

Integrals that involve inverse trig functions

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Recall:

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

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\cos^{-1} x) = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\sin^{-1} x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} (\sec^{-1} x) = \frac{1}{|x|\sqrt{x^2-1}}$$

...

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{2} \right) \right) = \frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{x}{2} \right)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 + \frac{x^2}{4}} \cdot \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2 \left(1 + \frac{x^2}{4} \right)} = \frac{1}{2 \left(\frac{4+x^2}{4} \right)}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{2} \right) \right) = \frac{1}{4+x^2} = \frac{2}{4+x^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{d}{dx} \left(\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{2} \right) \right) = \frac{1}{4+x^2}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{2} \right) \right) = \frac{1}{4+x^2}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{3} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{3} \right) \right) = \frac{1}{9+x^2}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{7} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{7} \right) \right) = \frac{1}{49+x^2}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \right) = \frac{1}{2+x^2}$$

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

$$\int \frac{1}{16+x^2} dx = \frac{1}{4} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{4} \right) + C$$

$$\int \frac{1}{147+x^2} dx = \frac{1}{\sqrt{147}} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{147}} \right) + C$$

In general, $\int \frac{1}{a^2+x^2} dx = \frac{1}{a} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{a} \right) + C$

$$\boxed{\int \frac{dx}{a^2+x^2} = \frac{1}{a} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{a} \right) + C}$$

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

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\sin^{-1}(x)) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \quad \frac{d}{dx}(\sin^{-1}(\frac{x}{3})) = \dots = \frac{1}{\sqrt{9-x^2}}$$

Develop the formula for: $\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} = \sin^{-1}(\frac{x}{a})$

$$\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} = \sin^{-1}(\frac{x}{a}) + C$$

Similarly, there are formulas for integrals that involve $\sec^{-1}(x)$, $\csc^{-1}(x)$,
.... in the book.

E.g. ① $\int \frac{dx}{25 + 4x^2} = \int \frac{dx}{4(\frac{25}{4} + x^2)} = \frac{1}{4} \int \frac{dx}{\frac{25}{4} + x^2}$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{\frac{5}{2}} \cdot \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{\frac{5}{2}}\right) + C$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{2}{5} \cdot \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{2x}{5}\right) + C = \boxed{\frac{1}{10} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{2x}{5}\right) + C}$$

② $\frac{1}{6} \int \frac{6 \sin^{-1}(6t)}{\sqrt{1-36t^2}} dt \rightarrow du$

$$\text{let } u = \sin^{-1}(6t) \quad du = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-36t^2}} \cdot 6 = \frac{6}{\sqrt{1-36t^2}} dt$$

$$\frac{1}{6} \int u du = \frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{u^2}{2} + C = \frac{u^2}{12} + C = \frac{(\sin^{-1}(6t))^2}{12} + C$$

③ $\int \frac{dx}{x \sqrt{1-(\ln x)^2}} \rightarrow du \quad u = \ln x \quad du = \frac{1}{x} dx$

$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-u^2}} du = \sin^{-1}(u) + C = \sin^{-1}(\ln x) + C$$

$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-u^2}} du = \sin^{-1}(u) + C = \sin^{-1}(\ln x) + C.$$

Recap of formulas:

$$\int \frac{du}{\sqrt{a^2 - u^2}} = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{u}{a}\right) + C$$

$$\int \frac{du}{a^2 + u^2} = \frac{1}{a} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{u}{a}\right) + C$$

$$\int \frac{du}{u \sqrt{u^2 - a^2}} = \frac{1}{a} \sec^{-1}\left(\frac{u}{a}\right) + C$$

More examples:

$$\textcircled{1} \int \frac{dx}{49 + 4x^2} = \int \frac{dx}{4\left(\frac{49}{4} + x^2\right)} = \frac{1}{4} \int \frac{dx}{\frac{49}{4} + x^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{\frac{7}{2}} \cdot \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{\frac{7}{2}}\right) + C = \boxed{\frac{1}{14} \cdot \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{2x}{7}\right) + C}$$

$$\textcircled{2} -\frac{1}{6} \int \frac{\cos^{-1}(6t) \cdot (-6 dt)}{\sqrt{1 - 36t^2}} \quad \text{let } u = \cos^{-1}(6t). \quad du = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1 - (6t)^2}} \cdot 6 dt = \frac{-6}{\sqrt{1 - 36t^2}} dt$$

$$= -\frac{1}{6} \int u du = -\frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{u^2}{2} + C = -\frac{1}{12} (\cos^{-1}(6t))^2 + C.$$

$$* \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{9 - x^2}} dx = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{3}\right)$$


$$* \int_{-3}^x \frac{1}{\sqrt{9 - t^2}} dt = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{t}{3}\right) \Big|_{-3}^x = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) - \sin^{-1}\left(-1\right)$$

$$= \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{3}\right) + \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

$$\frac{1}{9} \int \frac{\tan^{-1}(9t) \cdot (9 dt)}{1 + 81t^2} \quad u = \tan^{-1}(9t)$$

$$1 \quad 1 \quad 9 dt = \frac{9}{1 + 81t^2} dt$$

$$\frac{1}{g} \int \frac{\tan^{-1}(gt) \cdot g}{1 + 8t^2} dt \quad u = \tan^{-1}(gt)$$

$$du = \frac{1}{1 + (gt)^2} \cdot g dt = \frac{g}{1 + 8t^2} dt$$

$$\frac{1}{g} \int u du = \frac{u^2}{18} + C = \frac{(\tan^{-1}(gt))^2}{18} + C$$