

There are several ways that differentiation under the integral sign can be used.

Sometimes we need to solve a simple differential equation

Example Calculate $F(t) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x^2} \cos(2xt) dx$

First note that

$$\begin{aligned} F'(t) &= - \int_0^{\infty} 2x e^{-x^2} \sin(2xt) dx \\ &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{d}{dx} (e^{-x^2}) \sin(2xt) dx \\ &= \left[e^{-x^2} \sin(2xt) \right]_0^{\infty} - 2t \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x^2} \cos(2xt) dx \\ &= -2tF(t) \end{aligned}$$

$$F'(t) + 2tF(t) = 0$$

$$\text{So } \frac{dF}{dt} = -2tF$$

$$\text{or } \frac{dF}{F} = -2t dt \Rightarrow \int \frac{dF}{F} = -\int 2t dt$$

Integrating gives

$$\ln F = -t^2 + C$$

$$\text{or } F(t) = e^{-t^2} e^C = A e^{-t^2} \quad A = e^C$$

$$\text{Now } F(0) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} = A$$

$$\text{So } F(t) = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} e^{-t^2}$$

$$I = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-xt} \left(\frac{\cos(ax) - \cos(bx)}{x} \right) dx$$

Note $\int_a^b \sin(xy) dy = \left[-\frac{\cos(xy)}{x} \right]_a^b$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{\cos(ax) - \cos(bx)}{x} \\ \therefore I &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-xt} \int_a^b \sin(xy) dy dx \\ &= \int_a^b \left(\int_0^{\infty} e^{-xt} \sin(xy) dx \right) dy \\ &= \int_a^b \frac{y}{y^2 + t^2} dy \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \ln(y^2 + t^2) \Big|_a^b \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [\ln(b^2 + t^2) - \ln(a^2 + t^2)] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{b^2 + t^2}{a^2 + t^2} \right) \\ &= \ln \left(\frac{b^2 + t^2}{a^2 + t^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

Series Methods An important method is to replace a function by a series

Example. Calculate $I = \int_0^1 \frac{\ln x}{x+1} dx$

Notice $\frac{1}{x+1} = 1 - x + x^2 - x^3 + \dots$

Idea: Integrate $\int_0^1 \ln x (1 - x + x^2 - x^3 + \dots) dx$ $|x| < 1$

$\ln x$ is not bounded on $[0, 1]$. No problem

$$\text{Let } f_N(x) = \ln x \sum_{n=1}^N (-1)^n x^n$$

$$\rightarrow \ln x \left(\frac{1}{1+x} - 1 \right)$$

Each f_N is Riemann integrable on $[0, 1]$ (Exercise). The sequence is uniformly bounded

$$\text{So we have } \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 f_N \rightarrow \int_0^1 \ln x \left(\frac{1}{1+x} - 1 \right) dx$$

we have

$$\int_0^1 \frac{\ln x}{x+1} dx = \int_0^1 \ln x dx + \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 f_N$$

$$\int_0^1 \ln x dx = x \ln x \Big|_0^1 - \int_0^1 x \cdot \frac{1}{x} dx$$

$$\left(\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \ln x = 0 \right) - 1$$

$$\left(\begin{aligned} \text{Use L'Hôpital } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x \ln x &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln x}{\frac{1}{x}} \quad \text{has form } \frac{0}{\infty} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{x}}{-\frac{1}{x^2}} \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{-x^2}{x} = -\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x = 0 \end{aligned} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 x^n \ln x dx &= \left[\frac{x^{n+1} \ln x}{n+1} \right]_0^1 - \int_0^1 \frac{x^{n+1}}{(n+1)} \cdot \frac{1}{x} dx \\ &= - \int_0^1 \frac{x^n}{(n+1)} dx = - \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\int_0^1 \frac{\ln x}{(1+x)} dx = -1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{(n+1)^2}$

$$= - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(n+1)^2}$$

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We have

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n^2} = 1 - \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} - \frac{1}{4^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} - \frac{1}{6^2} + \dots$$

$$= \left(1 + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \frac{1}{4^2} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \dots \right)$$

$$- 2 \left(\frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{4^2} + \frac{1}{6^2} + \dots \right)$$

$$= \left(1 + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \dots \right)$$

$$- 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2^2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \dots \right)$$

$$= \frac{\pi^2}{6} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\pi^2}{6} = \frac{\pi^2}{12}$$

$\therefore \int_0^1 \frac{\ln x}{x+1} dx = -\frac{\pi^2}{12}$

Example

$I = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x e^{-x}}{e^x + 1} dx$

$$\frac{1}{e^x + 1} = \frac{1}{e^x(1 + e^{-x})} = e^{-x} (1 - e^{-x} + e^{-2x} - e^{-3x} + \dots)$$

So $I = \int_0^{\infty} x e^{-2x} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n e^{-nx} dx$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \int_0^{\infty} x e^{-(n+2)x} dx$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n \left(\int_0^{\infty} \frac{x e^{-(n+2)x}}{n+2} dx + \frac{1}{n+2} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(n+2)x} dx \right)$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(n+2)^2} = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2}$$

$$= 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^2} = 1 - \frac{\pi^2}{12}$$

Example $\tan^{-1} x = \int_0^x \frac{dy}{1+y^2}$
 $= \int_0^x (1 - y^2 + y^4 - y^6 + \dots) dy$
 $|y| < 1$

$$= x - \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^5}{5} - \dots$$

$$\therefore \int_0^1 \frac{\tan^{-1} x}{x} dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{3} + \frac{x^4}{5} - \frac{x^6}{7} + \dots \right) dx$$

$$= \left[x - \frac{x^3}{3^2} + \frac{x^5}{5^2} - \frac{x^7}{7^2} + \dots \right]_0^1$$

$$= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)^2}$$

$$= G$$

G is Catalan's constant
 $G = 0.9159$