

## $u$ -Substitution

Goals:

- o Integrate using  $u$ -substitution.
- o Chain rule.

## Integration operation is linear

Recall :

$$\int_a^b (f(x) + g(x)) dx = \int_a^b f(x) dx + \int_a^b g(x) dx.$$

$$\int_a^b c f(x) dx = c \int_a^b f(x) dx.$$

o integration plays nicely with + and scalar multiplication.

o integrations like  $\int e^{-x^2} dx$ ,  $\int 9 \sin^8 x \cos x dx$  are difficult even though they are well-behaved.

## Chain rule

Recall: If  $y = f(u)$  and  $u = u(x)$ , then

$$\frac{d}{dx} f(u(x)) = \frac{df}{du} \cdot \frac{du}{dx}$$

Ex: Differentiate  $f(x) = \sin^9 x$

ans: using chain rule. let  $\begin{cases} F(u) = u^9 \\ u(x) = \sin(x) \end{cases} \Rightarrow f(x) = F(u(x))$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{df}{dx} &= \frac{df}{du} \frac{du}{dx} = \underbrace{\frac{d}{du}(u^9)}_{F'(u(x))} \underbrace{\frac{du}{dx}}_{u'(x)} = 9\sin^8 x \cos x \\ &= 9u^8 \quad = \cos(x)\end{aligned}$$

## Chain rule (contd)

$$u(x) = \sin x, \quad F(u) = u^9.$$

So,  $\sin^9(x)$  is anti derivative of  $9\sin^8x \cos x$ .

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{\int g \sin^8 x}_{F'(u(x))} \underbrace{\cos x}_{u'(x)} dx = \underbrace{\sin^9 x}_{F(u(x))} + C.$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \left( g u^8 \Big|_{u=\sin x} \cdot \cos(x) \right) dx = u^9 \Big|_{u=\sin(x)} + C$$

$$\Rightarrow \int \left( g u^8 \Big|_{u=\sin(x)} \cdot \cos(x) \right) dx = \left( \int g u^8 du \right) \Big|_{u=\sin x}$$

## $u$ -substitution

Thm (The substitution rule - CLP 1.4.2)

Let  $f$  be an integrable function and let  $u = u(x)$  be a differentiable function. Then

$$\int f(u(x)) \frac{du}{dx} dx = \int f(u) du \Big|_{u=u(x)}$$

## Theorem proof idea

$$\int f(u(x)) u'(x) dx = \int f(u) du \Big|_{u=u(x)}$$

- Let  $F(u)$  be anti derivative of  $f(u)$   
 $\Rightarrow \int f(u) du = F(u) + C$
- Assume  $u = u(x)$ . Evaluate at  $u = u(x)$ :  
$$\int f(u) du \Big|_{u=u(x)} = F(u(x)) + C$$
- Differentiate both sides:  $f(u(x)) u'(x) = F'(u(x)) u'(x)$
- So,  $F(u(x))$  is anti derivative of  $f(u(x)) u'(x)$
- So,  $\int f(u(x)) u'(x) dx = F(u(x)) + C$ .

## Main idea

Integrating  $\int f(u) du$  might be easier than integrating  $\int f(u(x)) u'(x) dx$ .

### Example

$$\circ \int 9 \sin^8 x \cos x dx - \textcircled{1}$$

If  $u = \sin(x) \Rightarrow u'(x) = \cos(x)$

$$\text{So, } \textcircled{1} = \int 9 u^8 du \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} u = \sin(x) \\ u' = \cos(x) \end{array} \right. \quad = u^9 + C \Big|_{u=\sin(x)}$$

$$\int 9 u^8 \cdot u'(x) dx = \left. \sin^9 x + C \right|_{u=\sin(x)}$$

$$u(x) = \cos(x)$$

$$u'(x) = -\sin(x)$$

$$\int -9 \sin^8 x \cos(x) \cdot u'(x) dx$$

Example (contd)

$$\int f(u(x)) \cdot u'(x) dx = \int f(u) du \Big|_{u=u(x)}$$

o  $\int 2x e^{x^2} dx$

Let  $u(x) = x^2$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = 2x \Rightarrow \int u'(x) \cdot e^{u(x)} dx = \int e^u du \Big|_{u=x^2} = e^u + C \Big|_{u=x^2} = e^{x^2} + C$$

o  $\int 3x^2 (x^3 + 4) dx$

$$= \int (3x^5 + 12x^2) dx$$

$$= \int 3x^5 dx + \int 12x^2 dx$$

$$= \frac{3x^6}{6} + C_1 + \frac{12x^3}{3} + C_2$$

$$= \frac{x^6}{2} + \frac{x^3}{4} + C$$

Let  $u(x) = x^3 + 4 \Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = 3x^2$

$$\Rightarrow \int u'(x) u(x) dx$$

$$= \int u du \Big|_{u=x^3+4}$$

$$= \frac{u^2}{2} + C \Big|_{u=x^3+4} = \frac{(x^3+4)^2}{2} + C$$

Example (contd)  $u = \sin(x)$   $\int u'(x) f(u(x)) dx$

o  $\int \cot x dx$   $\frac{du}{dx} = \cos(x)$

$$= \int \frac{\cos(x)}{\sin(x)} dx$$

$$= \int u'(x) \cdot (u(x))^{-1} dx = \int u^{-1} du \Big|_{u=\sin(x)} = \ln|u| + C \Big|_{u=\sin(x)} = \ln|\sin(x)| + C$$

o  $\int \sqrt{2x+1} dx$

$$u = 2x+1$$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = 2$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \int 2 \sqrt{2x+1} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int u'(x) \sqrt{u(x)} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int \sqrt{u} du \Big|_{u=2x+1} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{x^{\frac{3}{2}}}{3} + C \Big|_{2x+1}$$

$$= \frac{(2x+1)^{\frac{3}{2}}}{3} + C$$

$u^{\frac{3}{2}}$

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## Linear Substitution

Thm Let  $F(u)$  be any antiderivative of  $f(u)$  and let  $a, b$  be constants. Then

$$\boxed{\int f(u) du = F(u) + C}$$

$$\int f(ax+b) dx = \frac{1}{a} F(ax+b) + C.$$

- o Choose  $u(x) = ax+b$ . Then  $\underbrace{\frac{du}{dx} = u'(x) = a}_{\text{ }} \quad$
- o Substitute  $dx \rightarrow \frac{1}{u'(x)} du \quad dx = \frac{1}{u'} du$
- o integrate  $\frac{1}{a} \int f(u) du = \frac{1}{a} F(ax+b) + C.$

## Linear Substitution (Contd)

More generally,

$$\int f(u(x)) u'(x) dx$$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = u'(x)$$

By substituting  $dx \rightarrow \frac{1}{u'(x)} du$ , we get

$$\int f(u(x)) \cancel{u'(x)} \frac{1}{\cancel{u'(x)}} du$$

$$= \int f(u) du$$

Note:  $dx \neq \frac{1}{u'(x)} du$ .

## Revisiting example

$$\circ \int \sqrt{2x+1} dx$$

$$u(x) = 2x + 1$$

$$\begin{aligned}\int \sqrt{2x+1} dx &= \frac{1}{2} \int \sqrt{u} du \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \frac{u^{3/2}}{3} + C \\ &= \frac{u^{3/2}}{3} + C\end{aligned}$$

## Substitution for definite integrals.

Thm (CLD 1.4.6) Let  $f$  be an integrable function and let  $u = u(x)$  be a differentiable function, then

$$\int_a^b f(u(x)) u'(x) dx = \int_{u(a)}^{u(b)} f(u) du$$

Q: Let  $F(x)$  be antiderivative  $f(x)$ . i.e.  $\frac{d}{dx} F(x) = f(x)$ .

What is a antiderivative of  $f(u(x)) u'(x)$

A: The antiderivative of  $f(u(x)) u'(x)$  is  $\bar{F}(u(x))$

$$\text{By FTC, } \int_a^b f(u(x)) u'(x) dx = \bar{F}(u(x)) \Big|_a^b = \bar{F}(u) \Big|_{u=u(a)}^{u=u(b)} = \bar{F}(u(b)) - \bar{F}(u(a))$$

Example:

Evaluate  $\int_0^1 \frac{u^3}{u^2+1} du$

$$x(u) = u^2 + 1 \Rightarrow u^2 = x(u) - 1$$

$$\frac{dx}{du} = 2u$$

$$du \rightarrow \frac{1}{2u} dx$$

$$\int \frac{u^3}{u^2+1} du = \int \frac{u^3}{x} \frac{1}{2u} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{u^2}{x} dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{x(0)}^{x(1)} \frac{x-1}{x} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_1^2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{x}\right) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(x - \ln|x|\right) \Big|_1^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(2 - \ln(2)\right) - \left(1 - 0\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [1 - \ln(2)] \end{aligned}$$

