
Solved Problems on Integration by Substitution

$$\int \sin(7z) dz$$

Substitute

$$t = 7z$$

Compute

$$dt = 7 dz \Rightarrow dz = \frac{dt}{7}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int \sin(7z) dz &= \int \sin(t) \frac{dt}{7} = \frac{1}{7} \int \sin(t) dt \\ &= -\frac{\cos(t)}{7} + C = -\frac{\cos(7z)}{7} + C \end{aligned}$$

$$\int \sin(3\phi + 2) d\phi$$

Substitute

$$t = 3\phi + 2$$

Compute

$$dt = 3d\phi \Rightarrow d\phi = \frac{dt}{3}$$

$$\int \sin(3\phi + 2) d\phi = \int \sin(t) \frac{dt}{3} = \frac{1}{3} \int \sin(t) dt$$

$$= -\frac{\cos(t)}{3} + C = -\frac{\cos(3\phi + 2)}{3} + C$$

$$\int \frac{\tan^2(x)}{\cos^2(x)} dx$$

Recall

$$\frac{d \tan(x)}{dx} = \frac{1}{\cos^2(x)}$$

This differentiation formula suggests the correct substitution.

Substitute

$$t = \tan(x)$$

Compute

$$dt = \frac{dx}{\cos^2(x)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{\tan^2(x)}{\cos^2(x)} dx &= \int t^2 dt \\ &= \frac{t^3}{3} + C = \frac{\tan^3(x)}{3} + C \end{aligned}$$

$$\int \frac{dx}{1+4x^2}$$

Rewrite

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

This rewriting helps us to find the correct substitution.

Substitute

$$t = 2x$$

Compute

$$dt = 2dx \Rightarrow dx = \frac{dt}{2}$$

$$\int \frac{1}{1+4x^2} dx = \int \frac{1}{1+t^2} \frac{dt}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{dt}{1+t^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \arctan(t) + C = \frac{1}{2} \arctan(2x) + C$$

$$\int \frac{dx}{2 + 2x + x^2}$$

Rewrite

$$\int \frac{dx}{2 + 2x + x^2} = \int \frac{dx}{1 + (1 + 2x + x^2)} = \int \frac{dx}{1 + (x + 1)^2}$$

Substitute

$$t = x + 1$$

Compute

$$dt = dx$$

$$\int \frac{dx}{2 + 2x + x^2} = \int \frac{dt}{1 + t^2}$$

$$= \arctan(t) + C = \arctan(x + 1) + C$$

$$\int \sqrt{4x - x^2} dx$$

Rewrite

$$\int \sqrt{4x - x^2} dx = \int \sqrt{4 - (4 - 4x + x^2)} dx$$

Substitute

$$\frac{x-2}{2} = \sin(t) \quad = \int \sqrt{4 - (x-2)^2} dx = \int 2 \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{x-2}{2}\right)^2} dx$$

Compute

$$dx = 2 \cos(t) dt$$

This rewriting helps to find the correct substitution.

$$\begin{aligned} \int \sqrt{4x - x^2} dx &= 4 \int \sqrt{1 - \sin^2(t)} \cos(t) dt = 4 \int \cos^2(t) dt \\ &= 2 \int (\cos(2t) + 1) dt = \sin(2t) + 2t + C = 2 \sin(t) \cos(t) + 2t + C \\ &= (x-2) \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{x-2}{2}\right)^2} + 2 \arcsin\left(\frac{x-2}{2}\right) + C \\ &= \frac{(x-2) \sqrt{4x - x^2}}{2} + 2 \arcsin\left(\frac{x-2}{2}\right) + C \end{aligned}$$

$$\int \sqrt{4x^2 + 4x + 10} dx$$

Rewrite

$$\int \sqrt{4x^2 + 4x + 10} dx = \int \sqrt{9 + ((2x)^2 + 4x + 1)} dx$$

Substitute

$$\frac{2x+1}{3} = \sinh(t) \quad = \int \sqrt{9 + (2x+1)^2} dx = \int 3 \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{2x+1}{3}\right)^2} dx$$

Compute

$$dx = \frac{3}{2} \cosh(t) dt$$

This rewriting helps to find the correct substitution.

$$\int \sqrt{4x^2 + 4x + 10} dx = \frac{9}{2} \int \sqrt{1 + \sinh^2(t)} \cosh(t) dt = \frac{9}{2} \int \cosh^2(t) dt$$

$$= \frac{9}{4} \int (\cosh(2t) + 1) dt$$

Here we used formulae regarding hyperbolic functions

Substitute
 $s=2t$ to get

$$= \frac{9}{8} \sinh(2t) + \frac{9t}{4} + C = \frac{9}{4} \sinh(t) \cosh(t) + \frac{9t}{4} + C$$

$$\int \sqrt{4x^2 + 4x + 10} dx$$

Substitute $\frac{2x+1}{3} = \sinh(t)$

Compute (cont'd)

Using the above substitution we concluded, on the previous slide that

$$\int \sqrt{4x^2 + 4x + 10} dx = \frac{9}{4} \sinh(t) \cosh(t) + \frac{9t}{4} + C$$

Expressing $\cosh(t)$ in terms of $\sinh(t)$ we may return to the original variable:

$$\begin{aligned} \int \sqrt{4x^2 + 4x + 10} dx &= \frac{9}{4} \sinh(t) \sqrt{1 + \sinh^2(t)} + \frac{9t}{4} + C \\ &= \frac{6x+3}{4} \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{2x+1}{3}\right)^2} + \frac{9 \sinh^{-1}\left(\frac{2x+1}{3}\right)}{4} + C \\ &= \frac{2x+1}{4} \sqrt{4x^2 + 4x + 10} + \frac{9 \sinh^{-1}\left(\frac{2x+1}{3}\right)}{4} + C \end{aligned}$$

This rewriting is essential in order to be able to cleanly express the result in the original variable.