

Partial fractions the Integration

Q1

(b) (i) Write

$$\frac{11-4x}{(x-2)(2x-1)}$$

in partial fractions.

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(ii) Hence find

$$\int \frac{11-4x}{(x-2)(2x-1)} dx$$
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$$(i) \frac{11-4x}{(x-2)(2x-1)} \equiv \frac{A}{(x-2)} + \frac{B}{(2x-1)}$$

$$\frac{11-4x}{(\quad)(\quad)} \equiv \frac{A(2x-1)}{(x-2)(2x-1)} + \frac{B(x-2)}{(\quad)(\quad)}$$

$$11-4x = A(2x-1) + B(x-2)$$

$$\text{Put in } x=2 \quad 3 = 3A \quad \longrightarrow \quad A=1$$

Look at

x terms

$$-4 = 2A + B$$

$$-4 = 2 \times 1 + B \quad \longrightarrow \quad B = -6$$

$$-4 = 2 + B$$

So now,

$$\int \frac{11-4x}{(x-2)(2x-1)} dx = \int \frac{1}{(x-2)} + \frac{-6}{2x-1} dx$$

These make me think about the 9 special rules $\int \frac{1}{x} dx = \ln|x|$

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

$$= \ln|x-2| + 3 \ln|2x-1|$$

$$= \ln|x-2| + \ln|(2x-1)^3|$$

$$= \ln|(x-2)(2x-1)^3|$$

Q2

(i) Write $\frac{3x+4}{x(x+1)}$ in partial fractions.

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(ii) Hence find the exact area bounded by the curve $y = \frac{3x+4}{x(x+1)}$, the x -axis

and the lines $x = 2$ and $x = 3$

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[The curve does not cross the x -axis between 2 and 3]

$$\frac{3x+4}{x(x+1)} \equiv \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{(x+1)}$$

$$\frac{3x+4}{x(x+1)} \equiv \frac{A(x+1)}{x(x+1)} + \frac{Bx}{x(x+1)}$$

$$3x+4 \equiv A(x+1) + B(x) \quad \text{gives } \begin{matrix} A=4 \\ B=-1 \end{matrix}$$

$$\int_2^3 \frac{3x+4}{x(x+1)} dx = \int_2^3 \left(\frac{4}{x} - \frac{1}{x+1} \right) dx$$
$$= \left[4 \ln|x| - \ln|x+1| \right]_2^3$$

$$= \left[4 \ln|3| - \ln|4| \right] - \left[4 \ln|2| - \ln|3| \right]$$

$$= \ln(3^4) - \ln|4| - \ln(2^4) + \ln|3|$$

$$= \ln \left(\frac{3^4 \times 3}{4 \times 2^4} \right)$$

$$= \ln \left(\frac{3^5}{2^6} \right) = \ln \left| \frac{243}{32} \right|$$

Q3

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

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$$\frac{x+9}{(x+3)(1-x)}$$

$$\equiv \frac{A}{(x+3)} + \frac{B}{(1-x)}$$

must factorise

$$\begin{aligned} 3-2x-x^2 \\ -[x^2+2x-3] \\ -[(x+3)(x-1)] \\ = (x+3)(1-x) \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{x+9}{(x+3)(1-x)} \equiv \frac{A(1-x)}{(x+3)(1-x)} + \frac{B(x+3)}{(1-x)(x+3)}$$

$$x+9 = A(1-x) + B(x+3)$$

Put in $x=1$

$$10 = 4B \quad B = 2.5 = \frac{5}{2}$$

Put in $x=-3$

$$6 = 4A \quad A = 1.5 = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\int \frac{x+9}{3-2x-x^2} dx = \int \frac{\frac{3}{2}}{(x+3)} + \frac{\frac{5}{2}}{(1-x)} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{3}{(x+3)} + \frac{5}{(1-x)} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(3 \ln|x+3| + \frac{5}{-1} \ln|1-x| \right) + c$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} \ln|x+3| - \frac{5}{2} \ln|1-x| + c$$

maybe combine these altogether using rules of logs

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[\ln(x+3)^3 - \ln(1-x)^5 \right] + c$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{(x+3)^3}{(1-x)^5} \right) + c$$

$$= \ln \left(\sqrt{\frac{(x+3)^3}{(1-x)^5}} \right) + c$$

Q4

Show that $\int_1^2 \frac{1}{x^2(x+1)} dx = \frac{1}{2} + \ln\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)$.

Partial Fractions

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

Repeated Factor.

$$\frac{1}{x^2(x+1)} \equiv \frac{Ax(x+1)}{x^2(x+1)} + \frac{B(x+1)}{x^2(x+1)} + \frac{Cx^2}{x^2(x+1)}$$

$$1 \equiv Ax(x+1) + B(x+1) + Cx^2$$

$x=0$ $1 = B$ $B=1$

$x=-1$ $1 = C$ $C=1$

Equate x^2 $0 = A + C \longrightarrow A = -1$

$$\int_1^2 \frac{1}{x^2(x+1)} dx = \int_1^2 \left[\frac{-1}{x} + x^{-2} + \frac{1}{x+1} \right] dx$$

$$= \left[-\ln|x| - \frac{1}{x} + \ln(x+1) \right]_1^2$$

$$= \left[-\ln(2) - \frac{1}{2} + \ln 3 \right] - \left[-\ln(1) - 1 + \ln 2 \right]$$

$$= -\ln 2 - \frac{1}{2} + \ln 3 + \cancel{\ln(1)} + 1 - \ln 2$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} + 1 + \ln 3 - \ln 2 - \ln 2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} + \ln\left(\frac{3}{2 \times 2}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} + \ln\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)$$

Q5

Evaluate $\int_0^1 \frac{2x+3}{x^2+3x+2} dx$ exactly, expressing your answer as a single logarithm.

Factorise

$$x^2 + 3x + 2 \\ (x+2)(x+1)$$

Partial Fractions

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

$$2x+3 \equiv A(x+1) + B(x+2)$$

Put in $x=-1$

$$1 = B$$

Put in $x=-2$

$$-1 = -A \quad A=1$$

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

$$= \left[\ln|x+2| + \ln|x+1| \right]_0^1$$

$$= \left[\ln|3| + \ln|2| \right] - \left[\ln|2| + \ln|1| \right]$$

$$= \ln|6| - \ln|2|$$

$$= \ln\left|\frac{6}{2}\right|$$

$$= \ln|3|$$

Q6

$$\int \frac{2x^2 + x - 7}{(x+3)(x-1)} dx$$

Top Heavy Fraction

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

$$\frac{2x^2 + x - 7}{(x+3)(x-1)} \equiv 2 + \frac{A}{(x+3)} + \frac{B}{(x-1)}$$

$$2x^2 + x - 7 \equiv 2(x+3)(x-1) + A(x-1) + B(x+3)$$

Put in $x=1$ $-4 = 4B$ $B = -1$

Put in $x=-3$ $8 = -4A$ $A = -2$

$$\int \frac{2x^2 + x - 7}{(x+3)(x-1)} dx = \int 2 - \frac{2}{(x+3)} - \frac{1}{(x-1)} dx$$

$$= 2x - 2 \ln|x+3| - \ln|x-1| + c$$

$$= 2x - \left[2 \ln|x+3| + \ln|x-1| \right] + c$$

$$= 2x - \ln|(x+3)^2(x-1)| + c$$