

Mathematics in Economics – lecture 9

Indefinite integral

Integration is a reverse procedure to differentiation.

Notation:

$$\int f(x)dx = F(x) + C$$

Legend: \int Integration sign – indefinite integral; $f(x)$ Integrated function;

$F(x)$... antiderivative of $f(x)$; ... C Integration constant

Indefinite integral is a linear operator:

$$\int kf(x)dx = k \int f(x)dx$$

$$\int [f(x) \pm g(x)]dx = \int f(x)dx \pm \int g(x)dx$$

We compute integrals with the use of formulas above, and with the use of the table of elementary integrals:

Indefinite integral – elementary integrals

$f(x)$	$\int f(x)dx$
0	C
1	$x + C$
x^n	$\frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} + C$
e^x	$e^x + C$
$\frac{1}{x}$	$\ln x + C$
$\frac{1}{ax+b}$	$\frac{1}{a} \ln ax+b + C$
a^x	$\frac{a^x}{\ln a} + C$

$\sin x$	$-\cos x + C$
$\cos x$	$\sin x + C$
$\frac{1}{\cos^2 x}$	$\operatorname{tg} x + C$
$-\frac{1}{\sin^2 x}$	$\operatorname{cotg} x + C$
$\frac{1}{1+x^2}$	$\arctg x + C$
$\frac{1}{a^2+x^2}$	$\frac{1}{a} \arctg \frac{x}{a} + C$
$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$	$\arcsin x + C$
$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$	$\arccos x + C$
$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}$	$\ln x+\sqrt{1+x^2} + C$

Indefinite integral - examples

1) $\int (6x^2 + \sqrt{x}) dx =$

2) $\int (2x^2 + x - 15) dx =$

3) $\int (6x^3 + 7x^2 - 6x + 3) dx =$

4) $\int (3x + 1)(4x - 1) dx =$

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

6) $\int \frac{4x^3 + 3x^2 - 5x}{x^2} dx =$

7)

$$\int (x^3 + 2x^2 + 6x + 1) dx = \int x^3 dx + 2 \int x^2 dx + 6 \int x dx + \int 1 dx =$$

8)

$$\int \sqrt[3]{x} dx = \int x^{\frac{1}{3}} dx = \frac{x^{\frac{4}{3}}}{\frac{4}{3}} = \frac{3\sqrt[4]{x^3}}{4} + C$$

9)

$$\int \left(2x + \frac{5}{x} \right) dx = x^2 + 5 \ln|x| + C$$

10)

$$\int (5 \sin x - 2 \cos x + 3^x) dx = -5 \cos x - 2 \sin x + \frac{3^x}{\ln 3} + C$$

Indefinite integral – integration methods

For more complicated integration we use suitable integration methods:

- Substitutions
- Method per partes

All these methods will be demonstrated on examples.

I) Integration by a substitution

We use a substitution typically in the following cases:

- When an integrand contains an internal function.
- When an integrand contains $\ln x$ or $\exp(x)$.
- When an integrand contains goniometric functions.
- When an integrand contains square roots.

Problem 1

$$\int (2x+1)^4 dx$$

$$\int (2x+1)^4 dx = \left| \begin{array}{l} 2x+1=t \\ 2dx=dt \end{array} \right| = \int t^4 \frac{dt}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \int t^4 dt = \frac{1}{2} \frac{t^5}{5} + C = \frac{t^5}{10} + C = \frac{(2x+1)^5}{10} + C$$

A note: We substitute not only an integrand, but also dx !

Problem 2

$$\int e^{2x+3} dx$$

$$\int e^{2x+3} dx = \left| \begin{array}{l} 2x+3=t \\ 2dx=dt \end{array} \right| = \int e^t \cdot \frac{dt}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \int e^t dt = \frac{1}{2} e^t + C = \frac{1}{2} e^{2x+3} + C$$

Problem 3

$$\int \cos(5x-4) dx$$

$$\int \cos(5x-4) dx = \left| \begin{array}{l} 5x-4=t \\ 5dx=dt \end{array} \right| = \int \cos t \frac{dt}{5} = \frac{1}{5} \int \cos t dt = \frac{\sin t}{5} + C = \frac{\sin(5x-4)}{5} + C$$

Problem 4

$$\int \frac{\ln x}{x} dx$$

$$\int \frac{\ln x}{x} dx = \left| \begin{array}{l} \ln x=t \\ \frac{1}{x} dx=dt \end{array} \right| = \int t dt = \frac{t^2}{2} + C = \frac{\ln^2 x}{2} + C$$

Problem 5

$$\int \frac{5}{x \ln^2 x} dx$$

$$\int \frac{5}{x \ln^2 x} dx = \left| \begin{array}{l} \ln x = t \\ \frac{1}{x} dx = dt \end{array} \right| = \int \frac{5}{t^2} dt = -\frac{5}{t} + C = \frac{-5}{\ln|x|} + C$$

Problem 6 Usually, we substitute (square roots).

$$\int \sqrt{4x+1} dx$$

$$\int \sqrt{4x+1} dx = \left| \begin{array}{l} \sqrt{4x+1} = t \\ 4x+1 = t^2 \\ 4dx = 2tdt \end{array} \right| = \int t \cdot \frac{tdt}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \int t^2 dt = \frac{1}{2} \frac{t^3}{3} + C = \frac{t^3}{6} + C = \frac{(\sqrt{4x+1})^3}{6} + C$$

Problem 7

$$\int x \sqrt{x^2 - 1} dx$$

$$\int x \sqrt{x^2 - 1} dx = \left| \begin{array}{l} \sqrt{x^2 - 1} = t \\ x^2 - 1 = t^2 \\ 2xdx = 2tdt \\ xdx = tdt \end{array} \right| = \int t \cdot tdt = \int t^2 dt = \frac{t^3}{3} + C = \frac{(\sqrt{x^2 - 1})^3}{3} + C$$

HOMEWORK

A] $\int (3x - 2)^4 dx$

B] $\int \sin(1 - 5x) dx$

C] $\int \frac{\ln^2 x}{x} dx$

D] $\int \cos^4 x \sin x dx$

E] $\int \sqrt{2x+5} dx$

F] $\int x \sqrt{x^2 + 2} dx$

II) Integration by parts (per partes method)

Per partes method (integration by parts) is used for integration of a product of two functions.

Let $u(x)$ and $v(x)$ be two functions. Then, we obtain:

$$(u \cdot v)' = u'v + uv'$$

$$uv' = (uv)' - u'v$$

$$\int uv' dx = \int (uv)' dx - \int u'v dx$$

$$\int uv' dx = uv - \int u'v dx$$

The last formula is “per partes“ formula.

Problem 1

$$\int x \cdot e^x dx$$

$$\int x \cdot e^x dx = \left| \begin{array}{l} u = x, v' = e^x \\ u' = 1, v = e^x \end{array} \right| = xe^x - \int 1 \cdot e^x dx = xe^x - e^x + C = (x-1)e^x + C$$

Note: a choice of u and v' is important. An incorrect choice leads to a growing difficulty of a problem.

Problem 2

$$\int x \cdot \ln x dx$$

$$\int x \ln x dx = \left| \begin{array}{l} u = \ln x, v' = x \\ u' = \frac{1}{x}, v = \frac{x^2}{2} \end{array} \right| = \frac{x^2}{2} \ln x - \int \frac{1}{x} \cdot \frac{x^2}{2} dx = \frac{x^2}{2} \ln x - \frac{1}{2} \int x dx = \frac{x^2}{2} \ln x - \frac{x^2}{4} + C$$

Problem 3

$$\int x \sin x dx$$

$$\int x \sin x dx = \left| \begin{array}{l} u = x, v' = \sin x \\ u' = 1, v = -\cos x \end{array} \right| = -x \cos x - \int (-\cos x) dx = -x \cos x + \sin x + C$$

HOMEWORK

A] $\int (2x + 1) \cdot e^x dx$

B] $\int x^2 \cdot \ln x dx$

C] $\int 3x \cdot \cos x dx$