

Bachelor of Architecture

Mathematics

Lecture 09

In this lecture we are going to see the Reductions formula for trigonometric functions, Taylor's theorem and then Summary.

Reduction formula for trigonometric functions:

We know the trigonometric functions are the functions deals with the sine, Cos, cosine, tan etc. And in that this reductions formula is a special technique of integration which is used for higher power integrand. Here the power of integrand is reduced and the process is continued till we get a power which can be easily integrated.

Reduction formula is a formula which connects a given integral with another integral which is of the same type but of a lower degree or lower order or otherwise easier to evaluate using any technique of integration.

Result - I:

Obtain the reduction formula for $\int \sin^n x dx$.

Here the $\sin x$ is the trigonometric function and it is obtained from the basic triangle called right angle triangle. Where the \sin is define as the opposite by hypotenuse. And the integration of $\sin x$ give $-\cos x$, then the integration of higher order $\sin x$ can be done using this reduction formula.

Let us consider

$$\begin{aligned} I_n &= \int \sin^n x dx \\ &= \int \sin^{n-1} x \sin x dx \end{aligned}$$

This integration is in the form of,

$$\begin{aligned} \int u dv &= uv - \int v du \\ &= \sin^{n-1} x (-\cos x) - \int (n-1) \sin^{n-2} x \cos(-\cos x) dx \end{aligned}$$

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

So this is the reduction formula for the given higher order integration. Now it is the case of indefinite integral. If it is considered as definite integral then,

$$\begin{aligned}
I_n &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^n x dx \\
I_n &= \left[\frac{-\sin^{n-1} x \cos x}{n} \right]_0^{\pi/2} + \left(\frac{n-1}{n} \right) I_{n-2} \\
I_n &= \frac{n-1}{n} I_{n-2}
\end{aligned}$$

Replacing the n terms we get,

$$\begin{aligned}
I_{n-2} &= \left(\frac{n-3}{n-2} \right) I_{n-4} \\
I_{n-4} &= \left(\frac{n-5}{n-4} \right) I_{n-6} \\
I_{n-6} &= \left(\frac{n-7}{n-6} \right) I_{n-8}
\end{aligned}$$

Now from this expression two cases arrives, the first case is,

Case 1:

When n is a positive or Odd, Then

$$I_n = \left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right)\left(\frac{n-3}{n-2}\right)\left(\frac{n-5}{n-4}\right) \dots \frac{2}{3} I_1 \text{-----(1)}$$

But we know that,

$$I_n = \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin x dx = (-\cos x)_0^{\pi/2} = 1$$

$$I_n = \left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right)\left(\frac{n-3}{n-2}\right)\left(\frac{n-5}{n-4}\right) \dots \frac{2}{3}$$

Suppose when n is the positive even integer,

$$I_n = \left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right)\left(\frac{n-3}{n-2}\right)\left(\frac{n-5}{n-4}\right) \dots \frac{1}{2} I_0$$

In this case where I_0 is,

$$I_0 = \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^0 x dx = (x)_0^{\pi/2} = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$I_n = \left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right)\left(\frac{n-3}{n-2}\right)\left(\frac{n-5}{n-4}\right) \dots \frac{1}{2} \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^n x dx = \left\{ \left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right)\left(\frac{n-3}{n-2}\right)\left(\frac{n-5}{n-4}\right) \dots \frac{2}{3} \right\} \text{ When n is a positive odd natural number.}$$

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Similarly we can obtain the reduction formula for the Cos function and tan function.

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

$$\int_0^{\pi/2} \cos^n x dx = \left\{ \left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right)\left(\frac{n-3}{n-2}\right)\left(\frac{n-5}{n-4}\right) \dots \frac{2}{3} \right\} \text{ When n is positive and odd function.}$$

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^n x dx = \left\{ \left(\frac{n-1}{n} \right) \left(\frac{n-3}{n-2} \right) \left(\frac{n-5}{n-4} \right) \dots \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\pi}{2} \right\} \text{ When } n \text{ is positive and even function.}$$

Similarly we can obtain the integral function for the tan function also as,

$$I_n = \int \frac{\tan^{n-1} x}{n-1} - I_{n-2}.$$

Example 1:

Evaluate $\int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^{2m} x dx, m \in N$.

Solution:

In this problem the $2m$ is the higher order. Here $2m$ is the even positive integer. We know the formula for the positive integer,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^{2m} x dx &= \left\{ \left(\frac{2m-1}{2m} \right) \left(\frac{2m-3}{2m-2} \right) \dots \frac{3}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\pi}{2} \right\} \\ &= (2m)(2m-2) \dots 4 \cdot 2 \\ &= \frac{(2m-1)(2m-2)(2m-3) \dots 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1}{[(2m)(2m-2) \dots 4 \cdot 2]^2} \cdot \frac{\pi}{2} \\ &= \frac{2m!}{2^m m!} \cdot \frac{\pi}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Taylor's Theorem with Lagrange form of remainder after n terms:

It is a mean value theorem. If a function $f(x)$ is such that

- $f(x), f'(x), f''(x), \dots, f^{n-1}(x)$ are continuous in $[a, a+h]$.
- $f^n(x)$ exist in $[a, a+h]$. that at least one θ between 0 and 1 such that

$$F(a+h) = f(a) + hf'(a) + \frac{h^2}{2!} f''(a) + \dots + \frac{h^{n-1}}{(n-1)!} f^{n-1}(a) + \frac{h^n}{n!} f^n(a+\theta h)$$

Where $\frac{h^n}{n!} f^n(a+\theta h)$ is called Lagrange's form of remainder after n terms, i.e., $R_n = \frac{h^n}{n!} f^n(a+\theta h)$.

Summary:

Reduction technique is a special technique to integrate higher power functions. Reduction formula is the one which connects a given integral with another of the same type but of a lower degree using any technique of integration. The Taylor's theorem with Lagrange's form of remainder after n terms are also discussed.

After listening to this lecture you can answer the following questions.

Questions:

1. What do you mean by reduction formula?
2. Given the reduction formula for $\int \sin^n x$.
3. Define Taylor's theorem.