

Tricks for Trigonometric Integrals

$$\int \sin^m x \cos^n x dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} m \text{ odd:} \quad &= \int (1 - \cos^2 x)^{(m-1)/2} \cos^n x \sin x dx && u = \cos x \\ &= - \int (1 - u^2)^{(m-1)/2} u^n du \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} n \text{ odd:} \quad &= \int \sin^m x (1 - \sin^2 x)^{(n-1)/2} \cos x dx && u = \sin x \\ &= \int u^m (1 - u^2)^{(n-1)/2} du \end{aligned}$$

$$m, n \text{ both even:} \quad \sin^2 x = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos 2x)$$

$$\cos^2 x = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \cos 2x)$$

$$\int \sec^m x \tan^n x dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} m \text{ even:} \quad &= \int (\tan^2 x + 1)^{(m-2)/2} \tan^n x \sec^2 x dx && u = \tan x \\ &= \int (u^2 + 1)^{(m-2)/2} u^n du \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} n \text{ odd:} \quad &= \int \sec^{m-1} x (\sec^2 x - 1)^{(n-1)/2} \sec x \tan x dx && u = \sec x \\ &= \int u^{m-1} (u^2 - 1)^{(n-1)/2} du \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} m \text{ odd, } n \text{ even:} \quad &= \int \frac{\sin^n x}{\cos^{m+n} x} dx \\ &= \int \frac{\sin^n x}{(1 - \sin^2 x)^{(m+n+1)/2}} \cos x dx && u = \sin x \end{aligned}$$

and wait for “partial fractions”

$$\sin(A + B) = \sin A \cos B + \sin B \cos A$$

$$\sin(A - B) = \sin A \cos B - \sin B \cos A$$

$$\cos(A + B) = \cos A \cos B - \sin A \sin B$$

$$\cos(A - B) = \cos A \cos B + \sin A \sin B$$

$$\sin A \cos B = \frac{1}{2}(\sin(A + B) + \sin(A - B))$$

$$\sin A \sin B = \frac{1}{2}(\cos(A - B) - \cos(A + B))$$

$$\cos A \cos B = \frac{1}{2}(\cos(A - B) + \cos(A + B))$$