

Example 102. $\int \sin^\lambda(x) \cos(x) dx =$ (with $\lambda \neq -1$)

Solution. Again, substitute $u = \sin(x)$, because $du = \cos(x) dx$, to get

$$\int \sin^\lambda(x) \cos(x) dx = \int u^\lambda du = \frac{1}{\lambda+1} u^{\lambda+1} + C = \frac{\sin^{\lambda+1}(x)}{\lambda+1} + C.$$

Example 103. $\int \sin^\lambda(x) \cos^3(x) dx =$ (with $\lambda \neq -1, -3$)

Solution. Again, substitute $u = \sin(x)$, because $du = \cos(x) dx$, to get

$$\int \sin^\lambda(x) \cos^3(x) dx = \int u^\lambda (1-u^2) du = \frac{u^{\lambda+1}}{\lambda+1} - \frac{u^{\lambda+3}}{\lambda+3} + C = \frac{\sin^{\lambda+1}(x)}{\lambda+1} - \frac{\sin^{\lambda+3}(x)}{\lambda+3} + C.$$

Extrapolating this strategy, we can integrate the following products of trigonometric functions:

- $\int \sin^\lambda(x) \cos^m(x) dx$, with m odd, can be evaluated by substituting $u = \sin(x)$.
- $\int \sin^m(x) \cos^\lambda(x) dx$, with m odd, can be evaluated by substituting $u = \cos(x)$.
- $\int \sin^m(x) \cos^n(x) dx$, with both m, n even, can be reduced via

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

[Then, multiply out the integrand. The resulting integrals are simpler, and we (recursively) apply our strategy to each of them (if the $2x$ bothers you, substitute $u = 2x$).]

Exponents may also be negative (in the next example, we integrate $[\sin(x)]^1 [\cos(x)]^{-1}$).

Example 104. $\int \tan(x) dx =$

Solution. $\int \tan(x) dx = \int \frac{\sin(x)}{\cos(x)} dx$, so we substitute $u = \cos(x)$ (then $du = -\sin(x)$) to get

$$\int \tan(x) dx = \int \frac{\sin(x)}{\cos(x)} dx = - \int \frac{du}{u} = -\ln|u| + C = -\ln|\cos(x)| + C = \ln|\sec(x)| + C.$$

Solution. For some exercise in substituting, substitute $u = \sin(x)$ instead!

[Of course, your final answer should be equivalent.]