

6. Definite Integration

EXERCISE 6.1

Evaluate the following definite integrals:

$$1. \int_4^9 \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} dx$$

Solution:

$$\int_4^9 \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} dx = \int_4^9 x^{-\frac{1}{2}} dx$$

$$= \left[\frac{x^{\frac{1}{2}}}{1/2} \right]_4^9 = 2 [\sqrt{x}]_4^9$$

$$= 2(\sqrt{9} - \sqrt{4})$$

$$= 2(3 - 2) = 2.$$

$$2. \int_{-2}^3 \frac{1}{x+5} dx$$

Solution:

$$\int_{-2}^3 \frac{1}{x+5} dx$$

$$= [\log |x+5|]_{-2}^3$$

$$= \log 8 - \log 3$$

$$= \log \left(\frac{8}{3} \right).$$

$$3. \int_2^3 \frac{x}{x^2-1} dx$$

Solution:

$$\int_2^3 \frac{x}{x^2-1} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_2^3 \frac{2x}{x^2-1} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [\log |x^2-1|]_2^3 \quad \dots \left[\because \frac{d}{dx}(x^2-1) = 2x \text{ and } \int \frac{f'(x)}{f(x)} dx = \log |f(x)| + c \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [\log(9-1) - \log(4-1)] = \frac{1}{2} \log \left(\frac{8}{3} \right).$$

$$4. \int_0^1 \frac{x^2+3x+2}{\sqrt{x}} dx$$

Solution:

$$\int_0^1 \frac{x^2+3x+2}{\sqrt{x}} dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 \left(\frac{x^2}{\sqrt{x}} + \frac{3x}{\sqrt{x}} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{x}} \right) dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 (x^{\frac{3}{2}} + 3x^{\frac{1}{2}} + 2x^{-\frac{1}{2}}) dx$$

$$= \left[\frac{x^{\frac{5}{2}}}{5/2} + 3 \left(\frac{x^{\frac{3}{2}}}{3/2} \right) + 2 \left(\frac{x^{\frac{1}{2}}}{1/2} \right) \right]_0^1$$

$$= \left[\frac{2}{5} x^{\frac{5}{2}} + 2x^{\frac{3}{2}} + 4x^{\frac{1}{2}} \right]_0^1$$

$$= \left[\frac{2}{5} (1)^{\frac{5}{2}} + 2(1)^{\frac{3}{2}} + 4(1)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right] - (0+0+0)$$

$$= \frac{2}{5} + 2 + 4 = \frac{32}{5}.$$

$$5. \int_2^3 \frac{x}{(x+2)(x+3)} dx$$

Solution:

$$\text{Let } I = \int_2^3 \frac{x}{(x+2)(x+3)} dx$$

$$\text{Let } \frac{x}{(x+2)(x+3)} = \frac{A}{x+3} + \frac{B}{x+2}$$

$$\therefore x = A(x+2) + B(x+3)$$

Put $x+3=0$, i.e. $x=-3$, we get

$$-3 = A(-1) + B(0) \quad \therefore A = 3$$

Put $x+2=0$, i.e. $x=-2$, we get

$$-2 = A(0) + B(1) \quad \therefore B = -2$$

$$\therefore \frac{x}{(x+2)(x+3)} = \frac{3}{x+3} + \frac{(-2)}{x+2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore I &= \int_2^3 \left[\frac{3}{x+3} + \frac{(-2)}{x+2} \right] dx \\ &= [3 \log(x+3) - 2 \log(x+2)]_2^3 \\ &= [3 \log(3+3) - 2 \log(3+2)] - [3 \log(2+3) - 2 \log(2+2)] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 3 \log 6 - 5 \log 5 + 2 \log 4 \\ &= \log 6^3 - \log 5^5 + \log 4^2 \\ &= \log 216 - \log 3125 + \log 16 \\ &= \log \left(\frac{216 \times 16}{3125} \right) = \log \left(\frac{3456}{3125} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$6. \int_1^2 \frac{dx}{x^2 + 6x + 5} dx$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_1^2 \frac{dx}{x^2 + 6x + 5} \\ &= \int_1^2 \frac{dx}{(x^2 + 6x + 9) - 4} \\ &= \int_1^2 \frac{1}{(x+3)^2 - (2)^2} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2(2)} \left[\log \left| \frac{x+3-2}{x+3+2} \right| \right]_1^2 = \frac{1}{4} \left[\log \left| \frac{x+1}{x+5} \right| \right]_1^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \left[\log \frac{3}{7} - \log \frac{2}{6} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \log \left(\frac{3}{7} \times \frac{6}{2} \right) = \frac{1}{4} \log \left(\frac{9}{7} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$7. \text{ If } \int_0^a (2x+1) dx = 2,$$

find the real value of a.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } I &= \int_0^a (2x+1) dx \\ &= \left[2 \cdot \frac{x^2}{2} + x \right]_0^a \\ &= a^2 + a - 0 = a^2 + a \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore I = 2 \text{ gives } a^2 + a = 2$$

$$\therefore a^2 + a - 2 = 0$$

$$\therefore (a+2)(a-1) = 0$$

$$\therefore a+2=0 \text{ or } a-1=0$$

$$\therefore a = -2 \text{ or } a = 1.$$

$$8. \text{ If } \int_1^a (3x^2 + 2x + 1) dx = 11, \text{ find } a.$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } I &= \int_1^a (3x^2 + 2x + 1) dx \\ &= \left[3 \left(\frac{x^3}{3} \right) + 2 \left(\frac{x^2}{2} \right) + x \right]_1^a \\ &= [x^3 + x^2 + x]_1^a \\ &= (a^3 + a^2 + a) - (1 + 1 + 1) \\ &= a^3 + a^2 + a - 3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore I = 11 \text{ gives } a^3 + a^2 + a - 3 = 11$$

$$\therefore a^3 + a^2 + a - 14 = 0$$

$$\therefore (a^3 - 8) + (a^2 + a - 6) = 0$$

$$\therefore (a-2)(a^2 + 2a + 4) + (a+3)(a-2) = 0$$

$$\therefore (a-2)(a^2 + 2a + 4 + a + 3) = 0$$

$$\therefore (a-2)(a^2 + 3a + 7) = 0$$

$$\therefore a-2=0 \text{ or } a^2 + 3a + 7 = 0$$

$$\therefore a = 2 \text{ or } a = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{9-28}}{2}$$

The latter two roots are not real.

$\therefore$ they are rejected.

$$\therefore a = 2.$$

$$9. \int_0^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x} + \sqrt{x}} dx$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x} + \sqrt{x}} dx \\ &= \int_0^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x} + \sqrt{x}} \times \frac{\sqrt{1+x} - \sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{1+x} - \sqrt{x}} dx \\ &= \int_0^1 \frac{\sqrt{1+x} - \sqrt{x}}{1+x-x} dx \\ &= \int_0^1 (\sqrt{1+x} - \sqrt{x}) dx \\ &= \int_0^1 (1+x)^{\frac{1}{2}} dx - \int_0^1 x^{\frac{1}{2}} dx \\ &= \left[\frac{(1+x)^{\frac{3}{2}}}{\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)} \right]_0^1 - \left[\frac{x^{\frac{3}{2}}}{\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)} \right]_0^1 \\ &= \frac{2}{3} \left[(1+x)^{\frac{3}{2}} \right]_0^1 - \frac{2}{3} \left[x^{\frac{3}{2}} \right]_0^1 \\ &= \frac{2}{3} (2^{\frac{3}{2}} - 1) - \frac{2}{3} (1 - 0) \\ &= \frac{2}{3} (2^{\frac{3}{2}} - 1 - 1) = \frac{2}{3} (2\sqrt{2} - 2) \\ &= \frac{4}{3} (\sqrt{2} - 1). \end{aligned}$$

$$10. \int_1^2 \frac{3x}{(9x^2 - 1)} dx$$

Solution:

$$\text{Let } I = \int_1^2 \frac{3x}{9x^2 - 1} dx = \int_1^2 \frac{3x}{(3x)^2 - 1} dx$$

$$\text{Put } 3x = t \quad \therefore 3dx = dt \quad \therefore dx = \frac{dt}{3}$$

$$\text{When } x = 1, t = 3 \times 1 = 3$$

$$\text{When } x = 2, t = 3 \times 2 = 6$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore I &= \int_3^6 \frac{t}{t^2 - 1} \cdot \frac{dt}{3} = \frac{1}{6} \int_3^6 \frac{2t}{t^2 - 1} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{6} \left[\log |t^2 - 1| \right]_3^6 \quad \dots \left[\because \frac{d}{dt} (t^2 - 1) = 2t \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{6} [\log 35 - \log 8] \\ &= \frac{1}{6} \log \left(\frac{35}{8} \right). \end{aligned}$$

$$11. \int_1^3 \log x dx$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_1^3 \log x dx &= \int_1^3 (\log x) \cdot 1 dx \\ &= [(\log x) \int 1 dx]_1^3 - \int_1^3 \left[\frac{d}{dx} (\log x) \int 1 dx \right] dx \\ &= [(\log x)x]_1^3 - \int_1^3 \frac{1}{x} \times x dx \\ &= (3 \log 3 - \log 1) - \int_1^3 1 dx \\ &= 3 \log 3 - [x]_1^3 \quad \dots [\because \log 1 = 0] \\ &= \log 3^3 - (3 - 1) \\ &= \log 27 - 2. \end{aligned}$$

[Note : Answer in the textbook is incorrect.]

EXERCISE 6.2

Evaluate the following integrals:

$$1) \int_{-9}^9 \frac{x^3}{4 - x^2} dx$$

Solution:

$$\text{Let } I = \int_{-9}^9 \frac{x^3}{4-x^2} dx$$

$$\text{Let } f(x) = \frac{x^3}{4-x^2}$$

$$\therefore f(-x) = \frac{(-x)^3}{4-(-x)^2} = \frac{-x^3}{4+x^2} = -f(x)$$

$\therefore f$ is an odd function.

$$\therefore \int_{-9}^9 f(x) dx = 0$$

$$\text{i.e. } \int_{-9}^9 \frac{x^3}{4-x^2} dx = 0.$$

$$2) \int_0^a x^2(a-x)^{3/2} dx$$

Solution:

We use the property

$$\int_0^a f(x) dx = \int_0^a f(a-x) dx$$

$$\therefore \int_0^a x^2(a-x)^{3/2} dx = \int_0^a (a-x)^2(a-a+x)^{3/2} dx$$

$$= \int_0^a (a^2 - 2ax + x^2)x^{3/2} dx$$

$$= \int_0^a (a^2x^{3/2} - 2ax^{5/2} + x^{7/2}) dx$$

$$= a^2 \int_0^a x^{3/2} dx - 2a \int_0^a x^{5/2} dx + \int_0^a x^{7/2} dx$$

$$= a^2 \left[\frac{x^{5/2}}{\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)} \right]_0^a - 2a \left[\frac{x^{7/2}}{\left(\frac{7}{2}\right)} \right]_0^a + \left[\frac{x^{9/2}}{\left(\frac{9}{2}\right)} \right]_0^a$$

$$= \frac{2a^2}{5} [a^{5/2} - 0] - \frac{4a}{7} [a^{7/2} - 0] + \frac{2}{9} [a^{9/2} - 0]$$

$$= \frac{2}{5} a^2 - \frac{4}{7} a^2 + \frac{2}{9} a^2 = \left(\frac{2}{5} - \frac{4}{7} + \frac{2}{9} \right) a^2$$

$$= \left(\frac{126 - 180 + 70}{315} \right) a^2 = \frac{16}{315} a^2.$$

$$3) \int_1^3 \frac{\sqrt[3]{x+5}}{\sqrt[3]{x+5} + \sqrt[3]{9-x}} dx$$

Solution:

$$\text{Let } I = \int_1^3 \frac{\sqrt[3]{x+5}}{\sqrt[3]{x+5} + \sqrt[3]{9-x}} dx \quad \dots (1)$$

We use the property, $\int_a^b f(x) dx = \int_a^b f(a+b-x) dx$

Hence in I , we replace x by $1+3-x$.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore I &= \int_1^3 \frac{\sqrt[3]{1+3-x+5}}{\sqrt[3]{1+3-x+5} + \sqrt[3]{9-1-3+x}} dx \\ &= \int_1^3 \frac{\sqrt[3]{9-x}}{\sqrt[3]{9-x} + \sqrt[3]{x+5}} dx \quad \dots (2) \end{aligned}$$

Adding (1) and (2), we get

$$\begin{aligned} 2I &= \int_1^3 \frac{\sqrt[3]{x+5}}{\sqrt[3]{x+5} + \sqrt[3]{9-x}} dx + \int_1^3 \frac{\sqrt[3]{9-x}}{\sqrt[3]{9-x} + \sqrt[3]{x+5}} dx \\ &= \int_1^3 \frac{\sqrt[3]{x+5} + \sqrt[3]{9-x}}{\sqrt[3]{x+5} + \sqrt[3]{9-x}} dx \\ &= \int_1^3 1 dx = [x]_1^3 \\ &= 3 - 1 = 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore I = 1$$

$$\text{Hence, } \int_1^3 \frac{\sqrt[3]{x+5}}{\sqrt[3]{x+5} + \sqrt[3]{9-x}} dx = 1.$$

$$4) \int_2^5 \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{7-x}} dx$$

Solution:

$$\text{Let } I = \int_2^5 \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{7-x}} dx \quad \dots (1)$$

We use the property, $\int_a^b f(x) dx = \int_a^b f(a+b-x) dx$.

Hence in I , we change x by $2+5-x$.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore I &= \int_2^5 \frac{\sqrt{2+5-x}}{\sqrt{2+5-x} + \sqrt{7-2-5+x}} dx \\ &= \int_2^5 \frac{\sqrt{7-x}}{\sqrt{7-x} + \sqrt{x}} dx \quad \dots (2) \end{aligned}$$

Adding (1) and (2), we get

$$2I = \int_2^5 \frac{\sqrt{7-x}}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{7-x}} dx + \int_2^5 \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{7-x} + \sqrt{x}} dx$$

$$= \int_2^5 \frac{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{7-x}}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{7-x}} dx$$

$$= \int_2^5 1 dx = [x]_2^5 = 5 - 2 = 3$$

$$\therefore I = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\text{Hence, } \int_2^5 \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{7-x}} dx = \frac{3}{2}.$$

$$5) \int_1^2 \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{3-x} + \sqrt{x}} dx$$

Solution:

$$\text{Let } I = \int_1^2 \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{3-x} + \sqrt{x}} dx \quad \dots (i)$$

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$$\int_1^2 \frac{\sqrt{1+2-x}}{\sqrt{3-(1+2-x)} + \sqrt{1+2-x}} dx \quad \dots \left[\because \int_a^b f(x) \cdot dx = \int_a^b f(a+b-x) \right]$$

$$\therefore I = \int_1^2 \frac{\sqrt{3-x}}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{3-x}} dx \quad \dots (ii)$$

Adding (i) and (ii), we get

$$2I = \int_1^2 \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{3-x} + \sqrt{x}} dx + \int_1^2 \frac{\sqrt{3-x}}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{3-x}} dx$$

$$= \int_1^2 \frac{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{3-x}}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{3-x}} dx$$

$$= \int_1^2 1 \cdot dx$$

$$= [x]_1^2$$

$$\therefore 2I = 2 - 1 = 1$$

$$\therefore I = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$6) \int_2^7 \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{9-x}} dx$$

Solution:

$$\text{Let } I = \int_2^7 \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{9-x}} dx \quad \dots (i)$$

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$$\int_2^7 \frac{\sqrt{2+7-x}}{\sqrt{2+7-x} + \sqrt{9-(2+7-x)}} dx \quad \dots \left[\because \int_a^b f(x) \cdot dx = \int_a^b f(a+b-x) \right]$$

$$\therefore I = \int_2^7 \frac{\sqrt{9-x}}{\sqrt{9-x} + \sqrt{x}} dx \quad \dots (ii)$$

Adding (i) and (ii), we get

$$2I = \int_2^7 \frac{\sqrt{x}}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{9-x}} dx + \int_2^7 \frac{\sqrt{9-x}}{\sqrt{9-x} + \sqrt{x}} dx$$

$$= \int_2^7 \frac{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{9-x}}{\sqrt{x} + \sqrt{9-x}} dx$$

$$= \int_2^7 1 \cdot dx$$

$$= [x]_2^7$$

$$\therefore 2I = 7 - 2 = 5$$

$$\therefore I = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$7) \int_0^1 \log \left(\frac{1}{x} - 1 \right) dx$$

Solution:

$$\text{Let } I = \int_0^1 \log \left(\frac{1}{x} - 1 \right) dx = \int_0^1 \log \left(\frac{1-x}{x} \right) dx$$

We use the property, $\int_0^a f(x) dx = \int_0^a f(a-x) dx$

$$\therefore I = \int_0^1 \log \left[\frac{1-(1-x)}{1-x} \right] dx = \int_0^1 \log \left(\frac{x}{1-x} \right) dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 -\log \left(\frac{1-x}{x} \right) dx = -\int_0^1 \log \left(\frac{1-x}{x} \right) dx$$

$$\therefore I = -I$$

$$\therefore 2I = 0 \quad \therefore I = 0$$

$$\text{Hence, } \int_0^1 \log \left(\frac{1}{x} - 1 \right) dx = 0.$$

$$8) \int_0^1 x(1-x)^5 dx$$

Solution:

We use the property,

$$\int_0^a f(x) dx = \int_0^a f(a-x) dx.$$

$$\therefore \int_0^1 x(1-x)^5 dx = \int_0^1 (1-x)(1-1+x)^5 dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 (1-x)x^5 dx = \int_0^1 (x^5 - x^6) dx$$

$$= \int_0^1 x^5 dx - \int_0^1 x^6 dx$$

$$= \left[\frac{x^6}{6} \right]_0^1 - \left[\frac{x^7}{7} \right]_0^1$$

$$= \frac{1}{6}(1-0) - \frac{1}{7}(1-0)$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{7} = \frac{1}{42}.$$

[Note : Answer in the textbook is incorrect.]