

## Part IA: Mathematics for Natural Sciences B

### Examples Sheet 6: Single-variable integration

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Questions marked with a (\*) are difficult and should not be attempted at the expense of the other questions. A section marked with a (†) contains content that is unique to the Mathematics B course.

#### Riemann sums and the definition of the integral

1. Explain what is meant by a *Riemann sum* for a function  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  using a *partition*  $P = (x_0, \dots, x_n)$  (with  $x_0 = a, x_n = b$ ) and *tagging*  $T = (t_1, \dots, t_n)$ . By choosing appropriate partitions and taggings in each case, use sequences of Riemann sums to evaluate the definite integrals of the following functions on  $[0, 1]$  from first principles:

(a)  $x$ ,                      (b)  $x^2$ ,                      (c)  $x^3$ ,                      (d)  $\sqrt{x}$ ,                      (e)  $\cos(x)$ .

[Hint: For part (d), consider a non-uniform tagging. For part (e), consider the integral of  $\operatorname{Re}(e^{ix})$  instead of  $\cos(x)$ .]

2. Using a non-uniform tagging, use a sequence of Riemann sums to evaluate the integral  $\int_1^\infty \frac{dx}{x^{1+\alpha}}$ , where  $\alpha > 0$ .
3. Assuming standard integrals, show by considering Riemann sums that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\sqrt{n^2 - k^2}}{n^2} = \frac{\pi}{4}$ .
4. (\*) If a sequence of Riemann sums for a function  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  converges, must the function be integrable?

#### Basic integrals

5. Write down the indefinite integrals of each of the following functions, where  $a \neq 0, \alpha \neq -1$ , and  $f$  is any (differentiable, non-zero) function:

(a)  $(ax + b)^\alpha$ ,                      (b)  $e^{ax+b}$ ,                      (c)  $(ax + b)^{-1}$ ,                      (d)  $\sin(ax + b)$ ,                      (e)  $\cos(ax + b)$ ,  
 (f)  $\sec^2(ax + b)$ ,                      (g)  $\operatorname{cosec}^2(ax + b)$ ,                      (h)  $\sinh(ax + b)$ ,                      (i)  $\cosh(ax + b)$ ,                      (j)  $f'(x)f(x)^\alpha$ ,  
 (k)  $f'(x)/f(x)$ .

Learn these integrals off by heart, and get your supervision partner to test you on them.

6. Using the results of the previous question, evaluate the definite integrals:

(a)  $\int_0^2 (x-1)^2 dx$ ,                      (b)  $\int_0^\pi e^{i\theta} d\theta$ ,                      (c)  $\int_0^\pi \cos(x) dx$ ,                      (d)  $\int_{-\pi/4}^{\pi/4} \sec^2(x) dx$ ,                      (e)  $\int_0^1 \frac{2x+4}{x^2+4x+1} dx$ .

7. By writing  $\cos(bx)$  as the real part of a complex exponential, determine the indefinite integral of  $e^{ax} \cos(bx)$ . Similarly, determine the indefinite integrals of  $e^x(\sin(x) - \cos(x))$  and  $e^x(\sin(x) + \cos(x))$ .

#### Integration by substitution

8. By means of an appropriate substitution in each case, determine the indefinite integrals of the following functions:

(a)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$ ,                      (b)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2-1}}$ ,                      (c)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}$ ,                      (d)  $\frac{1}{1+x^2}$ ,                      (e)  $\frac{1}{1-x^2}$

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9. Using the results of the previous question, determine: (a)  $\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x^2 + x + 1}}$ ; (b)  $\int \frac{8 - 2x}{\sqrt{6x - x^2}} dx$ .
10. By means of an appropriate substitution in each case, determine the indefinite integrals of the following functions:
- (a)  $x\sqrt{x+3}$ , (b)  $\tan(x)\sqrt{\sec(x)}$ , (c)  $\frac{e^x}{\sqrt{1-e^{2x}}}$ , (d)  $\frac{1}{x\sqrt{x^2-1}}$ .
11. This question shows that any trigonometric integral can be turned into an algebraic integral through the use of the powerful *half-tangent substitution*.
- (a) Show that if  $t = \tan\left(\frac{1}{2}x\right)$ , then  $\sin(x) = 2t/(1+t^2)$ ,  $\cos(x) = (1-t^2)/(1+t^2)$  and  $dx/dt = 2/(1+t^2)$ . Deduce that for any function  $f$ , we have:
- $$\int f(\sin(x), \cos(x)) dx = \int f\left(\frac{2t}{1+t^2}, \frac{1-t^2}{1+t^2}\right) \frac{2dt}{1+t^2}.$$
- (b) Using the method derived in (a), find the indefinite integrals of the following functions:
- (i)  $\operatorname{cosec}(x)$ , (ii)  $\sec(x)$ , (iii)  $\frac{1}{2 + \cos(x)}$ .

### Partial fractions and rational functions

12. Explain the general strategy that one should adopt when integrating a rational function. Hence, determine the indefinite integrals of the following rational functions by decomposing into partial fractions:

(a)  $\frac{1}{1-x^2}$ , (b)  $\frac{3x}{2x^2+x-1}$ , (c)  $\frac{x^4+x^2+4x+6}{3+2x-2x^2-2x^3-x^4}$ .

Compare your answer to (a) with your answer to Question 7(e), where you evaluated the same integral using a substitution. Are your results compatible?

### Integration by parts

13. Using integration by parts, determine the following integrals:

(a)  $\int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} x \sin(2x) dx$ , (b)  $\int_0^{\infty} x e^{-2x} dx$ , (c)  $\int_0^1 x \log\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) dx$ , (d)  $\int_0^{\infty} x^3 e^{-x^2} dx$ .

14. By writing each of the following functions  $f(x)$  in the form  $1 \cdot f(x)$ , and using integration by parts, determine their indefinite integrals:

(a)  $\log(x)$ , (b)  $\log^3(x)$ , (c)  $\cosh^{-1}(x)$ , (d)  $\tanh^{-1}(x)$ , (e)  $\sin(\log(x))$ .

### Reduction formulae

15. (a) Show that for  $n \geq 1$ , we have:

$$\int \sin^n(x) dx = -\frac{1}{n} \cos(x) \sin^{n-1}(x) + \frac{n-1}{n} \int \sin^{n-2}(x) dx + c,$$

where  $c$  is an arbitrary constant. Hence, evaluate  $\int \sin^6(x) dx$ .

- (b) Using (a), show that the integral  $I_n = \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^n(x) dx$  satisfies  $I_n = (n-1)I_n/n$ . Hence, evaluate  $I_2$  and  $I_4$ .

16. Establish reduction formulae for each of the following parametric integrals:

$$(a) I_n = \int_0^{\infty} x^n e^{-x^2} dx, \quad (b) J_n = \int_0^{\pi} x^{2n} \cos(x) dx, \quad (c) K_n = \int_0^{\infty} x^{n-1} e^{-x} dx, \quad (d) L_n = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{dx}{(1+x^2)^n} dx.$$

Hence: (i) evaluate  $I_3, I_5$ ; (ii) evaluate  $J_3, J_5$ ; (iii) establish a general formula for  $K_n$ ; (iv) evaluate  $L_4$ . (\*) Using part (c), suggest a reasonable definition of  $z!$  where  $z$  is a complex number. Will this work for all complex numbers?

### Miscellaneous integrals

[This section contains a large collection of integrals from past papers for you to do. If you feel like you are getting too much of a good thing, feel free to save some of them for us to do together in the supervision.]

17. Evaluate the following integrals, using the most efficient method in each case:

$$(a) \int_4^9 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x}-1}$$

$$(b) \int_{\pi/3}^{\pi/4} \frac{1+\tan^2(x)}{(1+\tan(x))^2} dx$$

$$(c) \int \frac{e^{2x} - 2e^x}{e^{2x} + 1} dx$$

$$(d) \int \frac{dx}{1+3\cos^2(x)}$$

$$(e) \int_2^3 \frac{2x+1}{x(x+1)} dx$$

$$(f) \int \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} e^{\sqrt{x}} dx$$

$$(g) \int x^3 e^{-x^4} dx$$

$$(h) \int \left( \frac{\sin(2x)}{\sin^2(x) + \log(x)} + \frac{1}{x(\sin^2(x) + \log(x))} \right) dx$$

$$(i) \int x\sqrt{3-2x} dx$$

$$(j) \int \frac{\sin(x)}{\cos^2(x) - 5\cos(x) + 6} dx$$

$$(k) \int \frac{\log(x)}{x^4} dx$$

$$(l) \int \sqrt{1-x^2} dx$$

$$(m) \int_{\pi/3}^{\pi/2} \tan(x) \cos^4(x) dx$$

$$(n) \int_1^5 x^2 \log(x) dx$$

$$(o) \int e^x \sinh(3x) dx$$

$$(p) \int \frac{\arctan(x)}{x^2} dx$$

$$(q) \int_{e^3}^{e^4} \frac{3\log(x) - 4}{x \log^2(x) - 3x \log(x) + 2x} dx$$

$$(r) \int_0^{\pi/6} x \sin(3x) dx$$

$$(s) \int \sin(2x) e^{\sin^2(x)} dx$$

$$(t) \int \frac{dx}{\cos^2(x)(\tan^3(x) - \tan(x))}$$

$$(u) \int_{-1/\pi}^{1/\pi} \sin^2(3x^3 + 2x) \log \left[ \frac{1-x^5}{1+x^5} \right] dx$$

$$(v) \int \sin(2x) \cos(x) dx$$

$$(w) \int x \log(x) dx$$

$$(x) \int \frac{dx}{x \log(x)}$$

$$(y) \int \frac{\sinh^3(x)}{\cosh^2(x)} dx$$

$$(z) \int \frac{1}{\sin^2(3x+1)} dx$$

**The fundamental theorem of calculus**

18. State both parts of the *fundamental theorem of calculus*. Use the fundamental theorem of calculus to evaluate the following derivatives:

$$(a) \frac{d}{dx} \int_1^x \frac{\log(t) \sin^2(t)}{t^2 + 7} dt, \quad (b) \frac{d}{dx} \left[ \sum_{n=0}^N \binom{N}{n} \int_n^x \sin(y^2 + y^6) dy \right], \quad (c) \frac{d}{dx} \left[ \sin(x) \int_x^0 \sin(\cos(t)) dt \right].$$

19. Without evaluating the integrals, determine the local extrema of the functions  $F_1, F_2$  defined by:

$$(a) F_1(x) = \int_0^x t^2 \sin^2(t) dt, \quad (b) F_2(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x e^{-t^2} dt.$$

Hence, sketch the graphs of the functions  $F_1, F_2$ . [Note:  $F_2(x) \rightarrow \sqrt{\pi}$  as  $x \rightarrow \infty$ ; see Question 23!]

**(†) Leibniz's integral rule**

20. Using the multivariable chain rule (we'll study it properly next term!), derive *Leibniz's integral rule*:

$$\frac{d}{dx} \int_{a(x)}^{b(x)} f(x, t) dt = f(x, b(x)) \frac{db}{dx} - f(x, a(x)) \frac{da}{dx} + \int_{a(x)}^{b(x)} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x, t) dt.$$

Give a geometric explanation for the rule in terms of changing areas. Verify that the rule holds in the following cases:

- (a)  $a(x) = 0, b(x) = 1 + x$ , and  $f(x, t) = t(x - t)$ ;  
 (b)  $a(x) = \pi x^2, b(x) = x$ , and  $f(x, t) = 2x^2 t + x \sin(t)$ .

21. Evaluate the limit  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{d}{dx} \int_{\sin(1/x)}^{\sqrt{x}} \frac{2t^4 + 1}{(t - 2)(t^2 + 3)} dt$ .

22. For all values of  $x$ , evaluate the integrals:

$$(a) f(x) = \int_0^1 \frac{t^x - 1}{\log(t)} dt, \quad (b) g(x) = \int_0^\infty \frac{\log(1 + x^2 t^2)}{1 + t^2} dt, \quad (c) h(x) = \int_0^1 \frac{\sin(x \log(t))}{\log(t)} dt,$$

by considering the derivatives  $f'(x), g'(x), h'(x)$ . This method is sometimes called *Feynman's trick* for integration.

23. This question determines the Gaussian integral in a different way to the lectures (you will use a transformation to polar coordinates on the next sheet!). Define:

$$f(x) = \left( \int_0^x e^{-t^2} dt \right)^2, \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = \int_0^1 \frac{e^{-x^2(t^2+1)}}{1+t^2} dt.$$

Show that  $f'(x) + g'(x) = 0$ , and hence deduce that  $f(x) + g(x) = \pi/4$ . Conclude that  $\int_0^\infty e^{-t^2} dt = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2}$ .

**(†) Integral inequalities**

24. Using a sketch, show that  $\sin(x) \geq 2x/\pi$  for  $0 \leq x \leq \pi/2$ . Hence show that  $\int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{x^2}{1 + \sin^2(x)} dx < \frac{\pi^3}{8} \left(1 - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$ .

25. State and prove *Schwarz's inequality* for integrals. Use it to show that  $\int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{\sin(x)}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}} dx < \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{4} \arctan\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)}$ .