

## Integrals of the form $\int \tan^n x \sec^m x dx$

1. If the power of  $\tan x$  is odd and positive, save a secant-tangent factor and convert the remaining tangents to secants. Then let  $u = \sec x$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int \tan^{\overbrace{2k+1}^{\text{Odd}}} x \sec^m x dx &= \int \overbrace{(\tan^2 x)^k}^{\text{Convert}} \sec^{m-1} x \overbrace{\sec x \tan x dx}^{\text{Save for } du} \\
 &= \int (\sec^2 x - 1)^k \sec^{m-1} x \sec x \tan x dx \\
 &= \int (u^2 - 1)^k u^{m-1} du
 \end{aligned}$$

2. If the power of  $\sec x$  is even and positive, save one  $\sec^2 x$  factor and convert the remaining secants to tangents. Then let  $u = \tan x$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int \tan^n x \sec^{\overbrace{2k+2}^{\text{Even}}} x dx &= \int \tan^n x \overbrace{(\sec^2 x)^k}^{\text{Convert}} \overbrace{\sec^2 x dx}^{\text{Save for } du} \\
 &= \int \tan^n x (1 + \tan^2 x)^k \sec^2 x dx \\
 &= \int u^n (1 + u^2)^k du
 \end{aligned}$$

3. If there are no secants and the power of  $\tan x$  is even and positive, convert a  $\tan^2 x$  factor to a  $\sec^2 x$  factor. Then expand, use #2, and repeat if necessary.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int \tan^{\overbrace{2k+2}^{\text{Even}}} x dx &= \int \tan^{2k} x \overbrace{\tan^2 x}^{\text{Convert}} dx \\
 &= \int \tan^{2k} x (\sec^2 x - 1) dx \\
 &= \int \tan^{2k} x \sec^2 x dx - \int \tan^{2k} x dx
 \end{aligned}$$

4. If the integral has the form  $\int \sec^m x dx$  where  $m$  is odd and positive, use integration-by-parts by setting  $f(x) = \sec^{m-2} x$  and  $g'(x) = \sec^2 x$ .

5. If all else fails, try converting to sines and cosines.