

3.3 Calculation rules for integrals

Nearly all integrals are solved by applying the fundamental theorem of calculus:

$$\begin{aligned}\int_a^b f(x)dx &= F(b) - F(a) \quad \text{where } f(x) = \frac{dF}{dx} \\ &= [F(x)]_a^b\end{aligned}$$

⇒ Calculation of integrals ⇔ Finding function $F(x)$

A function F with the property $f(x) = \frac{dF}{dx}$ is called primitive with respect to $f(x)$.

Plus two rules:

- integration by parts

$$\int f(x)g'(x)dx = f(x)g(x) - \int f'(x)g(x)dx$$

which directly follows from the product rule for calculating derivatives.

- substitution:

$$\int f(g(x))g'(x)dx = F(g(x)) + C$$

which directly follows from the chain rule for calculation derivatives.

Integrals: basic rules

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = -\int_b^a f(x)dx \rightarrow \text{area with sign!}$$

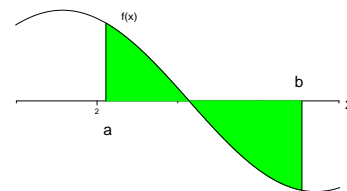
$$\int_a^a f(x)dx = 0$$

$$\int_a^b [f(x) \pm g(x)] dx = \int_a^b f(x)dx \pm \int_a^b g(x)dx$$

$$\int_a^b kf(x)dx = k \int_a^b f(x)dx \Rightarrow \text{"vector space"}$$

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = 0 \not\Rightarrow f(x) \equiv 0$$

because



Indefinite integral:

$$\int_{x_0}^x f(y)dy = F(x) - F(x_0)$$

$$\rightarrow F(x) = \int_{x_0}^x f(y)dy + C$$

or shorter $F(x) = \int f(x)dx + C \leftarrow$ Indefinite integral, means $\int_{x_0}^x f(y)dy!!$

⇒ basic integrals:

$$\begin{aligned}\int x^n dx &= \frac{1}{n+1}x^{n+1} + C, n \neq -1, n \in \mathbb{Z} \\ \int x^r dx &= \frac{1}{r+1}x^{r+1} + C, r \in \mathbb{R} \text{ but } r \neq -1 \\ \int \frac{1}{x} dx &= \ln|x| + C \\ \int e^x dx &= e^x + C \\ \int \sin x dx &= -\cos x + C \\ \int \cos x dx &= \sin x + C\end{aligned}$$

Example for substitution rule:

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^1 xe^{x^2} dx &=? \\ g(x) = x^2 &\rightarrow g'(x) = 2x \\ f(g) = e^g &\rightarrow F(g) = e^g \\ \rightarrow \int xe^{x^2} dx &= \int \frac{1}{2}g'(x)e^{g(x)} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2}e^{x^2} \\ \rightarrow \int_0^1 xe^{x^2} dx &= \left[\frac{1}{2}e^{x^2} \right]_0^1 = \frac{1}{2}(e-1)\end{aligned}$$