, but $v = \frac{1}{3}t^3$, the power of t is raised by 1!

The integration by parts gives

$$\int t^2 e^t dt = \frac{1}{3}t^3 e^t - \frac{1}{3}\int t^3 e^t dt$$

This is even more complicated!!

Through this example $(\int t^2 e^t dt)$ we can see that, we need to use u to drop the power of t.

Namely, if there is a **positive** power of t in the integrant $(t, t^2, t^3...)$, usually we will set u = t (or $u = t^2$, $u = t^3$...) such that the differentiation du = dt (or du = 2tdt, ...) will drop the power of t in the new integral $\int v du$.

Remember that these are NOT strict rules!

Sometimes there is no good choice: Find $\int t \ln t dt$.

Find $\int t \ln t dt$.

- Step 1: Let $u = \ln t$, dv = tdt. (Why don't we use u = t and $dv = \ln tdt$?)
- Step 2: $du = \frac{1}{t}dt$, $v = \frac{1}{2}t^2$.
- Step 3: Integration by parts yields:

$$\int t \ln t dt = \frac{1}{2}t^2 \ln t - \int \frac{1}{2}t^2 \frac{1}{t}dt = \frac{1}{2}t^2 \ln t - \frac{1}{2}\int t dt$$

• Step 4: We have $\int t dt = \frac{1}{2}t^2$. So the final answer is

$$\int t \ln t dt = \frac{1}{2}t^2 \ln t - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2}t^2 = \frac{1}{2}t^2 \ln t - \frac{1}{4}t^2 + C$$

First make a substitution, then use integration by parts (5.6, 29) Find $\int x \ln(1+x) dx$

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Solution:

- Step 1: Since (1 + x) is inside the ln(1 + x), we consider a substitution t = 1 + x.
- Step 2: By t = 1 + x, we have x = t 1, and dt = dx.
- Step 3: The original integral is transformed into

$$\int x \ln(1+x) dx = \int (t-1) \ln t dt = \int t \ln t dt - \int \ln t dt.$$

We have dealt with both $\int \ln t dt$ and $\int t \ln t dt$ before!

(5.6, 29) Find
$$\int x \ln(1+x) dx$$

Solution:

- Step 4: Recall that by letting $u = \ln t$ and dv = dt, we have $\int \ln t dt = t \ln t t$.
- Step 5: Recall from the last example, by letting $u = \ln t$ and dv = tdt, we have $\int t \ln tdt = \frac{1}{2}t^2 \ln t \frac{1}{4}t^2$.
- Step 6: So the answer is

$$\int (1-t) \ln t dt = -\int \ln t dt \int t \ln t dt$$

= $-t \ln t + t + \frac{1}{2}t^2 \ln t - \frac{1}{4}t^2 + C$
= $t - \frac{1}{4}t^2 - \ln t + \frac{1}{2}t^2 \ln t + C$

(5.6, 29) Find $\int x \ln(1+x) dx$ **Solution:**

• Step 7: Plug the t = 1 + x back, we have

$$\int x \ln(1+x) dx = (1+x) - \frac{1}{4}(1+x)^2 - \ln(1+x) + \frac{1}{2}(1+x)^2 \ln(1+x) + C$$

First make a substitution, then use integration by parts (5.6 25) Find $\int \cos \sqrt{x} dx$

(5.6 25) Find $\int \cos \sqrt{x} dx$ Solution:

- Step 1: Let us first substitute $t = \sqrt{x}$. This is $x = t^2$.
- Step 2: By $x = t^2$ we have dx = 2tdt.
- Step 3: The original integral becomes ∫ cos t · 2tdt = 2 ∫ t cos tdt. We now need to find ∫ t cos tdt. This seems solvable because we have seen this before!

(5.6 25) Find $\int \cos \sqrt{x} dx$

Solution:

- Step 4: To find $\int t \cos t dt$ we need to use integration by parts. Let u = t, $dv = \cos t dt$.
- Step 5: We have du = dt, $v = \int \cos t dt = \sin t$.
- Step 6: Use integration by parts formula $\int u dv = uv \int v du$, we have transformed the integral into

$$\int t\cos t dt = t\sin t - \int \sin t dt$$

(5.6 25) Find $\int \cos \sqrt{x} dx$

Solution:

• Step 7: We know that $\int \sin t dt = -\cos t$.

$$\int \cos \sqrt{x} dx = 2 \int t \cos t dt = t \sin t + \cos t + C$$

• Step 8: Substitute the $t = \sqrt{x}$ back:

$$\int \cos\sqrt{x} \, dx = \sqrt{x} \sin\sqrt{x} + \cos\sqrt{x} + C$$

Discussion

Use integration by parts to find the following integrals

- (5.6, 2) $\int \theta \cos \theta d\theta$
- (5.6, 15) $\int_0^{\pi} t \sin(3t) dt$
- (5.6, 17) $\int_{1}^{2} \frac{\ln x}{x^{2}} dx$
- (5.6, 7) $\int x^2 \sin x dx$