

## 8.5 Partial Fractions (part 2)

remember, to do an expansion, the numerator MUST have lower degree

$$\frac{26x^3 - 52x^2 + 2}{x^2 - 2x}$$

← degree 3

← degree 2

long division is another way to reduce

$x^2 - 2x$  goes into  $26x^3 - 52x^2 + 2$   $26x$  times

$$\begin{array}{r} 26x \\ x^2 - 2x \overline{) 26x^3 - 52x^2 + 2} \\ \underline{-(26x^3 - 52x^2)} \phantom{+ 2} \\ 2 \end{array}$$

← remainder

$$= 26x + \frac{2}{x^2 - 2x}$$

as a quick review, let's do  $\int \frac{26x^3 - 52x^2 + 2}{x^2 - 2x} dx$

$$= \int \left( 26x + \frac{2}{x^2 - 2x} \right) dx = \int 26x dx + \int \frac{2}{x(x-2)} dx$$

$$= \int 26x dx + \int \left( \frac{1}{x-2} - \frac{1}{x} \right) dx$$

$$= \boxed{13x^2 + \ln|x-2| - \ln|x| + C}$$

now we look at cases with quadratic factors in denominator

reducible  $\rightarrow$  turns into linear factors, we know how to handle

irreducible  $\rightarrow$  cannot be factored

$$\frac{2x^2 - x + 4}{x^3 + 4x} = \frac{2x^2 - x + 4}{\underbrace{(x)}_{\text{linear}} \underbrace{(x^2 + 4)}_{\text{irreducible}}}$$

$$= \frac{A}{x} + \frac{Bx + C}{x^2 + 4}$$

for linear  
factor  $x$   
in denominator

linear form  
in numerator  
of irreducible quadratic

Example

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

degree check: numerator is 2  
denominator is 3

ok

$$\frac{x^2 + x + 2}{(x+1)(x^2+1)} = \frac{A}{x+1} + \frac{Bx+C}{x^2+1} \quad \text{find } A, B, C$$

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

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

$$= A(x^2+1) + Bx^2 + Bx + Cx + C$$

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

one way: solve system  $A+B = 1$

$$B+C = 1$$

$$A+C = 2$$

Another way: choose  $x$  and solve

let's do the choose x way

$$x=0 : 2 = A+C$$

$$x=-1 : 2 = 2A \rightarrow A=1$$

$$C=1$$

$$x=1 : 4 = (1)(2) + (B+1)(2)$$

$$= 2 + 2B + 2$$

$$B=0$$

$$\int \frac{x^2+x+2}{(x+1)(x^2+1)} dx = \int \left( \frac{1}{x+1} + \frac{0x+1}{x^2+1} \right) dx$$

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

either recognize as  $\tan^{-1}(x)$

or write as  $\int \frac{1}{(\sqrt{x^2+1})^2} dx$  and do a trig sub.



repeated irreducible quadratic factors are handled the same way as repeated linear factors

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

$$1 = (x)(x^2+1)^2 \left( \frac{A}{x} + \frac{Bx+C}{x^2+1} + \frac{Dx+E}{(x^2+1)^2} \right)$$

$$= A(x^2+1)^2 + (Bx+C)(x)(x^2+1) + (Dx+E)(x)$$

$$1 = (A+B)x^4 + Cx^3 + (2A+B+D)x^2 + (C+E)x + A$$

$$A+B=0 \rightarrow \text{knowing } A=1, \boxed{B=-1}$$

$$\boxed{C=0}$$

$$2A+B+D=0 \rightarrow \text{knowing } A, B, \boxed{D=-1}$$

$$C+E=0 \rightarrow \text{knowing } C=0, \boxed{E=0}$$

$$\boxed{A=1}$$

$$\text{So, } \int \frac{1}{x(x^2+1)^2} dx$$

$$= \int \left( \frac{1}{x} + \frac{-1 \cdot x + 0}{x^2+1} + \frac{-1 \cdot x + 0}{(x^2+1)^2} \right) dx$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} u &= x^2+1 \\ du &= 2x dx \\ &\vdots \\ &\text{etc} \end{aligned}$$

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

write down the Form of the expansion:

$$\frac{2x^3 + 5x - 10}{x^2(x-3)(x^2+1)^3} \rightarrow \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x^2} + \frac{C}{x-3} + \frac{Dx+E}{x^2+1} + \frac{Fx+G}{(x^2+1)^2} + \frac{Hx+I}{(x^2+1)^3}$$