

Mathematical Analysis I: Lecture 59

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- Basic Mathematics course: 12–15 January on functions, limits, integral and upon request
- **Register for the exam calls on Delphi**
- Simulations are available on <https://esamionline.uniroma2.it>

Detailed answers to the simulation questions

(watch also the video, where I explain how to insert answers on Moodle)

Definite integral

- Primitive of f : a function F such that $f = F'$.
- Fundamental theorem of calculus: $\int_a^b f(x)dx = F(b) - F(a)$.
- Elementary integrals.
 - $\int x^\alpha dx = \frac{x^{\alpha+1}}{\alpha+1} + C \quad (\alpha \neq -1)$
 - $\int e^x dx = e^x + C$
 - $\int \sin x dx = -\cos x + C$
 - $\int \cos x dx = \sin x + C$
 - $\int \frac{1}{x} dx = \log x + C$
 - $\int \frac{1}{x^2+1} dx = \arctan x + C$

More techniques for integral

- Substitution. $\int f'(\varphi(x))\varphi'(x)dx = f(\varphi(x)) + C.$
- Change of variables. $\int_a^b f(x)dx = \int_{\varphi^{-1}(a)}^{\varphi^{-1}(b)} f(\varphi(t))\varphi'(t)dt.$
- Integration by parts. $\int f(x)g'(x)dx = f(x)g(x) - \int f'(x)g(x)dx + C.$
- Partial fractions. $\frac{x}{x^2+3x+2} = \frac{x}{(x+1)(x+2)} = \frac{A}{x+1} + \frac{B}{x+2} = -\frac{1}{x+1} + \frac{2}{x+2}.$

Consider

$$\int_{-1}^1 \sqrt{1-x^2} dx.$$

With the change of variables $x = \sin t$, with $\frac{dx}{dt} = \cos t$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-1}^1 \sqrt{1-x^2} dx &= \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sqrt{1-\sin^2 t} \cos t dt = \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sqrt{\cos^2 t} \cos t dt \\ &= \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^2 t dt \\ &= \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{1}{2} (\cos 2t + 1) dt \\ &= \left[\frac{1}{4} \sin 2t + \frac{t}{2} \right]_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}}. \\ &= \left[\frac{1}{4} \sin 2t + \frac{t}{2} \right]_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} = \frac{\pi}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Consider

$$\int x^2 e^{-x} dx.$$

By integration by parts, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\int x^2 e^{-x} dx &= x^2(-e^{-x}) - \int 2x(-e^{-x}) dx + C \\&= x^2(-e^{-x}) + \int 2x(e^{-x}) dx + C \\&= x^2(-e^{-x}) + 2x(-e^{-x}) - \int 2(-e^{-x}) dx + C \\&= x^2(-e^{-x}) + 2x(-e^{-x}) - 2e^{-x} + C\end{aligned}$$

Consider

$$\int x e^{-x^2} dx.$$

By substitution $\varphi(x) = -x^2$,

$$\begin{aligned}\int x e^{-x^2} dx &= -\frac{1}{2} \int (-2x) e^{-x^2} dx \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} e^{-x^2} + C\end{aligned}$$

Improper integral

Consider an integral $\int_a^b f(x)dx$, where a is possibly $-\infty$, or b is possibly ∞ , or $f(x)$ might be unbounded on the interval (a, b) . This is defined by

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow a} \int_{\alpha}^c f(x)dx + \lim_{\beta \rightarrow b} \int_c^{\beta} f(x)dx,$$

where $a < \alpha < c < \beta < b$.

An improper integral $\int_a^b f(x)dx$ converges if there is a function $g(x)$ such that $g(x) \geq |f(x)|$ such that $\int_a^b g(x)dx$ converges.

Examples

- $\int_0^1 x^{\gamma} dx$ converges for $\gamma > -1$.
- $\int_1^{\infty} x^{\gamma} dx$ converges for $\gamma < -1$.
- $\int_0^{\infty} e^{\gamma x} dx$ converges for $\gamma < 0$.

Consider $\int_{\beta}^{\infty} x e^{\alpha x^2} dx$. $\frac{1}{2\alpha} e^{\alpha x^2}$ is a primitive of $x e^{\alpha x^2}$. Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{\beta}^{\infty} x e^{\alpha x^2} dx &= \lim_{\gamma \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\beta}^{\gamma} x e^{\alpha x^2} dx = \lim_{\gamma \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2\alpha} [e^{\alpha x^2}]_{\beta}^{\gamma} \\ &= \lim_{\gamma \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2\alpha} (e^{\alpha \gamma^2} - e^{\alpha \beta^2})\end{aligned}$$

This converges if $\alpha < 0$ to $-\frac{1}{2\alpha} e^{\alpha \beta^2}$
(if $\alpha = 0$, $\int_{\beta}^{\infty} x dx$ diverges).

As $\beta \rightarrow -\infty$, $-\frac{1}{2\alpha} e^{\alpha \beta^2} \rightarrow 0$, therefore, $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x e^{\alpha x^2} dx = 0$.

Consider $\int_1^\infty \frac{\log x}{(x-1)^\alpha x^{\frac{1}{3}}} dx$.

If $\gamma > -\alpha - \frac{1}{3}$, $\frac{\log x}{(x-1)^\alpha x^{\frac{1}{3}}} \frac{1}{x^\gamma}$ is bounded as $x \rightarrow \infty$. By comparison, the integral $\int_2^\infty \frac{\log x}{(x-1)^\alpha x^{\frac{1}{3}}} dx$ converges for $-\alpha - \frac{1}{3} < \gamma < -1$, hence $\alpha > \frac{2}{3}$.

If $\gamma \leq -\alpha$, $\frac{\log x}{(x-1)^\alpha x^{\frac{1}{3}}} \frac{1}{x^\gamma}$ is bounded as $x \rightarrow 1$. By comparison, the integral $\int_1^2 \frac{\log x}{(x-1)^\alpha x^{\frac{1}{3}}} dx$ converges for $-\alpha \geq \gamma > -1$, hence $\alpha < 1$.