

MATH 145: Calculus for Engineering and Science I  
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Solution Key

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1. Evaluate the following integrals (integration by parts):

(i)  $\int x^2 \sin x \, dx$

(ii)  $\int \sec^3 x \, dx$

(iii)  $\int \cos(\log x) \, dx$

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**Solutions:**

i. **Evaluate**  $\int x^2 \sin x \, dx$

*Solution:* We use integration by parts. Let  $u = x^2$  and  $dv = \sin x \, dx$ . Then  $du = 2x \, dx$  and  $v = -\cos x$ .

$$I = -x^2 \cos x - \int (-\cos x)(2x) \, dx = -x^2 \cos x + 2 \int x \cos x \, dx$$

We apply integration by parts again for  $\int x \cos x \, dx$ . Let  $u = x$  and  $dv = \cos x \, dx$ . Then  $du = dx$  and  $v = \sin x$ .

$$\int x \cos x \, dx = x \sin x - \int \sin x \, dx = x \sin x + \cos x$$

Substituting this back into the original expression:

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

ii. **Evaluate**  $\int \sec^3 x \, dx$

*Solution:* Split the integrand:  $\sec^3 x = \sec x \cdot \sec^2 x$ . Let  $u = \sec x$  and  $dv = \sec^2 x \, dx$ . Then  $du = \sec x \tan x \, dx$  and  $v = \tan x$ .

$$I = \sec x \tan x - \int \tan x (\sec x \tan x) \, dx = \sec x \tan x - \int (\sec^2 x - 1) \sec x \, dx$$

$$I = \sec x \tan x - \int \sec^3 x \, dx + \int \sec x \, dx$$

$$I = \sec x \tan x - I + \ln |\sec x + \tan x|$$

Solving for  $I$ :

$$2I = \sec x \tan x + \ln |\sec x + \tan x|$$

$$I = \frac{1}{2} \sec x \tan x + \frac{1}{2} \ln |\sec x + \tan x| + C$$

iii. **Evaluate**  $\int \cos(\log x) \, dx$

*Solution:* Let  $t = \log x \implies x = e^t$  and  $dx = e^t dt$ . The integral becomes  $\int e^t \cos t \, dt$ . Using integration by parts twice for  $I = \int e^t \cos t \, dt$ :

(a)  $u = \cos t, dv = e^t dt \implies I = e^t \cos t + \int e^t \sin t \, dt$ .

(b) For  $\int e^t \sin t \, dt$ :  $u = \sin t, dv = e^t dt \implies \int e^t \sin t \, dt = e^t \sin t - I$ .

Combining these:  $I = e^t \cos t + e^t \sin t - I \implies 2I = e^t(\cos t + \sin t)$ . Substituting  $e^t = x$  and  $t = \log x$ :

$$I = \frac{x}{2}(\cos(\log x) + \sin(\log x)) + C$$

2. Evaluate the following integrals (substitution):

(i)  $\int \frac{dx}{x\sqrt{x^2-1}}$

(ii)  $\int x^3\sqrt{1-x^2} dx$

(iii)  $\int \sqrt{x^2+1} dx$

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**Solutions:**

i. **Evaluate**  $\int \frac{dx}{x\sqrt{x^2-1}}$

*Solution:* Let  $x = \sec \theta$ , so  $dx = \sec \theta \tan \theta d\theta$ .

$$\int \frac{\sec \theta \tan \theta d\theta}{\sec \theta \sqrt{\sec^2 \theta - 1}} = \int \frac{\sec \theta \tan \theta}{\sec \theta \tan \theta} d\theta = \int d\theta = \theta + C$$

Since  $x = \sec \theta \implies \theta = \sec^{-1} x$ :

$$\boxed{I = \sec^{-1} x + C}$$

ii. **Evaluate**  $\int x^3\sqrt{1-x^2} dx$

*Solution:* Let  $u = 1 - x^2 \implies du = -2x dx$  and  $x^2 = 1 - u$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \int x^2\sqrt{1-x^2}(x dx) &= \int (1-u)\sqrt{u} \left(-\frac{1}{2}du\right) = -\frac{1}{2} \int (u^{1/2} - u^{3/2}) du \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3}u^{3/2} - \frac{2}{5}u^{5/2}\right) + C = -\frac{1}{3}u^{3/2} + \frac{1}{5}u^{5/2} + C \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{I = -\frac{1}{3}(1-x^2)^{3/2} + \frac{1}{5}(1-x^2)^{5/2} + C}$$

iii. **Evaluate**  $\int \sqrt{x^2+1} dx$

*Solution:* Let  $x = \tan \theta \implies dx = \sec^2 \theta d\theta$ .

$$\int \sqrt{\tan^2 \theta + 1} \sec^2 \theta d\theta = \int \sec^3 \theta d\theta$$

From Problem 1(ii), we know the integral of  $\sec^3 \theta$ :

$$\frac{1}{2} \sec \theta \tan \theta + \frac{1}{2} \ln |\sec \theta + \tan \theta| + C$$

Substituting  $\tan \theta = x$  and  $\sec \theta = \sqrt{x^2+1}$ :

$$\boxed{I = \frac{1}{2}x\sqrt{x^2+1} + \frac{1}{2} \ln |x + \sqrt{x^2+1}| + C}$$

3. Evaluate the following integrals (mixture of methods):

(i)  $\int \frac{x}{1 + \sin x} dx$

(ii)  $\int \log \sqrt{1 + x^2} dx$

(iii)  $\int \frac{1}{x^6 + 1} dx$

**Solutions:**

i. **Evaluate**  $\int \frac{x}{1 + \sin x} dx$

*Solution:* Multiply by the conjugate  $(1 - \sin x)/(1 - \sin x)$ :

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

Using integration by parts on both terms (differentiating  $x$ ):

$$\begin{aligned} \int x \sec^2 x dx &= x \tan x - \ln |\sec x| \\ \int x \sec x \tan x dx &= x \sec x - \ln |\sec x + \tan x| \end{aligned}$$

Subtracting the second from the first:

$$\boxed{I = x(\tan x - \sec x) + \ln |1 + \sin x| + C}$$

ii. **Evaluate**  $\int \log \sqrt{1 + x^2} dx$

*Solution:* Rewrite as  $\frac{1}{2} \int \log(1 + x^2) dx$ . Use integration by parts with  $u = \log(1 + x^2)$ ,  $dv = dx$ .

$$I = \frac{1}{2} \left[ x \log(1 + x^2) - \int \frac{2x^2}{1 + x^2} dx \right] = \frac{1}{2} x \log(1 + x^2) - \int \left( 1 - \frac{1}{1 + x^2} \right) dx$$

$$\boxed{I = x \log \sqrt{1 + x^2} - x + \arctan x + C}$$

iii. **Evaluate**  $\int \frac{1}{x^6 + 1} dx$

*Solution:* Factor the denominator:  $x^6 + 1 = (x^2 + 1)(x^4 - x^2 + 1) = (x^2 + 1)(x^2 - \sqrt{3}x + 1)(x^2 + \sqrt{3}x + 1)$ . Using partial fractions:

$$\frac{1}{x^6 + 1} = \frac{A}{x^2 + 1} + \frac{Bx + C}{x^2 - \sqrt{3}x + 1} + \frac{Dx + E}{x^2 + \sqrt{3}x + 1}$$

Solving for coefficients yields the integral:

$$\boxed{\frac{\arctan x}{3} + \frac{\arctan(2x + \sqrt{3}) + \arctan(2x - \sqrt{3})}{6} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{12} \ln \left( \frac{x^2 + \sqrt{3}x + 1}{x^2 - \sqrt{3}x + 1} \right) + C}$$