

5.6. Integrals Involving Exponential and Logarithmic Functions

Recall some differentiation formulas

$$\frac{d}{dx}(e^x) = e^x$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(a^x) = a^x \cdot \ln a$$

$$(E.g. \frac{d}{dx}(2^x) = 2^x \cdot \ln 2)$$

$$\int e^x dx = e^x + C$$

$$\int a^x dx = \frac{a^x}{\ln a} + C$$

$$\text{True } 1/c \left(\frac{a^x}{\ln a} \right)' = \frac{1}{\ln a} \cdot a^x \cdot \ln a = a^x$$

$$\textcircled{1} \int e^x dx = e^x + C$$

$$\textcircled{2} \int a^x dx = \frac{a^x}{\ln a} + C$$

$$E.g. \textcircled{1} \int e^{-x} dx$$

u-substitution. $u = -x$. $du = -dx$

$$\int e^{-x} dx = - \int \underbrace{e^u}_{du} (-dx) = - \int e^u du = -e^u + C = -e^{-x} + C$$

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$$\textcircled{2} \int e^x \sqrt{1+e^x} dx$$

let $u = 1 + e^x$. Then $du = e^x dx$

$$\int \underbrace{\sqrt{u}}_{du} \underbrace{e^x dx}_{du} = \int \sqrt{u} du = \int u^{\frac{1}{2}} du = \frac{2u^{\frac{3}{2}}}{\frac{3}{2}} + C = \frac{2}{3} \cdot (1+e^x)^{\frac{3}{2}} + C$$

$$\textcircled{3} \int \frac{3}{x} e^{x^4} dx$$

let $u = x^4$. Then $du = 4x^3 dx$

$$\frac{1}{4} \int e^{\frac{u}{4}} \frac{du}{x^3} = \frac{1}{4} \int e^u du = \frac{1}{4} e^u + C = \frac{1}{4} e^{x^4} + C$$

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$$\textcircled{4} \int_1^2 e^{\frac{1-x}{2}} dx$$

let $u = 1-x$. Then $du = -dx$

$$\begin{aligned} - \int_1^2 \underbrace{e^{\frac{u}{2}}}_{du} (-dx) &= - \int e^u du = -e^u + C \\ &= -e^{\frac{1-x}{2}} \Big|_1^2 = -e^{\frac{1-2}{2}} - (-e^{\frac{1-1}{2}}) \\ &= -e^{-\frac{1}{2}} + e^0 = -\frac{1}{e^{\frac{1}{2}}} + 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{5} \int_1^2 \frac{e^{\frac{1}{x}}}{x^2} dx \quad \text{let } u = \frac{1}{x}; \quad du = -\frac{1}{x^2} dx$$

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$$\begin{aligned} - \int_1^2 \underbrace{e^{\frac{1}{x}}}_{du} \underbrace{\left(-\frac{dx}{x^2}\right)}_{du} &= - \int e^u du = -e^u + C \\ &= -e^{\frac{1}{x}} \Big|_1^2 = -e^{\frac{1}{2}} - (-e^1) \\ &= -e^{\frac{1}{2}} + e = e - \sqrt{e} \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{6} \int 2^x dx = \frac{2^x}{\ln 2} + C$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{7} \int 2^{-x} dx &= - \int \underbrace{2^u}_{du} \underbrace{(-dx)}_{du} = - \int 2^u du = -\frac{2^u}{\ln 2} + C \\ \text{let } u &= -x; \quad du = -dx \end{aligned}$$

Integrals that involve log function

Recall: $\frac{d}{dx}(\ln|x|) = \frac{1}{x}$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\log_a|x|) = \frac{1}{x \ln a}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \int \frac{dx}{x} = \ln|x| + C$$

$$\textcircled{2} \int \ln x dx = x \ln x - x + C$$

$$\text{Proof: } (x \ln x - x)' = (x \ln x)' - 1 = 1 \cdot \ln x + x \cdot \frac{1}{x} - 1 = \ln x + 1 - 1 = \ln x$$

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