

## Calculus 112 Practice Problems

### Section 7.4      Problems #38, #45, #46, #48

38. The denominator  $x^2 - 3x + 2$  can be factored as  $(x - 1)(x - 2)$ . Splitting the integrand into partial fractions with denominators  $(x - 1)$  and  $(x - 2)$ , we have

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

Multiplying by  $(x - 1)(x - 2)$  gives the identity

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

so

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

Since this equation holds for all  $x$ , the constant terms on both sides must be equal. Similarly, the coefficient of  $x$  on both sides must be equal. So

$$-2A - B = 0$$

$$A + B = 1.$$

Solving these equations gives  $A = -1$ ,  $B = 2$  and the integral becomes

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

45. Since  $x^2 + x^4 = x^2(1 + x^2)$  cannot be factored further, we write

$$\frac{x-2}{x^2+x^4} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x^2} + \frac{Cx+D}{1+x^2}.$$

Multiplying by  $x^2(1+x^2)$  gives

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

so

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

Thus,  $A = 1$ ,  $B = -2$ ,  $C = -1$ ,  $D = 2$ , and we have

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

We use  $K$  as the constant of integration, since we already used  $C$  in the problem.

46. Let  $x = 3 \sin \theta$  so  $dx = 3 \cos \theta d\theta$ , giving

$$\int \frac{x^2}{\sqrt{9-x^2}} dx = \int \frac{9 \sin^2 \theta}{\sqrt{9-9 \sin^2 \theta}} 3 \cos \theta d\theta = \int \frac{(9 \sin^2 \theta)(3 \cos \theta)}{3 \cos \theta} d\theta = 9 \int \sin^2 \theta d\theta.$$

Integrating by parts and using the identity  $\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta = 1$  gives

$$\begin{aligned}\int \sin^2 \theta d\theta &= -\sin \theta \cos \theta + \int \cos^2 \theta d\theta = -\sin \theta \cos \theta + \int (1 - \sin^2 \theta) d\theta \\ \int \sin^2 \theta d\theta &= -\frac{1}{2} \sin \theta \cos \theta + \frac{\theta}{2} + C.\end{aligned}$$

Since  $\sin \theta = x/3$  and  $\cos \theta = \sqrt{1-x^2/9} = \sqrt{9-x^2}/3$ , and  $\theta = \arcsin(x/3)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}\int \frac{x^2}{\sqrt{9-x^2}} dx &= 9 \int \sin^2 \theta d\theta = -\frac{9}{2} \sin \theta \cos \theta + \frac{9}{2} \theta + C \\ &= -\frac{9}{2} \cdot \frac{x}{3} \frac{\sqrt{9-x^2}}{3} + \frac{9}{2} \arcsin \left( \frac{x}{3} \right) + C = -\frac{x}{2} \sqrt{9-x^2} + \frac{9}{2} \arcsin \left( \frac{x}{3} \right) + C\end{aligned}$$

48. Let  $t = \tan \theta$  so  $dt = (1/\cos^2 \theta)d\theta$ . Since  $\sqrt{1 + \tan^2 \theta} = 1/\cos \theta$ , we have

$$\int \frac{dt}{t^2 \sqrt{1+t^2}} = \int \frac{1/\cos^2 \theta}{\tan^2 \theta \sqrt{1+\tan^2 \theta}} d\theta = \int \frac{\cos \theta}{\tan^2 \theta \cos^2 \theta} d\theta = \int \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin^2 \theta} d\theta.$$

The last integral can be evaluated by guess-and-check or by substituting  $w = \sin \theta$ . The result is

$$\int \frac{dt}{t^2 \sqrt{1+t^2}} = \int \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin^2 \theta} d\theta = -\frac{1}{\sin \theta} + C.$$

Since  $t = \tan \theta$  and  $1/\cos^2 \theta = 1 + \tan^2 \theta$ , we have

$$\cos \theta = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \tan^2 \theta}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + t^2}}.$$

In addition,  $\tan \theta = \sin \theta / \cos \theta$  so

$$\sin \theta = \tan \theta \cos \theta = \frac{t}{\sqrt{1 + t^2}}.$$

Thus

$$\int \frac{dt}{t^2 \sqrt{1+t^2}} = -\frac{\sqrt{1+t^2}}{t} + C.$$