7.1 Integration by Parts

Integration By Parts. Integrals in the form of $\int u \, dv$ can be solved using the formula $\int u \, dv = uv - \int v \, du$.

1. **Example**: Evaluate $\int x^2 e^x dx$.

Thinking about the problem:

What technique of integration should I use to compute the integral and why? Have I seen a problem similar to this one before? If so, which technique did I use?

I know that I need to compute an indefinite integral, so I know my answer will include +C. To determine which technique I should use, I will focus on the integrand, i.e., x^2e^x . I think I can use the Integration by Parts (IBP) technique in this case. The formula for IBP is given by: $\int u \, dv = uv - \int v \, du$; so to use this technique, I will need expressions for u, v, du, and dv. I will take $u = x^2$, which leaves $dv = e^x$. From these substitutions, I can find du and v and substitute these expressions into the formula for IBP. I need to check the integral found in the formula when I apply the IBP technique. If this new integral is more difficult to solve than the original integral then I probably made a mistake in my assignment of u and dv. Finally, I may need to use IBP again in the new integral found by applying the IBP technique.

Doing the problem:

The problem asks me to compute the integral. I choose to apply the IBP technique. I know the integrand $u \, dv = x^2 e^x$, and I define $u = x^2$ and $dv = e^x$. Next, I can compute du = 2x and $v = e^x$ and put my results in a table.

$$\begin{array}{c|c} u = x^2 & dv = e^x \\ \hline du = 2x & v = e^x \\ \end{array}$$

I can now use the formula $\int u \, dv = u \, v - \int v \, du$ to find $\int x^2 e^x \, dx = x^2 e^x - \int 2x e^x \, dx$.

At this point, I notice that I must use IBP again on $-\int 2xe^x dx = \int -2xe^x dx$. So, I can complete the following table:

Using the formula, I can compute $\int -2xe^x dx = -2xe^x - \int (-2e^x) dx = -2xe^x + \int 2e^x dx$. I can evaluate the integral $\int 2e^x dx = 2e^x + C$. Therefore, I put together the

pieces to find

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

- 2. Evaluate $\int x^2 e^{-3x} dx$.
 - (a) State the technique of integration you would use to compute the integral.

(b) Compute the following table:

u =	dv =
du =	v =

- 3. Evaluate $\int_0^{\pi} x \cos(3x) dx$.
 - (a) State the technique of integration you would use to evaluate the integral.
 - (b) Complete the following table:

$$\begin{array}{c|c} u = & dv = \\ \hline du = & v = \\ \end{array}$$

(c) Compute the new integral found after applying the Integration By Parts technique (Is this integral more difficult to solve than the original integral?)

(d) Evaluate
$$\int x \cos(3x) dx$$
.

(e) Using part (d), evaluate
$$\int_0^{\pi} x \cos(3x) dx$$
.

4. Evaluate $\int_0^{\pi} x^2 \sin x \, dx$.

5. Evaluate $\int e^x \sin(x) dx$ (*Hint:* You may need to think of the expression as an equation and add or subtract an integral to both sides of the equation).

6. True or False (Provide a justification for your answer). For differentiable f(x),

$$\int_0^{\pi} f(x) \cos x \, dx = -\int_0^{\pi} f'(x) \sin x \, dx.$$