

## 8.5 Partial Fractions Cont'd

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

$$\begin{aligned} 2x^3 + 3x^2 - 2x &= x(2x^2 + 3x - 2) \\ &= x(2x + ?)(x + ?) \\ &= x(2x - 1)(x + 2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{x^2 + 2x - 1}{\cancel{2x^3 + 3x^2 - 2x}} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{2x - 1} + \frac{C}{x + 2}$$

$x(2x - 1)(x + 2)$

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

$$x = 0: \quad -1 = A(-1)(2) \Rightarrow A = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$x = -2: \quad -1 = C(-2)(-5) \Rightarrow C = \frac{-1}{10}$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2}: \quad \frac{1}{4} = B\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{5}{2}\right) \Rightarrow 1 = 5B \Rightarrow B = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$\text{Integral} = \int \left[ \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{5} \frac{1}{(2x - 1)} - \frac{1}{10} \frac{1}{(x + 2)} \right] dx$$

Shortcut

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

$$= \frac{1}{2} \ln|x| + \frac{1}{10} \ln|2x - 1| - \frac{1}{10} \ln|x + 2| + C$$

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

Ex:  $\int \frac{2x^3 - 3x^2 - 3x - 10}{x^2 - 2x - 3} dx$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2x+1 \\ (x^2-2x-3) \overline{) 2x^3 - 3x^2 - 3x - 10} \\ \underline{-(2x^3 - 4x^2 - 6x)} \phantom{-10} \\ x^2 + 3x - 10 \\ \underline{-(x^2 - 2x - 3)} \\ 5x - 7 \end{array}$$

$$\text{Integrand} = 2x+1 + \frac{5x-7}{x^2-2x-3}$$

$$\frac{5x-7}{\cancel{x^2-2x-3}} = \frac{A}{x+1} + \frac{B}{x-3}$$

$(x+1)(x-3)$

$$5x-7 = A(x-3) + B(x+1)$$

$$x=3: \quad 8 = B(4) \quad \Rightarrow \quad B=2$$

$$x=-1: \quad -12 = A(-4) \quad \Rightarrow \quad A=3$$

$$\text{Integrand} = 2x+1 + \frac{3}{x+1} + \frac{2}{x-3}$$

$$\text{Integral} = x^2 + x + 3 \ln|x+1| + 2 \ln|x-3| + C$$

We've looked at denominators  
consisting of distinct linear factors.

## Repeated Linear Factors

FACT

$$\frac{\text{Polynomial}}{(x+1)(x+5)^2} = \frac{A}{x+1} + \frac{B}{x+5} + \frac{C}{(x+5)^2}$$

$$\frac{\text{Polynomial}}{(x+1)(x+5)^n} = \frac{A}{x+1} + \frac{A_1}{x+5} + \frac{A_2}{(x+5)^2} + \dots + \frac{A_n}{(x+5)^n}$$

(assuming long division is not required)

Ex:  $\int \frac{2x}{(x+1)(x+2)^3} dx$

$$\frac{2x}{(x+1)(x+2)^3} = \frac{A}{x+1} + \frac{B}{x+2} + \frac{C}{(x+2)^2} + \frac{D}{(x+2)^3}$$

$$2x = A(x+2)^3 + B(x+1)(x+2)^2 + C(x+1)(x+2) + D(x+1)$$

$$x = -2: \quad -4 = D(-1) \Rightarrow D = 4$$

$$x = -1: \quad -2 = A$$

$$x^3 \text{ coefficient: } 0 = A + B \Rightarrow B = 2$$

Sub any number,  $x = 0$ :

$$0 = A(8) + B(4) + C(2) + D(1)$$

$$0 = -16 + 8 + 2C + 4$$

$$4 = 2C$$

$$C = 2$$

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

$$= -2 \ln|x+1| + 2 \ln|x+2|$$

$$-2(x+2)^{-1} - 2(x+2)^{-2} + C$$

Drill

$$\int \frac{190}{u^2} du = -190u^{-1} + C$$

$$\int \frac{190}{(x+71)^2} dx = -190(x+71)^{-1} + C$$

$$\int \frac{190}{(2x+71)^2} dx = \frac{-190}{2} (2x+71)^{-1} + C$$

(could do substitution)

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## Irreducible Quadratic Factors

$ax^2 + bx + c$  is irreducible (can't be factored)  
if  $b^2 - 4ac < 0$

Ex:  $x^2 + 4$  is irreducible  
 $x^2 + 4x + 13$       "

FACT

$$\frac{\text{Polynomial}}{(x+3)(x^2+4)} = \frac{A}{x+3} + \frac{Bx+C}{x^2+4}$$

$$\frac{\text{Polynomial}}{(x+3)(x^2+4)^2} = \frac{A}{x+3} + \frac{Bx+C}{x^2+4} + \frac{Dx+E}{(x^2+4)^2}$$

(assuming long division  
is not required)

Note: Every polynomial can be factored into linear and irreducible quadratic factors.

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

$$\begin{aligned}x^4+3x^2-4 &= (x^2+?)(x^2+?) \\ &= (x^2-1)(x^2+4) \\ &= (x-1)(x+1)(x^2+4)\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{2x+1}{(x-1)(x+1)(x^2+4)} = \frac{A}{x-1} + \frac{B}{x+1} + \frac{Cx+D}{x^2+4}$$

$$2x+1 = A(x+1)(x^2+4) + B(x-1)(x^2+4) + (Cx+D)(x-1)(x+1)$$

$$x = -1 : -1 = B(-2)(5) \Rightarrow B = \frac{1}{10}$$

$$x = 1 : 3 = A(2)(5) \Rightarrow A = \frac{3}{10}$$

$$x^3 \text{ Koeffizient: } 0 = A + B + C$$

$$0 = \frac{3}{10} + \frac{1}{10} + C$$

$$C = \frac{-4}{10} = \frac{-2}{5}$$

$$x = 0 : 1 = A(4) + B(-4) + (D)(-1)$$

$$1 = \frac{12}{10} - \frac{4}{10} - D$$

$$D = \frac{12}{10} - \frac{4}{10} - \frac{10}{10}$$

$$D = \frac{-2}{10} = \frac{-1}{5}$$

$$\text{Integral} = \int \left[ \frac{3}{10} \frac{1}{(x-1)} + \frac{1}{10} \frac{1}{(x+1)} - \frac{2x}{5(x^2+4)} - \frac{1}{5} \frac{1}{(x^2+4)} \right] dx$$

$$= \frac{3}{10} \ln|x-1| + \frac{1}{10} \ln|x+1|$$

$$- \frac{1}{5} \ln|x^2+4| - \frac{1}{10} \tan^{-1} \frac{x}{2} + C$$