

• **POWERS OF TRIG. FUNCTIONS (cont.)**

Recall the table from Jan. 22 notes:

| <i>Type</i>   | <i>Strategy</i>  |
|---|--|
| $\sin^n x \cos^m x$ <b><i>n or m odd</i></b><br><br><b>(Case 1)</b>           | Reduce one to first power, use the Pythagorean Identity :<br>$\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1$<br>to express in terms of powers of sine or cosine. The first power term is a "du" term . Can be converted to a simple <i>u</i> -substitution procedure, without the need for integrating by parts.   |
| $\sin^n x \cos^m x$<br><b><i>n and m both even</i></b><br><br><b>(Case 2)</b> | <b>Use:</b> $\sin 2x = 2 \sin x \cos x$<br>$\sin^2 x = \frac{1}{2} (1 - \cos 2x)$ , $\cos^2 x = \frac{1}{2} (1 + \cos 2x)$<br><b><i>This procedure may have to be repeated more than once!</i></b>   |
| $\tan^n x$ , $\cot^n x$ ( <b><i>n odd</i></b> )<br><br><b>(Case 3)</b>        | Use: $\tan^2 x + 1 = \sec^2 x$ or $\cot^2 x + 1 = \csc^2 x$ (the second and third Pythagorean Identities). Can be converted to a simple <i>u</i> -substitution procedure, without the need for integrating by parts.   |
| $\sin(mx) \cos(nx)$<br><br><b>(Case 4)</b>                                    | <b>Use the Sum-Product Identities:</b><br>$\sin A \cos B = \frac{1}{2} [\sin(A-B) + \sin(A+B)]$<br>$\sin A \sin B = \frac{1}{2} [\cos(A-B) - \cos(A+B)]$<br>$\cos A \cos B = \frac{1}{2} [\cos(A-B) + \cos(A+B)]$<br>(No integration by parts necessary)   |
| $\tan^n x$ , $\cot^n x$ ( <b><i>n even</i></b> )<br><br><b>(Case 5)</b>       | Use: $\tan^2 x + 1 = \sec^2 x$ or $\cot^2 x + 1 = \csc^2 x$ (the second and third Pythagorean Identities.) <b>Integration by Parts is necessary.</b>   |
| $\sec^n x$ , $\csc^n x$ ( <b><i>any n</i></b> )<br><br><b>(Case 6)</b>        | Use: $\tan^2 x + 1 = \sec^2 x$ or $\cot^2 x + 1 = \csc^2 x$ (the second and third Pythagorean Identities.) <b>Integration by Parts is necessary.</b> Usually the Integration by Parts is laborious, as demonstrated above. Reduction Formulae are far more efficient. For derivations of some of them, see pp. 5-7, <b>Nov 27 class notes</b> , as well as exercises 75-78, p. 517 |

Also, as the problem in pp. 4-7 (Jan 22 notes) indicates, reduction formulae are useful labor-saving devices for the inevitably intricate integrations in **Case 6** scenarios. As indicated in exercises 75-78 (p. 517), however, there are reduction formulae covering **Cases 1 & 2** as well:

- A.  $\int \sin^n x dx = -\frac{1}{n} \sin^{n-1} x \cos x + \frac{n-1}{n} \int \sin^{n-2} x dx$
- B.  $\int \cos^n x dx = \frac{1}{n} \cos^{n-1} x \sin x + \frac{n-1}{n} \int \cos^{n-2} x dx$
- C.  $\int \cos^m x \sin^n x dx = -\frac{1}{m+n} \sin^{n-1} x \cos^{m+1} x + \frac{n-1}{m+n} \int \cos^m x \sin^{n-2} x dx$

It's unclear, however, in the relative simple cases (1 & 2) that the above three formulae save you much time and effort (as opposed to just integrating from first principles, based on the above strategic points). For example, *Example 1* (p. 8 **Jan. 22 notes**) can be integrated via formula C.:

$$\int \cos^3 x \sin^2 x dx = -\frac{1}{5} \sin x \cos^4 x + \frac{1}{5} \int \cos^3 x \sin^0 x dx = -\frac{1}{5} \sin x \cos^4 x + \frac{1}{5} \int \cos^3 x dx$$

...and then formula B. could be applied to the integral on the right hand side:

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

...and combining:

$$\begin{aligned} \int \cos^3 x \sin^2 x dx &= -\frac{1}{5} \sin x \cos^4 x + \frac{1}{5} \left( \frac{1}{3} \cos^2 x \sin x + \frac{2}{3} \sin x \right) + C \\ &= -\frac{1}{5} \sin x (1 - \sin^2 x)^2 + \frac{1}{15} (1 - \sin^2 x) \sin x + \frac{2}{15} \sin x + C \\ &= -\frac{1}{5} \sin x (1 - 2 \sin^2 x + \sin^4 x) + \frac{1}{15} \sin x - \frac{1}{15} \sin^3 x + \frac{2}{15} \sin x + C \\ &= -\frac{1}{5} \sin x + \frac{2}{5} \sin^3 x - \frac{1}{5} \sin^5 x + \frac{1}{15} \sin x - \frac{1}{15} \sin^3 x + \frac{2}{15} \sin x + C \\ &= -\frac{1}{5} \sin^5 x + \left( \frac{2}{5} - \frac{1}{15} \right) \sin^3 x + \left( -\frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{15} + \frac{2}{15} \right) \sin x + C \\ &= -\frac{1}{5} \sin^5 x + \frac{1}{3} \sin x + C \end{aligned}$$

...agreeing with our previous answer obtained in page 8 (**Jan. 22 notes**). But note all the extra work involved here! Using first principles, on the other hand, required only about 1-2 lines worth of calculation.

In addition to formulae A.-C. above, there are also the following reduction formulae:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{D.} \quad & \int \sec^n x dx = \frac{1}{n-1} \sec^{n-2} x \tan x + \frac{n-2}{n-1} \int \sec^{n-2} x dx \\ \text{E.} \quad & \int \csc^n x dx = -\frac{1}{n-1} \csc^{n-2} x \cot x + \frac{n-2}{n-1} \int \csc^{n-2} x dx \\ \text{F.} \quad & \int \tan^n x dx = \frac{1}{n-1} \tan^{n-1} x - \int \tan^{n-2} x dx \\ \text{G.} \quad & \int \cot^n x dx = -\frac{1}{n-1} \cot^{n-1} x - \int \cot^{n-2} x dx \end{aligned}$$

...which can all be obtained via the strategies suggested in the above Table. For example, Formula F. is obtained via **Case 3.** procedure (i.e. one requiring implementing a Pythagorean identity, but not requiring integration by parts):

$$\begin{aligned} \int \tan^n x dx &= \int \tan^{n-2} x \tan^2 x dx = \int \tan^{n-2} x (\sec^2 x - 1) dx = \int \tan^{n-2} x \sec^2 x dx - \int \tan^{n-2} x dx \\ &= \int U^{n-2} dU - \int \tan^{n-2} x dx = \frac{1}{n-1} U^{n-1} - \int \tan^{n-2} x dx = \frac{1}{n-2} \tan^{n-1} x - \int \tan^{n-2} x dx \end{aligned}$$

The derivation of formula G. works in a virtually identical matter (you're welcome to try it). Formula D. on the other hand falls under the strategy in Case 6., *requiring* the use of integration by parts:

$$\begin{aligned}\int \sec^n x dx &= \int \sec^{n-2} x \sec^2 x dx = \int \sec^{n-2} x (\tan^2 x + 1) dx = \int \sec^{n-2} \tan^2 x dx + \int \sec^{n-2} x dx \\ &= \int \sec^{n-3} x (\sec x \tan x) \tan x dx + \int \sec^{n-2} x dx\end{aligned}$$

The first integral on the right hand side must be integrated by parts:

$$\begin{aligned}dv &= \sec^{n-3} x (\sec x \tan x dx) \Rightarrow v = \frac{1}{n-2} \sec^{n-2} x \\ u &= \tan x \Rightarrow du = \sec^2 x dx \\ \therefore \int \sec^n x dx &= \left\{ \frac{1}{n-2} \sec^{n-2} x \tan x - \frac{1}{n-2} \int \sec^{n-2} x \sec^2 x dx \right\} + \int \sec^{n-2} x dx \\ \int \sec^n x dx &= -\frac{1}{n-2} \int \sec^n x dx + \frac{1}{n-2} \sec^{n-2} x \tan x + \int \sec^{n-2} x dx \\ \left(1 + \frac{1}{n-2}\right) \int \sec^n x dx &= \frac{n-1}{n-2} \int \sec^n x dx = \frac{1}{n-2} \sec^{n-2} x \tan x + \int \sec^{n-2} x dx \\ \therefore \int \sec^n x dx &= \frac{n-2}{n-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{n-2} \sec^{n-2} x \tan x + \int \sec^{n-2} x dx \right\} = \frac{1}{n-1} \sec^{n-2} x \tan x + \frac{n-2}{n-1} \int \sec^{n-2} x dx\end{aligned}$$

The strategy of deriving formula D. works virtually the same way.<sup>1</sup>

And as the procedure in page 7 (**Jan 22 notes**) indicates, adopting a reduction formula (D.) is far more economical than trying to resolve the integral from using first principles in a **Case 6** scenario, which is in direct opposition to the above example involving **Case 1** scenario versus reduction formulae A., B., C.

So when *do* the reduction formulae A. – G. become a time-saving procedure, in comparison to integrating from first principles adopting the strategies suggested for Cases 1.-6.?

- **Answer:** i) Use Formulae D. – G. when encountering a Case 5 or Case 6 scenario. ii.) Use first principles suggested by the strategies in the above table for Cases 1 and 2.<sup>2</sup> iii.) For relatively small  $n$  either approach will end up costing you about the same amount of work, for Case 3. However, for  $n > 7$ , integrating from first principles using strategy suggested in Case 3 is more efficient.

<sup>1</sup> ..and was done in in pp. 5-6 Nov. 27 notes (Calc 1) : <http://www.glue.umd.edu/%7Ewkallfel/MA261-2/Nov27notes.pdf>

<sup>2</sup> An exception might be if you're trying to write an algorithm or you have some aversion to using the double angle formulae in Case 2 (which as shown in Example 2, p. 8 **Jan 22 notes** often has to be used more than once.)

- **TRIGONOMETRIC SUBSTITUTIONS**

Recall from Calculus I the definition of arc-length:<sup>3</sup>

$$L = \int_a^b \sqrt{1 + (f'(x))^2} dx = \int_a^b \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2} dx$$

...for a parameterization of a function  $y = f(x)$ .<sup>4</sup> However, in the simple case of evaluating arc lengths of parabolae and circles introduces integrals of the form:

$$L = \int_a^b \sqrt{1 + a^2 x^2} dx \quad , \quad L = \int_a^b \frac{dx}{\sqrt{r^2 - x^2}}$$

...for parabolae and circles, respectively. Such expressions *cannot* (up until now) be evaluated by exact means.<sup>5</sup>

This is just the tip of the iceberg. Generally, binomial expressions of half integer power, i.e. expressions of the form  $(a \pm u(x))^{\frac{n}{2}}$  (where  $u(x)$  is some function) pose non-trivial technical challenges.<sup>6</sup> Basically, the **method of trigonometric substitutions** eliminates such undesirable cases, by reducing a half-integer powered binomial expression  $(a^2 \pm u(x)^2)^{\frac{n}{2}}$  into a single (trigonometric) function.

The procedure can be summarized via the following recipe:

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<sup>3</sup> For a refresher, see § 6.4, text, or **Oct 16** course notes:  
<http://www.glue.umd.edu/%7Ewkallfel/MA261-2/Oct15notes.pdf>

<sup>4</sup> One could, as in the case of evaluating volumes, areas, also parameterize in terms of  $y$ , i.e.  $x(y) = f^{-1}(y)$ , where  $f^{-1}$  is the inverse function. Then the above formula would take on form:

$$L = \int_{y_1=f^{-1}(a)}^{y_2=f^{-1}(b)} \sqrt{1 + \left(f^{-1}'(y)\right)^2} dy = \int_{y_1=f^{-1}(a)}^{y_2=f^{-1}(b)} \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dx}{dy}\right)^2} dy$$

<sup>5</sup> For an example involving an approximate procedure, namely, the trapezoidal rule, applied to a problem for calculating the arc-length of a segment of a circle of radius 3, see pp. 2-3, **Oct 16** course notes  
<http://www.glue.umd.edu/%7Ewkallfel/MA261-2/Oct15notes.pdf>

<sup>6</sup> Later in this course we'll view binomial expansion in terms of a power-series according to the Binomial

Theorem:  $(a \pm b)^p = \sum_{k=0}^p (\pm 1)^k \binom{p}{k} a^{n-k} b^k$ , where:  $\binom{p}{k} = \frac{p!}{k!(p-k)!}$ .

| <i>Binomial Expressions</i>    | <i>Substitute</i>      |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|
| $(a^2 - u(x)^2)^{\frac{n}{2}}$ | $u(x) = a \sin \theta$ |
| $(a^2 + u(x)^2)^{\frac{n}{2}}$ | $u(x) = a \tan \theta$ |
| $(u(x)^2 - a^2)^{\frac{n}{2}}$ | $u(x) = a \sec \theta$ |

...which collapses the above binomial expressions to a single trigonometric function, by virtue of the Pythagorean Identities:

$$\text{PI-1: } \sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1 \Rightarrow 1 - \sin^2 \theta = \cos^2 \theta$$

$$\text{PI-2: } \tan^2 \theta + 1 = \sec^2 \theta \Rightarrow \sec^2 \theta - 1 = \tan^2 \theta$$

$$\text{PI-3: } \cot^2 \theta + 1 = \csc^2 \theta \Rightarrow \csc^2 \theta - 1 = \cot^2 \theta$$

..because:

$$(a^2 - u(x)^2)^{\frac{n}{2}} = (a^2 - a^2 \sin^2 \theta)^{\frac{n}{2}} = (a^2(1 - \sin^2 \theta))^{\frac{n}{2}} = (a^2 \cos^2 \theta)^{\frac{n}{2}} = (a \cos \theta)^n$$

$$(a^2 + u(x)^2)^{\frac{n}{2}} = (a^2 + a^2 \tan^2 \theta)^{\frac{n}{2}} = (a^2(1 + \tan^2 \theta))^{\frac{n}{2}} = (a^2 \sec^2 \theta)^{\frac{n}{2}} = (a \sec \theta)^n$$

$$(u(x)^2 - a^2)^{\frac{n}{2}} = (a^2 \sec^2 \theta - a^2)^{\frac{n}{2}} = (a^2(\sec^2 \theta - 1))^{\frac{n}{2}} = (a^2 \tan^2 \theta)^{\frac{n}{2}} = (a \tan \theta)^n$$

...adopting PI-1, PI-2 respectively.

- **Note:** In principle, one could just as well substitute  $u(x) = a \cos \theta$ ,  $u(x) = a \cot \theta$ ,  $u(x) = a \csc \theta$  (using PI-3 for the latter two cases) for the above three cases and achieve the same result. However, when examining:

$$\frac{du}{d\theta} = \left( \frac{du}{dx} \right) \left( \frac{dx}{d\theta} \right) \Rightarrow dx = \left( \frac{du}{d\theta} \right) \left( \frac{d\theta}{dx} \right) d\theta, \text{ the disadvantage is that extra minus}$$

signs are introduced in the expression for  $dx$ , introducing the increased possibility for making sign errors. For example:  $dx = \frac{d}{d\theta}(a \sin \theta) d\theta = a \cos \theta d\theta$ , but:

$$dx = \frac{d}{d\theta}(a \cos \theta) d\theta = -a \sin \theta d\theta. \text{ So by convention, the recipes are suggested in the table above.}^7$$

<sup>7</sup> Recall another instance of such a convention: when constructing anti-derivative formulae for the expressions involving inverse trigonometric functions. (For further details see § 8.5-8.6 in text or pp. 2-14, **Nov. 13 notes** <http://www.glue.umd.edu/%7Ewkallfel/MA261-2/Nov13notes.pdf> and pp. 2-6, **Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> notes** <http://www.glue.umd.edu/%7Ewkallfel/MA261-2/Nov15notes.pdf>)

- Example (# 19, § 9.4)

$$\int_0^{\sqrt{3}/2} \frac{t^2}{(1-t^2)^{3/2}} dt$$

Choose:  $t(\theta) = \sin \theta \Rightarrow \theta = \arcsin t$   
 $\Rightarrow dt = \cos \theta d\theta$

Substituting:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\sqrt{3}/2} \frac{t^2}{(1-t^2)^{3/2}} dt &= \int_{\arcsin 0}^{\arcsin(\sqrt{3}/2)} \sin^2 \theta (1 - \sin^2 \theta)^{-3/2} \cos \theta d\theta = \int_0^{\pi/3} \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{(\cos^2 \theta)^{3/2}} \cos \theta d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{\pi/3} \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\cos^3 \theta} \cos \theta d\theta = \int_0^{\pi/3} \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\cos^2 \theta} d\theta = \int_0^{\pi/3} \tan^2 \theta d\theta = \int_0^{\pi/3} (\sec^2 \theta - 1) d\theta = (\tan \theta - \theta) \Big|_0^{\pi/3} \\ &= \left( \tan \frac{\pi}{3} - \frac{\pi}{3} \right) - (\tan 0 - 0) = \sqrt{3} - \frac{\pi}{3} \approx 0.684853 \end{aligned}$$

- Note how the use of the strategy from Case 5 (Table in page 1 of these notes) was adopted, though integration by parts wasn't necessary since the power of secant was only  $n = 2$ .

- Example (# 31, § 9.4)

$$\int \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + 4x + 8}} dx$$

Completing the square in the denominator term:

$$\int \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + 4x + 8}} dx = \int \frac{xdx}{\sqrt{x^2 + 4x + 4 - 4 + 8}} = \int \frac{xdx}{\sqrt{(x+2)^2 + 2^2}}$$

$$du = dx = 2 \sec^2 \theta d\theta$$

Let  $u = x + 2 = 2 \tan \theta$ . Then:  $x = u - 2 = 2 \tan \theta - 2 = 2(\tan \theta - 1)$

$$\theta = \arctan\left(\frac{u}{2}\right) = \arctan\left(\frac{x+2}{2}\right)$$

Substituting:

$$\int \frac{xdx}{\sqrt{(x+2)^2 + 2^2}} = \int \frac{2(\tan \theta - 1)2 \sec^2 \theta d\theta}{\sqrt{4 \tan^2 \theta + 4}} = 2 \int \frac{(\tan \theta - 1) \sec^2 \theta d\theta}{\sqrt{\tan^2 \theta + 1}} = 2 \int \frac{(\tan \theta - 1) \sec^2 \theta d\theta}{\sec \theta}$$

$$= 2 \int (\tan \theta - 1) \sec \theta d\theta = 2 \int \sec \theta \tan \theta d\theta - 2 \int \sec \theta d\theta = 2 \sec \theta - 2 \ln |\sec \theta + \tan \theta| + C$$

OK, so now the integration is completed, however, we still haven't answered the question! Recall this is an *indefinite integral* in terms of a function (or dummy variable) with respect to independent variable  $x$ , not  $\theta$ . So we must likewise express the above answer in terms of  $x$ , not  $\theta$ .

Recall that  $\theta = \arctan\left(\frac{u}{2}\right) = \arctan\left(\frac{x+2}{2}\right)$ , so obviously:  $\tan \theta = \frac{u}{2} = \frac{1}{2}(x+2)$ . But the above answer is also expressed in terms of  $\sec \theta$ , which must be expressed in terms of  $x$  as well.:

Method 1: (Algebraic). Use Pythagorean Identity PI-2:

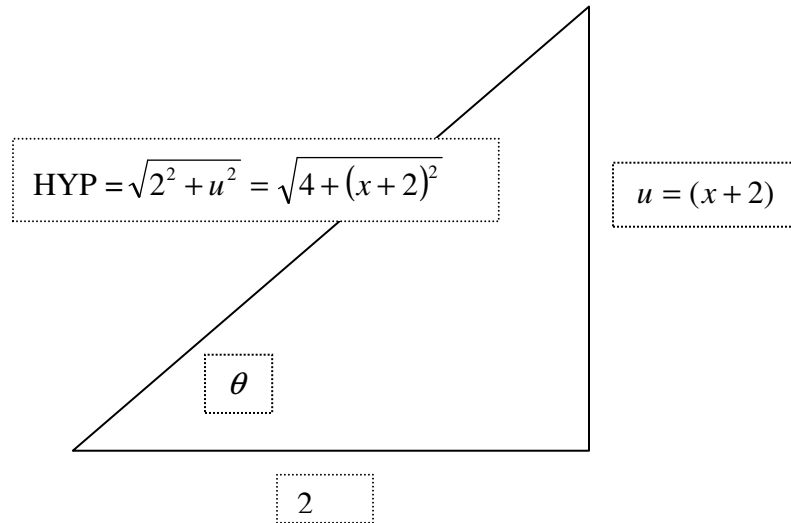
$$\tan^2 \theta + 1 = \sec^2 \theta \Rightarrow \sec^2 \theta - 1 = \tan^2 \theta \Rightarrow \sec \theta = \sqrt{\tan^2 \theta + 1}$$

So:

$$\sec \theta = \sqrt{\tan^2 \theta + 1} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{4}u^2 + 1} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{4}(x+2)^2 + 1} = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{(x+2)^2 + 4} = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{x^2 + 4x + 8}$$

Method 2: (Geometric).  $\tan \theta = \frac{u}{2} = \frac{1}{2}(x+2) = \frac{OPP}{ADJ}$

Hence using the Pythagorean Theorem to one can specify all three sides of the triangle below:



$$\text{Hence: } \sec \theta = \frac{HYP}{ADJ} = \frac{\sqrt{2^2 + u^2}}{2} = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{x^2 + 4x + 8}$$

Hence:

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{xdx}{\sqrt{(x+2)^2 + 2^2}} &= 2(\sec \theta - \ln|\sec \theta + \tan \theta|) + C = 2\left\{\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{x^2 + 4x + 8} - \ln\left|\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{x^2 + 4x + 8} + \frac{1}{2}(x+2)\right|\right\} + C \\ &= \sqrt{x^2 + 4x + 8} - 2\ln\left|\frac{1}{2}(\sqrt{x^2 + 4x + 8} + (x+2))\right| + C = \sqrt{x^2 + 4x + 8} - 2\ln|\sqrt{x^2 + 4x + 8} + (x+2)| - 2\ln 2 + C \\ &= \sqrt{x^2 + 4x + 8} - 2\ln|\sqrt{x^2 + 4x + 8} + (x+2)| + C \end{aligned}$$

(Recall **Note1** on page 1 of the handwritten posted answers of the selected exercises in sections 9.1-9.3: Here we used the property of  $\ln(ab) = \ln a + \ln b$  to pull out the constant term  $2\ln(1/2)$ , which got absorbed in the indeterminate integration constant term  $C$ .)

- Example (# 33, § 9.4)

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

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let: } e^x = \sin \theta &\Rightarrow x = \ln|\sin \theta| \Rightarrow dx = \frac{d}{d\theta} \ln|\sin \theta| d\theta = \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} d\theta = \cot \theta d\theta \\ &\Rightarrow \theta = \arcsin(e^x) \end{aligned}$$

Hence:

$$\begin{aligned} \int e^x \sqrt{1 - (e^x)^2} dx &= \int \sin \theta \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \theta} \cot \theta d\theta = \int \sin \theta \cos \theta \cot \theta d\theta = \int \cos^2 \theta d\theta \\ &= \int \frac{1}{2}(1 + \cos 2\theta) d\theta = \frac{1}{2}\theta + \frac{1}{2} \int \cos 2\theta d\theta = \frac{1}{2}\theta + \frac{1}{4} \sin 2\theta + C \end{aligned}$$

Now to substitute to express the answer in terms of  $x$ , note that in the above we have the expression  $\sin 2\theta = 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta$  (simplifying via the double angle formula). As in the above, one can use either method (algebraic or geometric) to express  $\cos \theta$  in terms of  $x$ :

Method 1: Use PI-1:

$$\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1 \Rightarrow 1 - \sin^2 \theta = \cos^2 \theta \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \theta} = \sqrt{1 - e^{2x}}$$

Method 2:

$$e^x = \sin \theta = \frac{OPP}{HYP} = \frac{e^x}{1},$$

$$\text{hence according to Pythagorean Thm: } ADJ = \sqrt{HYP^2 - OPP^2} = \sqrt{1 - e^{2x}}$$

$$\text{So: } \cos \theta = \frac{ADJ}{HYP} = \frac{\sqrt{1-e^{2x}}}{1} = \sqrt{1-e^{2x}}$$

Hence:

$$\begin{aligned} \int e^x \sqrt{1-(e^x)^2} dx &= \frac{1}{2} \theta + \frac{1}{4} \sin 2\theta + C = \frac{1}{2} (\theta + \sin \theta \cos \theta) + C \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (\arcsin(e^x) + e^x \sqrt{1-e^{2x}}) + C \end{aligned}$$

- Example

$$\int (9+x^2)^{3/2} dx = \int (3^2+x^2)^{3/2} dx$$

$$x(\theta) = 3 \tan \theta \Rightarrow dx = 3 \sec^2 \theta d\theta$$

$$\int (9+x^2)^{3/2} dx = \int (3^2+x^2)^{3/2} dx = \int (3^2+3^2 \tan^2 \theta) 3 \sec^2 \theta d\theta$$

$$= \int (3^2 \sec^2 \theta)^{3/2} 3 \sec^2 \theta d\theta = 3^4 \int \sec^3 \theta \sec^2 \theta d\theta = 81 \int \sec^5 \theta d\theta$$

Adopting reduction formula D. (mentioned in p. 2 above):

$$\int \sec^n x dx = \frac{1}{n-1} \sec^{n-2} x \tan x + \frac{n-2}{n-1} \int \sec^{n-2} x dx$$

$$\int \sec^5 \theta d\theta = \frac{1}{4} \sec^3 \theta \tan \theta + \frac{3}{4} \int \sec^3 \theta d\theta \quad (n=5)$$

$$\int \sec^3 \theta d\theta = \frac{1}{2} \sec \theta \tan \theta + \frac{1}{2} \int \sec \theta d\theta = \frac{1}{2} (\sec \theta \tan \theta + \ln |\sec \theta + \tan \theta|) + C \quad (n=3)$$

So combining:

$$\begin{aligned} \int \sec^5 \theta d\theta &= \frac{1}{4} \sec^3 \theta \tan \theta + \frac{3}{4} \int \sec^3 \theta d\theta = \frac{1}{4} \left\{ \sec^3 \theta \tan \theta + \frac{3}{2} [\sec \theta \tan \theta + \ln |\sec \theta + \tan \theta|] \right\} + C \\ &= \frac{1}{8} \{ 2 \sec^3 \theta \tan \theta + 3 \sec \theta \tan \theta + \ln |\sec \theta + \tan \theta| \} + C \end{aligned}$$

To find  $\sec \theta$  in terms of  $x$ :

Method 1:  $\tan^2 \theta + 1 = \sec^2 \theta \Rightarrow \sec \theta = \sqrt{\tan^2 \theta + 1} = \sqrt{\frac{x^2}{3^2} + 1} = \frac{1}{3} \sqrt{x^2 + 9}$

Method 2:

$$\tan \theta = \frac{x}{3} = \frac{OPP}{ADJ} \Rightarrow HYP = \sqrt{OPP^2 + ADJ^2} = \sqrt{3^2 + x^2} = \sqrt{x^2 + 9}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sec \theta = \frac{HYP}{ADJ} = \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + 9}}{3} = \frac{1}{3}\sqrt{x^2 + 9}$$

Hence:  $\int (9 + x^2)^{3/2} dx = \int (3^2 + x^2)^{3/2} dx =$

$$= \frac{1}{8} \{ 2 \sec^3 \theta \tan \theta + 3 \sec \theta \tan \theta + \ln |\sec \theta + \tan \theta| \} + C$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} \left\{ \frac{2}{81} (x^2 + 9)^{3/2} x + (x^2 + 9)^{1/2} x + \ln \left| \frac{1}{3} [(x^2 + 9)^{1/2} + x] \right| \right\} + C$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} \left\{ \frac{2}{81} x (x^2 + 9)^{3/2} + (x^2 + 9)^{1/2} x + \ln |(x^2 + 9)^{1/2} + x| \right\} + C$$

- *METHOD OF PARTIAL FRACTIONS (Part A: Non-repeating terms)*

Many integrals involving complicated rational expressions can become resolved via this *entirely algebraic* method, which essentially amounts to the reverse of combining rational expressions (i.e. fractions) via finding the common denominator (through finding the LCM, least common multiple).

**Case I:** The simplest case is when the rational expression involves a product of  $m$  non-repeating linear factors in the denominator, i.e.:

$$q(x) = \frac{u(x)}{(x - x_1)(x - x_2) \dots (x - x_m)}$$

Then one must decompose  $q(x)$  in the following manner:

$$q(x) = \frac{u(x)}{(x - x_1)(x - x_2) \dots (x - x_m)} = \frac{A_1}{(x - x_1)} + \frac{A_2}{(x - x_2)} + \dots + \frac{A_m}{(x - x_m)}$$

...and solve for the undetermined constants.

For example, suppose one wished to decompose the expression:  $\frac{1}{x(x-1)} = \frac{1}{(x-0)(x-1)}$  into a sum of two simple fractions, then according to the above:

$$q(x) = \frac{1}{x(x-1)} = \frac{A_1}{(x-0)} + \frac{A_2}{(x-1)}$$

The above two constants can be easily solved for via multiplying across by the denominator term:

$$q(x) = \frac{1}{x(x-1)} = \frac{A_1}{(x-0)} + \frac{A_2}{(x-1)} \Rightarrow 1 = A_1(x-1) + A_2x$$

- Set  $x = x_1 = 0$  in the above equation to solve for  $A_1$ :  $1 = -A_1 \Rightarrow A_1 = -1$ .
- Set  $x = x_2 = 1$  in the above equation to solve for  $A_2$ :  $1 = A_2 \Rightarrow A_2 = 1$ .

$$\text{Hence: } \frac{1}{x(x-1)} = \frac{-1}{x} + \frac{1}{(x-1)}$$

..which can be easily checked:  $\frac{-1}{x} + \frac{1}{(x-1)} = \frac{1-x+x}{x(x-1)} = \frac{1}{x(x-1)}$

- To see an interesting example of the above method at work in an integral application, see the problem discussed on logistical growth (predator-prey model) on pp. 5-8, **Oct 30 notes**:

<http://www.glue.umd.edu/%7Ewkallfel/MA261-2/Oct30notes.pdf>

**CaseII:** The next simplest case is when the rational expression involves a product of  $m$  non-repeating quadratic irreducible factors<sup>8</sup> in the denominator, i.e.:

$$q(x) = \frac{u(x)}{(\alpha_1 x^2 + \beta_1 x + \gamma_1)(\alpha_2 x^2 + \beta_2 x + \gamma_2) \dots (\alpha_m x^2 + \beta_m x + \gamma_m)}$$

Then one must decompose  $q(x)$  in the following manner:

$$q(x) = \frac{A_1 x + B_1}{(\alpha_1 x^2 + \beta_1 x + \gamma_1)} + \frac{A_2 x + B_2}{(\alpha_2 x^2 + \beta_2 x + \gamma_2)} + \dots + \frac{A_m x + B_m}{(\alpha_m x^2 + \beta_m x + \gamma_m)}$$

...and solve for the undetermined constants.

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<sup>8</sup> Recall that a quadratic irreducible is one that cannot be factored into two linear terms over the real numbers, because it has no real roots. For example:  $x^2 + 1$  is a quadratic irreducible. The way to check in any general case for a quadratic expression  $ax^2 + bx + c$  is via the *discriminant*:  $D = b^2 - 4ac$ . If  $D < 0$ , then it's irreducible.

For example:

$$q(x) = \frac{x^2 + 3x}{(x^2 + 1)(x^2 + 2x + 3)} = \frac{A_1x + B_1}{(x^2 + 1)} + \frac{A_2x + B_2}{(x^2 + 2x + 3)}$$

To solve for the four undetermined constants, begin by multiplying across the denominator term:

$$\begin{aligned} q(x) &= \frac{x^2 + 3x}{(x^2 + 1)(x^2 + 2x + 3)} = \frac{A_1x + B_1}{(x^2 + 1)} + \frac{A_2x + B_2}{(x^2 + 2x + 3)} \\ \Rightarrow x^2 + 3x &= (A_1x + B_1)(x^2 + 2x + 3) + (A_2x + B_2)(x^2 + 1) \\ \Rightarrow x^2 + 3x &= A_1x^3 + (B_1 + 2A_1)x^2 + (3B_1 + 2A_1)x + 3B_1 + A_2x^3 + B_2x^2 + A_2x + B_2 \\ \Rightarrow x^2 + 3x &= (A_1 + A_2)x^3 + (B_1 + 2A_1 + B_2)x^2 + (3B_1 + 2A_1 + A_2)x + (3B_1 + B_2) \end{aligned}$$

The four constants can be solved by equating the coefficients of the powers of  $x$  terms (i.e. extracting four equations from the above, beginning with  $x^3$  terms and ending with  $x^0$ ) to create the following 4 x 4 system:

$$\begin{aligned} x^3 : \quad 0 &= A_1 + A_2 \\ x^2 : \quad 1 &= B_1 + 2A_1 + B_2 \\ x^1 : \quad 3 &= 3B_1 + 2A_1 + A_2 \\ x^0 : \quad 0 &= 3B_1 + B_2 \end{aligned}$$

There are fancy matrix methods (Cramer's Rule, etc.) and simple substitution methods to solve for  $N \times N$  linear systems of equations. In this case, the above can be solved by simple substitution, beginning with the first and last equation:

$$\begin{aligned} x^3 : \quad 0 &= A_1 + A_2 \Rightarrow A_1 = -A_2 \\ x^2 : \quad 1 &= B_1 + 2A_1 + B_2 \\ x^1 : \quad 3 &= 3B_1 + 2A_1 + A_2 \\ x^0 : \quad 0 &= 3B_1 + B_2 \Rightarrow B_2 = -3B_1 \end{aligned}$$

Hence:

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 : \quad 1 &= B_1 - 2A_2 - 3B_1 = -2B_1 - 2A_2 \\ x^1 : \quad 3 &= 3B_1 - 2A_2 + A_2 = 3B_1 - A_2 \end{aligned}$$

So<sup>9</sup>:  $3x^2 + 2x = 9 = -8A_2 \Rightarrow A_2 = -\frac{9}{8} \Rightarrow B_1 = \frac{15}{24}$

Check:  $1 = -2\left(\frac{15}{24}\right) - 2\left(-\frac{9}{8}\right) = -\frac{30}{24} + \frac{18}{8} = \frac{-30+54}{24} = \frac{24}{24} = 1$

$3 = 3\left(\frac{15}{24}\right) - \left(-\frac{9}{8}\right) = \frac{45}{24} + \frac{9}{8} = \frac{45+27}{24} = \frac{72}{24} = 3$

Hence:  $A_1 = -A_2 = \frac{9}{8} \quad B_2 = -3B_1 = -\frac{45}{24} = -\frac{15}{8}$

So: 
$$q(x) = \frac{x^2 + 3x}{(x^2 + 1)(x^2 + 2x + 3)} = \frac{\frac{9}{8}x + \frac{15}{24}}{(x^2 + 1)} + \frac{-\frac{9}{8}x - \frac{15}{8}}{(x^2 + 2x + 3)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{24} \left\{ \frac{27x + 15}{(x^2 + 1)} - \frac{27x + 45}{(x^2 + 2x + 3)} \right\}$$

Certainly combinations of Cases I & Cases II can occur, like:  $q(x) = \frac{x}{(x+1)(x^2+1)}$

...which gets resolved via the procedure:

$$q(x) = \frac{x}{(x+1)(x^2+1)} = \frac{A_1}{x+1} + \frac{A_2x + B_2}{x^2+1}$$

- Example (# 9, §9.5)

$$\int \frac{2x^3 - 4x^2 - 15x + 5}{x^2 - 2x - 8} dx$$

Before you start to use partial fractions, note that the integrand can be reduced (since the degree of the numerator > degree of the denominator). A cumbersome way to reduce it would be via polynomial long division. There's a simpler way, however, in this case, which involves teasing out the denominator term in the first three terms of the numerator:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2x^3 - 4x^2 - 15x + 5}{x^2 - 2x - 8} &= \frac{2x^3 - 4x^2 - 16x + x + 5}{x^2 - 2x - 8} = \frac{2x(x^2 - 2x - 8) + x + 5}{x^2 - 2x - 8} \\ &= \frac{2x(x^2 - 2x - 8)}{x^2 - 2x - 8} + \frac{x + 5}{x^2 - 2x - 8} = 2x + \frac{x + 5}{x^2 - 2x - 8} \end{aligned}$$

So now the attention is focused on the much easier second fraction term, which can be resolved via partial fractions:

<sup>9</sup> I.e. multiplying the first equation by 3 and adding it to the second equation multiplied by 2.

$$\frac{x+5}{x^2-2x-8} = \frac{x+5}{(x-4)(x+2)} = \frac{A_1}{(x-4)} + \frac{A_2}{(x+2)} \Rightarrow x+5 = A_1(x+2) + A_2(x-4)$$

$$\text{Setting } x = 4: \quad 9 = 6A_1 \Rightarrow A_1 = \frac{9}{6} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\text{Setting } x = -2: \quad 3 = -6A_2 \Rightarrow A_2 = -\frac{3}{6} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Therefore: } \frac{2x^3 - 4x^2 - 15x + 5}{x^2 - 2x - 8} = 2x + \frac{x+5}{x^2 - 2x - 8} = 2x + \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{3}{x-4} - \frac{1}{x+2} \right)$$

Hence the integral becomes:

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{2x^3 - 4x^2 - 15x + 5}{x^2 - 2x - 8} dx &= \int \left[ 2x + \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{3}{x-4} - \frac{1}{x+2} \right) \right] dx \\ &= \int 2x dx + \frac{3}{2} \int \frac{dx}{x-4} - \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{dx}{x+2} = x^2 + \frac{3}{2} \ln|x-4| - \frac{1}{2} \ln|x+2| + C \end{aligned}$$

...which is how the authors present the answer. However note that the logarithm terms can be combined via the properties of natural log:

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{2x^3 - 4x^2 - 15x + 5}{x^2 - 2x - 8} dx &= \int 2x dx + \frac{3}{2} \int \frac{dx}{x-4} - \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{dx}{x+2} = x^2 + \frac{3}{2} \ln|x-4| - \frac{1}{2} \ln|x+2| + C \\ &= x^2 + \ln(|x-4|)^{3/2} - \ln(|x+2|)^{1/2} + C = x^2 + \ln \sqrt{\frac{|x-4|^3}{|x+2|}} + C \end{aligned}$$

- **Note:** The above two integrals were obtained via a simple  $u$ -substitution. In the first case,  $u = x - 4$ , and in the second case  $u = x + 2$

- Example

$$\int \frac{4x^2 + 2x - 1}{x^3 + x} dx$$

This is an example of a mixture of Cases I, II:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{4x^2 + 2x - 1}{x(x^2 + 1)} &= \frac{A_1}{x} + \frac{A_2x + B_2}{x^2 + 1} \Rightarrow 4x^2 + 2x - 1 = A_1(x^2 + 1) + (A_2x + B_2)x \\ \Rightarrow 4x^2 + 2x - 1 &= (A_1 + A_2)x^2 + B_2x + A_1 \end{aligned}$$

Hence equating coefficients via powers of  $x$ :

$$x^2 : 4 = A_1 + A_2$$

$$x^1 : 2 = B_2$$

$$x^0 : -1 = A_1$$

Hence:  $A_2 = 5$

$$\int \frac{4x^2 + 2x - 1}{x^3 + x} dx = \int \left( -\frac{dx}{x} + \frac{5x + 2}{x^2 + 1} \right) dx = -\ln|x| + \int \frac{5x + 2}{x^2 + 1} dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So: } &= -\ln|x| + 5 \int \frac{x}{x^2 + 1} dx + 2 \int \frac{dx}{x^2 + 1} = -\ln|x| + \frac{5}{2} \int \frac{du}{u} + 2 \arctan x + C \\ &= -\ln|x| + \frac{5}{2} \ln(x^2 + 1) + 2 \arctan x + C \end{aligned}$$

- Note: The last integral involves inverse trig functions (covered in Section 8.6 of the text and also in [Nov 13 notes](#), beginning on page 2 of

<http://www.glue.umd.edu/%7Ewkallfel/MA261-2/Nov13notes.pdf>

You of course could have integrated it using a trig substitution as well! In this regard, section 9.5 is a generalization of section 8.6 in the text.