

Why is $\int \tan x \, dx = \ln |\sec x| + C$?

$$\int \tan x \, dx = \int \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} \, dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} & (\text{Let } u = \cos x \xrightarrow{D} du = -\sin x \, dx \\ & \rightarrow -du = \sin x \, dx) \end{aligned}$$

$$= -\int \frac{1}{u} \, du = -\ln |u| + C$$

$$= -\ln |\cos x| + C = \ln |\cos x|^{-1} + C$$

$$= \ln |\sec x| + C.$$

Why is $\int \sec x \, dx = \ln |\sec x + \tan x| + C$?

$$\int \sec x \, dx = \int \sec x \cdot \frac{\sec x + \tan x}{\sec x + \tan x} \, dx$$

$$= \int \frac{\sec^2 x + \sec x \tan x}{\sec x + \tan x} \, dx$$

$$(\text{Let } u = \sec x + \tan x \xrightarrow{D} du = (\sec x \tan x + \sec^2 x) \, dx)$$

$$= \int \frac{1}{u} \, du = \ln |u| + C$$

$$= \ln |\sec x + \tan x| + C.$$