

Integrating Rational Functions III

What to do with more in the denominator:

$$\int \frac{x^2+x+1}{(ax^2+bx+c)^3(dx^2+ex+f)(x-g)^2} dx \rightarrow \text{assume these are irreducible quadratic}$$

$$= \int \frac{Ax+B}{(ax^2+bx+c)^3} dx + \int \frac{Cx+D}{(ax^2+bx+c)^2} dx + \int \frac{Ex+F}{ax^2+bx+c} dx + \int \frac{Gx+H}{dx^2+ex+f} dx + \int \frac{I}{(x-g)^2} dx + \int \frac{J}{x-g} dx$$

- Break it up according to a complete factorization of the denominator and step down from the biggest power of each factor

To do any of this you need a fully factored denominator... and factoring polynomials is hard.

$$x^5+x^3+x+15 \quad \text{factor this??}$$

We can factor quadratics (or tell if they're irreducible) by using the quadratic formula.

$$\text{ex: } 3x^2+2x+4=0$$

$$\frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2-4ac}}{2a}$$

$$= \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{2^2-4(3)(4)}}{2 \cdot 3}$$

$$= \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{56}}{6} \quad \text{so this will factor as } 3\left(x - \frac{-2 + \sqrt{56}}{6}\right)\left(x + \frac{-2 - \sqrt{56}}{6}\right)$$

There are cubic & quadratic formulas that can be used for 3rd & 4th degree, but after that there are no general factorization formulas.

$$\text{ex: } \int \frac{1}{x^4-1} dx$$

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

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

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

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{(x-1)(x+1)(x^2+1)} &= \frac{A}{x-1} + \frac{B}{x+1} + \frac{Cx+D}{x^2+1} \\ &= \frac{A(x+1)(x^2+1) + B(x-1)(x^2+1) + (Cx+D)(x-1)(x+1)}{(x-1)(x+1)(x^2+1)} \\ &= \frac{A(x^3+x^2+x+1) + B(x^3-x^2+x-1) + (Cx+D)(x^2-1)}{(x-1)(x+1)(x^2+1)} \\ &= \frac{Ax^3+Ax^2+Ax+A + Bx^3-Bx^2+Bx-B + Cx^3+Dx^2-Cx-D}{(x-1)(x+1)(x^2+1)} \\ &= \frac{(A+B+C)x^3 + (A-B+D)x^2 + (A+B-C)x + (A-B-D)}{(x-1)(x+1)(x^2+1)} \end{aligned}$$

using linear algebra

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{R_2-R_1 \\ R_3-R_1 \\ R_4-R_1}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 1) & A+B+C=0 \\ 2) & A-B+D=0 \\ 3) & A+B-C=0 \\ 4) & A-B-D=1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{(x-1)(x+1)(x^2+1)} = \frac{0x^3+0x^2+0x+1}{(x-1)(x+1)(x^2+1)}$$

Solving using substitution

$$2) - 4) = 2D = -1 \quad D = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$1) - 3) = 2C = 0 \quad C = 0$$

$$1) + B = 0$$

$$2) A - B = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$1) + 2) = 2A = \frac{1}{2} \quad A = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$1) - 2) = 2B = -\frac{1}{2} \quad B = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_4-R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 + \frac{1}{2}R_4} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & -1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{R_2 - \frac{1}{2}R_3 \\ R_1 + \frac{1}{2}R_3}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 + \frac{1}{2}R_2}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{4} \\ 0 & -2 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{\frac{1}{2}R_2 \\ \frac{1}{2}R_3 \\ \frac{1}{2}R_4}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{4} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{aligned} A &= \frac{1}{4} \\ B &= -\frac{1}{4} \\ C &= 0 \\ D &= -\frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \int \frac{1/4}{x-1} dx + \int \frac{-1/4}{x+1} dx + \int \frac{0x - \frac{1}{2}}{x^2-1} dx$$

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

$u = x-1 \quad du = dx$
 $w = x+1 \quad dw = dx$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \int \frac{1}{u} du - \frac{1}{4} \int \frac{1}{w} dw - \frac{1}{2} \arctan(x)$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \ln(u) - \frac{1}{4} \ln(w) - \frac{1}{2} \arctan(x) + C$$

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