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Trigonometric Integrals

(with much more than is in §8.2 of the text)

Want to handle integrals of the form

$$\int \sin^n(x) \cos^k(x) dx$$

or $\int \tan^n(x) \sec^k(x) dx$.

Trig identities that might come up:

$$\sin^2(x) + \cos^2(x) = 1 \quad \text{usually as } \sin^2(x) = 1 - \cos^2(x) \\ \text{or } \cos^2(x) = 1 - \sin^2(x)$$

$$\sec^2(x) = 1 + \tan^2(x) \quad \text{often as } \tan^2(x) = \sec^2(x) - 1$$

$$\sin(2x) = 2 \sin(x) \cos(x)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \cos(2x) &= \cos^2(x) - \sin^2(x) && \text{often as} \\ &= 1 - 2\sin^2(x) && \cos^2(x) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \cos(2x) \\ &= 2\cos^2(x) - 1 && \sin^2(x) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cos(2x) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \sin(x) = \cos(x) \quad \frac{d}{dx} \cos(x) = -\sin(x)$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \tan(x) = \sec^2(x) \quad \frac{d}{dx} \sec(x) = \sec(x) \tan(x)$$

$$\sin(-x) = -\sin(x) \quad \cos(x) = \cos(x)$$

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Using substitution & trig identities

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int \sin^2(x) \cos^3(x) dx \\
&= \int \sin^2(x) \cos^2(x) \cos(x) dx \\
&= \int \sin^2(x) (1 - \sin^2(x)) \cos(x) dx \quad \begin{array}{l} u = \sin(x) \\ du = \cos(x) dx \end{array} \\
&= \int u^2 (1 - u^2) du \\
&= \int (u^2 - u^4) du = \frac{u^3}{3} - \frac{u^5}{5} + C \\
&= \frac{1}{3} \sin^3(x) - \frac{1}{5} \sin^5(x) + C \quad \checkmark
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int \sin^2(x) \cos^2(x) dx \quad \text{use } \sin(2x) = 2 \sin(x) \cos(x) \\
&= \int (\sin(x) \cos(x))^2 dx \\
&= \int \left(\frac{1}{2} \sin(2x)\right)^2 dx = \frac{1}{4} \int \sin^2(2x) dx \\
&= \frac{1}{4} \int \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cos(4x)\right) dx \quad \begin{array}{l} w = 4x \\ dw = 4 dx \text{ so } \frac{1}{4} dw = dx \end{array} \\
&= \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \int (1 - \cos(w)) \cdot \frac{1}{4} dw \\
&= \frac{1}{32} (w - \sin(w)) + C = \frac{1}{32} (4x - \sin(4x)) + C
\end{aligned}$$

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$$\int \sec^3(x) \tan(x) dx$$

$$= \int \sec^2(x) \sec(x) \tan(x) dx \quad \begin{array}{l} u = \sec(x) \\ du = \sec(x) \tan(x) dx \end{array}$$

$$= \int u^2 du = \frac{u^3}{3} + C = \frac{1}{3} \sec^3(x) + C$$

$$\int \sec^3(x) \tan^2(x) dx = ? \quad \text{use } \tan^2(x) = \sec^2(x) - 1$$

$$= \int \sec^3(x) (\sec^2(x) - 1) dx$$

$$= \int (\sec^5(x) - \sec^3(x)) dx$$

$$= \int \sec^5(x) dx - \int \sec^3(x) dx$$

Use integration by parts to develop a general "reduction" formula.

$$\int \sec^n(x) dx$$

Use parts

$$u = \sec^{n-2}(x) \quad v' = \sec^2(x)$$

$$u' = (n-2) \sec^{n-3}(x) \cdot \frac{d}{dx} \sec(x)$$

$$v = \tan(x)$$

$$= (n-2) \sec^{n-3}(x) \sec(x) \tan(x)$$

$$= (n-2) \sec^{n-2}(x) \tan(x)$$

$$\int \sec^n(x) dx = \sec^{n-2}(x) \tan(x) - \int (n-2) \sec^{n-2}(x) \tan^2(x) dx$$

$$= \sec^{n-2}(x) \tan(x) - (n-2) \int \sec^{n-2}(x) (\sec^2(x) - 1) dx$$

$$= \sec^{n-2}(x) \tan(x) - (n-2) \int (\sec^n(x) - \sec^{n-2}(x)) dx$$

$$= \sec^{n-2}(x) \tan(x) - (n-2) \int \sec^n(x) dx + (n-2) \int \sec^{n-2}(x) dx$$

Solve for $\int \sec^n(x) dx$

$$\underbrace{(1 + (n-2))}_{n-1} \int \sec^n(x) dx = \sec^{n-2}(x) \tan(x) + (n-2) \int \sec^{n-2}(x) dx$$

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

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

So how do we integrate $\int \sec(x) dx$?

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$$\int \sec(x) dx = \int \sec(x) \cdot 1 dx$$

$$= \int \sec(x) \cdot \frac{\sec(x) + \tan(x)}{\sec(x) + \tan(x)} dx$$

$$= \int \frac{\sec^2(x) + \sec(x)\tan(x)}{\sec(x) + \tan(x)} dx \quad \begin{array}{l} u = \sec(x) + \tan(x) \\ du = (\sec^2(x) + \sec(x)\tan(x)) dx \end{array}$$

$$= \int \frac{1}{u} du = \ln(u) + C$$

$$= \ln(\sec(x) + \tan(x)) + C$$

Similar formulas for reducing powers of $\cos(x)$ or $\sin(x)$ exist.