

[106r]

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Dear M^r De Morgan. You are perhaps surprised that I have not sooner troubled you again. And you may think it a very bad reason to give, that I have done nothing. We returned here on Tuesday, & now I am working away famously, & hope I have before me 7 or 8 months of ditto. You left me at page 106. I remember your enquiry if I were sure that I understood $\int_b^{b+k} f x \times \frac{dx}{dt}$ as developed [*sic*] in pages 102, 103. I answered confidently, that I did. I now enclose you my own development of this Integration, that we may be quite certain of my comprehension of [something crossed out] it. On the other page of my sheet, is the application of it to $\int u dv = uv - \int v du$ (page 105); & to $\int_a^x \frac{1}{v} \frac{dv}{dx} dx$ (page 107).

I have now two questions to propose.

I differ from you in my development of $\int \frac{1}{1-x} dx$
(see page 107)

[106v] I cannot see why the Constant C is omitted in this more than in $\int \frac{1}{1+x} dx$.

I subjoin my development: Let $v = 1 - x$
 $\int \frac{1}{1-x} dx = \int \frac{1}{1-x} \times -(-1) dx$ (which is only another way of writing $\int \frac{1}{1-x} \cdot 1 \cdot dx$)

And as $\frac{dv}{dx}$ or $\frac{d(1-x)}{dx} = -1$, we may in the

above substitute $\int \frac{1}{1-x} dx = \int \frac{1}{1-x} \times - \left(\frac{d(1-x)}{dx} \right) dx$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Or } \int \frac{1}{v} dx &= \int \frac{1}{v} \times -\frac{dv}{dx} dx \\ &= \int \frac{1}{v} \frac{dv}{dx} \cdot (-1) dx \text{ which by} \end{aligned}$$

$\int b u dx = b \int u dx$ (see page 105) is $= (-1) \int \frac{1}{v} \frac{dv}{dx} dx$
or $= - \int \frac{1}{v} \frac{dv}{dx} dx$

Now since by line 4, $\int \frac{1}{v} \frac{dv}{dx} dx = \int \frac{1}{v} dv =$
 $= \log v + C$, it follows that

(— this same expression) must $= -(\log v + C)$
 $= -(\log(1-x) + C) = -\log(1-x) - C$
 $= \log \frac{1}{1-x} - C$

[107r] Now how do you get rid of $(-C)$? —

My second question is unconnected with any of your books. _ But I think I may venture to trouble you with it. _ In the two equations,

$$V = gT \quad (1)$$

$$S = \frac{1}{2}g.T^2 \quad (2)$$

which you will at once recognise, I want to know how (2) is derived from (1). __

Will you refer to Mechanics (in the Useful Knowledge Library), page 10, Note, which is as follows, "Let S be the space described by the "falling body. $V = \frac{dS}{dT} = gT$. Hence $dS = gT dT$, "which being integrated gives $S = \frac{1}{2}g.T^2$."

Now can I ['as yet' inserted] understand this application of Differentiation & Integration? __

I conclude that $\frac{dS}{dT}$ here means

Diff. co of S with respect to T , S being (by Definition & Hypothesis) a function of T , & of V

I know that $V = gT$

And that $V = \frac{S}{T}$ But I neither see how $V = \frac{dS}{dT}$, nor how the subsequent Integration applies. [107v] The object, I need not say, is the solution of S .

I mean to work very hard at my Chapter on Integration &c, now. __ And I hope this summer & autumn will see me progressing at no small rate.

How is the Baby? __ And does M^{rs} De Morgan enjoy Highgate? I ['am' inserted] enjoying the country not a little, I assure you.

Yours most truly

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