

8.2: Trigonometric Integrals

RULE: How to evaluate $\int \sin(Ax) \cos(Bx) dx$, $\int \sin(Ax) \sin(Bx) dx$, $\int \cos(Ax) \cos(Bx) dx$ Use the following identities:

$$\begin{aligned}\sin A \cos B &= \frac{1}{2} (\sin(A - B) + \sin(A + B)) \\ \bullet \sin A \sin B &= \frac{1}{2} (\cos(A - B) - \cos(A + B)) \\ \cos A \cos B &= \frac{1}{2} (\cos(A - B) + \cos(A + B))\end{aligned}$$

EXAMPLE 1. Evaluate $I = \int \cos(25x) \cos(4x) dx = \frac{1}{2} \int (\cos(25x - 4x) + \cos(25x + 4x)) dx$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int (\cos(21x) + \cos(29x)) dx = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{21} \sin(21x) + \frac{1}{29} \sin(29x) \right] + C$$

EXAMPLE 2. Prove the formula, where m and n are positive integers:

$$I(m, n) = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin mx \sin nx \, dx = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } m \neq n \\ \pi & \text{if } m = n \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} I(m, n) &= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin(mx) \sin(nx) \, dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (\cos(mx - nx) - \cos(mx + nx)) \, dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (\cos(m-n)x - \cos(m+n)x) \, dx \end{aligned}$$

Let $m \neq n$

$$I(m, n) = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{m-n} \sin(m-n)x - \frac{1}{m+n} \sin(m+n)x \right] \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi} = 0$$

Let $m = n$.

$$I(m, m) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (\cos(m-m)x - \cos(m+m)x) \, dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (\underbrace{\cos 0}_1 - \cos(2mx)) \, dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (2\pi - \underbrace{\frac{1}{2m} \sin(2mx)}_0 \Big|_{-\pi}^{\pi}) = \pi$$

$\sin k\pi = 0$ for all integer k

But $m-n$ and $m+n$ are integers, because m, n are integers.

$$\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1$$

$$\tan^2 x + 1 = \sec^2 x$$

$$\sin^2 x = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos 2x)$$

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

$$\sin x \cos x = \frac{1}{2} \sin 2x$$

$$\cos 2x = \cos^2 x - \sin^2 x$$

$$\cos 2x = 2 \cos^2 x - 1$$

$$\cos 2x = 1 - 2 \sin^2 x$$

EXAMPLE 3. Evaluate $I = \int \cos x \sin^{2016} x \, dx$

$$= \int (\sin x)^{2016} \underbrace{\cos x \, dx}$$

$u = \sin x$
 $du = \cos x \, dx$

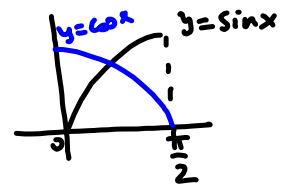
$$= \int u^{2016} \, du = \frac{u^{2017}}{2017} + C$$
$$= \frac{\sin^{2017} x}{2017} + C$$

EXAMPLE 4. Evaluate $I_1 = \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^2 x \, dx$ and $I_2 = \int_0^{\pi/2} \cos^2 x \, dx$

First note that $I_1 = I_2$

$$\sin^2 x = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos(2x))$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &= \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^2 x \, dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\pi/2} (1 - \underbrace{\cos(2x)}) \, dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \sin(2x)}_{=0} \Big|_0^{\pi/2} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\pi}{2} = \frac{\pi}{4} = I_2 \end{aligned}$$



EXAMPLE 5. Evaluate $I = \int \sin^5 x \, dx = \int \sin^4 x \underbrace{\sin x \, dx}_{\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x = 1}$

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

$$u = \cos x \Rightarrow du = -\sin x \, dx \\ \sin x \, dx = -du$$

$$= - \int (1 - u^2)^2 du = - \int (1 - 2u^2 + u^4) du$$

$$= - \left(u - \frac{2u^3}{3} + \frac{u^5}{5} \right) + C$$

$$= -\frac{u^5}{5} + \frac{2u^3}{3} - u + C = -\frac{\cos^5 x}{5} + \frac{2\cos^3 x}{3} - \cos x + C$$