

TRIGONOMETRIC INTEGRALS

We will study techniques for evaluating integral of the form

$$\int \sin^m x \cos^n x dx \quad \text{and} \quad \int \sec^m x \tan^n x dx$$

GUIDELINES FOR EVALUATING INTEGRALS INVOLVING SINE AND COSINE

1. If the power of the **sine** is **odd and positive**, save one sine factor and convert the remaining factors to cosines. Then expand and integrate.

$$\begin{aligned} \int \sin^{\overbrace{2k+1}^{\text{odd}}} x \cos^n x dx &= \int \overbrace{(\sin^2 x)^k}^{\substack{\text{convert to cosines} \\ \text{using pythagorean} \\ \text{identity}}} \cos^n x \overbrace{\sin^1 x dx}^{\text{save for } du} \\ &= \int (1 - \cos^2 x)^k \cos^n x \sin x dx \end{aligned}$$

2. If the power of the **cosine** is **odd and positive**, save one cosine factor and convert the remaining factors to sines. Then expand and integrate.

$$\begin{aligned} \int \sin^m x \cos^{\overbrace{2k+1}^{\text{odd}}} x dx &= \int \sin^m x \overbrace{(\cos^2 x)^k}^{\substack{\text{convert to sines} \\ \text{using pythagorean} \\ \text{identity}}} \overbrace{\cos^1 x dx}^{\text{save for } du} \\ &= \int \sin^m x (1 - \sin^2 x)^k \cos x dx \end{aligned}$$

3. If the powers of **both** the sine and cosine are **even and nonnegative**, make repeated use of the identities

$$\sin^2 x = \frac{1 - \cos 2x}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad \cos^2 x = \frac{1 + \cos 2x}{2}$$

To convert the integrand to odd powers of the cosine. Then proceed as in guideline 2.

GUIDELINES FOR EVALUATING INTEGRALS INVOLVING SECANT AND TANGENT

1. If the power of the **secant** is **even and positive**, save one secant-squared factor and convert the remaining factors to tangents. Then expand and integrate.

$$\int \sec^{\overbrace{2k}^{\text{even}}} x \tan^n x dx = \int \overbrace{(\sec^2 x)^{k-1}}^{\substack{\text{convert to tangents} \\ \text{using pythagorean} \\ \text{identity}}} \tan^n x \overbrace{\sec^2 x dx}^{\text{save for } du}$$

$$= \int (1 + \tan^2 x)^{k-1} \tan^n x \sec^2 x dx$$

2. If the power of the **tangent** is **odd and positive**, save one secant-tangent factor and convert the remaining factors to secants. Then expand and integrate.

$$\int \sec^m x \tan^{\overbrace{2k+1}^{\text{odd}}} x dx = \int \sec^{m-1} x \overbrace{(\tan^2 x)^k}^{\substack{\text{convert to secants} \\ \text{using pythagorean} \\ \text{identity}}} \overbrace{\sec^1 x \tan x dx}^{\text{save for } du}$$

$$= \int \sec^m x (\sec^2 x - 1)^k \sec x \tan x dx$$

3. If there are **no secant factors** and the power of the **tangent** is **even and positive**, convert a tangent-squared factor to a secant-squared factor, then expand and repeat, if necessary.

$$\int \tan^n x dx = \int \tan^{n-2} x \overbrace{(\tan^2 x)}^{\substack{\text{convert to secants} \\ \text{using pythagorean} \\ \text{identity}}} dx$$

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

4. If the integral is of the form $\int \sec^m x dx$, where m is **odd and positive**, use **integration by parts!**
5. If none of these techniques work, try converting to sines and cosines.

INTEGRALS INVOLVING SINE-COSINE PRODUCTS WITH DIFFERENT ANGLES

$$\sin(mx)\sin(nx) = \frac{1}{2}(\cos[(m-n)x] - \cos[(m+n)x])$$

$$\sin(mx)\cos(nx) = \frac{1}{2}(\sin[(m-n)x] + \sin[(m+n)x])$$

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1. Integrate.

a. $\int \cos^7 x dx$

b. $\int \sin^4 3x dx$

c. $\int \sec^5 x dx$

d. $\int \tan^5 2x \sec 2x dx$

e. $\int \tan^4 x \sec^2 x dx$

f. $\int \sin(3x) \cos(2x) dx$

g. $\int \tan^6\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) dx$