

Quiz Scores

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Daily Quiz

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5.7 Partial Fractions (Repeated Factors)

Find $\int \frac{x+3}{(x-1)^2} dx$.

Note: For repeated factors like " $(x-1)^2$ " in the denominator, the Residue method doesn't work because it assumes each factor has power 1.

The desired form of partial fractions for a twice-repeated factor is

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

We use the 5-step process to find A and B to solve the integral.

① Clear the denominator

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

5.7 Partial Fractions (Repeated Factors)

Find $\int \frac{x+3}{(x-1)^2} dx$.

② Collect the coefficients

$$x+3 = x[A] + [-A+B]$$

③ Set the coefficients equal

$$1 = A$$

$$3 = -A + B$$

④ Solve for A and B

$$A = 1$$

$$3 = -1 + B$$

$$4 = B$$

⑤ Integrate

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

Simple u-sub

$$= \ln|x-1| + 4(-(x-1)^{-1}) + C$$

5.7 Partial Fractions (Irreducible Factors)

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

A non-constant polynomial is **irreducible** if its coefficients are real numbers and it cannot be factored into a product of **two** non-constant polynomials with real coefficients. For real polynomials, irreducible polynomials are either degree 1 or degree 2.

Let's factor the denominator.

$$x^3 + 4x = x(x^2 + 4) = x(x + 2i)(x - 2i)$$

Observe that $x^2 + 4$ cannot be factored over the real numbers because it has only complex roots. Hence $x^2 + 4$ is irreducible.

With irreducible polynomials in the denominator, we use a different technique for partial fraction decomposition.

5.7 Partial Fractions (Irreducible Factors)

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

The desired form is

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

The numerator's degree for the set-up is 1 fewer than the degree of the denominator as long as the denominator is not a repeated factor.

The Residue Method doesn't work in this case so we use the 5-step method.

① Clear the denominator

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

$$\begin{aligned} 2x^2 - x + 4 &= A(x^2 + 4) + (Bx + C)x \\ &= Ax^2 + 4A + Bx^2 + Cx \end{aligned}$$

5.7 Partial Fractions (Irreducible Factors)

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

② Collect the coefficients

$$2x^2 - x + 4 = x^2[A+B] + x[C] + [4A]$$

③ Set the coefficients equal

$$2 = A+B$$

$$-1 = C$$

$$4 = 4A$$

④ Solve for A, B, C

$$C = -1$$

$$A = 1$$

$$B = 1$$

⑤ Integrate

$$\int \frac{2x^2 - x + 4}{x(x^2 + 4)} dx = \int \frac{1}{x} dx + \int \frac{x-1}{x^2+4} dx$$

$$= \ln|x| + \int \frac{x}{x^2+4} dx - \int \frac{1}{x^2+4} dx$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\substack{u\text{-sub} \\ u = x^2+4}} \qquad \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\substack{u\text{-sub} \\ u = \frac{x}{2}}}$

$$= \ln|x| + \frac{1}{2} \ln|x^2+4| - \frac{1}{2} \arctan\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) + C$$

5.7 Partial Fractions (Higher degree in the numerator)

Use long division to evaluate $\int \frac{x^3 + 4}{x^2 + 4} dx$.

If the degree of the numerator is higher than that of the denominator, we use long division and perform partial fraction decomposition on the remainder.

$$\begin{array}{r} x \\ x^2+4 \overline{) x^3 + 0x^2 + 0x + 4} \\ \underline{-(x^3 + + 4x)} \\ 0 + 0 - 4x + 4 \end{array} \quad R = -4x + 4$$

Hence
$$\frac{x^3 + 4}{x^2 + 4} = x + \frac{-4x + 4}{x^2 + 4}$$

5.7 Partial Fractions (Higher degree in the numerator)

Use long division to evaluate $\int \frac{x^3 + 4}{x^2 + 4} dx$.

Now we can use partial fraction decomposition on $\frac{-4x+4}{x^2+4}$. But observe that x^2+4 is irreducible. Hence no further work is needed with decomposition. We can then integrate:

$$\int \frac{x^3+4}{x^2+4} dx = \int x + \frac{-4x+4}{x^2+4} dx$$

$$= \int x dx - \int \frac{4x}{x^2+4} dx + \int \frac{4}{x^2+4} dx$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{x^2}{2} - 2 \ln|x^2+4| + 2 \arctan\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) + C}$$