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Topic:- Reduction formulae of Integration .

Sub-topic:- Reduction formulae

A reduction formula connects an integral with another of the same type but of lower order. Thus a successive application of the reduction formula enables us to evaluate the given integral. Now we shall derive some standard form.

$$\text{Reduction formula for } \int \sin^n x dx = \frac{-\sin^{n-1} \cos x}{n} + \frac{n-1}{n} \int \sin^{n-2} x dx$$

Proof:-

$$\begin{aligned} \text{let } I_n &= \int \sin^n x dx = \int \sin^{n-1} x \sin x dx \\ &= -\sin^{n-1} \cos x - \int (n-1) \sin^{n-2} x \cos x (-\cos x) dx \\ &= -\sin^{n-1} \cos x - \int (n-1) \sin^{n-2} x \cos x (-\cos x) dx \\ &= -\sin^{n-1} \cos x + \int (n-1) \sin^{n-2} x (1 - \sin^2) dx \\ &= -\sin^{n-1} \cos x + \int (n-1) \sin^{n-2} x dx - (n-1) \int \sin^n x dx \\ &= -\sin^{n-1} \cos x + \int (n-1) I_{n-2} - (n-1) I_n \\ I_n + (n-1) I_n &= -\sin^{n-1} \cos x + (n-1) I_{n-2} \\ n I_n &= -\sin^{n-1} \cos x + (n-1) I_{n-2} \end{aligned}$$

$$I_n = \frac{-\sin^{n-1} \cos x}{n} + \frac{n-1}{n} I_{n-2}$$

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

Hence proved.

- **Reduction formula for $\int \cos^n x dx = \frac{-\cos^{n-1} \sin x}{n} + \frac{n-1}{n} \int \cos^{n-2} x dx$**

Proof:-

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{let } I_n &= \int \cos^n x dx = \int \cos^{n-1} x \cos x dx \\
 &= \cos^{n-1} x \sin x - \int (n-1) \cos^{n-2} x \sin x (-\sin x) dx \\
 &= \cos^{n-1} \sin x - \int (n-1) \cos^{n-2} x \sin^2 x dx \\
 &= \cos^{n-1} \sin x - \int (n-1) \cos^{n-2} x (1 - \cos^2) dx \\
 &= \cos^{n-1} \sin x + \int (n-1) \cos^{n-2} x dx - (n-1) \int \cos^n x dx \\
 &= \cos^{n-1} \sin x + \int (n-1) I_{n-2} - (n-1) I_n \\
 I_n + (n-1) I_n &= \cos^{n-1} \sin x + (n-1) I_{n-2} \\
 n I_n &= \cos^{n-1} \sin x + (n-1) I_{n-2} \\
 I_n &= \frac{\cos^{n-1} \sin x}{n} + \frac{n-1}{n} I_{n-2} \\
 \int \sin^n x dx &= \frac{-\sin^{n-1} \cos x}{n} + \frac{n-1}{n} \int \sin^{n-2} x dx
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence proved

- Evaluate $\int \sin^4 x dx$

Solution:-

We have the reduction formula $\int \sin^n x dx = \frac{-\sin^{n-1} \cos x}{n} + \frac{n-1}{n} \int \sin^{n-2} x dx$

Put $n=4, 2$ successively.

$$\int \sin^4 x dx = \frac{-\sin^3 x \cos x}{4} + \frac{3}{4} \int \sin^2 x dx \dots (2)$$

$$\int \sin^2 x dx = \frac{-\sin x \cos x}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \int \sin^0 x dx$$

But $\int \sin^0 x dx = \int dx = x$

from (1) we get,

$$\begin{aligned} \int \sin^4 x dx &= \frac{-\sin^3 x \cos x}{4} + \frac{3}{4} \left(\frac{-\sin x \cos x}{2} + \frac{1}{2} x \right) \\ &= \frac{-\sin^3 x \cos x}{4} - \frac{3}{8} \sin x \cos x + \frac{3}{8} x + C \end{aligned}$$

Thank you