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Chapter 7: Integrals

About this Chapter

Exercise 7.3 builds on substitution by adding the **trigonometric-identity toolbox**. You rewrite powers of \sin and \cos using the half-angle identities $\sin^2 x = \frac{1 - \cos 2x}{2}$ and $\cos^2 x = \frac{1 + \cos 2x}{2}$, and products of \sin and \cos using the product-to-sum identities $\sin A \cos B = \frac{1}{2}[\sin(A + B) + \sin(A - B)]$ etc. Once the integrand is a linear combination of $\sin(kx)$ and $\cos(kx)$, the rest is direct integration.

Topics covered: Half-angle identities • Product-to-sum • Power-reduction • $\tan^n x$ via $\sec^2 x = 1 + \tan^2 x$

Quick Formula Sheet

Half-angle:

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

Product-to-sum:

$$2 \sin A \cos B = \sin(A + B) + \sin(A - B)$$

$$2 \cos A \cos B = \cos(A - B) + \cos(A + B)$$

$$2 \sin A \sin B = \cos(A - B) - \cos(A + B)$$

Sine cube:

$$\sin^3 x = \frac{3 \sin x - \sin 3x}{4}$$

Cosine cube:

$$\cos^3 x = \frac{3 \cos x + \cos 3x}{4}$$

Exercise 7.3

Q 7.1 Find $\int \sin^2(2x + 5) dx$.

SOLUTION

Concept used. The **half-angle identity** $\sin^2 \theta = \frac{1 - \cos 2\theta}{2}$ converts a squared sine into a linear combination of 1 and \cos , which integrates immediately.

Step 1. Apply the identity with $\theta = 2x + 5$:

$$\sin^2(2x + 5) = \frac{1 - \cos(4x + 10)}{2} = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cos(4x + 10).$$

Step 2. Integrate term-by-term:

$$\int \sin^2(2x + 5) dx = \frac{1}{2} \int 1 dx - \frac{1}{2} \int \cos(4x + 10) dx.$$

Step 3. Compute each: $\frac{1}{2} \int 1 dx = x/2$. For the cosine, the inner derivative is 4, so $\int \cos(4x + 10) dx = \frac{1}{4} \sin(4x + 10)$. Multiply by $-1/2$:

$$-\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{4} \sin(4x + 10) = -\frac{1}{8} \sin(4x + 10).$$

Step 4. Combine: $\frac{x}{2} - \frac{1}{8} \sin(4x + 10) + C$.

Final Answer: $\frac{x}{2} - \frac{1}{8} \sin(4x + 10) + C$

EXPERT'S SOLUTION : Aarav Sharma, M.Sc Mathematics, IIT Bombay

Strategic angle. Any \sin^2 or \cos^2 comes down to its half-angle form before integrating.

Step 1. $\sin^2(2x + 5) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cos(4x + 10)$.

Step 2. Anti derivative term-by-term: $\frac{x}{2} - \frac{1}{8} \sin(4x + 10)$.

Step 3. Add C .

Final Answer: $\frac{x}{2} - \frac{\sin(4x + 10)}{8} + C$

Q 7.2 Find $\int \sin 3x \cos 4x dx$.

SOLUTION

Concept used. The product-to-sum identity $\sin A \cos B = \frac{1}{2}[\sin(A + B) + \sin(A - B)]$.

With $A = 3x$, $B = 4x$:

$$\sin 3x \cos 4x = \frac{1}{2}[\sin 7x + \sin(-x)] = \frac{1}{2}[\sin 7x - \sin x].$$

Step 1. Apply product-to-sum:

$$\sin 3x \cos 4x = \frac{1}{2} \sin 7x - \frac{1}{2} \sin x.$$

Step 2. Integrate each piece:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \int \sin 7x \, dx &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{7} \cos 7x\right) = -\frac{1}{14} \cos 7x, \\ -\frac{1}{2} \int \sin x \, dx &= -\frac{1}{2} \cdot (-\cos x) = \frac{1}{2} \cos x. \end{aligned}$$

Step 3. Combine: $-\frac{1}{14} \cos 7x + \frac{1}{2} \cos x + C$.

Final Answer: $-\frac{\cos 7x}{14} + \frac{\cos x}{2} + C$

EXPERT'S SOLUTION : *Sneha Iyer, M.Sc Applied Mathematics, IIT Kanpur*

Quick reading. $\sin A \cos B$ splits cleanly via product-to-sum.

Step 1. $\sin 3x \cos 4x = \frac{1}{2} \sin 7x - \frac{1}{2} \sin x$.

Step 2. Anti derivatives: $-\frac{\cos 7x}{14}, \frac{\cos x}{2}$.

Final Answer: $\frac{\cos x}{2} - \frac{\cos 7x}{14} + C$

Q 7.3 Find $\int \cos 2x \cos 4x \cos 6x \, dx$.

SOLUTION

Concept used. Apply $2 \cos A \cos B = \cos(A - B) + \cos(A + B)$ repeatedly. Combine two of the three factors first, then multiply by the third and apply product-to-sum again.

Step 1. Group $\cos 2x \cos 6x$ and use $2 \cos A \cos B = \cos(A - B) + \cos(A + B)$:

$$2 \cos 2x \cos 6x = \cos 4x + \cos 8x \Rightarrow \cos 2x \cos 6x = \frac{1}{2}(\cos 4x + \cos 8x).$$

Step 2. Multiply by $\cos 4x$:

$$\cos 2x \cos 4x \cos 6x = \frac{1}{2} \cos 4x(\cos 4x + \cos 8x) = \frac{1}{2} \cos^2 4x + \frac{1}{2} \cos 4x \cos 8x.$$

Step 3. Use $\cos^2 4x = \frac{1+\cos 8x}{2}$ and $2 \cos 4x \cos 8x = \cos 4x + \cos 12x$:

$$\frac{1}{2} \cos^2 4x = \frac{1}{4}(1 + \cos 8x), \quad \frac{1}{2} \cos 4x \cos 8x = \frac{1}{4}(\cos 4x + \cos 12x).$$

Step 4. Add the two:

$$\cos 2x \cos 4x \cos 6x = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \cos 8x + \frac{1}{4} \cos 4x + \frac{1}{4} \cos 12x.$$

Step 5. Integrate term-by-term:

$$\int = \frac{x}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{\sin 8x}{8} + \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{\sin 4x}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{\sin 12x}{12}.$$

Step 6. Simplify:

$$\frac{x}{4} + \frac{\sin 4x}{16} + \frac{\sin 8x}{32} + \frac{\sin 12x}{48} + C.$$

Final Answer: $\frac{x}{4} + \frac{\sin 4x}{16} + \frac{\sin 8x}{32} + \frac{\sin 12x}{48} + C$

♥ Iterated product-to-sum

For products of three or more trig factors, group two at a time and reduce. A triple product of cosines becomes a sum of four (or fewer) cosines, all of which integrate directly.

EXPERT'S SOLUTION : *Karan Mehta, B.Tech Engineering Physics, IIT Bombay*

Strategic angle. Pair smallest and largest argument first to land on a nice intermediate.

Step 1. $\cos 2x \cos 6x = \frac{1}{2}(\cos 4x + \cos 8x)$.

Step 2. Multiply by $\cos 4x$: $\frac{1}{2} \cos^2 4x + \frac{1}{2} \cos 4x \cos 8x$.

Step 3. Expand each: $\frac{1}{4} + \frac{\cos 8x}{4} + \frac{\cos 4x}{4} + \frac{\cos 12x}{4}$.

Step 4. Integrate: $\frac{x}{4} + \frac{\sin 4x}{16} + \frac{\sin 8x}{32} + \frac{\sin 12x}{48} + C$.

Final Answer: $\frac{x}{4} + \frac{\sin 4x}{16} + \frac{\sin 8x}{32} + \frac{\sin 12x}{48} + C$

Q 7.4 Find $\int \sin^3(2x + 1) dx$.

SOLUTION

Concept used. The identity $\sin^3 \theta = \frac{3 \sin \theta - \sin 3\theta}{4}$ (from $\sin 3\theta = 3 \sin \theta - 4 \sin^3 \theta$) reduces a cube of sine to a linear combination integrable directly.

Step 1. Apply with $\theta = 2x + 1$:

$$\sin^3(2x + 1) = \frac{3 \sin(2x + 1) - \sin(6x + 3)}{4}.$$

Step 2. Integrate term-by-term:

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{3}{4} \sin(2x + 1) dx &= \frac{3}{4} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{2} \cos(2x + 1)\right) = -\frac{3}{8} \cos(2x + 1), \\ \int -\frac{1}{4} \sin(6x + 3) dx &= -\frac{1}{4} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{6} \cos(6x + 3)\right) = \frac{1}{24} \cos(6x + 3). \end{aligned}$$

Step 3. Combine: $-\frac{3}{8} \cos(2x + 1) + \frac{1}{24} \cos(6x + 3) + C$.

Final Answer: $-\frac{3}{8} \cos(2x + 1) + \frac{1}{24} \cos(6x + 3) + C$

EXPERT'S SOLUTION : Pranav Patel, Ph.D Mathematics, IIT Delhi

Strategic angle. Use the triple-angle identity to flatten \sin^3 .

Step 1. $\sin^3(2x + 1) = \frac{3 \sin(2x+1) - \sin(6x+3)}{4}$.

Step 2. Anti derivatives: $-\frac{3 \cos(2x+1)}{8}, +\frac{\cos(6x+3)}{24}$.

Final Answer: $-\frac{3 \cos(2x + 1)}{8} + \frac{\cos(6x + 3)}{24} + C$

Q 7.5 Find $\int \sin^3 x \cos^3 x dx$.

SOLUTION

Concept used. The double-angle identity $\sin x \cos x = \frac{1}{2} \sin 2x$ turns $\sin^3 x \cos^3 x = (\sin x \cos x)^3$ into $\frac{1}{8} \sin^3 2x$. Then apply the \sin^3 reduction identity.

Step 1. Rewrite: $\sin^3 x \cos^3 x = (\sin x \cos x)^3 = \left(\frac{1}{2} \sin 2x\right)^3 = \frac{1}{8} \sin^3 2x$.

Step 2. Use $\sin^3 2x = \frac{3 \sin 2x - \sin 6x}{4}$:

$$\frac{1}{8} \sin^3 2x = \frac{1}{32}(3 \sin 2x - \sin 6x).$$

Step 3. Integrate term-by-term:

$$\int \frac{3}{32} \sin 2x \, dx = \frac{3}{32} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{2} \cos 2x\right) = -\frac{3}{64} \cos 2x,$$

$$\int -\frac{1}{32} \sin 6x \, dx = -\frac{1}{32} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{6} \cos 6x\right) = \frac{1}{192} \cos 6x.$$

Step 4. Combine: $-\frac{3}{64} \cos 2x + \frac{1}{192} \cos 6x + C$.

Final Answer: $-\frac{3 \cos 2x}{64} + \frac{\cos 6x}{192} + C$

EXPERT'S SOLUTION : Riya Gupta, M.Sc Mathematics, ISI Kolkata

Alternative. Substitute $t = \sin x$, $dt = \cos x \, dx$. Then $\sin^3 x \cos^3 x \, dx = t^3(1 - t^2) \, dt$, integrate, back-substitute.

Step 1. $t = \sin x$; $\cos^2 x = 1 - t^2$.

Step 2. Integrand: $t^3(1 - t^2) = t^3 - t^5$.

Step 3. Anti derivative: $\frac{t^4}{4} - \frac{t^6}{6} = \frac{\sin^4 x}{4} - \frac{\sin^6 x}{6}$.

Step 4. Equivalent to the main solution (differs by a constant).

Final Answer: $\frac{\sin^4 x}{4} - \frac{\sin^6 x}{6} + C$

Q 7.6 Find $\int \sin x \sin 2x \sin 3x \, dx$.

SOLUTION

Concept used. Apply $2 \sin A \sin B = \cos(A - B) - \cos(A + B)$ on two factors, then multiply.

Step 1. Group $\sin x \sin 3x$:

$$2 \sin x \sin 3x = \cos 2x - \cos 4x \Rightarrow \sin x \sin 3x = \frac{1}{2}(\cos 2x - \cos 4x).$$

Step 2. Multiply by $\sin 2x$:

$$\sin x \sin 2x \sin 3x = \frac{1}{2}(\sin 2x \cos 2x - \sin 2x \cos 4x).$$

Step 3. Use $\sin 2x \cos 2x = \frac{1}{2} \sin 4x$ and

$$2 \sin 2x \cos 4x = \sin(2x + 4x) + \sin(2x - 4x) = \sin 6x - \sin 2x:$$

$$\sin x \sin 2x \sin 3x = \frac{1}{4} \sin 4x - \frac{1}{4}(\sin 6x - \sin 2x) = \frac{1}{4} \sin 2x + \frac{1}{4} \sin 4x - \frac{1}{4} \sin 6x.$$

Step 4. Integrate:

$$\int = \frac{1}{4} \cdot \left(-\frac{\cos 2x}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{4} \cdot \left(-\frac{\cos 4x}{4}\right) - \frac{1}{4} \cdot \left(-\frac{\cos 6x}{6}\right).$$

Step 5. Simplify:

$$-\frac{\cos 2x}{8} - \frac{\cos 4x}{16} + \frac{\cos 6x}{24} + C.$$

Final Answer: $\frac{\cos 6x}{24} - \frac{\cos 4x}{16} - \frac{\cos 2x}{8} + C$

EXPERT'S SOLUTION : Yash Joshi, M.Sc Mathematics, IIT Bombay

Strategic angle. Three-factor product: pair the two non-adjacent ones first.

Step 1. $\sin x \sin 3x = \frac{1}{2}(\cos 2x - \cos 4x).$

Step 2. Multiply by $\sin 2x$ and apply product-to-sum once more.

Step 3. Net integrand: $\frac{1}{4} \sin 2x + \frac{1}{4} \sin 4x - \frac{1}{4} \sin 6x.$

Step 4. Integrate to get $-\frac{\cos 2x}{8} - \frac{\cos 4x}{16} + \frac{\cos 6x}{24} + C.$

Final Answer: $\frac{\cos 6x}{24} - \frac{\cos 4x}{16} - \frac{\cos 2x}{8} + C$

Q 7.7 Find $\int \sin 4x \sin 8x \, dx.$

SOLUTION

Concept used. $2 \sin A \sin B = \cos(A - B) - \cos(A + B).$

Step 1. $2 \sin 4x \sin 8x = \cos 4x - \cos 12x$, so $\sin 4x \sin 8x = \frac{1}{2}(\cos 4x - \cos 12x).$

Step 2. Integrate:

$$\frac{1}{2} \int \cos 4x \, dx - \frac{1}{2} \int \cos 12x \, dx = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\sin 4x}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\sin 12x}{12}.$$

Step 3. Simplify: $\frac{\sin 4x}{8} - \frac{\sin 12x}{24} + C$.

Final Answer: $\frac{\sin 4x}{8} - \frac{\sin 12x}{24} + C$

EXPERT'S SOLUTION : Aanya Singh, M.Sc Mathematics, IIT Bombay

Quick reading. Product-to-sum, then integrate.

Step 1. Convert: $\sin 4x \sin 8x = \frac{1}{2}(\cos 4x - \cos 12x)$.

Step 2. Anti derivative: $\frac{\sin 4x}{8} - \frac{\sin 12x}{24}$.

Final Answer: $\frac{\sin 4x}{8} - \frac{\sin 12x}{24} + C$

Q 7.8 Find $\int \frac{1 - \cos x}{1 + \cos x} \, dx$.

SOLUTION

Concept used. Use the half-angle identities $1 - \cos x = 2 \sin^2(x/2)$ and $1 + \cos x = 2 \cos^2(x/2)$ to reduce the integrand to $\tan^2(x/2)$.

Step 1. Apply the identities:

$$\frac{1 - \cos x}{1 + \cos x} = \frac{2 \sin^2(x/2)}{2 \cos^2(x/2)} = \tan^2(x/2).$$

Step 2. Use $\tan^2 \theta = \sec^2 \theta - 1$:

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

Step 3. For the first, substitute $t = x/2$: $\int \sec^2(x/2) \, dx = 2 \tan(x/2)$. For the second, $\int 1 \, dx = x$.

Step 4. Combine: $2 \tan(x/2) - x + C$.

Final Answer: $2 \tan(x/2) - x + C$

Half-angle identities

$1 - \cos \theta = 2 \sin^2(\theta/2)$ and $1 + \cos \theta = 2 \cos^2(\theta/2)$. The formulas are derived from $\cos 2\alpha = 1 - 2 \sin^2 \alpha = 2 \cos^2 \alpha - 1$ with $\alpha = \theta/2$.

EXPERT'S SOLUTION : Diya Kapoor, M.Sc Mathematics, IIT Bombay

Strategic angle. Whenever you see $1 \pm \cos x$, half-angle. Reduces to a tan form.

Step 1. $\frac{1 - \cos x}{1 + \cos x} = \tan^2(x/2)$.

Step 2. $\int \tan^2(x/2) dx = 2 \tan(x/2) - x + C$.

Final Answer: $2 \tan(x/2) - x + C$

Q7.9 Find $\int \frac{\cos x}{1 + \cos x} dx$.

SOLUTION

Concept used. Rewrite $\cos x = (1 + \cos x) - 1$ to split the fraction, then apply the half-angle identity $1 + \cos x = 2 \cos^2(x/2)$.

Step 1. Write $\cos x = (1 + \cos x) - 1$:

$$\frac{\cos x}{1 + \cos x} = \frac{(1 + \cos x) - 1}{1 + \cos x} = 1 - \frac{1}{1 + \cos x}.$$

Step 2. Use $1 + \cos x = 2 \cos^2(x/2)$, so $\frac{1}{1 + \cos x} = \frac{1}{2} \sec^2(x/2)$.

Step 3. Integrate:

$$\int 1 dx - \frac{1}{2} \int \sec^2(x/2) dx = x - \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2 \tan(x/2) = x - \tan(x/2).$$

Final Answer: $x - \tan(x/2) + C$

EXPERT'S SOLUTION : Vivaan Nair, Ph.D Pure Mathematics, IISc Bangalore

Quick reading. Subtract-and-add trick: $\cos x = (1 + \cos x) - 1$.

Step 1. $\frac{\cos x}{1 + \cos x} = 1 - \frac{1}{1 + \cos x} = 1 - \frac{1}{2} \sec^2(x/2)$.

Step 2. Integrate: $x - \tan(x/2) + C$.

Final Answer: $x - \tan(x/2) + C$

Q 7.10 Find $\int \sin^4 x \, dx$.

SOLUTION

Concept used. Square the half-angle identity $\sin^2 x = \frac{1 - \cos 2x}{2}$.

Step 1. $\sin^4 x = (\sin^2 x)^2 = \left(\frac{1 - \cos 2x}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{1 - 2 \cos 2x + \cos^2 2x}{4}$.

Step 2. Use $\cos^2 2x = \frac{1 + \cos 4x}{2}$:

$$\sin^4 x = \frac{1 - 2 \cos 2x + \frac{1 + \cos 4x}{2}}{4} = \frac{2 - 4 \cos 2x + 1 + \cos 4x}{8} = \frac{3 - 4 \cos 2x + \cos 4x}{8}$$

Step 3. Integrate term-by-term:

$$\int \sin^4 x \, dx = \frac{1}{8} \int (3 - 4 \cos 2x + \cos 4x) \, dx = \frac{1}{8} \left(3x - 4 \cdot \frac{\sin 2x}{2} + \frac{\sin 4x}{4} \right)$$

Step 4. Simplify:

$$\frac{1}{8} \left(3x - 2 \sin 2x + \frac{\sin 4x}{4} \right) = \frac{3x}{8} - \frac{\sin 2x}{4} + \frac{\sin 4x}{32} + C$$

Final Answer: $\frac{3x}{8} - \frac{\sin 2x}{4} + \frac{\sin 4x}{32} + C$

EXPERT'S SOLUTION : Tara Bhat, M.Sc Mathematics, ISI Kolkata

Strategic angle. For even powers of sin or cos, square the half-angle identity and reduce repeatedly until only $\cos(2^k x)$ terms remain.

Step 1. $\sin^4 x = \frac{3 - 4 \cos 2x + \cos 4x}{8}$.

Step 2. Integrate term-by-term; absorb constants.

Final Answer: $\frac{3x}{8} - \frac{\sin 2x}{4} + \frac{\sin 4x}{32} + C$

Q 7.11 Find $\int \cos^4 2x \, dx$.

SOLUTION

Concept used. Square the half-angle identity $\cos^2 \theta = \frac{1+\cos 2\theta}{2}$ with $\theta = 2x$.

Step 1. $\cos^2 2x = \frac{1 + \cos 4x}{2}$.

Step 2. Square:

$$\cos^4 2x = \left(\frac{1 + \cos 4x}{2} \right)^2 = \frac{1 + 2 \cos 4x + \cos^2 4x}{4}.$$

Step 3. Use $\cos^2 4x = \frac{1 + \cos 8x}{2}$:

$$\cos^4 2x = \frac{1 + 2 \cos 4x + \frac{1 + \cos 8x}{2}}{4} = \frac{2 + 4 \cos 4x + 1 + \cos 8x}{8} = \frac{3 + 4 \cos 4x + \cos 8x}{8}$$

Step 4. Integrate:

$$\int \cos^4 2x \, dx = \frac{1}{8} (3x + 4 \cdot \frac{\sin 4x}{4} + \frac{\sin 8x}{8}) = \frac{3x}{8} + \frac{\sin 4x}{8} + \frac{\sin 8x}{64} + C.$$

Final Answer: $\frac{3x}{8} + \frac{\sin 4x}{8} + \frac{\sin 8x}{64} + C$

EXPERT'S SOLUTION : Ishaan Reddy, B.Tech CSE, IIT Roorkee

Quick reading. Symmetric template to Q10.

Step 1. $\cos^4 2x = \frac{3 + 4 \cos 4x + \cos 8x}{8}$.

Step 2. Anti derivative: $\frac{3x}{8} + \frac{\sin 4x}{8} + \frac{\sin 8x}{64} + C$.

Final Answer: $\frac{3x}{8} + \frac{\sin 4x}{8} + \frac{\sin 8x}{64} + C$

Q 7.12 Find $\int \frac{\sin^2 x}{1 + \cos x} \, dx$.

SOLUTION

Concept used. $\sin^2 x = 1 - \cos^2 x = (1 - \cos x)(1 + \cos x)$. The factor $(1 + \cos x)$ cancels.

Step 1. Factor: $\sin^2 x = (1 - \cos x)(1 + \cos x)$.

Step 2. Cancel:

$$\frac{\sin^2 x}{1 + \cos x} = 1 - \cos x.$$

Step 3. Integrate:

$$\int (1 - \cos x) dx = x - \sin x + C.$$

Final Answer: $x - \sin x + C$

EXPERT'S SOLUTION : Dev Chatterjee, B.Tech CSE, IIT Roorkee

Structural observation. Difference of squares: $1 - \cos^2 x = \sin^2 x$, which factors as $(1 - \cos x)(1 + \cos x)$.

Step 1. Cancel $(1 + \cos x)$.

Step 2. Integrate $1 - \cos x$.

Final Answer: $x - \sin x + C$

Q 7.13 Find $\int \frac{\cos 2x - \cos 2\alpha}{\cos x - \cos \alpha} dx$.

SOLUTION

Concept used. Use $\cos 2\theta = 2 \cos^2 \theta - 1$ in both numerator terms, then factor.

Step 1. Apply the identity:

$$\cos 2x - \cos 2\alpha = (2 \cos^2 x - 1) - (2 \cos^2 \alpha - 1) = 2(\cos^2 x - \cos^2 \alpha).$$

Step 2. Factor as a difference of squares:

$$\cos^2 x - \cos^2 \alpha = (\cos x - \cos \alpha)(\cos x + \cos \alpha).$$

Step 3. Substitute and cancel $(\cos x - \cos \alpha)$:

$$\frac{\cos 2x - \cos 2\alpha}{\cos x - \cos \alpha} = 2(\cos x + \cos \alpha).$$

Step 4. Integrate:

$$\int 2(\cos x + \cos \alpha) dx = 2 \sin x + 2x \cos \alpha + C.$$

(Here $\cos \alpha$ is a constant.)

Final Answer: $2(\sin x + x \cos \alpha) + C$

EXPERT'S SOLUTION : Krishna Rao, M.Sc Mathematics, IIT Bombay

Strategic angle. Spot the algebraic identity that cancels the denominator before trying anything else.

Step 1. $\cos 2x - \cos 2\alpha = 2(\cos^2 x - \cos^2 \alpha) = 2(\cos x - \cos \alpha)(\cos x + \cos \alpha)$.

Step 2. Cancel to get $2(\cos x + \cos \alpha)$.

Step 3. Integrate: $2 \sin x + 2x \cos \alpha + C$.

Final Answer: $2 \sin x + 2x \cos \alpha + C$

Q7.14 Find $\int \frac{\cos x - \sin x}{1 + \sin 2x} dx$.

SOLUTION

Concept used. $1 + \sin 2x = \sin^2 x + \cos^2 x + 2 \sin x \cos x = (\sin x + \cos x)^2$. Substitute $t = \sin x + \cos x$.

Step 1. Rewrite the denominator:

$$1 + \sin 2x = (\sin x + \cos x)^2.$$

Step 2. Put $t = \sin x + \cos x$. Then $dt = (\cos x - \sin x) dx$ — exactly the numerator times dx .

Step 3. Substitute:

$$\int \frac{\cos x - \sin x}{(\sin x + \cos x)^2} dx = \int \frac{dt}{t^2} = -\frac{1}{t}.$$

Step 4. Back-substitute: $-\frac{1}{\sin x + \cos x} + C$.

Final Answer: $-\frac{1}{\sin x + \cos x} + C$

EXPERT'S SOLUTION : Siddharth Pillai, M.Sc Mathematics, IIT Bombay

Structural observation. $1 + \sin 2x$ is a perfect square in $\sin x + \cos x$.

Step 1. $1 + \sin 2x = (\sin x + \cos x)^2$.

Step 2. $t = \sin x + \cos x$; $dt = (\cos x - \sin x) dx$.

Step 3. $\int dt/t^2 = -1/t$.

Final Answer: $-\frac{1}{\sin x + \cos x} + C$

Q 7.15 Find $\int \tan^3(2x) \sec(2x) dx$.

SOLUTION

Concept used. Split $\tan^3 = \tan^2 \cdot \tan$, use $\tan^2 = \sec^2 - 1$, and substitute $t = \sec(2x)$ since $\frac{d}{dx} \sec(2x) = 2 \sec(2x) \tan(2x)$.

Step 1. Split:

$$\tan^3(2x) \sec(2x) = \tan^2(2x) \cdot \tan(2x) \sec(2x) = [\sec^2(2x) - 1] \cdot \tan(2x) \sec(2x).$$

Step 2. Put $t = \sec(2x)$. Then $dt = 2 \sec(2x) \tan(2x) dx$, so $\sec(2x) \tan(2x) dx = dt/2$.

Step 3. Substitute:

$$\int (t^2 - 1) \cdot \frac{dt}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \int (t^2 - 1) dt = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{t^3}{3} - t \right) = \frac{t^3}{6} - \frac{t}{2}.$$

Step 4. Back-substitute:

$$\frac{\sec^3(2x)}{6} - \frac{\sec(2x)}{2} + C.$$

Final Answer: $\frac{\sec^3(2x)}{6} - \frac{\sec(2x)}{2} + C$

EXPERT'S SOLUTION : Aditi Verma, M.Sc Mathematics, IIT Bombay

Strategic angle. $\tan^3 \sec$ converts to a polynomial in \sec via $\tan^2 = \sec^2 - 1$.

Step 1. Split: $\tan^3(2x) \sec(2x) = (\sec^2(2x) - 1) \tan(2x) \sec(2x)$.

Step 2. $t = \sec(2x)$; $\sec(2x) \tan(2x) dx = dt/2$.

Step 3. Integrate $\frac{1}{2}(t^2 - 1) dt = \frac{t^3}{6} - \frac{t}{2}$.

Final Answer: $\frac{\sec^3(2x)}{6} - \frac{\sec(2x)}{2} + C$

Q 7.16 Find $\int \tan^4 x dx$.

SOLUTION

Concept used. Reduce powers of \tan via $\tan^2 x = \sec^2 x - 1$ recursively.

Step 1. Split $\tan^4 = \tan^2 \cdot \tan^2 = \tan^2 x(\sec^2 x - 1) = \tan^2 x \sec^2 x - \tan^2 x$.

Step 2. Substitute $\tan^2 x = \sec^2 x - 1$ in the second term:

$$\tan^4 x = \tan^2 x \sec^2 x - (\sec^2 x - 1) = \tan^2 x \sec^2 x - \sec^2 x + 1.$$

Step 3. Integrate term-by-term. For $\int \tan^2 x \sec^2 x dx$, substitute $t = \tan x$,
 $dt = \sec^2 x dx$:

$$\int t^2 dt = \frac{t^3}{3} = \frac{\tan^3 x}{3}.$$

Step 4. $\int \sec^2 x dx = \tan x$; $\int 1 dx = x$.

Step 5. Combine:

$$\frac{\tan^3 x}{3} - \tan x + x + C.$$

Final Answer: $\frac{\tan^3 x}{3} - \tan x + x + C$

EXPERT'S SOLUTION : Ananya Bhat, M.Sc Mathematics, IIT Bombay

Strategic angle. Repeatedly replace \tan^2 with $\sec^2 - 1$ until you have a combination of $\tan^k \sec^2$ and powers of \sec .

Step 1. $\tan^4 x = \tan^2 x \sec^2 x - \sec^2 x + 1$.

Step 2. Anti derivatives: $\tan^3 x/3$, $-\tan x$, x .

Step 3. Combine.

Final Answer: $\frac{\tan^3 x}{3} - \tan x + x + C$

Q 7.17 Find $\int \frac{\sin^3 x + \cos^3 x}{\sin^2 x \cos^2 x} dx$.

SOLUTION

Concept used. Split the fraction term-by-term, simplify each, and use standard anti derivatives of $\sec x \tan x$ and $\csc x \cot x$.

Step 1. Split:

$$\frac{\sin^3 x + \cos^3 x}{\sin^2 x \cos^2 x} = \frac{\sin^3 x}{\sin^2 x \cos^2 x} + \frac{\cos^3 x}{\sin^2 x \cos^2 x} = \frac{\sin x}{\cos^2 x} + \frac{\cos x}{\sin^2 x}.$$

Step 2. Recognise the standard forms: $\sin x / \cos^2 x = \tan x \sec x$ and $\cos x / \sin^2 x = \cot x \csc x$.

Step 3. Integrate:

$$\int \tan x \sec x dx = \sec x, \quad \int \cot x \csc x dx = -\csc x.$$

Step 4. Combine: $\sec x - \csc x + C$.

Final Answer: $\sec x - \csc x + C$

EXPERT'S SOLUTION : Rohit Desai, M.Sc Mathematics, IIT Bombay

Quick reading. Term-by-term division produces standard derivatives of \sec and \csc .

Step 1. Split into $\tan x \sec x + \cot x \csc x$.

Step 2. Anti derivatives: $\sec x$ and $-\csc x$.

Final Answer: $\sec x - \csc x + C$

Q 7.18 Find $\int \frac{\cos 2x + 2 \sin^2 x}{\cos^2 x} dx$.

SOLUTION

Concept used. Simplify the numerator using $\cos 2x = 1 - 2 \sin^2 x$.

Step 1. Numerator: $\cos 2x + 2 \sin^2 x = (1 - 2 \sin^2 x) + 2 \sin^2 x = 1$.

Step 2. Hence the integrand is $\frac{1}{\cos^2 x} = \sec^2 x$.

Step 3. Integrate: $\int \sec^2 x \, dx = \tan x$.

Final Answer: $\tan x + C$

♥ **Look for identities first**

A nasty-looking integrand often collapses to one or two terms after a single identity. Always simplify the integrand before integrating.

EXPERT'S SOLUTION : Aditya Kumar, Ph.D Mathematics, IIT Delhi

Structural observation. The numerator collapses to 1 using $\cos 2x = 1 - 2 \sin^2 x$.

Step 1. Numerator = 1; integrand = $\sec^2 x$.

Step 2. Anti derivative: $\tan x + C$.

Final Answer: $\tan x + C$

Q 7.19 Find $\int \frac{1}{\sin x \cos^3 x} \, dx$.

SOLUTION

Concept used. Use $1 = \sin^2 x + \cos^2 x$ in the numerator to split into manageable pieces.

Step 1. Write the numerator as $\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x$:

$$\frac{1}{\sin x \cos^3 x} = \frac{\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x}{\sin x \cos^3 x} = \frac{\sin x}{\cos^3 x} + \frac{1}{\sin x \cos x}$$

Step 2. Simplify the second fraction using $\sin x \cos x = \frac{1}{2} \sin 2x$, so $\frac{1}{\sin x \cos x} = \frac{2}{\sin 2x}$.

Alternatively, leave it as $\frac{\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x}{\sin x \cos x} \cdot \frac{1}{1} = \cot x + \tan x$ (using $\cos x / \sin x + \sin x / \cos x$).

Step 3. Better: rewrite as $\tan x + \cot x$: $\frac{\sin x}{\cos x} + \frac{\cos x}{\sin x} = \frac{\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x}{\sin x \cos x}$.

Step 4. Anti derivative of first term ($\sin x / \cos^3 x$): substitute $t = \cos x$, $dt = -\sin x dx$:

$$\int \frac{\sin x}{\cos^3 x} dx = - \int \frac{dt}{t^3} = - \cdot \frac{t^{-2}}{-2} = \frac{1}{2t^2} = \frac{1}{2 \cos^2 x} = \frac{1}{2} \sec^2 x.$$

(We can equivalently write this as $\frac{1}{2} \tan^2 x + \text{const}$, since $\sec^2 x = 1 + \tan^2 x$.)

Step 5. Anti derivatives of the second pair: $\int \tan x dx = -\log |\cos x|$ and $\int \cot x dx = \log |\sin x|$. **Sum:** $\log |\sin x| - \log |\cos x| = \log |\tan x|$.

Step 6. Combine all pieces:

$$\int \frac{dx}{\sin x \cos^3 x} = \frac{1}{2} \sec^2 x + \log |\tan x| + C.$$

(Equivalently $\frac{1}{2} \tan^2 x + \log |\tan x| + C$, absorbing the $\frac{1}{2}$ constant.)

Final Answer: $\frac{\tan^2 x}{2} + \log |\tan x| + C$

EXPERT'S SOLUTION : Meera Banerjee, Ph.D Pure Mathematics, IISc Bangalore

Alternative. Multiply top and bottom by $\sec^2 x / \cos x$ to get $\sec^4 x \cdot \tan x \cdot 0\dots$ Actually the cleanest path is dividing by $\cos^4 x$: $\frac{1}{\sin x \cos^3 x} = \frac{\sec^4 x}{\tan x} \cdot \cos x = \frac{\sec^4 x}{\tan x}$. Wait, let us redo: $\frac{1}{\sin x \cos^3 x} \cdot \frac{1/\cos x}{1/\cos x} = \frac{\sec^4 x}{\tan x}$. **Substitute** $t = \tan x$, $dt = \sec^2 x dx$:

$$\int \frac{\sec^4 x dx}{\tan x} = \int \frac{(1 + \tan^2 x) \sec^2 x dx}{\tan x} = \int \frac{1 + t^2}{t} dt = \log |t| + \frac{t^2}{2}.$$

Step 1. Divide by $\cos^4 x$: integrand becomes $\sec^4 x / \tan x = (1 + \tan^2 x) \sec^2 x / \tan x$.

Step 2. $t = \tan x$; $dt = \sec^2 x dx$.

Step 3. $\int (1 + t^2)/t dt = \log |t| + t^2/2$.

Step 4. Back-substitute: $\log |\tan x| + \frac{1}{2} \tan^2 x + C$.

Final Answer: $\frac{\tan^2 x}{2} + \log |\tan x| + C$

Q 7.20 Find $\int \frac{\cos 2x}{(\cos x + \sin x)^2} dx$.

SOLUTION

Concept used. $\cos 2x = \cos^2 x - \sin^2 x = (\cos x - \sin x)(\cos x + \sin x)$.

Step 1. Factor: $\cos 2x = (\cos x - \sin x)(\cos x + \sin x)$.

Step 2. Cancel one factor of $(\cos x + \sin x)$:

$$\frac{\cos 2x}{(\cos x + \sin x)^2} = \frac{\cos x - \sin x}{\cos x + \sin x}.$$

Step 3. Compute the derivative of $\cos x + \sin x$:

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\cos x + \sin x) = -\sin x + \cos x = \cos x - \sin x,$$

which is exactly the numerator. Substitute $t = \cos x + \sin x$, so

$dt = (\cos x - \sin x) dx$:

$$\int \frac{dt}{t} = \log |t|.$$

Step 4. Back-substitute: $\log |\cos x + \sin x| + C$.

Final Answer: $\log |\cos x + \sin x| + C$

EXPERT'S SOLUTION : Neha Gupta, M.Sc Mathematics, ISI Kolkata

Structural observation. $\cos 2x$ factors as a difference of squares, cancelling one factor of the denominator.

Step 1. $\cos 2x = (\cos x - \sin x)(\cos x + \sin x)$.

Step 2. Cancel; the result is in log-derivative form.

Step 3. Anti derivative: $\log |\cos x + \sin x| + C$.

Final Answer: $\log |\cos x + \sin x| + C$

Q 7.21 Find $\int \sin^{-1}(\cos x) dx$.

SOLUTION

Concept used. Use the co-function identity $\sin^{-1}(\cos x) = \sin^{-1}(\sin(\pi/2 - x))$. Where the principal branch applies (i.e. $\pi/2 - x \in [-\pi/2, \pi/2]$, equivalently $x \in [0, \pi]$), we have $\sin^{-1}(\sin \theta) = \theta$. Thus $\sin^{-1}(\cos x) = \pi/2 - x$ on this branch.

Step 1. Use the identity $\cos x = \sin(\pi/2 - x)$:

$$\sin^{-1}(\cos x) = \sin^{-1}(\sin(\pi/2 - x)) = \pi/2 - x \quad (x \in [0, \pi]).$$

Step 2. Integrate:

$$\int (\pi/2 - x) dx = \frac{\pi x}{2} - \frac{x^2}{2}.$$

Step 3. Add the constant.

Final Answer: $\frac{\pi x}{2} - \frac{x^2}{2} + C$

EXPERT'S SOLUTION : Priya Sharma, Ph.D Mathematics, IIT Delhi

Strategic angle. Inverse-trig of a co-function collapses via $\pi/2 - x$.

Step 1. $\sin^{-1}(\cos x) = \pi/2 - x$.

Step 2. $\int (\pi/2 - x) dx = \pi x/2 - x^2/2$.

Final Answer: $\frac{\pi x - x^2}{2} + C$

Q 7.22 Find $\int \frac{1}{\cos(x-a)\cos(x-b)} dx$.

SOLUTION

Concept used. Multiply numerator by $\frac{\sin(a-b)}{\sin(a-b)}$ (a constant), then split using $\sin(a-b) = \sin[(x-b) - (x-a)]$ expanded via $\sin(A-B) = \sin A \cos B - \cos A \sin B$.

Step 1. Multiply and divide by $\sin(a-b)$:

$$I = \int \frac{dx}{\cos(x-a)\cos(x-b)} = \frac{1}{\sin(a-b)} \int \frac{\sin(a-b) dx}{\cos(x-a)\cos(x-b)}.$$

Step 2. Use

$$\sin(a-b) = \sin[(x-b) - (x-a)] = \sin(x-b)\cos(x-a) - \cos(x-b)\sin(x-a).$$

Step 3. Split:

$$\frac{\sin(a-b)}{\cos(x-a)\cos(x-b)} = \frac{\sin(x-b)}{\cos(x-b)} - \frac{\sin(x-a)}{\cos(x-a)} = \tan(x-b) - \tan(x-a).$$

Step 4. Integrate each: $\int \tan(x - c) dx = -\log |\cos(x - c)|$. Hence

$$I = \frac{1}{\sin(a - b)} [-\log |\cos(x - b)| + \log |\cos(x - a)|] = \frac{1}{\sin(a - b)} \log \left| \frac{\cos(x - a)}{\cos(x - b)} \right| + C.$$

Final Answer: $\frac{1}{\sin(a - b)} \log \left| \frac{\cos(x - a)}{\cos(x - b)} \right| + C$

EXPERT'S SOLUTION : Aanya Singh, M.Sc Mathematics, IIT Bombay

Strategic angle. Whenever an integrand has $\cos(x - a) \cos(x - b)$ or $\sin(x - a) \sin(x - b)$ in the denominator, multiply by the constant $\sin(a - b)$ rewritten as a sine of a difference of the linear factors.

Step 1. Multiply top and bottom by $\sin(a - b)$.

Step 2. Expand $\sin(a - b) = \sin[(x - b) - (x - a)]$ and split.

Step 3. Integrate $\tan(x - b) - \tan(x - a)$ and divide by $\sin(a - b)$.

Final Answer: $\frac{1}{\sin(a - b)} \log \left| \frac{\cos(x - a)}{\cos(x - b)} \right| + C$

Q 7.23 $\int \frac{\sin^2 x - \cos^2 x}{\sin^2 x \cos^2 x} dx$ is equal to

(A) $\tan x + \cot x + C$ (B) $\tan x + \csc x + C$

(C) $-\tan x + \cot x + C$ (D) $\tan x + \sec x + C$

SOLUTION

Concept used. Split the numerator term-by-term.

Step 1. Split:

$$\frac{\sin^2 x - \cos^2 x}{\sin^2 x \cos^2 x} = \frac{1}{\cos^2 x} - \frac{1}{\sin^2 x} = \sec^2 x - \csc^2 x.$$

Step 2. Integrate: $\int \sec^2 x dx = \tan x$ and $\int \csc^2 x dx = -\cot x$, so $\int -\csc^2 x dx = \cot x$.

Step 3. Sum: $\tan x + \cot x + C$. Matches option (A).

Final Answer: Option (A): $\tan x + \cot x + C$

EXPERT'S SOLUTION : Aarav Sharma, M.Sc Mathematics, IIT Bombay

Quick reading. Split and recognise $\sec^2 x - \csc^2 x$.

Step 1. $\sec^2 x - \csc^2 x$.

Step 2. Anti derivatives: $\tan x + \cot x$.

Final Answer: Option (A)

- Q 7.24** $\int \frac{e^x(1+x)}{\cos^2(e^x x)} dx$ equals
- (A) $-\cot(e^x x) + C$ (B) $\tan(xe^x) + C$
 (C) $\tan(e^x) + C$ (D) $\cot(e^x) + C$

SOLUTION

Concept used. Differentiate $e^x x = xe^x$ by the product rule:

$$\frac{d}{dx}(xe^x) = e^x + xe^x = e^x(1+x).$$

Substitute $t = xe^x$.

Step 1. Put $t = xe^x$. Then $dt = e^x(1+x) dx$.

Step 2. Substitute:

$$\int \frac{e^x(1+x) dx}{\cos^2(xe^x)} = \int \frac{dt}{\cos^2 t} = \int \sec^2 t dt = \tan t.$$

Step 3. Back-substitute: $\tan(xe^x) + C$. Matches option (B).

Final Answer: Option (B): $\tan(xe^x) + C$

♥ Recognising product-rule derivatives

$e^x(1+x)$ is the derivative of xe^x . Whenever an integrand contains a sum like $f(x) + xf'(x)$ multiplied by $f'(x)/f'(x)$ structure, suspect a product-rule reversal.

EXPERT'S SOLUTION : Sneha Iyer, M.Sc Applied Mathematics, IIT Kanpur

Quick reading. $e^x(1+x) = (xe^x)'$.

Step 1. Substitute $t = xe^x$, $dt = e^x(1+x) dx$.

Step 2. $\int \sec^2 t dt = \tan t$.

Final Answer: Option (B)

Key Takeaways

- Half-angle identities reduce $\sin^2 x$ and $\cos^2 x$ to a linear combination of 1 and $\cos 2x$, integrable directly.
- Product-to-sum identities reduce products of trig functions to sums; apply once for two factors, iterate for three.
- $\sin^3 \theta = (3 \sin \theta - \sin 3\theta)/4$ and $\cos^3 \theta = (3 \cos \theta + \cos 3\theta)/4$ for cubes.
- For $\tan^n x$: split as $\tan^{n-2} x \cdot \tan^2 x = \tan^{n-2} x(\sec^2 x - 1)$ and reduce.
- Always simplify the integrand using identities before reaching for substitution.

End of Exercise 7.3