

## Integral calculus: solved exercises

**Exercise.** Compute the following indefinite integrals:

$$(a) \int \frac{1 + \cos x}{x + \sin x} dx \quad [\log |x + \sin x| + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}]$$

$$(b) \int \frac{3x + 2}{x^2 + 1} dx \quad \left[ \frac{3}{2} \log(x^2 + 1) + 2 \arctan x + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R} \right]$$

$$(c) \int \frac{dx}{\sin^2 x \cos^2 x}. \quad [\tan x - \cot x + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}]$$

### Solution

(a) Let us consider the indefinite integral

$$\int \frac{1 + \cos x}{x + \sin x} dx.$$

Since  $1 + \cos x$  is the derivative of  $x + \sin x$ , we have that

$$\int \frac{1 + \cos x}{x + \sin x} dx = \log |x + \sin x| + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}.$$

(b) Let us consider the indefinite integral

$$\int \frac{3x + 2}{x^2 + 1} dx.$$

We have that

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{3x + 2}{x^2 + 1} dx &= \int \left( \frac{3x}{x^2 + 1} + \frac{2}{x^2 + 1} \right) dx = \frac{3}{2} \int \frac{2x}{x^2 + 1} dx + 2 \int \frac{1}{x^2 + 1} dx = \\ &= \frac{3}{2} \log(x^2 + 1) + 2 \arctan x + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}. \end{aligned}$$

(c) Let us consider the indefinite integral

$$\int \frac{dx}{\sin^2 x \cos^2 x}.$$

Since  $\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1$ , we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{1}{\sin^2 x \cos^2 x} dx &= \int \frac{\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x}{\sin^2 x \cos^2 x} dx = \int \frac{1}{\cos^2 x} dx + \int \frac{1}{\sin^2 x} dx = \\ &= \tan x - \cot x + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}. \end{aligned}$$

## 1. Integrating by parts

**Exercise.** Compute the following indefinite integrals, using integration by parts:

- (a)  $\int \arcsin x \, dx$   $\left[ x \arcsin x + \sqrt{1-x^2} + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R} \right]$
- (b)  $\int x^2 \log^2 x \, dx$   $\left[ \frac{1}{3}x^3 \left( \log^2 x - \frac{2}{3} \log x + \frac{2}{9} \right) + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R} \right]$
- (c)  $\int x^3 \sqrt{2-x^2} \, dx.$   $\left[ -\frac{1}{3}x^2 (2-x^2)^{\frac{3}{2}} - \frac{2}{15}(2-x^2)^{\frac{5}{2}} + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R} \right]$

**Solution**

(a) Let us consider the indefinite integral

$$\int \arcsin x \, dx.$$

Integrating by parts we have that

$$\int \arcsin x \, dx = x \arcsin x - \int \frac{x}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \, dx = x \arcsin x + \sqrt{1-x^2} + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}.$$

(b) Let us consider the indefinite integral

$$\int (x \log x)^2 \, dx = \int x^2 \log^2 x \, dx.$$

Integrating twice by parts we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \int x^2 \log^2 x \, dx &= \frac{1}{3}x^3 \log^2 x - \frac{2}{3} \int x^2 \log x \, dx = \\ &= \frac{1}{3}x^3 \log^2 x - \frac{2}{9}x^3 \log x + \frac{2}{9} \int x^2 \, dx = \\ &= \frac{1}{3}x^3 \log^2 x - \frac{2}{9}x^3 \log x + \frac{2}{27}x^3 + c = \\ &= \frac{1}{3}x^3 \left( \log^2 x - \frac{2}{3} \log x + \frac{2}{9} \right) + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}. \end{aligned}$$

(c) Let us consider the indefinite integral

$$\int x^3 \sqrt{2-x^2} \, dx = \int x^2 \left( x \sqrt{2-x^2} \right) \, dx.$$

Integrating by parts we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \int x^2 \left( x \sqrt{2-x^2} \right) \, dx &= -\frac{1}{3}x^2 (2-x^2)^{\frac{3}{2}} + \frac{2}{3} \int x (2-x^2)^{\frac{3}{2}} \, dx = \\ &= -\frac{1}{3}x^2 (2-x^2)^{\frac{3}{2}} - \frac{2}{15}(2-x^2)^{\frac{5}{2}} + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}. \end{aligned}$$

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## 1. Integrating by substitution

**Exercise.** Compute the following indefinite integrals by substitution:

$$(a) \int \frac{dx}{x \log^3 x} \qquad \left[ -\frac{1}{2 \log^2 x} + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R} \right]$$

$$(b) \int \frac{\sin 2x}{1 + \sin^2 x} dx \qquad [\log(1 + \sin^2 x) + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}]$$

$$(c) \int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt[3]{x}} \qquad [2\sqrt{x} - 3\sqrt[3]{x} + 6\sqrt[6]{x} - 6 \log(\sqrt[6]{x} + 1) + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}]$$


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### Solution

(a) Let us consider the indefinite integral

$$\int \frac{dx}{x \log^3 x}.$$

Setting  $t = \log x$  we have that  $dt = \frac{1}{x} dx$ . Hence

$$\int \frac{dx}{x \log^3 x} = \int \frac{1}{t^3} dt = -\frac{1}{2t^2} + c = -\frac{1}{2 \log^2 x} + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}.$$

(b) Let us consider the indefinite integral

$$\int \frac{\sin 2x}{1 + \sin^2 x} dx = \int \frac{2 \sin x \cos x}{1 + \sin^2 x} dx.$$

Setting  $t = \sin x$  we have that  $dt = \cos x dx$ . Hence

$$\int \frac{2 \sin x \cos x}{1 + \sin^2 x} dx = \int \frac{2t}{1 + t^2} dt = \log(1 + t^2) + c = \log(1 + \sin^2 x) + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}.$$

(c) Let us consider the indefinite integral

$$\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt[3]{x}}.$$

Setting  $x = t^6$ , we have that  $dx = 6t^5 dt$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt[3]{x}} &= 6 \int \frac{t^5}{t + 1} dt = 6 \int \left( t^2 - t + 1 - \frac{1}{t + 1} \right) dt = \\ &= 2t^3 - 3t^2 + 6t - 6 \log |t + 1| + c = 2\sqrt{x} - 3\sqrt[3]{x} + 6\sqrt[6]{x} - 6 \log(\sqrt[6]{x} + 1) + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}. \end{aligned}$$


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## 1. Integrating rational maps

**Exercise.** Compute the following indefinite integrals of rational maps:

$$(a) \int \frac{x+1}{x(1+x^2)} dx \quad \left[ \log \frac{|x|}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} + \arctan x + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R} \right]$$

$$(b) \int \frac{1}{x^3(1+x^2)} dx \quad \left[ \log \frac{\sqrt{1+x^2}}{|x|} - \frac{1}{2x^2} + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R} \right]$$

$$(c) \int \frac{x^3+x^2-x}{x^2+x-6} dx \quad \left[ \frac{1}{2}x^2 + 2 \log|x-2| + 3 \log|x+3| + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R} \right]$$

$$(d) \int \frac{dx}{x(x^2+2x+3)} \quad \left[ \log \sqrt[6]{\frac{x^2}{x^2+2x+3}} - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{6} \arctan \frac{x+1}{\sqrt{2}} + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R} \right]$$

$$(e) \int \frac{x^2-10x+10}{x^3+2x^2+5x} dx. \quad \left[ \log \frac{x^2}{\sqrt{x^2+2x+5}} - \frac{13}{2} \arctan \frac{x+1}{2} + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R} \right]$$

**Solution**

(a) Let us consider the indefinite integral

$$\int \frac{x+1}{x(1+x^2)} dx.$$

We have that

$$\frac{x+1}{x(1+x^2)} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{Bx+C}{1+x^2} = \frac{(A+B)x^2+Cx+A}{x(1+x^2)} \implies \begin{cases} A=C=1 \\ B=-1. \end{cases}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{x+1}{x(1+x^2)} dx &= \int \left( \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1-x}{1+x^2} \right) dx = \\ &= \int \frac{1}{x} dx + \int \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx - \int \frac{x}{1+x^2} dx = \\ &= \log|x| + \arctan x - \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{2x}{1+x^2} dx = \\ &= \log|x| + \arctan x - \frac{1}{2} \log(1+x^2) + c = \\ &= \log \frac{|x|}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} + \arctan x + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}. \end{aligned}$$

(b) Let us consider the indefinite integral

$$\int \frac{1}{x^3(1+x^2)} dx.$$

We have that

$$\frac{1}{x^3(1+x^2)} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{Bx+C}{1+x^2} + \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{Dx+E}{x^2} \right) = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{Bx+C}{1+x^2} - \frac{Dx+2E}{x^3} =$$

$$= \frac{(A+B)x^4 + (C-D)x^3 + (A-2E)x^2 - Dx - 2E}{x^3(1+x^2)} \implies \begin{cases} A = -1 \\ B = 1 \\ C = D = 0 \\ E = -\frac{1}{2}. \end{cases}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{1}{x^3(1+x^2)} dx &= \int \left[ -\frac{1}{x} + \frac{x}{1+x^2} + \frac{d}{dx} \left( -\frac{1}{2x^2} \right) \right] dx = \\ &= -\int \frac{1}{x} dx + \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{2x}{1+x^2} dx + \int \frac{d}{dx} \left( -\frac{1}{2x^2} \right) dx = \\ &= -\log|x| + \frac{1}{2} \log(1+x^2) - \frac{1}{2x^2} + c = \\ &= \log \frac{\sqrt{1+x^2}}{|x|} - \frac{1}{2x^2} + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}. \end{aligned}$$

(c) Let us consider the indefinite integral

$$\int \frac{x^3 + x^2 - x}{x^2 + x - 6} dx.$$

Dividing  $x^3 + x^2 - x$  by  $x^2 + x - 6$ , we have that

$$\frac{x^3 + x^2 - x}{x^2 + x - 6} = x + \frac{5x}{x^2 + x - 6}.$$

Hence

$$\int \frac{x^3 + x^2 - x}{x^2 + x - 6} dx = \int \left( x + \frac{5x}{x^2 + x - 6} \right) dx = \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \int \frac{5x}{(x-2)(x+3)} dx.$$

We have that

$$\frac{5x}{(x-2)(x+3)} = \frac{A}{x-2} + \frac{B}{x+3} = \frac{(A+B)x + 3A - 2B}{(x-2)(x+3)} \implies \begin{cases} A = 2 \\ B = 3. \end{cases}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{x^3 + x^2 - x}{x^2 + x - 6} dx &= \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \int \frac{5x}{(x-2)(x+3)} dx = \\ &= \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \int \left( \frac{2}{x-2} + \frac{3}{x+3} \right) dx = \\ &= \frac{1}{2}x^2 + 2 \int \frac{1}{x-2} dx + 3 \int \frac{1}{x+3} dx = \\ &= \frac{1}{2}x^2 + 2 \log|x-2| + 3 \log|x+3| + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}. \end{aligned}$$

(d) Let us consider the indefinite integral

$$\int \frac{dx}{x(x^2 + 2x + 3)}.$$

We have that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{x(x^2 + 2x + 3)} &= \frac{A}{x} + \frac{Bx + C}{x^2 + 2x + 3} = \\ &= \frac{(A + B)x^2 + (2A + C)x + 3A}{x(x^2 + 2x + 3)} \implies \begin{cases} A = \frac{1}{3} \\ B = -\frac{1}{3} \\ C = -\frac{2}{3} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{dx}{x(x^2 + 2x + 3)} &= \int \left( \frac{1}{3x} - \frac{1}{3} \frac{x + 2}{x^2 + 2x + 3} \right) dx = \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \log|x| - \frac{1}{6} \int \frac{2x + 2}{x^2 + 2x + 3} dx - \frac{1}{3} \int \frac{1}{x^2 + 2x + 3} dx = \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \log|x| - \frac{1}{6} \log(x^2 + 2x + 3) - \frac{1}{3} \int \frac{1}{x^2 + 2x + 3} dx = \end{aligned}$$

being  $x^2 + 2x + 3 = (x + 1)^2 + 2 = 2 \left[ \left( \frac{x + 1}{\sqrt{2}} \right)^2 + 1 \right]$ , we have that

$$= \frac{1}{3} \log|x| - \frac{1}{6} \log(x^2 + 2x + 3) - \frac{1}{6} \int \frac{1}{\left[ \left( \frac{x + 1}{\sqrt{2}} \right)^2 + 1 \right]} dx =$$

posto  $t = \frac{x + 1}{\sqrt{2}}$ , we have that  $dt = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} dx$ , hence

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{3} \log|x| - \frac{1}{6} \log(x^2 + 2x + 3) - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{6} \int \frac{1}{t^2 + 1} dt = \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \log|x| - \frac{1}{6} \log(x^2 + 2x + 3) - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{6} \arctan t + c = \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \log|x| - \frac{1}{6} \log(x^2 + 2x + 3) - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{6} \arctan \frac{x + 1}{\sqrt{2}} + c = \\ &= \log \sqrt[6]{\frac{x^2}{x^2 + 2x + 3}} - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{6} \arctan \frac{x + 1}{\sqrt{2}} + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}. \end{aligned}$$

(e) Let us consider the indefinite integral

$$\int \frac{x^2 - 10x + 10}{x^3 + 2x^2 + 5x} dx = \int \frac{x^2 - 10x + 10}{x(x^2 + 2x + 5)} dx.$$

We have that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x^2 - 10x + 10}{x(x^2 + 2x + 5)} &= \frac{A}{x} + \frac{Bx + C}{x^2 + 2x + 5} = \\ &= \frac{(A + B)x^2 + (2A + C)x + 5A}{x(x^2 + 2x + 5)} \implies \begin{cases} A = 2 \\ B = -1 \\ C = -14. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{x^2 - 10x + 10}{x(x^2 + 2x + 5)} dx &= \int \left( \frac{2}{x} - \frac{x + 14}{x^2 + 2x + 5} \right) dx = \\ &= \int \left( \frac{2}{x} - \frac{x + 1}{x^2 + 2x + 5} - \frac{13}{x^2 + 2x + 5} \right) dx = \\ &= 2 \log|x| - \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{2x + 2}{x^2 + 2x + 5} dx - 13 \int \frac{1}{x^2 + 2x + 5} dx = \\ &= 2 \log|x| - \frac{1}{2} \log(x^2 + 2x + 5) - 13 \int \frac{1}{x^2 + 2x + 5} dx. \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$x^2 + 2x + 5 = (x + 1)^2 + 4 = 4 \left[ \left( \frac{x + 1}{2} \right)^2 + 1 \right],$$

we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{1}{x^2 + 2x + 5} dx &= \int \frac{1}{4 \left[ \left( \frac{x+1}{2} \right)^2 + 1 \right]} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{\left( \frac{x+1}{2} \right)^2 + 1} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \arctan \frac{x + 1}{2} + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{x^2 - 10x + 10}{x(x^2 + 2x + 5)} dx &= 2 \log|x| - \frac{1}{2} \log(x^2 + 2x + 5) - 13 \int \frac{1}{x^2 + 2x + 5} dx = \\ &= 2 \log|x| - \frac{1}{2} \log(x^2 + 2x + 5) - \frac{13}{2} \arctan \frac{x + 1}{2} + c = \\ &= \log \frac{x^2}{\sqrt{x^2 + 2x + 5}} - \frac{13}{2} \arctan \frac{x + 1}{2} + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}. \end{aligned}$$

## Substitutions of special type

**Exercise.** Compute the following indefinite integrals by substitutions:

$$(a) \quad \int \frac{1}{\sin x} dx \qquad \left[ \log \left| \tan \frac{x}{2} \right| + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R} \right]$$

$$(b) \quad \int \frac{dx}{x^2 \sqrt{4 + x^2}} \qquad \left[ -\frac{1}{x^2 + x\sqrt{x^2 + 4}} + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R} \right]$$

$$(c) \int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1+2x-x^2}}, \quad \left[ \arcsin \frac{x-1}{\sqrt{2}} + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R} \right]$$

**Solution**

(a) Let us consider the indefinite integral

$$\int \frac{1}{\sin x} dx.$$

Setting  $t = \tan \frac{x}{2}$  we have that  $dx = \frac{2}{1+t^2} dt$ . Since  $\sin x = \frac{2t}{1+t^2}$ , we have that

$$\int \frac{1}{\sin x} dx = \int \frac{1}{t} dt = \log |t| + c = \log \left| \tan \frac{x}{2} \right| + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}.$$

(b) Let us consider the indefinite integral

$$\int \frac{dx}{x^2 \sqrt{4+x^2}}.$$

Setting  $x = 2 \sinh t$ , i.e.  $t = \operatorname{settsinh} \frac{x}{2} = \log \left( \frac{x}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{x^2+4} \right)$ , from which it follows  $dx = 2 \cosh t dt$ , hence

$$\int \frac{dx}{x^2 \sqrt{4+x^2}} = \frac{1}{4} \int \frac{1}{\sinh^2 t} dt = \int \frac{e^{2t}}{(e^{2t}-1)^2} dt.$$

Setting  $z = e^t$ , cioè  $z = \frac{x}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{x^2+4}$ , from which it follows  $dz = e^t dt$ , we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{dx}{x^2 \sqrt{4+x^2}} &= \int \frac{e^{2t}}{(e^{2t}-1)^2} dt = \int \frac{z}{(z^2-1)^2} dz = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{z^2-1} + c = \\ &= -\frac{1}{x^2 + x\sqrt{x^2+4}} + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}. \end{aligned}$$

(c) Let us consider the indefinite integral

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

Setting  $x-1 = \sqrt{2} \sin t$ , for all  $t \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$ , we have that  $t = \arcsin \frac{x-1}{\sqrt{2}}$ ,  $\cos t = \sqrt{1-\sin^2 t}$  e  $dx = \sqrt{2} \cos t dt$ . Hence

$$\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{2-(x-1)^2}} = \int dt = t + c = \arcsin \frac{x-1}{\sqrt{2}} + c, \quad c \in \mathbb{R}.$$

## Integrating piecewise defined functions

**Exercise.** Compute the following indefinite integrals of piecewise defined functions:



$$(a) \quad f(x) = \begin{cases} xe^x & \text{if } x \leq 0 \\ \sin x & \text{if } x > 0 \end{cases} \quad \left[ \begin{cases} e^x(x-1) + c & \text{if } x \leq 0 \\ -\cos x + c & \text{if } x > 0, \end{cases} c \in \mathbb{R} \right]$$

$$(b) \quad f(x) = \begin{cases} -x^3 \sin(\pi + \pi x^2) & \text{if } x \leq 1 \\ x^2 - 8x + 7 & \text{if } x > 1. \end{cases} \quad \left[ \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{2\pi}x^2 \cos(\pi x^2) + \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \sin(\pi x^2) + c & \text{if } x \leq 1 \\ \frac{1}{3}x^3 - 4x^2 + 7x + c + \frac{1}{2\pi} - \frac{10}{3} & \text{if } x > 1, \end{cases} c \in \mathbb{R} \right]$$

**Solution**

(a) Let us consider the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} xe^x & \text{if } x \leq 0 \\ \sin x & \text{if } x > 0. \end{cases}$$

Let us find an arbitrary primitive function  $F$  of  $f$  on  $\mathbb{R}$ . We have that

$$\int xe^x dx = xe^x - \int e^x dx = xe^x - e^x + c_1 = e^x(x-1) + c_1, \quad c_1 \in \mathbb{R},$$

$$\int \sin x dx = -\cos x + c_2, \quad c_2 \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Hence

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} e^x(x-1) + c_1 & \text{if } x \leq 0 \\ -\cos x + c_2 & \text{if } x > 0, \end{cases}$$

where  $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$  are such that the primitive function  $F$  is continuous at 0. Hence

$$F(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} F(x).$$

Since

$$F(0) = c_1 - 1, \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} F(x) = c_2 - 1,$$

we have that  $c_1 = c_2$ . So, setting  $c = c_1$ , we have that any primitive function of  $f$  is of the form

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} e^x(x-1) + c & \text{if } x \leq 0 \\ -\cos x + c & \text{if } x > 0, \end{cases} \quad c \in \mathbb{R}.$$

(b) Let us consider the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -x^3 \sin(\pi + \pi x^2) & \text{if } x \leq 1 \\ x^2 - 8x + 7 & \text{if } x > 1. \end{cases}$$

Let us find an arbitrary primitive function  $F$  of  $f$  on  $\mathbb{R}$ . We have that

$$-\int x^3 \sin(\pi + \pi x^2) dx = \int x^3 \sin(\pi x^2) dx = \int x(x^2 \sin(\pi x^2)) dx =$$

integrating by parts we have

$$\begin{aligned} &= -\frac{1}{2\pi}x^2 \cos(\pi x^2) + \frac{1}{\pi} \int x \cos(\pi x^2) dx = \\ &= -\frac{1}{2\pi}x^2 \cos(\pi x^2) + \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \sin(\pi x^2) + c_1, \quad c_1 \in \mathbb{R}, \\ \int (x^2 - 8x + 7) dx &= \frac{1}{3}x^3 - 4x^2 + 7x + c_2, \quad c_2 \in \mathbb{R}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{2\pi}x^2 \cos(\pi x^2) + \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \sin(\pi x^2) + c_1 & \text{if } x \leq 1 \\ \frac{1}{3}x^3 - 4x^2 + 7x + c_2 & \text{if } x > 1 \end{cases},$$

where  $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$  are such that the arbitrary primitive function  $F$  is continuous at 1. Hence

$$F(1) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} F(x).$$

Since

$$F(1) = c_1 + \frac{1}{2\pi}, \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 1^+} F(x) = c_2 + \frac{10}{3},$$

we have that

$$c_2 = c_1 + \frac{1}{2\pi} - \frac{10}{3}.$$

Hence, setting  $c = c_1$ , we have that any primitive function of  $f$  is of the form

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{2\pi}x^2 \cos(\pi x^2) + \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \sin(\pi x^2) + c & \text{if } x \leq 1 \\ \frac{1}{3}x^3 - 4x^2 + 7x + c + \frac{1}{2\pi} - \frac{10}{3} & \text{if } x > 1, \end{cases} \quad c \in \mathbb{R}.$$

## Definite integrals

**Exercise.** Compute the following definite integrals:

$$(a) \int_0^\pi |6x - \pi| \sin x dx \quad [6\pi - 6]$$

$$(b) \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^0 \frac{2 \sin^2 x + 3 \sin x + 3}{(\sin x - 1)(\sin^2 x + 3)} \cos x dx \quad \left[ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6}\pi - 2 \log 2 \right]$$

$$(c) \int_e^{e^{\frac{3}{2}}} \frac{1}{x(1 - \sqrt{\log x - 1})} dx. \quad \left[ -\sqrt{2} - 2 \log \left( 1 - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right) \right]$$

### Solution

(a) Let us consider the definite integral

$$\int_0^{\pi} |6x - \pi| \sin x \, dx.$$

We have that

$$\int_0^{\pi} |6x - \pi| \sin x \, dx = - \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{6}} (6x - \pi) \sin x \, dx + \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\pi} (6x - \pi) \sin x \, dx =$$

integrating by parts

$$\begin{aligned} &= \left[ (6x - \pi) \cos x \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{6}} - 6 \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{6}} \cos x \, dx + \left[ -(6x - \pi) \cos x \right]_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\pi} + 6 \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\pi} \cos x \, dx = \\ &= \pi - 6 \left[ \sin x \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{6}} + 5\pi + 6 \left[ \sin x \right]_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\pi} = 6\pi - 6. \end{aligned}$$

(b) Let us consider the definite integral

$$\int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^0 \frac{2 \sin^2 x + 3 \sin x + 3}{(\sin x - 1)(\sin^2 x + 3)} \cos x \, dx.$$

Setting  $t = \sin x$ , from which it follows  $dt = \cos x \, dx$ , we have that

$$\int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^0 \frac{2 \sin^2 x + 3 \sin x + 3}{(\sin x - 1)(\sin^2 x + 3)} \cos x \, dx = \int_{-1}^0 \frac{2t^2 + 3t + 3}{(t - 1)(t^2 + 3)} dt.$$

We have that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2t^2 + 3t + 3}{(t - 1)(t^2 + 3)} &= \frac{A}{t - 1} + \frac{Bt + C}{t^2 + 3} = \frac{(A + B)t^2 + (-B + C)t + 3A - C}{(t - 1)(t^2 + 3)} \\ &\implies \begin{cases} A = 2 \\ B = 0 \\ C = 3. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-1}^0 \frac{2t^2 + 3t + 3}{(t - 1)(t^2 + 3)} dt &= \int_{-1}^0 \left( \frac{2}{t - 1} + \frac{3}{t^2 + 3} \right) dt = \\ &= 2 \left[ \log |t - 1| \right]_{-1}^0 + \sqrt{3} \int_{-1}^0 \frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}}{\left( \frac{t}{\sqrt{3}} \right)^2 + 1} dt = \\ &= -2 \log 2 + \sqrt{3} \left[ \arctan \frac{t}{\sqrt{3}} \right]_{-1}^0 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6} \pi - 2 \log 2. \end{aligned}$$

(c) Let us consider the definite integral

$$\int_e^{e^{\frac{3}{2}}} \frac{1}{x(1 - \sqrt{\log x - 1})} dx.$$

Setting  $t = \log x$ , da cui  $dt = \frac{1}{x}dx$ , we have that

$$\int_e^{e^{\frac{3}{2}}} \frac{1}{x(1 - \sqrt{\log x - 1})} dx = \int_1^{\frac{3}{2}} \frac{1}{1 - \sqrt{t - 1}} dt.$$

Setting  $y = \sqrt{t - 1}$ , da cui  $t = y^2 + 1$  and hence  $dt = 2ydy$ , we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_1^{\frac{3}{2}} \frac{1}{1 - \sqrt{t - 1}} dt &= 2 \int_0^{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}} \frac{y}{1 - y} dy = 2 \int_0^{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{1 - y}\right) dy = \\ &= 2 \left[ -y - \log|1 - y| \right]_0^{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}} = -\sqrt{2} - 2 \log \left(1 - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right). \end{aligned}$$

## Other exercises

**Exercise 1.** Write the McLaurin expansion of order 6 of the function

$$f(x) = \arctan x \cdot \int_0^x e^{-t^2} dt.$$

### Solution

It is known that if  $g$  is a continuous function defined in a neighbourhood of 0 and if  $\alpha > 0$ , then

$$g(x) = o(|x|^\alpha), \quad x \rightarrow 0 \quad \implies \quad \int_0^x g(t) dt = o(|x|^{\alpha+1}), \quad x \rightarrow 0.$$

Hence, using the McLaurin expansions of functions  $\arctan x$  and  $e^s$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= \arctan x \cdot \int_0^x e^{-t^2} dt = \\ &= \left(x - \frac{1}{3}x^3 + \frac{1}{5}x^5 + o(x^5)\right) \cdot \int_0^x \left(1 - t^2 + \frac{1}{2}t^4 + o(t^4)\right) dt = \\ &= \left(x - \frac{1}{3}x^3 + \frac{1}{5}x^5 + o(x^5)\right) \cdot \left(\left[t - \frac{1}{3}t^3 + \frac{1}{10}t^5\right]_0^x + o(x^5)\right) = \\ &= \left(x - \frac{1}{3}x^3 + \frac{1}{5}x^5 + o(x^5)\right) \cdot \left(x - \frac{1}{3}x^3 + \frac{1}{10}x^5 + o(x^5)\right) = \\ &= x^2 - \frac{2}{3}x^4 + \frac{37}{90}x^6 + o(x^6), \quad x \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that the McLaurin expansion of order 6 of  $f$  is

$$f(x) = x^2 - \frac{2}{3}x^4 + \frac{37}{90}x^6 + o(x^6), \quad x \rightarrow 0.$$

**Exercise 2.** Write the McLaurin expansion of order 9 of the primitive function of

$$f(x) = \cos 2x^2$$

which takes the value 0 at  $x = 0$ .

**Solution**

Since  $f$  is continuous, By the Fundamental Theorem of Integral Calculus, the function  $F(x) = \int_0^x f(t) dt = \int_0^x \cos 2t^2 dt$  is the primitive function of  $f$  which takes the value 0 at  $x = 0$ . Moreover, it is well-known that if  $g$  is a continuous function defined in a neighbourhood of 0 and if  $\alpha > 0$ , then

$$g(x) = o(|x|^\alpha), \quad x \rightarrow 0 \quad \implies \quad \int_0^x g(t) dt = o(|x|^{\alpha+1}), \quad x \rightarrow 0.$$

Hence, using the McLaurin expansion of  $\cos s$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} F(x) &= \int_0^x \cos 2t^2 dt = \int_0^x \left( 1 - 2t^4 + \frac{2}{3}t^8 + o(t^8) \right) dt = \\ &= \left( \left[ t - \frac{2}{5}t^5 + \frac{2}{27}t^9 \right]_0^x + o(x^9) \right) = x - \frac{2}{5}x^5 + \frac{2}{27}x^9 + o(x^9), \quad x \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that the McLaurin expansion of order 6 of  $F$  is

$$F(x) = x - \frac{2}{5}x^5 + \frac{2}{27}x^9 + o(x^9), \quad x \rightarrow 0.$$

**Exercise 3.** Compute the area of the following subsets of the plane:

$$(a) \quad A = \left\{ (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : 1 \leq x \leq 2, 0 \leq y \leq \frac{1}{x(1 - \log^2 x)} \right\} \quad \left[ \frac{1}{2} \log \left( \frac{1 + \log 2}{1 - \log 2} \right) \right]$$

$$(b) \quad B = \left\{ (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : -\sqrt{5} \leq x \leq -1, \frac{x}{x^2 + 2\sqrt{x^2 - 1}} \leq y \leq 0 \right\} \quad \left[ \log 3 - \frac{2}{3} \right]$$

$$(c) \quad C = \left\{ (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : 1 \leq x \leq e, \frac{\log x}{x\sqrt{4 + 3\log^2 x}} \leq y \leq x^2 \right\}. \quad \left[ \frac{1}{3} (e^3 + 1 - \sqrt{7}) \right]$$

**Solution**

(a) Setting  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x(1 - \log^2 x)}$ , let us note that as  $1 \leq x \leq 2$  we have that  $f(x) \geq 0$ . Hence the area of  $A$  is given by

$$\text{Area}_A = \int_1^2 f(x) dx = \int_1^2 \frac{1}{x(1 - \log^2 x)} dx.$$

Setting  $t = \log x$ , so that  $dt = \frac{1}{x} dx$ , we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_1^2 \frac{1}{x(1 - \log^2 x)} dx &= \int_0^{\log 2} \frac{1}{1 - t^2} dt = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\log 2} \left( \frac{1}{1 - t} + \frac{1}{1 + t} \right) dt = \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ -\log |1 - t| + \log |1 + t| \right]_0^{\log 2} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \log \left( \frac{1 + t}{1 - t} \right) \right]_0^{\log 2} = \frac{1}{2} \log \left( \frac{1 + \log 2}{1 - \log 2} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Hence the area of  $A$  is  $\text{Area}_A = \frac{1}{2} \log \left( \frac{1 + \log 2}{1 - \log 2} \right)$ .

- (b) Setting  $f(x) = \frac{x}{x^2 + 2\sqrt{x^2 - 1}}$ , let us note that per  $-\sqrt{5} \leq x \leq -1$  we have that  $f(x) \leq 0$ . Hence the area of  $B$  is given by

$$\text{Area}_B = - \int_{-\sqrt{5}}^{-1} f(x) dx = - \int_{-\sqrt{5}}^{-1} \frac{x}{x^2 + 2\sqrt{x^2 - 1}} dx =$$

setting  $t = \sqrt{x^2 - 1}$ , and hence  $x^2 = t^2 + 1$  and  $xdx = t dt$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} &= - \int_{-\sqrt{5}}^{-1} \frac{x}{x^2 + 2\sqrt{x^2 - 1}} dx = - \int_2^0 \frac{t}{(t+1)^2} dt = - \int_2^0 \left( \frac{1}{t+1} - \frac{1}{(t+1)^2} \right) dt = \\ &= - \left[ \log |t+1| + \frac{1}{(t+1)} \right]_2^0 = \log 3 - \frac{2}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence the area of  $B$  is  $\text{Area}_B = \log 3 - \frac{2}{3}$ .

- (c) Setting  $f(x) = \frac{\log x}{x\sqrt{4+3\log^2 x}}$ , let us note that, as  $1 \leq x \leq e$ , we have that  $f(x) \leq x^2$ . In fact,

$$\frac{\log x}{x\sqrt{4+3\log^2 x}} \leq x^2 \iff \frac{\log x}{\sqrt{4+3\log^2 x}} \leq x^3$$

and the functions  $g(x) = \frac{\log x}{\sqrt{4+3\log^2 x}}$  e  $h(x) = x^3$  are increasing in the interval  $[1, e]$  with  $0 \leq g(x) \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{7}}$ ,  $1 \leq h(x) \leq e^3$  for all  $x \in [1, e]$ . It follows that  $g(x) \leq h(x)$  for all  $x \in [1, e]$ , i.e.  $f(x) \leq x^2$  for all  $x \in [1, e]$ . So the area of  $C$  is given by

$$\text{Area}_C = \int_1^e \left( x^2 - \frac{\log x}{x\sqrt{4+3\log^2 x}} \right) dx = \left[ \frac{1}{3}x^3 \right]_1^e - \int_1^e \frac{\log x}{x\sqrt{4+3\log^2 x}} dx =$$

setting  $t = \log x$  and  $dt = \frac{1}{x}dx$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{3} (e^3 - 1) - \int_0^1 \frac{t}{\sqrt{4+3t^2}} dt = \frac{1}{3} (e^3 - 1) - \int_0^1 t(4+3t^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} dt = \\ &= \frac{1}{3} (e^3 - 1) - \left[ \frac{1}{3}\sqrt{4+3t^2} \right]_0^1 = \frac{1}{3} (e^3 + 1 - \sqrt{7}). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the area of  $C$  is  $\text{Area}_C = \frac{1}{3} (e^3 + 1 - \sqrt{7})$ .