

28.9 Partial Fractions

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$$\int \frac{1}{2x+3} dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} u &= 2x+3 \\ du &= 2dx \\ dx &= du/2 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{du}{u}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \ln|u| + C$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \ln|2x+3| + C$$

Shortcut

$$\int \frac{dx}{ax+b} = \frac{1}{a} \ln|ax+b| + C$$

$$\underline{\text{Ex:}} \quad \int \frac{5x+1}{x^2+5x} dx = \int \frac{5x+1}{x(x+5)} dx$$

$$\frac{5x+1}{x(x+5)} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x+5} \quad A, B: \text{constants}$$

"partial fraction expansion"

Multiply by $x(x+5)$:

$$5x+1 = A(x+5) + Bx$$

Sub appropriate values

$$x=0: \quad 1 = 5A$$

$$A = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$x=-5: \quad -24 = -5B$$

$$B = \frac{24}{5}$$

Conclude $\frac{5x+1}{x(x+5)} = \frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{x} + \frac{24}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{x+5}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Integral} &= \int \left(\frac{1}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{x} + \frac{24}{5} \cdot \frac{1}{x+5} \right) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{5} \ln|x| + \frac{24}{5} \ln|x+5| + C \\ &= \frac{1}{5} [\ln|x| + 24 \ln|x+5|] + C \end{aligned}$$

Recall $n \ln a = \ln a^n$
 $\ln a + \ln b = \ln(ab)$

$$= \frac{1}{5} \ln |x(x+5)^{24}| + C$$

Ex: $\int \frac{x+1}{x(x-1)(2x+1)} dx$

$$\frac{x+1}{x(x-1)(2x+1)} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x-1} + \frac{C}{2x+1}$$

$$x+1 = A(x-1)(2x+1) + Bx(2x+1) + Cx(x-1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} x=0: \quad 1 &= -A \\ A &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x=1: \quad 2 &= B(1)(3) \\ B &= \frac{2}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{2x+1=0}$$

$$x = -\frac{1}{2} :$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} &= C\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{1}{2}-1\right) \\ \frac{1}{2} &= C\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{3}{2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{4}C$$

$$C = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{4}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Integral} &= \int \left(\frac{-1}{x} + \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{x-1} + \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{2x+1} \right) dx \\ &= -\ln|x| + \frac{2}{3} \ln|x-1| + \cancel{\frac{2}{3}} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \ln|2x+1| + C \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \left[-3\ln|x| + 2\ln|x-1| + \ln|2x+1| \right] + C \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \left[\ln|x|^{-3} + \ln|x-1|^2 + \ln|2x+1| \right] + C \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \ln \left| \frac{(x-1)^2(2x+1)}{x^3} \right| + C \end{aligned}$$

Review : Long Division

$$\frac{4x^3 - 6x^2 + 11}{2x^2 - x + 3} = ?$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \boxed{2x^3} - x + 3 \quad \swarrow \begin{array}{l} 2x-2 \\ 2x-2 \end{array} \\ \underline{4x^3 - 6x^2 + 0x + 11} \\ -(4x^3 - 2x^2 + 6x) \\ \hline \boxed{-4x^2} - 6x + 11 \\ -(-4x^2 + 2x - 6) \\ \hline -8x + 17 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{4x^3 - 6x^2 + 11}{2x^2 - x + 3} = 2x - 2 + \frac{-8x + 17}{2x^2 - x + 3}$$

$$F_x: \quad (4x^3 + 5x^2 - 8x + 1) \dots$$

Ex: $\int \frac{4x^3 + 5x^2 - 8x + 1}{x^2 + x - 2} dx$

If degree (numerator) $\geq$ degree (denominator)
then do long division first

$$\begin{array}{r} \swarrow 4x+1 \\ x^2+x-2 \overline{) 4x^3+5x^2-8x+1} \\ \underline{-(4x^3+4x^2-8x)} \\ x^2 \\ \underline{-(x^2+x-2)} \\ -x+3 \end{array}$$

$$\text{Integral} = \int \left(4x+1 + \frac{-x+3}{x^2+x-2} \right) dx$$

$$\frac{-x+3}{(x+2)(x-1)} = \frac{A}{x+2} + \frac{B}{x-1}$$

$$\boxed{-x+3 = A(x-1) + B(x+2)}$$

$$\text{Sub } x=1: \quad \begin{aligned} 2 &= 3B \\ B &= 2/3 \end{aligned}$$

$$x=-2: \quad \begin{aligned} 5 &= A(-3) \\ A &= -5/3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Integral} &= \int \left(4x+1 - \frac{5}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{x+2} + \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{x-1} \right) dx \\ &= 2x^2+x - \frac{5}{3} \ln|x+2| + \frac{2}{3} \ln|x-1| + C \\ &= 2x^2+x + \frac{1}{3} [-5 \ln|x+2| + 2 \ln|x-1|] + C \end{aligned}$$

$$= 2x^2 + x + \frac{1}{3} [\ln|x+2|^{-5} + \ln|x-1|^2] + C$$

$$= 2x^2 + x + \frac{1}{3} \ln \left| \frac{(x-1)^2}{(x+2)^5} \right| + C$$

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