

Calculus Section 8.3 Trig Functions with Powers

-Solve trig integrals involving powers of sine and cosine

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In this section we will evaluate integrals of the form $\int \sin^m x \cos^n x dx$ and $\int \sec^m x \tan^n x dx$ where either m or n is a positive integer. We will re-write the integrand as a combination of trig functions so the Power Rule may be used.

To break up the integral into manageable parts, use the following identities:

$$\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1 \quad \text{Pythagorean Identity}$$

$$\sin^2(ax) = \frac{1-\cos(2ax)}{2} \quad \text{Half-angle identity for } \sin^2 x$$

$$\cos^2(ax) = \frac{1+\cos(2ax)}{2} \quad \text{Half-angle identity for } \cos^2 x$$

Guidelines for Evaluating Integrals Involving Sine and Cosine

- 1) If the power of sine is odd and positive, save one sine and convert the rest to cosines.
- 2) If the power of cosine is odd and positive, save one cosine and convert the rest to sines.
- 3) If the powers of both the sine and cosine are even and nonnegative, use the half-angle identities to convert the integrand to odd powers of the cosine.

Exception: If one of the powers is 1, try simple u-substitution.

Example) Power of Sine is Odd and Positive

$$\text{Find } \int \sin^3 x \cos^4 x dx$$

$$\int \sin x (\sin^2 x) \cos^4 x dx$$

$$\int \sin x (1 - \cos^2 x) \cos^4 x dx$$

$$\int \sin x (\cos^4 x - \cos^6 x) dx$$

$$\int \cos^4 x \sin x dx - \int \cos^6 x \sin x dx$$

$$u = \cos x \quad du = -\sin x dx$$

$$-\int u^4 du + \int u^6 du$$

$$-\frac{1}{5}u^5 + \frac{1}{7}u^7$$

$$-\frac{1}{5}\cos^5 x + \frac{1}{7}\cos^7 x + C$$

Example) Power of Cosine is Odd and Positive

$$\text{Find } \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{\cos^3 x}{\sqrt{\sin x}} dx$$

$$\int_0^{\pi/2} \cos x (\cos^2 x) \sin^{-1/2} x dx$$

$$\int_0^{\pi/2} \cos x (1 - \sin^2 x) \sin^{-1/2} x dx$$

$$\int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^{-1/2} x \cos x dx - \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^{3/2} x \cos x dx$$

$$u = \sin x \quad du = \cos x dx \quad u(\pi/2) = 1 \\ u(0) = 0$$

$$\int_0^1 u^{-1/2} du - \int_0^1 u^{3/2} du$$

$$\left[2u^{1/2} - \frac{2}{5}u^{5/2} \right]_0^1$$

$$(2 - \frac{2}{5}) - (0 - 0)$$

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Example) Power is Even and Nonnegative

Find $\int \cos^4(5x) dx$

$$\int (\cos^2(5x))^2 dx$$

$$\int \left(\frac{1+\cos(10x)}{2}\right)^2 dx$$

$$\int \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\cos(10x)\right)^2 dx$$

$$\int \left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2}\cos(10x) + \frac{1}{4}\cos^2(10x)\right) dx$$

$$\int \left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2}\cos(10x) + \frac{1}{4}(1 + \frac{\cos(20x)}{2})\right) dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \int \left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2}\cos(10x) + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8}\cos(20x)\right) dx \\ & \frac{1}{4}x + \frac{1}{20}\sin(10x) + \frac{1}{8}x + \frac{1}{160}\sin(20x) + C \\ & \boxed{\frac{3}{8}x + \frac{1}{20}\sin(10x) + \frac{1}{160}\sin(20x) + C} \end{aligned}$$

Guidelines for Evaluating Integrals Involving Secant and Tangent (Note: $1 + \tan^2 x = \sec^2 x$)

- 1) If the power of secant is even and positive, save a secant-squared factor and convert the rest to tangents.
- 2) If the power of the tangent is odd and positive, save a secant-tangent and convert the rest to secants.
- 3) If there are no secants and the power of tangent is even and positive, convert a \tan^2 into $\sec^2 - 1$. Expand and repeat as necessary.
- 4) If the integral is only secant with an odd positive power, use integration by parts.
- 5) If none of the first four guidelines apply, try to convert to sines and cosines.

Example) Power of Tangent is Odd and Positive

Find $\int \frac{\tan^3 x}{\sqrt{\sec x}} dx$

$$\int \tan^3 x \sec^{-1/2} x dx$$

$$\int \tan^3 x \sec x \sec^{-3/2} x dx$$

$$\int \sec x \tan x (\tan^2 x) \sec^{-3/2} x dx$$

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

$$\int \sec^{1/2} x \sec x \tan x dx - \int \sec^{-3/2} x \sec x \tan x dx$$

$u = \sec x \quad du = \sec x \tan x dx$

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

$$\frac{2}{3}u^{3/2} + 2u^{-1/2}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{2}{3}\sec^{3/2} x + \frac{2}{\sqrt{\sec x}} + C}$$

Example) Power of Secant is Even and Positive

Find $\int \sec^4 3x \tan^3 3x dx$

$$\int \sec^2 3x (\sec^2 3x) (\tan^3 3x) dx$$

$$\int \sec^2 3x (1 + \tan^2 3x) \tan^3 3x dx$$

$$\int \sec^2 3x (\tan^3 3x + \tan^5 3x) dx$$

$$\int \tan^3 3x \sec^2 3x dx + \int \tan^5 3x \sec^2 3x dx$$

$$u = \tan 3x \quad du = 3\sec^2 3x dx$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \int u^3 du + \frac{1}{3} \int u^5 du$$

$$\frac{1}{12}u^4 + \frac{1}{18}u^6$$

$$\boxed{\frac{1}{12}\tan^4 3x + \frac{1}{18}\tan^6 3x + C}$$