Section 6.5: Average Value of a Function

Problem 1.

(a) Find the average value f_{avg} of the function $f(x) = (x+1)^3$ on the interval [0, 2].

(b) Use the Mean Value for Integrals to find a value *c* in [0, 2] such that $f(c) = f_{\text{avg}}$.

(a) Let $u = x + 1$. Then $du = dx$, and when $x = 0$, $u = 1$ and when $x = 2$, $u = 3$. Then the average value of f over $[0, 2]$ is

$$
f_{\text{avg}} = \frac{1}{2-0} \int_0^2 (x+1)^3 \, \mathrm{dx} = \frac{1}{2} \int_1^3 u^3 \, \mathrm{du} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{4} u^4 \right) \Big|_1^3 = \frac{1}{8} \left(3^4 - 1^4 \right) = \frac{1}{8} \cdot 80 = 10.
$$

(b) Since $f(x) = (x+1)^3$ is a polynomial, it is continuous everywhere and hence, on [0, 2]. Then by the MVT for integrals, there exists a number *c* such that $0 < c < 2$ and $f(c) = 10$. We solve for *c* in the following equation:

$$
(c+1)^3 = 10 \iff c+1 = \sqrt[3]{10} \iff c = \sqrt[3]{10} - 1 \approx 1.15.
$$

Therefore, the value c in $[0,2]$ that satisfies the conclusion of the MVT for integrals is $c = \sqrt[3]{10} - 1$.

Section 7.1: Integration by Parts

Recall the formula for integration by parts:

$$
\int f(x)g'(x) dx = f(x)g(x) - \int g(x)f'(x) dx.
$$

If we let $u = f(x)$ and $v = g(x)$ then the differentials

 $du = f'$ $(\mathbf{x}) \, \mathrm{d}\mathbf{x}$ and $\mathrm{d}\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{g}'(\mathbf{x}) \, \mathrm{d}\mathbf{v}.$

Then the integration by parts formula can be rewritten as

$$
\int u\,dv = uv - \int v\,du.
$$

Problem 2. Evaluate $\int \ln(x) dx$.

We choose

$$
u = \ln(x)
$$
 and $dv = dx$.

Then

$$
du = \frac{1}{x} dx
$$
 and $v = \int 1 dv = \int 1 dx = x$.

Then by the IBP formula we have

$$
\int \ln(x) dx = \int u dv = uv - \int v du = \ln(x) x - \int x \frac{1}{x} dx = \ln(x) x - \int 1 dx = \ln(x) x - x + C.
$$

Problem 3. Evaluate $\int t^2 e^t dt$. **Hint:** You will need a second application of integration by parts.

Since *t* ² has a "simpler" derivative than *e t* , we choose

$$
u = t^2 \qquad \text{and} \qquad dv = e^t dt.
$$

Then

$$
du = 2t2 dt
$$
 and $v = \int 1 dv = \int e^{t} dt = e^{t}$.

Then by the IBP formula we have

$$
\int t^2 e^t dt = \int u dv = uv - \int v du = t^2 e^t - \int e^t 2t dt = t^2 e^t - 2 \int t e^t dt
$$
 (1)

We will need another application of IBP for the integral $\int t e^t dt$.

Since *t* has a "simpler" derivative than *e t* , we choose

$$
u^* = t \qquad \text{and} \qquad dv^* = e^t dt.
$$

$$
du^* = dt \qquad \text{and} \qquad v^* = \int 1 dv^* = \int e^t dt = e^t
$$

Then by the IBP formula we have

$$
\int t e^t dt = \int u^* dv^* = u^* v^* - \int v^* du^* = t e^t - \int e^t dt = t e^t - e^t + C^*,
$$
\n(2)

.

where *C*^{*} is a constant. Then by substituting the rightmost side of (2) into the rightmost side of (1), we obtain

$$
\int t^2 e^t dt = t^2 e^t - 2 \int t e^t dt = t^2 e^t - 2 (t e^t - e^t + C^*) = t^2 e^t - 2t e^t - 2e^t + C,
$$

where $C = 2C^*$, a constant.

Problem 4. Evaluate
$$
\int e^x \sin(x) dx
$$
.

Note: In this case, we may choose $u = e^x$ and $dv = sin(x) dx$ or $u = sin(x)$ and $dv = e^x dx$. We will show the solution for the first option.

Let us choose

$$
u = e^x
$$
 and $dv = sin(x) dx$.

Then

$$
du = e^x dx
$$
 and $v = \int 1 dv = \int \sin(x) dx = -\cos(x)$.

Then by the IBP formula we have

$$
\int e^x \sin(x) dx = \int u dv = uv - \int v du = -e^x \cos(x) + \int e^x \cos(x) dx \tag{3}
$$

We will need another application of IBP for the integral $\int e^x \cos(x) dx$.

we choose

 $u^* = e^x$ and d*v* $dv^* = \cos(x) dx$.

$$
du^* = e^x dx
$$
 and $v^* = \int 1 dv^* = \int cos(x) dx = sin(x)$.

Then by the IBP formula we have

$$
\int e^x \cos(x) \, dx = \int u^* \, dv^* = u^* v^* - \int v^* \, du^* = e^x \sin(x) - \int e^x \sin(x) \, dx. \tag{4}
$$

By substituting the rightmost side of (4) into the rightmost side of (3), we obtain

$$
\int e^x \sin(x) dx = -e^x \cos(x) + \int e^x \cos(x) dx = -e^x \cos(x) + e^x \sin(x) - \int e^x \sin(x) dx.
$$

Adding $\int e^x \sin(x) dx$ to both sides gives us

$$
2\int e^x \sin(x) dx = -e^x \cos(x) + e^x \sin(x).
$$

Therefore,

$$
\int e^x \sin(x) \, dx = -\frac{1}{2} e^x \cos(x) + \frac{1}{2} e^x \sin(x) + C,
$$

for some constant *C*.

Integration by Parts for Definite Integrals

Note that

$$
\int_{a}^{b} [f(x)g'(x) + g(x)f'(x)] dx = f(x)g(x)\Big|_{a'}^{b'}
$$

which is equivalent to

$$
\int_{a}^{b} f(x)g'(x) dx = f(x)g(x) \Big]_{a}^{b} - \int_{a}^{b} g(x)f'(x) dx.
$$

Problem 5. Evaluate $\int_0^1 \tan^{-1}(x) dx$. **Hint:** After one application of integration by parts, you will need to use substitution for the new integral you obtain.

Let

$$
u = \tan^{-1}(x) \qquad \text{and} \qquad dv = dx.
$$

Then

$$
du = \frac{1}{x^2 + 1} dx
$$
 and $v = \int 1 dv = \int 1 dx = x$.

Then by the IBP formula we have

$$
\int_0^1 \tan^{-1}(x) dx = \int_0^1 u dv = uv \Big]_0^1 - \int_0^1 v du = x \tan^{-1}(x) \Big]_0^1 - \int_0^1 \frac{x}{x^2 + 1} dx
$$

= $1 \cdot \tan^{-1}(1) - 0 \cdot \tan^{-1}(0) - \int_0^1 \frac{x}{x^2 + 1} dx$
= $\pi/4 - \int_0^1 \frac{x}{x^2 + 1} dx$. (5)

To evaluate the integral \int_0^1 *x* $\frac{x}{x^2+1}$ dx we use the substitution $s = x^2 + 1$. Then ds = 2*x* dx, or equivalently, $(1/2)ds = x dx$. When $x = 0$, $s = 0^2 + 1 = 1$ and when $x = 1$, $s = 1^2 + 1 = 2$. Then

$$
\int_0^1 \frac{x}{x^2 + 1} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_1^2 \frac{1}{s} ds = \frac{1}{2} \ln(|s|) \Big|_1^2 = \frac{1}{2} (\ln(2) - \ln(1)) = \frac{1}{2} \ln(2). \tag{6}
$$

By substituting the rightmost side of (6) into the last part of (5), we obtain

$$
\int_0^1 \tan^{-1}(x) \, \mathrm{d}x = \pi/4 - \frac{1}{2} \ln(2).
$$