

**MATH 253**  
**MIDTERM HANDOUT-solution**

1. Which of the following are partial fractions? Answer **YES** or **NO**.

(a)  $\frac{2}{3-x}$  YES      (b)  $\frac{2x+1}{x^3+8}$  NO since  $x^3$

(c)  $\frac{3x+1}{x^2-4x+5}$  YES since No real roots in denom.  $D = 16 - 20 = -4 < 0$

(d)  $\frac{3x+1}{x^2-4x+3}$  NO since 2 real roots in denom.  $D = 16 - 12 = 4 > 0$

(e)  $\frac{3x+1}{(x^2-4x+5)^2}$  YES since complex double roots in denom.

(f)  $\frac{x^2}{x^2+4}$  NO since  $x^2$  on the top.

2. Find the inverse function  $f^{-1}$ , its domain and range if  $f(x) = \arcsin(2x+3)$ .

From the properties of  $\arcsin$        $-1 \leq 2x+3 \leq 1$        $-4 \leq 2x \leq -2$

so  $D_f = [-2, -1]$  and  $R_f = [-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}]$

solve  $y = \arcsin(2x+3)$  so  $\sin y = 2x+3$  and  $x = \frac{1}{2}(\sin y - 3)$

and finally

$f^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \sin x - \frac{3}{2}$  BUT ONLY for  $x \in [-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}] = D_{f^{-1}}$  and  $R_{f^{-1}} = [-2, -1]$

3. Find the domain and antiderivative of  $f(x) = \frac{\ln(3x)}{x^2}$

for domain  $3x > 0$  so  $D = (0, \infty)$

now we can use by parts or inverse subst.

$$\int x^{-2} \ln(3x) dx = -x^{-1} \ln(3x) + \int x^{-1} \cdot \frac{1}{3x} \cdot 3 dx = -\frac{\ln 3x}{x} + \int x^{-2} dx = -\frac{\ln 3x}{x} - \frac{1}{x} + c, \quad x > 0$$

OR

$$u = \ln 3x = \ln 3 + \ln x \quad du = \frac{dx}{x} \quad e^u = 3x \text{ so } \frac{1}{x} = \frac{3}{e^u} = 3e^{-u}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{\ln 3x}{x^2} dx &= \int \frac{\ln 3x}{x} \cdot \frac{dx}{x} = 3 \int u e^{-u} du = (\text{by parts}) = \\ &= -3ue^{-u} + 3 \int e^{-u} \cdot 1 du = -3ue^{-u} - 3e^{-u} + c = (\text{back to } x) \dots \end{aligned}$$

4. Find the domain and antiderivative of  $f(x) = \frac{5x^2+2}{x^3-2x^2+x}$ .

investigate the polynomial in the denominator

$$Q(x) = x^3 - 2x^2 + x = x(x^2 - 2x + 1) = x(x-1)^2$$

Split the integrand function  $f$  into partial fractions

$$f(x) = \frac{5x^2+2}{x^3-2x^2+x} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x-1} + \frac{C}{(x-1)^2},$$

multiply by common denom.:  $x(x-1)^2$

(\*)  $5x^2+2 = A(x-1)^2 + Bx(x-1) + Cx$ , substitute  $x = 0, 1, -1$

$$2 = A; \quad 7 = C \text{ and } 7 = 4A + 2B - C \text{ so } 2B = 14 - 8 = 6, B = 3$$

Now integrate for  $x \neq 0, 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{5x^2 + 2}{x^3 - 2x^2 + x} dx &= 2 \int \frac{dx}{x} + 3 \int \frac{dx}{x-1} + 7 \int (x-1)^{-2} dx = \\ &= 2 \ln|x| + 3 \ln|x-1| - \frac{7}{x-1} + c = \ln(x^2|x-1|^3) - \frac{7}{x-1} + c, \text{ for } x \neq 0, 1 \end{aligned}$$

5. for both parts we need

$$\begin{aligned} F(x) &= \int \frac{dx}{x^2 - 9} \text{ (by Table or Partial fraction)} \\ &= \frac{1}{6} \int \left[ \frac{1}{x-3} - \frac{1}{x+3} \right] dx = \frac{1}{6} \ln \left| \frac{x-3}{x+3} \right| = \frac{1}{6} \ln|x-3| - \frac{1}{6} \ln|x+3| \end{aligned}$$

for a)

$$\begin{aligned} \int_4^\infty \frac{dx}{x^2 - 9} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F(x) - F(4) = \\ &= \frac{1}{6} \ln \left| \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x-3}{x+3} \right| - \frac{1}{6} \ln \frac{1}{7} = \frac{1}{6} \left[ \ln 1 - \ln \frac{1}{7} \right] = \frac{1}{6} \ln 7 \quad \text{convergent.} \end{aligned}$$

for b)

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^3 \frac{dx}{x^2 - 9} &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} F(x) - F(0) = \frac{1}{6} \lim_{x \rightarrow 3^-} \ln|x-3| - \frac{1}{6} \ln 6 - \frac{1}{6} \ln 1 = -\infty \\ &\text{since "ln } 0^+ \text{"} = -\infty, \text{ so the integral is divergent.} \end{aligned}$$

6. For  $\int_0^1 \frac{3}{2 + \sqrt{3x+1}} dx$  use inverse subst.  $u = 2 + \sqrt{3x+1} \quad u - 2 = \sqrt{3x+1}$

$$(u-2)^2 = 3x+1, \quad \frac{1}{3} [(u-2)^2 - 1] = x \quad \frac{2}{3} (u-2) du = dx, \quad \begin{array}{cc} x & u \\ 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \end{array}$$

$$\int_0^1 \frac{3}{2 + \sqrt{3x+1}} dx = 2 \int_3^4 \frac{u-2}{u} du = 2 \int_3^4 du - 4 \int_3^4 \frac{du}{u} = 2 - 4 \ln \frac{4}{3}.$$