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Today: Partial Fractions.

eg. $\int \frac{1}{x+3} dx = \ln|x+3| + C$

eg. $\int \frac{1}{x^2-4} dx$

Most basic case
of Partial Fraction
Decomposition

x^2-4

$= (x-2)(x+2)$

$\frac{1}{x^2-4}$

$\frac{A}{x-2} + \frac{B}{x+2}$

To get $A, B \Rightarrow$ kill fractions!

$$\underline{\underline{\frac{1}{x^2-4}}} = \frac{A}{x-2} + \frac{B}{x+2} \quad \left. \vphantom{\frac{1}{x^2-4}} \right\} \text{mult. by } (x-2) \cdot (x+2)$$

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

plug in values: $x = -2 \rightsquigarrow 1 = A(0) - 4B$

$$B = \underline{\underline{-1/4}}$$

$x = +2 \rightsquigarrow 1 = 4A + (0)B$

$$\underline{\underline{A = 1/4}}$$

So

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 \underline{\underline{=}} \quad \int \frac{1}{x^2-4} dx &= \frac{1}{4} \int \frac{1}{x-2} dx - \frac{1}{4} \int \frac{1}{x+2} dx \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} \ln|x-2| - \frac{1}{4} \ln|x+2| + C \\
 &= \frac{1}{4} \ln \left| \frac{x-2}{x+2} \right| + C \\
 &= \ln \left\{ \left(\frac{x-2}{x+2} \right)^{1/4} \right\} + C.
 \end{aligned}$$

eg. $\int \frac{x+2}{x(x+1)(x+3)} dx$

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

kill
fraction!

$$x+2 = A(x+1)(x+3) + Bx(x+3) + Cx(x+1).$$

We now could plug in $x = -1, -3, 0$ & solve for A, B, C .

Alternate (more powerful) method: Collect like powers!

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{0x^2 + x + 2} &= Ax^2 + Bx^2 + Cx^2 \\ &\quad + 4Ax + 3Bx + Cx \\ &\quad + 3A \end{aligned}$$

"Two polynomials are equal iff coefficients are equal"

$$x^2 \rightsquigarrow 0 = A + B + C$$

$$x \rightsquigarrow 1 = 4A + 3B + C$$

$$\text{const} \rightsquigarrow 2 = 3A.$$

$$A = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$B + C = -\frac{2}{3}$$

$$C = -B - \frac{2}{3}$$

$$1 = \frac{8}{3} + \cancel{3B} - \cancel{B} - \frac{2}{3}$$

$$2B = -1 \Rightarrow B = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$C = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{2}{3} = -\frac{1}{6}$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{x+2}{x(x+1)(x+3)} dx$$

$$= \int \frac{\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^A}{x} dx + \int \frac{\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^B}{x+1} dx + \int \frac{\left(-\frac{1}{6}\right)^C}{x+3} dx$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \ln|x| - \frac{1}{2} \ln|x+1| - \frac{1}{6} \ln|x+3| + C$$

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

~~2~~ 3 > 2

order of top > order denom!

⇒ divide!

Note

$$\frac{?}{x^2+2x} = \frac{?}{x(x+2)} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x+2}$$

$$= \frac{A(x+2) + Bx}{x(x+2)}$$

In general

order of numerator < denom.
order!

$$\begin{array}{r} x-2 \\ x^2+2x+0 \overline{) x^3+0x^2-x+3} \\ \underline{x^3+2x^2} \\ -2x^2-x \end{array}$$

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

$$3x+3$$

↓ Remainder!

$$\frac{x^3 - x + 3}{x^2 + 2x}$$

$$= x - 2 +$$

$$\frac{3x+3}{x^2+2x}$$

order $1 < 2$ ✓

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H.W.!

$$\frac{3x+3}{x^2+2x}$$

$$= \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x+2}$$

$$3x+3 = Ax + Bx + 2A$$

$$x \rightsquigarrow A+B=3 \quad \text{wot} \quad \hookrightarrow A = \underline{\underline{\frac{3}{2}}}, \quad B = 3 - \frac{3}{2} = \underline{\underline{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

$$\underline{\underline{So}} \quad \int \frac{x^3 - x + 3}{x^2 + 2x} dx = \int x - 2 dx + \int \frac{(3/2)}{x} dx + \int \frac{3/2}{x+2} dx$$

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

eg. $\int \frac{1}{x^2(x+1)} dx$

↑
"repeated root"

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

In general.

$$\frac{1}{(x-a)^{(n)}(x-b)}$$

One term for each power!

$$= \frac{A_1}{x-a} + \frac{A_2}{(x-a)^2} + \dots + \frac{A_n}{(x-a)^n} + \frac{B}{x-b}.$$

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

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

$$1 = A x^2 + A x$$

$$+ C x^2 + B x + B$$

$$x^2 \leadsto 0 = A + C \quad x \leadsto 0 = A + B$$

$$\text{const} \leadsto \underline{1 = B} \Rightarrow \underline{A = -1} \Rightarrow C = 1.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{1}{x^2(x+1)} dx &= \int \frac{-1}{x} dx + \int \frac{1}{x^2} dx + \int \frac{1}{x+1} dx \\ &= -\ln|x| - \underline{\underline{\frac{1}{x}}} + \ln|x+1| + C \end{aligned}$$

$$= \ln \left| \frac{x+1}{x} \right| - \frac{1}{x} + C$$

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