

MA161 - wk 3 - Th
warm-up

$$\textcircled{1} \int \frac{26x}{\sqrt{x^2-4}} dx \quad u = x^2 - 4$$

Goal:
compute

$$\int \frac{1}{x^2 + 7x + 12} dx$$

$$\parallel$$
$$\int \frac{1}{x+3} + \frac{-1}{x+4} dx$$

$$\boxed{\ln|x+3| - \ln|x+4| + C}$$

Note: The step 2 above works whenever you see
DISTINCT DEGREE ONE roots downstairs

Method of
Partial Fractions (Integration Technique)

General Principle:

$$\frac{1}{x^2 + 7x + 12} = \text{sum of simpler rational expressions}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \text{ factor denom: } x^2 + 7x + 12 = (x+3)(x+4)$$

$$\textcircled{2} \frac{1}{x^2 + 7x + 12} = \frac{A}{x+3} + \frac{B}{x+4} \quad A, B \text{ are both unknown}$$

$\textcircled{3}$ solve for A, B .

"clear denominators" (multiply both sides by LCD)
($x+3$)($x+4$)

$$1 = A(x+4) + B(x+3)$$

$\textcircled{4}$ continue to solve for A, B

$$\text{sub: } x = -4 \Rightarrow 1 = \underbrace{A(-4+4)}_0 + B(-4+3) \quad \text{So: } 1 = -B$$

$$\boxed{B = -1}$$

$$x = -3 \Rightarrow 1 = A(-3+4) = A(1)$$

$$\boxed{A = 1}$$

Non-distinct roots
(repeated)

$$\int \frac{1}{x(x-1)^2} dx = \int \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{x-1} + \frac{1}{(x-1)^2} dx = \boxed{\ln|x| - \ln|x-1| - \frac{1}{x-1} + C}$$

① Denom: $x(x-1)(x-1)$

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

include a fraction for each sub-factor

② clear denom: multi. by LCD $x(x-1)^2$

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

$$\int \frac{1}{(x-1)^2} dx \quad \begin{matrix} u = x-1 \\ du = dx \end{matrix}$$

$$\int \frac{1}{u^2} du = \int u^{-2} du = \frac{u^{-1}}{-1} = \frac{-1}{x-1}$$

③ LHS: x^2 coef = 0
constant = 1

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

$$\begin{bmatrix} Ax^2 - 2Ax + A \\ + Bx^2 - Bx + Cx \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow (A+B)x^2 + (-2A-B)x + A+C$$

RHS: x^2 coef = $A+B$ & $A+B = 0$
constant = A & $A = 1$
 $\Rightarrow A = 1$
 $B = -1$

To find C:
set $x=1 \Rightarrow 1 = A \cdot 0 + B \cdot 1 \cdot 0 + C(1)$
 $C = 1$

Irreducible case

$$-\int \frac{x}{a} \frac{1}{x} dx = -\frac{1}{2} \int \frac{1}{x} dx$$

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

Quar. Form

See: x^2+1 doesn't factor (irreducible) verify: $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$ discriminant

negative discriminant

$$\text{eg. } x^2+1 = ax^2+bx+c \\ a=1, c=1$$

$$b^2 - 4ac = 0 - 4 \cdot 1 \cdot 1 = -4 < 0$$

$$\textcircled{1} \frac{1}{x(x^2+1)} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{Bx+C}{x^2+1}$$

as usual for degree, but $Bx+C$ over the irreducible factor.

$$\textcircled{2} 1 = A(x^2+1) + (Bx+C)x$$

$$\text{set } x=0 \Rightarrow 1 = A(0^2+1) + 0 \quad \textcircled{A=1}$$

$$\text{update } 1 = x^2+1 + Bx^2 + Cx = (1+B)x^2 + Cx + 1$$

$$\textcircled{C=0} \text{ since LHS has no } x\text{-term} \\ 1+B=0 \quad \text{''} \quad \text{''} \quad \text{''} \quad \text{''} \quad x^2\text{-term} \quad \textcircled{B=-1}$$