

Integrating Powers of Trig

$$\int \cos(ax) dx = \frac{1}{a} \sin(ax) + C$$

$$\int \sin(ax) dx = -\frac{1}{a} \cos(ax) + C$$

Even powers (half-angle identity):

$$\int \cos^2(x) dx = \frac{1}{2} \int 1 + \cos(2x) dx = \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{4} \sin(2x) + C$$

$$\int \sin^2(x) dx = \frac{1}{2} \int 1 - \cos(2x) dx = \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{4} \sin(2x) + C$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int \cos^4(x) dx &= \int \left[\frac{1}{2}(1 + \cos(2x)) \right]^2 dx = \frac{1}{4} \int 1 + 2 \cos(2x) + \cos^2(2x) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{4}x + \frac{1}{4} \sin(2x) + \frac{1}{4} \int \cos^2(2x) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{4}x + \frac{1}{4} \sin(2x) + \frac{1}{8} \int 1 + \cos(4x) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{4}x + \frac{1}{4} \sin(2x) + \frac{1}{8}x + \frac{1}{32} \sin(4x) + C \\ &= \frac{3}{8}x + \frac{1}{4} \sin(2x) + \frac{1}{32} \sin(4x) + C \end{aligned}$$

You can do $\sin^4(x)$ and $\sin^2(x) \cos^2(x)$ in a similar way as above.

Odd powers (identity then substitution):

$$\int \cos^3(x) dx = \int \cos^2(x) \cos(x) dx = \int (1 - \sin^2(x)) \cos(x) dx$$

then use $u = \sin(x)$ to get

$$\int 1 - u^2 du = u - \frac{1}{3}u^3 + C$$

so

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

Here is another example

$$\int \cos^2(x) \sin^3(x) dx = \int \cos^2(x) \sin^2(x) \sin(x) dx = \int \cos^2(x)(1 - \cos^2(x)) \sin(x) dx$$

then use $u = \cos(x)$ to get

$$\int -u^2(1 - u^2) du = -\frac{1}{3}u^3 + \frac{1}{5}u^5 + C$$

so

$$\int \cos^2(x) \sin^3(x) dx = -\frac{1}{3} \cos^3(x) + \frac{1}{5} \cos^5(x) + C$$