

Integration by Parts Formula

The integral is given in the form of a product of 2 expressions $\int u \cdot dv$

Therefore the formula is derived from the product rule formula as follows:

$$\text{Product Rule: } \frac{d(u \cdot v)}{dx} = v \cdot \frac{du}{dx} + u \cdot \frac{dv}{dx}$$

$$\text{Differential: } d(u \cdot v) = v \cdot du + u \cdot dv$$

$$\text{Integrate: } \int d(u \cdot v) = \int v \cdot du + \int u \cdot dv$$

$$u \cdot v = \int v \cdot du + \int u \cdot dv$$

$$\text{rewrite: } \boxed{\int u \cdot dv = u \cdot v - \int v \cdot du} \quad \text{This is the integration by Parts Formula.}$$

Integration by Parts Procedure

To integrate a product of 2 expressions like $\int u \cdot dv$

Choose u and dv in such a way that you can find:

(1) du by taking the derivative of u and (2) v by taking the integral of dv .

Pay attention that you must know the integration of dv and also that once you applied the integration by parts formula, you must get the integral of $\int v \cdot du$ easier to solve than the integral $\int u \cdot dv$

The following examples show you how to decide, to choose and to solve these types of integrations.

Example 1: Determine $\int 2x e^{3x} dx$

must use integration by parts formula: $\int u \cdot dv = u \cdot v - \int v \cdot du$

choose $u = 2x \rightarrow du = 2 dx$ and $dv = e^{3x} dx \rightarrow v = \frac{1}{3} e^{3x}$

use power rule for derivative and for integration use $\int e^{kx} dx = \frac{1}{k} e^{kx} + C$

Integration by Parts gives: $\int 2x e^{3x} dx = 2x \cdot \frac{1}{3} e^{3x} - \int \frac{1}{3} e^{3x} \cdot 2 dx = \frac{2}{3} x e^{3x} - \int \frac{2}{3} e^{3x} dx$

$$\int 2x e^{3x} dx = \frac{2}{3} x e^{3x} - \int \frac{2}{3} e^{3x} dx = \frac{2}{3} x e^{3x} - \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{3} e^{3x} + C = \frac{2}{3} x e^{3x} - \frac{2}{9} e^{3x} + C = \frac{2}{9} e^{3x} (3x - 1) + C$$

Example 2: Determine $\int \frac{5x}{\sqrt{x+1}} dx$ rewrite as: $\int 5x(x+1)^{-1/2} dx$

must use integration by parts formula: $\int u \cdot dv = u \cdot v - \int v \cdot du$

choose $u = 5x \rightarrow du = 5 dx$ and $dv = (x+1)^{-1/2} dx \rightarrow v = 2(x+1)^{1/2}$

use power rule for derivative and for integration use the substitution technique:

To get v from dv : choose $u = x+1$, $du = dx \rightarrow \int u^{-1/2} du = 2u^{1/2} + C$

Integration by Parts gives:

$$\int 5x(x+1)^{-1/2} dx = 5x \cdot 2(x+1)^{1/2} - \int 2(x+1)^{1/2} \cdot 5 dx = 10x(x+1)^{1/2} - \int 10(x+1)^{1/2} dx$$

Notice that the integral on the right side of the equation is easier to solve than the integral on the left side of the equation.

To solve $\int 10(x+1)^{1/2} dx$: choose same substitution: $u = x+1$, $du = dx \rightarrow \int 10u^{1/2} du = 10 \frac{u^{3/2}}{3/2} + C$

$$\int 10u^{1/2} du = 10 \frac{u^{3/2}}{3/2} + C = \frac{20}{3} u^{3/2} + C$$

$$\int 5x(x+1)^{-1/2} dx = 10x(x+1)^{1/2} - \frac{20}{3} (x+1)^{3/2} + C = \frac{10}{3} \sqrt{x+1} (x-2) + C$$

Example 3: Determine $\int x^2 e^{4x} dx$; must use integration by parts formula twice.

integration by parts formula: $\int u \cdot dv = u \cdot v - \int v \cdot du$

use power rule for derivative and for integration use $\int e^{kx} dx = \frac{1}{k} e^{kx} + C$

choose $u = x^2 \rightarrow du = 2x dx$ and $dv = e^{4x} dx \rightarrow v = \frac{1}{4} e^{4x}$

Integration by Parts gives:

$$\int x^2 e^{4x} dx = x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{4} e^{4x} - \int \frac{1}{4} e^{4x} \cdot 2x dx = \frac{1}{4} x^2 e^{4x} - \int \frac{1}{2} x e^{4x} dx$$

Use again the integration by parts for $\int \frac{1}{2} x e^{4x} dx$

choose $u = \frac{1}{2} x \rightarrow du = \frac{1}{2} dx$ and $dv = e^{4x} dx \rightarrow v = \frac{1}{4} e^{4x}$

integration by parts gives us: $\int \frac{1}{2} x e^{4x} dx = \frac{1}{2} x \frac{1}{4} e^{4x} - \int \frac{1}{4} e^{4x} \cdot \frac{1}{2} dx = \frac{1}{8} x e^{4x} - \int \frac{1}{8} e^{4x} dx$

$$\int x^2 e^{4x} dx = \frac{1}{4} x^2 e^{4x} - \left[\frac{1}{8} x e^{4x} - \int \frac{1}{8} e^{4x} dx \right] = \frac{1}{4} x^2 e^{4x} - \frac{1}{8} x e^{4x} + \frac{1}{8} \frac{1}{4} e^{4x} + C$$

$$\int x^2 e^{4x} dx = \frac{1}{4} x^2 e^{4x} - \left[\frac{1}{8} x e^{4x} - \int \frac{1}{8} e^{4x} dx \right] = \frac{1}{4} x^2 e^{4x} - \frac{1}{8} x e^{4x} + \frac{1}{32} e^{4x} + C$$

$$\int x^2 e^{4x} dx = \frac{1}{32} e^{4x} (8x^2 - 4x + 1) + C$$

Tabular form (use for repeated integration by parts) for same Example 3:

The table ends when the derivatives left column has 0 . The right column represents antiderivatives. Also every row has a sign that alternates.

u	dv	
+	x^2	e^{4x}
-	$2x$	$\frac{1}{4} e^{4x}$
+	2	$\frac{1}{16} e^{4x}$
	0	$\frac{1}{64} e^{4x}$

$\int x^2 e^{4x} dx = +x^2 \frac{e^{4x}}{4} - 2x \frac{e^{4x}}{16} + 2 \frac{e^{4x}}{64} + C$
$\int x^2 e^{4x} dx = \frac{1}{4} x^2 e^{4x} - \frac{1}{8} x e^{4x} + \frac{1}{32} e^{4x} + C$
$\int x^2 e^{4x} dx = \frac{1}{32} e^{4x} (8x^2 - 4x + 1) + C$

Example 4: Determine $\int (3x + 5) e^{2x} dx$

use power rule for derivative and for integration use $\int e^{kx} dx = \frac{1}{k} e^{kx} + C$

dv always has dx in the choice.

integration by parts formula: $\int u \cdot dv = u \cdot v - \int v \cdot du$

choose $u = 3x + 5 \rightarrow du = 3 dx$ and $dv = e^{2x} dx \rightarrow v = \frac{1}{2} e^{2x}$

Integration by Parts gives: $\int (3x + 5) e^{2x} dx = (3x + 5) \cdot \frac{1}{2} e^{2x} - \int \frac{1}{2} e^{2x} \cdot 3 dx = \frac{1}{2} (3x + 5) e^{2x} - \int \frac{3}{2} e^{2x} dx$

$$\begin{aligned} \int (3x + 5) e^{2x} dx &= \frac{1}{2} (3x + 5) e^{2x} - \int \frac{3}{2} e^{2x} dx = \frac{1}{2} (3x + 5) e^{2x} - \frac{3}{2} \frac{1}{2} e^{2x} + C \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (3x + 5) e^{2x} - \frac{3}{4} e^{2x} + C = \frac{1}{4} e^{2x} (6x + 7) + C \end{aligned}$$

Example 5: Determine $\int (5x + 1) (4x + 3)^4 dx$

use power rule for derivative and for integration use the substitution technique:

integration by parts formula: $\int u \cdot dv = u \cdot v - \int v \cdot du$

choose $u = 5x + 1 \rightarrow du = 5 dx$ and $dv = (4x + 3)^4 dx \rightarrow v = \frac{1}{20} (4x + 3)^5$

To get v from dv : choose $u = 4x + 3$, $du = 4 dx$, $\frac{1}{4} du = dx \rightarrow \int \frac{1}{4} u^4 du = \frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{5} u^5 + C = \frac{1}{20} u^5 + C$

Integration by Parts gives: $\int (5x + 1) (4x + 3)^4 dx = (5x + 1) \cdot \frac{1}{20} (4x + 3)^5 - \int \frac{1}{20} (4x + 3)^5 \cdot 5 dx$

To solve $\int \frac{1}{20} (4x + 3)^5 \cdot 5 dx = \int \frac{5}{20} (4x + 3)^5 dx$: choose same substitution:

$u = 4x + 3$, $du = 4 dx$, $\frac{1}{4} du = dx \rightarrow \int \frac{5}{80} u^5 du = \frac{5}{80} \frac{u^6}{6} + C = \frac{5}{480} u^6 + C$

$$\begin{aligned} \int (5x + 1) (4x + 3)^4 dx &= \frac{1}{20} (5x + 1) (4x + 3)^5 - \frac{5}{480} (4x + 3)^6 + C \\ &= \frac{1}{480} (4x + 3)^5 (100x + 9) + C \end{aligned}$$

Example 6: Determine $\int x^3 (4 + x^2)^3 dx = \int x^2 \cdot x(4 + x^2)^3 dx$

use power rule for derivative and for integration use the substitution technique:

integration by parts formula: $\int u \cdot dv = u \cdot v - \int v \cdot du$

choose $u = x^2 \rightarrow du = 2x dx$ and $dv = x(4 + x^2)^3 dx \rightarrow v = \frac{1}{8} (4 + x^2)^4$

To get v from dv : choose $u = 4 + x^2$, $du = 2x dx$, $\frac{1}{2} du = x dx \rightarrow \int \frac{1}{2} u^3 du = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{4} u^4 + C = \frac{1}{8} u^4 + C$

Integration by Parts gives: $\int x^3 (4 + x^2)^3 dx = x^2 \cdot \frac{1}{8} (4 + x^2)^4 - \int \frac{1}{8} (4 + x^2)^4 \cdot 2x dx$

To solve $\int \frac{1}{8} (4 + x^2)^4 \cdot 2x dx = \int \frac{1}{4} (4 + x^2)^4 dx$: choose same substitution:

$u = 4 + x^2$, $du = 2x dx$, $\frac{1}{2} du = x dx \rightarrow \int \frac{1}{8} u^4 du = \frac{1}{8} \frac{u^5}{5} + C = \frac{1}{40} u^5 + C$

$$\int x^3 (4 + x^2)^3 dx = \frac{1}{8} x^2 (4 + x^2)^4 - \frac{1}{40} (4 + x^2)^5 + C = \frac{1}{10} (4 + x^2)^4 (x^2 - 1) + C$$

Example 7: Determine $\int (2x + 1)^3 e^{-x} dx$; must use integration by parts formula three times.

Tabular form (use for repeated integration by parts):

The table ends when the derivatives left column has 0. The right column represents antiderivatives. Also every row has a sign that alternates.

u	dv	
+	$(2x + 1)^3$	e^{-x}
-	$6(2x + 1)^2$	$-e^{-x}$
+	$24(2x + 1)$	e^{-x}
-	48	$-e^{-x}$
	0	e^{-x}

$$\int (2x + 1)^3 e^{-x} dx$$

$$= +(2x + 1)^3 \frac{e^{-x}}{-1} - 6(2x + 1)^2 e^{-x} + 24(2x + 1) \frac{e^{-x}}{-1} - 48 e^{-x} + C$$

$$= -(2x + 1)^3 e^{-x} - 6(2x + 1)^2 e^{-x} - 24(2x + 1) e^{-x} - 48 e^{-x} + C$$

$$= -e^{-x} (8x^3 + 36x^2 + 78x + 79) + C$$