

QUIZ 3

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Evaluate the integrals:

$$I_1 = \int x^3 (x^2 - 16)^{\frac{1}{2}} dx \quad (1)$$

Solution: we set

$$x = 4 \sec \theta,$$

then

$$dx = 4 \sec \theta \tan \theta d\theta$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} (x^2 - 4^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} &= (4^2 \sec^2 \theta - 4^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= (4^2 (\sec^2 \theta - 1))^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= (4^2 \tan^2 \theta)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= 4 \tan \theta, \end{aligned}$$

where we used the identity

$$\sec^2 \theta - 1 = \tan^2 \theta.$$

We can now write

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &= \int (4 \sec \theta)^3 (4 \tan \theta) (4 \sec \theta \tan \theta) d\theta \\ &= 4^5 \int \sec^4 \theta \tan^2 \theta d\theta \\ &= 4^5 \int \sec^2 \theta (1 + \tan^2 \theta) \tan^2 \theta d\theta \\ &= 4^5 \int \sec^2 \theta (\tan^2 \theta + \tan^4 \theta) d\theta \end{aligned}$$

Next, we set

$$u = \tan \theta$$

which implies that

$$du = \sec^2 \theta d\theta.$$

Hence,

$$I_1 = 4^5 \int (u^2 + u^4) du$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 4^5 \left(\frac{u^3}{3} + \frac{u^5}{5} \right) + c \\
&= 4^5 \left(\frac{\tan^3 \theta}{3} + \frac{\tan^5 \theta}{5} \right) + c
\end{aligned}$$

We know that

$$\sec \theta = \frac{x}{4},$$

so from the reference triangle we obtain

$$\tan \theta = \frac{\sqrt{x^2 - 16}}{4}.$$

Therefore,

$$I_1 = \frac{4^5}{5} \left(\frac{(x^2 - 16)^{3/2}}{4^3} + \frac{(x^2 - 16)^{5/2}}{4^5} \right) + c,$$

The integral

$$\int x^3 (x^2 - 9)^{\frac{1}{2}} dx$$

can be solved similarly.

$$I_2 = \int \frac{2x + 5}{x^2 + 4x + 5} dx \tag{2}$$

Solution: We notice that

$$D_x(x^2 + 4x + 5) = 2x + 4,$$

so we need to find A and B such that

$$2x + 5 = A(2x + 4) + B.$$

It follows easily that A and B must satisfy the system of equations

$$\begin{aligned}
2A &= 2 \\
4A + B &= 5,
\end{aligned}$$

which is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned}
A &= 1 \\
B &= 1.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$I_2 = \int \frac{2x + 4}{x^2 + 4x + 5} dx + \int \frac{1}{x^2 + 4x + 5} dx.$$

For the first integral on the right-hand side we use the substitution

$$u = x^2 + 4x + 5.$$

Then, $du = (2x + 4)dx$ and

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{2x + 4}{x^2 + 4x + 5} dx &= \int \frac{1}{u} du \\ &= \ln |u| + c_1 \\ &= \ln |x^2 + 4x + 5| + c_1. \end{aligned}$$

For the second integral on the right-hand side, first we complete the square

$$x^2 + 4x + 5 = (x + 2)^2 + 1$$

and then we use the substitution

$$v = x + 2$$

Since

$$dv = dx,$$

we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{1}{x^2 + 4x + 5} dx &= \int \frac{1}{v^2 + 1} dv \\ &= \arctan(v) + c_2 \\ &= \arctan(x + 2) + c_2 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$I_2 = \ln |x^2 + 4x + 5| + \arctan(x + 2) + c.$$

The integral

$$\int \frac{2x + 7}{x^2 + 6x + 10} dx$$

can be treated similarly.