

Lecture 29

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* Questions ...

* Long division:

$$\frac{P(x)}{Q(x)} = q(x) + \frac{R(x)}{Q(x)}$$

↑
quotient

← remainder

To find $q(x)$ and $R(x)$, we use long division. If $Q(x)$ is of degree 1, we can use synthetic division (simpler than long division).

$$\frac{x^4 - 2x^3 + x - 1}{x^2 + x - 1}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 - 3x + 4 \leftarrow \text{quotient} \\ \hline x^2 + x - 1 \overline{) x^4 - 2x^3 + 0x^2 + x - 1} \\ - x^4 + x^3 - x^2 \\ \hline -3x^3 + x^2 + x \\ - -3x^3 - 3x^2 + 3x \\ \hline 4x^2 - 2x - 1 \\ - 4x^2 + 4x - 4 \\ \hline -6x + 3 \leftarrow \text{remainder} \end{array}$$

$$\frac{x^4 - 2x^3 + x - 1}{x^2 + x - 1} = x^2 - 3x + 4 + \frac{-6x + 3}{x^2 + x - 1}$$

Ex

$$\frac{x^3 + x + 1}{x - 2} = x^2 + 2x + 5 + \frac{11}{x - 2}$$

$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr}
 2 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\
 & & 2 & 4 & 10 \\
 \hline
 & 1 & 2 & 5 & 11 \\
 & \underbrace{\hspace{2cm}} & & & \underbrace{\hspace{1cm}} \\
 & \text{quotient} & & & \text{remainder}
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int \frac{x^3 + x + 1}{x - 2} dx &= \int \left(x^2 + 2x + 5 + \frac{11}{x - 2} \right) dx \\
 &= \frac{x^3}{3} + x^2 + 5x + 11 \ln|x - 2| + C
 \end{aligned}$$

Recall the goal find $\int \frac{P(x)}{Q(x)} dx$.

Rules. ① Simplify the fraction first. You will need to factor $Q(x)$.

② If the degree of $P(x)$ is less than the degree of $Q(x)$ then we need to do partial fraction decomposition

Ex

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

$$\frac{x}{x^2+x-2} = \frac{x}{(x-1)(x+2)} = \frac{A}{x-1} + \frac{B}{x+2}, \text{ where } A, B \text{ are to be determined.}$$

Common denominator is $(x-1)(x+2)$

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

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

$$\text{Plug } x=1: \quad 1 = A(3) \rightarrow A = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\text{Plug } x=-2: \quad -2 = B(-3) \rightarrow B = \frac{2}{3}$$

Thus,

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

This is partial fraction decomposition

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{x}{(x-1)(x+2)} dx &= \int \left(\frac{1/3}{x-1} + \frac{2/3}{x+2} \right) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \ln|x-1| + \frac{2}{3} \ln|x+2| + C \end{aligned}$$

Recall:

$$(1) \int \frac{1}{x+a} dx = \ln|x+a| + C$$

$$(2) \int \frac{1}{ax+b} dx = \frac{1}{a} \ln|ax+b| + C$$

Ex

$$\int \frac{2}{x^2+4x+3} dx = ?$$

$$\frac{2}{x^2+4x+3} = \frac{2}{(x+1)(x+3)} = \frac{A}{x+1} + \frac{B}{x+3}$$

$$\leadsto 2 = A(x+3) + B(x+1)$$

Plug $x = -1$. $2 = A(2) \rightarrow A = 1$

Plug $x = -3$. $2 = B(-2) \rightarrow B = -1$

$$\int \frac{2}{x^2+4x+3} dx = \int \left(\frac{1}{x+1} - \frac{1}{x+3} \right) dx = \ln|x+1| - \ln|x+3| + C$$

Ex

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

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

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

Common denominator is $(x+1)^2$

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

$$\rightarrow x = A(x+1) + B$$

Plug $x = -1$. $-1 = B$

Plug $x = 0$. $0 = A+B = A-1 \rightarrow A = 1$

Therefore,

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