

## Module A3: Partial Fractions

Calculate the integral of  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^n(x-a)}$  where n is a positive integer and  $a \neq 0$ .

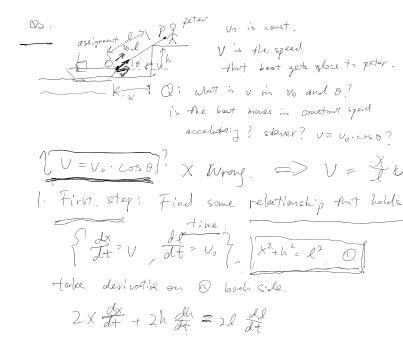
Hint 1: Try this out for various values of n and see if you notice a pattern.

Hint 2: Find the coefficient A of  $\frac{1}{x-a}$ , subtract  $\frac{A}{x-a}$  from f(x), simplify the resulting difference, and use the fact that  $x^n-a^n=(x-a)(x^{n-1}+x^{n-2}a+\cdots+xa^{n-2}+a^{n-1})$ 

First very: 
$$\frac{1}{x-a} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n \cdot (-1) \cdot a^{-(n+1)}$$

$$\int x^n, \quad \frac{1}{x-a} dx = \int x^n \left( \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} x^i (-i) \cdot a^{-(i+1)} \right) dx$$

$$= -\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} x^{i} \cdot (-1) \cdot a^{-(i+1)} dx$$



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then 
$$\frac{dh}{dt} = 0$$
 $X \cdot \frac{dX}{dt} = 1 \cdot \frac{dl}{at}$ 
 $X \cdot v_2 = 1 \cdot v_0$ 
 $V = \frac{1}{x} v_0 = \frac{1}{\cos \theta} \cdot \frac{d\cos \theta}{d\cos \theta}$ 
 $2 \cdot \text{tell how the boat moves,}$ 
 $as \times 1 \cdot 0 \cdot 0$ 
 $accelerates$ 

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