

Week 14 - Monday, 4/15

Substitution, continued.

Recall: if an integral contains a quantity $g(x)$ whose derivative $g'(x)$ is also present, then putting $u = g(x)$ can simplify things.

(A) Indefinite integrals (review).Example 1.

$$\begin{aligned} \int e^x \cos(e^x) dx & \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} u = e^x \\ du = e^x dx \end{array} \right. \\ &= \int \cos(u) du \\ &= \sin(u) + C \\ &= \sin(e^x) + C. \end{aligned}$$

Check: $\frac{d}{dx} [\sin(e^x) + C] = \cos(e^x) \cdot \frac{d}{dx} [e^x] + 0$
 $= e^x \cos(e^x). \checkmark$

Example 2.

$$\begin{aligned} \int t^3 (t^4 + 5)^7 dt & \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} u = t^4 + 5 \\ du = 4t^3 dt \\ t^3 dt = \frac{du}{4} \end{array} \right. \\ &= \int u^7 \left(\frac{du}{4} \right) = \frac{1}{4} \int u^7 du \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{u^8}{8} + C \\ &= \frac{u^8}{32} + C = \frac{(t^4 + 5)^8}{32} + C. \end{aligned}$$

Example 3: the general idea.

$$\begin{aligned} \int f(g(x)) g'(x) dx & \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} u = g(x) \\ du = g'(x) dx \end{array} \right. \\ &= \int f(u) du, \end{aligned}$$

which is simpler than the integral we started with.

(B). Definite integrals.

Proceed as above, BUT: also change your limits of integration!!

Example 4.

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_3^5 \frac{1}{x(\ln(x))^2} dx \\ &= \int_{\ln(3)}^{\ln(5)} \frac{1}{u^2} du = \int_{\ln(3)}^{\ln(5)} u^{-2} du \\ &= -u^{-1} \Big|_{\ln(3)}^{\ln(5)} \\ &= -\frac{1}{u} \Big|_{\ln(3)}^{\ln(5)} = \frac{-1}{\ln(5)} + \frac{1}{\ln(3)}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} u &= \ln(x) \\ du &= \frac{1}{x} dx \\ \text{when } x &= 3, u = \ln(3) \\ \text{when } x &= 5, u = \ln(5) \end{aligned}$$

Example 5.

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^2 x e^{-x^2} dx \\ &= \int_0^{-4} e^u \left(-\frac{du}{2} \right) = -\frac{1}{2} \int_0^{-4} e^u du \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} e^u \Big|_0^{-4} = -\frac{1}{2} e^{-4} + \frac{1}{2} e^0 = \frac{-e^{-4} + 1}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} u &= -x^2 \\ du &= -2x dx \\ x dx &= -\frac{du}{2} \\ \text{when } x &= 0, u = -0^2 = 0 \\ \text{when } x &= 2, u = -2^2 = -4 \end{aligned}$$

Example 6.

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\pi/2}^{\pi} \cos(\pi \sin(x)) \cos(x) dx \\ &= \int_1^0 \cos(\pi u) du = \frac{\sin(\pi u)}{\pi} \Big|_1^0 \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} (\sin(\pi \cdot 0) - \sin(\pi \cdot 1)) \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} (0 - 0) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} u &= \sin(x) \\ du &= \cos(x) dx \\ \text{when } x &= \pi/2, u = \sin(\pi/2) = 1 \\ \text{when } x &= \pi, u = \sin(\pi) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

(C). IVP's.

We've seen: to solve the IVP

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x), \quad y(0) = y_0,$$

we:

(1) Integrate:

$$y = \int f(x) dx = F(x) + C \quad (*)$$

for some function $F(x)$ and constant C ;

(2) Plug the IC into (*) to get

$$y_0 = y(0) = F(0) + C,$$

then solve this for C ;

(3) Plug the C you got in (2) back into (*), to get your complete answer.

SOMETIMES, step (1) may require a substitution.

Example 7. Solve the IVP

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(\ln(x)+2)^3}{x}, \quad y(1) = 7.$$

Solution.

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \quad y &= \int \frac{(\ln(x)+2)^3}{x} dx \\ &= \int u^3 du \\ &= \frac{u^4}{4} + C = \frac{(\ln(x)+2)^4}{4} + C. \end{aligned}$$

$$\left| \begin{array}{l} u = \ln(x) + 2 \\ du = \frac{1}{x} dx \end{array} \right.$$

(2) By (1) and our initial condition,

$$7 = y(1) = \frac{(\ln(1)+2)^4}{4} + C = \frac{(0+2)^4}{4} + C = \frac{16}{4} + C = 4 + C.$$

$$\text{So } C = 7 - 4 = 3.$$

$$(3) \text{ By (1) and (2),} \\ y = \frac{(\ln(x) + 2)^4}{4} + 3.$$