

Chapter 17

Lecture 21 Integrals with parameter(s) (I)

§ 1 The concept of integrals with parameter(s)

Defintion 1.1 Suppose $f \in C[a, b; c, d]$.

Then

$$I(y) = \int_a^b f(x, y) dx$$

is called the integral with the parameter y .



§ 2 Properties

Proposition 2.1 Suppose $f \in C[a, b; c, d]$. Then $I(y) \in C[c, d]$.

Proof It's Obvious that

$$\begin{aligned} I(y + \Delta y) - I(y) &= \int_a^b f(x, y + \Delta y) dx - \int_a^b f(x, y) dx \\ &= \int_a^b [f(x, y + \Delta y) - f(x, y)] dx. \end{aligned}$$

Since $f \in C[a, b; c, d]$, it is uniformly continuous. Hence for any $\varepsilon > 0$, there must exist some δ such that for any pairs (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) , if

$$|x_1 - x_2| < \delta \text{ and } |y_1 - y_2| < \delta,$$



then $|f(x_1, y_1) - f(x_2, y_2)| < \varepsilon$.

Hence

$$|I(y + \Delta y) - I(y)| \leq \int_a^b |f(x, y + \Delta y) - f(x, y)| dx < (b - a)\varepsilon.$$

This shows that

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow y_0} \int_a^b f(x, y) dx = \int_a^b \lim_{y \rightarrow y_0} f(x, y) dx.$$

Proposition 2.2 Suppose both f and f_y are continuous on $[a, b; c, d]$. Then

$$\frac{d}{dy} \int_a^b f(x, y) dx = \int_a^b f_y(x, y) dx = \int_a^b \frac{\partial f(x, y)}{\partial y} dx.$$

Proof The following is obvious.



$$\begin{aligned}\frac{I(y + \Delta y) - I(y)}{\Delta y} &= \frac{\int_a^b f(x, y + \Delta y) - f(x, y) dx}{\Delta y} \\ &= \int_a^b \frac{f(x, y + \Delta y) - f(x, y)}{\Delta y} dx \\ &= \int_a^b f_y(x, y + \Delta y) dx.\end{aligned}$$

where $0 < \theta < 1$.

Proposition 2.1 shows that

$$I'(y) = \int_a^b f_y(x, y) dx.$$

Proposition 2.3 Suppose that $f \in C[a, b; c, d]$, and that both $a(y)$ and $b(y) \in C[c, d]$, $a \leq a(y) \leq b$, $a \leq b(y) \leq b$.



Then

$$F(y) = \int_{a(y)}^{b(y)} f(x, y) dx$$

is continuous on $[c, d]$.

Proof Since

$$\begin{aligned} F(y + \Delta y) - F(y) &= \int_{a(y + \Delta y)}^{b(y + \Delta y)} f(x, y + \Delta y) dx - \int_{a(y)}^{b(y)} f(x, y) dx \\ &= -\int_{a(y)}^{a(y + \Delta y)} f(x, y + \Delta y) dx + \int_{b(y)}^{b(y + \Delta y)} f(x, y + \Delta y) dx \\ &\quad + \int_{a(y)}^{b(y)} [f(x, y + \Delta y) - f(x, y)] dx, \end{aligned}$$



we see that

$$\lim_{\Delta y \rightarrow 0} [F(y + \Delta y) - F(y)] = 0.$$

Proposition 2.4 Suppose $f, f_y \in C[a, b; c, d]$, $a'(y)$, $b'(y) \in C[c, d]$, $a \leq a(y)$ and $b(y) \leq b$.

Then

$$F'(y) = \frac{d}{dy} \int_{a(y)}^{b(y)} f(x, y) dx + \int_{a(y)}^{b(y)} f_y dx + f[b(y), y]b'(y) - f[a(y), y]a'(y).$$

Proof For any fixed y_0 , let

$$\begin{aligned} F(y) &= \int_{a(y_0)}^{b(y_0)} f(x, y) dx + \int_{b(y_0)}^{b(y)} f(x, y) dx - \int_{a(y_0)}^{a(y)} f(x, y) dx \\ &= F_1(y) + F_2(y) - F_3(y). \end{aligned}$$



Then

$$F_1'(y_0) = \int_{a(y_0)}^{b(y_0)} f_y dx ;$$

$$\begin{aligned} F_2'(y_0) &= \lim_{y \rightarrow y_0} \frac{F_2(y) - F_2(y_0)}{y - y_0} = \lim_{y \rightarrow y_0} \frac{\int_{b(y_0)}^{b(y)} f(x, y) dx}{y - y_0} \\ &= \lim_{y \rightarrow y_0} \left[\frac{b(y) - b(y_0)}{y - y_0} f(\bar{x}, y) \right] \\ &= f(b(y_0), y_0) b'(y_0) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$F_3'(y_0) = f(a(y_0), y_0) a'(y_0).$$

Hence

$$F'(y) = \int_{a(y)}^{b(y)} f_y(x, y) dx + f(b(y), y) b'(y) - f(a(y), y) a'(y).$$



Example 2.1 Suppose $F(y) = \int_y^{y^2} \frac{\sin yx}{x} dx$. Find $F'(y)$.

Solution

$$F'(y) = \int_y^{y^2} \cos yx dx + \frac{2 \sin y^3}{y} - \frac{\sin y^2}{y}$$
$$= \frac{3 \sin y^3 - 2 \sin y^2}{y}.$$

Example 2.2 Show that $\lim_{y \rightarrow 0^+} F(y) = \int_y^{y^2} \frac{\sin yx}{y^2} dx = -1$.

Proof

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow 0^+} F(y) = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\int_y^{y^2} \frac{\sin yx}{x} dx}{\frac{x}{y^2}} = \lim_{y \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\frac{3 \sin y^3 - 2 \sin y^2}{y}}{2y} = -1.$$



Example 2.3 Find $I(\theta) = \int_0^\pi \ln(1 + \theta \cos x) dx$ ($\theta \in (-1, 1)$).

Solution Let

$$f(\theta, x) = 1 + \theta \cos x, \quad f_\theta(\theta, x) = \frac{\cos x}{1 + \theta \cos x}.$$

Then

$$f, f_\theta \in C[0, \pi; a, b],$$

where $0 < b < 1$.

Proposition 2.2 shows that

$$I'(\theta) = \int_0^\pi \frac{\cos x}{1 + \theta \cos x} dx = \frac{\pi}{\theta} - \frac{1}{\theta} \int_0^\pi \frac{1}{1 + \theta \cos x} dx.$$



Since

$$\int \frac{dx}{1+\theta \cos x} = \frac{2}{\theta \sqrt{1-\theta^2}} \arctan \left(\sqrt{\frac{1-\theta}{1+\theta}} \tan x \right) + C \quad \left(t = \tan \frac{x}{2} \right),$$

we see that

$$I'(\theta) = \frac{\pi}{\theta} - \frac{2}{\theta \sqrt{1-\theta^2}} \frac{\pi}{2} = \pi \left(\frac{1}{\theta} - \frac{1}{\theta \sqrt{1-\theta^2}} \right).$$

It follows that

$$I(\theta) = \pi \left(\log \theta + \log \frac{1+\sqrt{1-\theta^2}}{\theta} \right) + C = \pi \log \left(1+\sqrt{1-\theta^2} \right) + C.$$

The hypothesis $I(0) = 0$ implies $C = -\pi \log 2$. Hence

$$I(\theta) = \pi \log \left(1+\sqrt{1-\theta^2} \right) - \pi \log 2 = \pi \frac{\log \left(1+\sqrt{1-\theta^2} \right)}{2}.$$



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