

Integrals

Methods of Integration

Integration by substitution :

If we substitution $\phi(x) = t$ in an integral then

- (i) everywhere x will be replaced in terms of new variable t.
- (ii) dx also gets converted in terms of dt .

Ex.1 Evaluate : $\int \frac{\sec^2 x}{3 + \tan x} dx$

$$\text{Sol. } I = \int \frac{\sec^2 x}{3 + \tan x} dx$$

$$\text{Let } 3 + \tan x = t$$

$$\Rightarrow \sec^2 x dx = dt = \int \frac{dt}{t} = \lambda \ln t + C = \lambda \ln |(3 + \tan x)| + C$$

Ex.2 Evaluate : $\int \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}} dx$

$$\text{Sol. } I = \int \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}} dx$$

$$= \int \frac{e^x}{e^x + 1}$$

$$= \int \frac{d(e^x + 1)}{(e^x + 1)}$$

$$= \log_e |e^x + 1| + C$$

Ex.3 Evaluate : $\int \tan^4 x dx$

$$\text{Sol. } \int \tan^4 x dx = \int \tan^2 x \cdot \tan^2 x dx$$

$$= \int \tan^2 x (\sec^2 x - 1) dx$$

$$= \int \tan^2 x \sec^2 x dx - \int \tan^2 x dx$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \int \tan^2 x \sec^2 x dx - \int (\sec^2 x - 1) dx \\
 &= \frac{\tan^3 x}{3} - \tan x + x + C
 \end{aligned}$$

Ex.4 Evaluate : $\int \frac{x}{x^4 + x^2 + 1} dx$

Sol. We have,

$$\begin{aligned}
 I &= \int \frac{x}{x^4 + x^2 + 1} dx = \int \frac{x}{(x^2)^2 + x^2 + 1} dx \quad \{ \text{Put } x^2 = t \Rightarrow x dx = \frac{dt}{2} \} \\
 \Rightarrow I &= \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{1}{t^2 + t + 1} dt \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{1}{\left(t + \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^2} dt \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{t + \frac{1}{2}}{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} \right) + C \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2t + 1}{\sqrt{3}} \right) + C \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2x^2 + 1}{\sqrt{3}} \right) + C.
 \end{aligned}$$