

# Symbolic Integration

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## Hermite-Ostrogradsky's Algorithm

Given

$$\int \frac{p}{q} = \int \frac{p}{q_1 * q_2^2 * \dots * q_m^m}$$

where  $\deg(p) < \deg(q)$  and  $\text{GCD}(p, q) = 1$ . Hermite-Ostrogradsky's algorithm reduces exponents of each  $q_k$  to 1

$$\int \frac{1}{q_1 * q_2^2 * \dots * q_m^m} \rightarrow \int \frac{r_1}{q_1 * q_2^2 * \dots * q_m^{m-1}} \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow \int \frac{r_k}{q_1 * q_2 * \dots * q_m}$$

The algorithm proceeds as follows:

$$\int \frac{p}{q} = \frac{1}{1-m} \frac{a}{v^{m-1}} + \frac{1}{1-m} \int \frac{b(1-m) - u a'}{q_1 * q_2^2 * \dots * q_m^{m-1}}$$

where

$$q = q_1 * q_2^2 * \dots * q_m^m$$

$$u = q_1 * q_2^2 * \dots * q_{m-1}^{m-1}$$

$$p = u q_m' a + q_m b, \quad \deg(a) \leq \deg(v) - 1$$

### ■ Example

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 p &= x^2 - \frac{2x}{3} - \frac{2}{3}; \\
 q &= (x^3 + x + 1)^2; \\
 v &= x^3 + x + 1; \\
 m &= 2; \\
 u &= \frac{q}{v^m};
 \end{aligned}$$

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{p1, p2} = PolynomialExtendedGCD[u * D[v, x], v][[2]]
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$$\left\{ \frac{4}{31} - \frac{9x}{31} + \frac{6x^2}{31}, \frac{27}{31} - \frac{18x}{31} \right\}$$

Reduce  $p1 * p$  and compute  $a$  and  $b$

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b = Expand[PolynomialQuotient[p1 * p, v, x] * u * D[v, x] + p2 * p]
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-1
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a = PolynomialRemainder[p1 * p, v, x]
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$$\frac{1}{3} + \frac{x}{3}$$

The integral

$$\int \frac{p}{q} = \frac{1}{1-m} * \frac{a}{v^{m-1}} + \frac{1}{1-m} \int \frac{b * (1-m) - u * a'}{u * v^{m-1}}$$

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$$\frac{b(1-m) - u D[a, x]}{u v^{m-1}}$$
 // Simplify
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$$\frac{2}{3(1+x+x^3)}$$

$$\frac{a}{(1-m)v^{m-1}} // \text{Simplify}$$

$$-\frac{1+x}{3(1+x+x^3)}$$

or

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

The integral in the right hand side is computed by a different algorithm.

## Rothstein-Trager's Algorithm

Consider

$$\int \frac{dx}{x^3 + x} = \int \frac{dx}{x(x+i)(x-i)}$$

By decomposition

$$\frac{1}{x(x+i)(x-i)} = \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{2(x-i)} - \frac{1}{2(x+i)}$$

we get

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

However, the integral can be expressed without requiring the extension to  $\mathbb{Q}[i]$

$$\text{Integrate}\left[\frac{1}{x^3 + x}, x\right]$$

$$\text{Log}[x] - \frac{1}{2} \text{Log}[1 + x^2]$$

Rothstein-Trager's Algorithm deals with the logarithmic part of the integral

$$\int \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} dx$$

where  $\deg(p) < \deg(q)$  and  $q$  is monic and squarefree. The algorithm finds the smallest algebraic field extension of  $F$ .

**Definition.** A *splitting field* of  $P$  over  $F[x]$  is the smallest algebraic field extension of  $F$  containing all roots of  $P$ .

We start with formal factoring the denominator  $q$  over its splitting field

$$\int \frac{p}{q} dx = \int \frac{p(x)}{\prod_{k=1}^n (x - \alpha_k)} dx = \sum_{k=1}^n \beta_k * \log(x - \alpha_k)$$

and figure out the way of finding coefficients  $\beta_k$ . Expanding  $p/q$  in the Laurent series at  $x = \alpha_r$

$$\frac{p}{q} = \frac{p(x)}{\prod_{k=1}^n (x - \alpha_k)} = \frac{c}{x - \alpha_r} + c_0 + c_1(x - \alpha_r) + \dots$$

How do you find  $c$ ?

$$\frac{p(x)}{\prod_{k=1}^n (x - \alpha_k)} - \frac{c}{x - \alpha_r} = c_0 + c_1(x - \alpha_r) + \dots$$

Multiply this by  $x - \alpha_r$

$$\frac{p(x)}{\prod_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq r}}^n (x - \alpha_k)} - c = c_0(x - \alpha_r) + c_1(x - \alpha_r)^2 + \dots$$

to obtain (after replacing  $x$  by  $\alpha_r$ )

$$c = \frac{p(\alpha_r)}{\prod_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq r}}^n (\alpha_r - \alpha_k)}$$

This could be further simplified. Let us work out the derivative of the denominator

$$q'(x) = \left( \prod_{k=1}^n (x - \alpha_k) \right)'$$

$$q'(x) = (x - \alpha_r)' * \prod_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq r}}^n (x - \alpha_k) + (x - \alpha_r) * \left( \prod_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq r}}^n (x - \alpha_k) \right)'$$

Setting  $x = \alpha_r$ , yeilds

$$q'(\alpha_r) = \prod_{\substack{k=1 \\ k \neq r}}^n (\alpha_r - \alpha_k)$$

Therefore,

$$c = \beta_r = \frac{p(\alpha_r)}{q'(\alpha_r)} \quad (1)$$

and the integral can be rewritten as

$$\int \frac{p(x)}{q(x)} dx = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{p(\alpha_k)}{q'(\alpha_k)} * \log(x - \alpha_k) \quad (2)$$

The problem is reduced to finding all distinct roots of  $q(x) = 0$ .

Consider the equation (2)

$$p(\alpha_p) - \beta_p * q'(\alpha_p) = 0$$

Since we have to find a correspondent  $\beta_p$  for each  $p = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , we have an equivalence

$$q(\alpha_r) = 0 \implies p(\alpha_r) - \beta_r q'(\alpha_r) = 0$$

Hence, both these equations have common roots

$$\begin{cases} q(x) = 0 \\ p(x) - z * q'(x) = 0 \end{cases}$$

To determine whether or not two polynomials have a non-trivial common factor we will be using a theory of [resultants](#).

**Theorem (Rothstein-Trager's Algorithm).** Let  $p, q \in F[x]$ ,  $\text{GCD}(p, q) = 1$ ,  $\text{deg}(p) < \text{deg}(q)$ ,  $q$  is monic and square-free. Then

$$\int \frac{p}{q} = \sum_{k=1}^n \beta_k * \log(d_k)$$

where  $\beta_k$  are the distinct roots of

$$R(z) = \text{res}_x(q(x), p(x) - z * q'(x))$$

and  $d_k$  are the polynomials

$$d_k = \text{GCD}(q(x), p(x) - c_k * q'(x))$$

### ■ Example

$$\int \frac{x+2}{x(x^2+x+1)} dx$$

Compute the resultant

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Resultant[x (1 + x + x^2), (2 + x) - z D[x (1 + x + x^2), x], x]
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(2 - z) (3 + 6 z + 3 z^2)
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Find distinct roots

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z /. Solve[% == 0, z]
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{-1, -1, 2}
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No algebraic extension is required.  $c_1 = 2$ ,  $c_2 = -1$ .

The log arguments are computed by using GCD

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PolynomialGCD[x (1 + x + x^2), x + 2 - 2 D[x (1 + x + x^2)]]
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x
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PolynomialGCD[x (1 + x + x^2), x + 2 + D[x (1 + x + x^2)]]
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1 + x + x^2
```

Thus,

$$\int \frac{x+2}{x(x^2+x+1)} dx = 2 \log(x) - \log(1+x+x^2)$$

### ■ Example

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

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Resultant[x^2 - 3, 1 - z D[x^2 - 3], x]
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1 - 12 z^2
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An algebraic extension is required

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z /. Solve[1 - 12 z^2 == 0, z]
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$$\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}}\right\}$$

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PolynomialGCD[1 -  $\frac{\partial_x(x^2 - 3)}{2\sqrt{3}}$ , x^2 - 3, Extension ->  $\sqrt{3}$ ]
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$$\sqrt{3} - x$$

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PolynomialGCD[1 +  $\frac{\partial_x(x^2 - 3)}{2\sqrt{3}}$ , x^2 - 3, Extension ->  $\sqrt{3}$ ]
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$$\sqrt{3} + x$$

The integral

$$\int \frac{dx}{x^2 - 3} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}} * \log(\sqrt{3} - x) - \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}} * \log(\sqrt{3} + x)$$

## ■ The Czichowski algorithm

Czichowski's idea is to use the Gröbner basis. Let us consider

$$\int \frac{1}{(x-2)(x^2-1)} dx$$

Compute the Groebner basis

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{p1, p2} = GroebnerBasis[{(x - 2) (x^2 - 1), 1 - z D[(x - 2) (x^2 - 1), x]}, {x, z}]
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Find roots

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roots = z /. Solve[p1 == 0, z]
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Inner[Power, {1, 2, 3}, {a, b, c}, Plus]
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Inner[#1 Log[#2] &, roots, p2 /. z -> roots, Plus]
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The integral

$$\int \frac{1}{(x-2)(x^2-1)} dx = \frac{1}{6} \log(5x+5) - \frac{1}{2} \log(5x-5) + \frac{1}{3} \log(5x-10)$$

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