

SOLUTIONS TO EXERCISES FOR SECTION 7.5

Problems for Practice

In each of Exercises 1-10, write down the *form* of the partial fractions decomposition of the given rational function. *Do not explicitly calculate the coefficients.*

1. Since $x^2 + 1$ and $x^2 + 4$ are irreducible,

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

2. Since $x^2 + 2x + 2$ is irreducible and $2x^2 + 5x + 3 = (2x + 3)(x + 1)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2x^4}{(x^2 + 2x + 2)(2x^2 + 5x + 3)} &= \frac{2x^4}{2x^4 + 9x^3 + 17x^2 + 16x + 6} \\ &= 1 + \frac{(-9x^3 - 17x^2 - 16x - 6)}{(x^2 + 2x + 2)(2x + 3)(x + 1)} = 1 + \frac{Ax + B}{x^2 + 2x + 2} + \frac{C}{2x + 3} + \frac{D}{x + 1}. \end{aligned}$$

3. Since $x^2 + 1$ and $x^2 + x + 1$ are irreducible, we have

$$\frac{2x^3 + x + 1}{(x^2 + 1)(x^2 + x + 1)^2} = \frac{Ax + B}{x^2 + 1} + \frac{Cx + D}{x^2 + x + 1} + \frac{Ex + F}{(x^2 + x + 1)^2}.$$

4. Since $x^2 + 1$ and $17x^2 + 4x + 1$ are irreducible, and since

$$\frac{2x^4}{(x^2 + 1)(17x^2 + 4x + 1)} = \frac{2}{17} + \frac{r(x)}{(x^2 + 1)(17x^2 + 4x + 1)}$$

where $r(x)$ is a degree 3 polynomial, we have

$$\frac{2x^4}{(x^2 + 1)(17x^2 + 4x + 1)} = \frac{2}{17} + \frac{Ax + B}{x^2 + 1} + \frac{Cx + D}{17x^2 + 4x + 1}.$$

5. Since $x^2 + x + 3$ is irreducible, we have

$$\frac{2x + 1}{(x^2 + x + 3)(x - 4)} = \frac{Ax + B}{x^2 + x + 3} + \frac{C}{x - 4}.$$

6. Since x^2 is a *reducible* quadratic, we have

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

7. Since $x^2 + 4$ is irreducible, we have

$$\frac{2x^6}{(x^2 + 4)^3(x - 2)} = \frac{Ax + B}{x^2 + 4} + \frac{Cx + D}{(x^2 + 4)^2} + \frac{Ex + F}{(x^2 + 4)^3} + \frac{G}{x - 2}.$$

8. We have

$$\frac{3x^5 + x + 1}{x^2(x^2 - 1)^2} = \frac{3x^5 + x + 1}{x^2(x - 1)^2(x + 1)^2} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x^2} + \frac{C}{x - 1} + \frac{D}{(x - 1)^2} + \frac{E}{x + 1} + \frac{F}{(x + 1)^2}.$$

9. Since $x^2 + 1$ is irreducible but $x^2 = x \cdot x$ and $x^2 - 1 = (x - 1)(x + 1)$ are not, we have

$$\frac{3x^5 + x + 1}{x^2(x^2 - 1)(x^2 + 1)} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x^2} + \frac{C}{x - 1} + \frac{D}{x + 1} + \frac{Ex + F}{x^2 + 1}.$$

10. Since $x^2 + 6x + 10$ is irreducible, we have

$$\frac{7x^8}{(x-3)^3(x^2+6x+10)^3} = \frac{A}{x-3} + \frac{B}{(x-3)^2} + \frac{C}{(x-3)^3} + \frac{Dx+E}{x^2+6x+10} \\ + \frac{Fx+G}{(x^2+6x+10)^2} + \frac{Hx+I}{(x^2+6x+10)^3}.$$

In each of Exercises 11-20, explicitly calculate the partial fractions decomposition of the given rational function.

11. We set

$$\frac{3x^2 - 5x + 4}{(x-1)(x^2+1)} = \frac{A}{x-1} + \frac{Bx+C}{x^2+1} = \frac{A(x^2+1) + (Bx+C)(x-1)}{(x-1)(x^2+1)}.$$

Equating numerators, we obtain $3x^2 - 5x + 4 = A(x^2 + 1) + (Bx + C)(x - 1)$. When $x = 1$ this equation becomes $3 - 5 + 4 = A(1^2 + 1)$, or $A = 1$. Substituting this value in the equation of the numerators results in $3x^2 - 5x + 4 = (x^2 + 1) + (Bx + C)(x - 1)$, or $2x^2 - 5x + 3 = (Bx + C)(x - 1)$, or $(2x - 3)(x - 1) = (Bx + C)(x - 1)$. It follows that $2x - 3 = Bx + C$, or $B = 2$ and $C = -3$. Thus,

$$\frac{3x^2 - 5x + 4}{(x-1)(x^2+1)} = \frac{1}{x-1} + \frac{2x-3}{x^2+1}.$$

12. We set

$$\frac{x^2+2}{(x^2+1)x^2} = \frac{Ax+B}{x^2+1} + \frac{C}{x} + \frac{D}{x^2} = \frac{(Ax+B)x^2 + Cx(x^2+1) + D(x^2+1)}{(x^2+1)x^2}.$$

Equating numerators, we obtain $x^2 + 2 = (Ax + B)x^2 + Cx(x^2 + 1) + D(x^2 + 1)$. When $x = 0$ this equation becomes $2 = D$. Substituting this value into the equation of the numerators results in $x^2 + 2 = (Ax + B)x^2 + Cx(x^2 + 1) + 2(x^2 + 1)$, or $-x^2 = (Ax + B)x^2 + Cx(x^2 + 1)$, or $0x^3 + (-1)x^2 + 0x = (A + C)x^3 + Bx^2 + Cx$. Equating the coefficients of like powers of x , we obtain $A + C = 0$, $B = -1$, and $C = 0$. It follows that $A = C = 0$ and

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

13. We set

$$\frac{7x^3 + 9x - 3x^2 - 6}{(x^2+2)(x^2+1)} = \frac{Ax+B}{x^2+2} + \frac{Cx+D}{x^2+1} = \frac{(Ax+B)(x^2+1) + (Cx+D)(x^2+2)}{(x^2+2)(x^2+1)}.$$

Equating numerators, we obtain $7x^3 - 3x^2 + 9x - 6 = (Ax + B)(x^2 + 1) + (Cx + D)(x^2 + 2) = (A + C)x^3 + (B + D)x^2 + (A + 2C)x + (B + 2D)$. Equating the coefficients of like powers of x , we obtain $A + C = 7$, $B + D = -3$, $A + 2C = 9$, and $B + 2D = -6$. We solve the pair of equations in A and C simultaneously and do the same for B and D . It follows that $A = 5$, $C = 2$, $B = 0$, and $D = -3$. Thus,

$$\frac{7x^3 - 3x^2 + 9x - 6}{(x^2+2)(x^2+1)} = \frac{5x}{x^2+2} + \frac{2x-3}{x^2+1}.$$

14. We set

$$\frac{x^2+2x}{(x^2+1)^2} = \frac{Ax+B}{x^2+1} + \frac{Cx+D}{(x^2+1)^2} = \frac{(x^2+1)(Ax+B) + Cx+D}{(x^2+1)^2}.$$

Equating numerators, we obtain $x^2 + 2x = (x^2 + 1)(Ax + B) + Cx + D$, or $x^2 + 2x = Ax^3 + Bx^2 + (A + C)x + (B + D)$. Equating the coefficients of like powers of x yields the equations $A = 0$, $B = 1$, $A + C = 2$, and $B + D = 0$. It follows that $C = 2$, $D = -1$, and

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

15. We set

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

Equating numerators, we obtain $x^3 - x = (x^2 + 1)(Ax + B) + Cx + D$, or $x^3 - x = Ax^3 + Bx^2 + (A + C)x + (B + D)$. Equating the coefficients of like powers of x yields the equations $A = 1$, $B = 0$, $A + C = -1$, and $B + D = 0$. It follows that $C = -2$, $D = 0$, and

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

16. We set

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

Equating numerators, we obtain $2x^2 = A(x + 1)(x^2 + 1) + B(x^2 + 1) + (Cx + D)(x + 1)^2$. For $x = -1$ this equation results in $2 = B((-1)^2 + 1)$, or $B = 1$. Substituting this value for B into the equation of the numerators gives us $2x^2 = A(x + 1)(x^2 + 1) + (x^2 + 1) + (Cx + D)(x + 1)^2$, or $x^2 - 1 = A(x + 1)(x^2 + 1) + (Cx + D)(x + 1)^2$. Dividing each side by $x + 1$ yields $x - 1 = A(x^2 + 1) + (Cx + D)(x + 1)$, or $x - 1 = (A + C)x^2 + (C + D)x + (A + D)$. Equating the coefficients of like powers of x yields the equations $A + C = 0$, $C + D = 1$, and $A + D = -1$. Since $A = -C$ (from the first of these three equations), the last equation becomes $-C + D = -1$. Solving this equation simultaneously with the middle equation $C + D = 1$ results in $C = 1$ and $D = 0$. It follows that $A = -1$ and

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

17. We set

$$\frac{x^3 + 12x^2 - 9x + 48}{(x - 3)(x^2 + 4)} = 1 + \frac{15x^2 - 13x + 60}{(x - 3)(x^2 + 4)} = 1 + \frac{A}{x - 3} + \frac{Bx + C}{x^2 + 4} = \frac{A(x^2 + 4) + (Bx + C)(x - 3)}{(x - 3)(x^2 + 4)}.$$

Equating numerators yields $15x^2 - 13x + 60 = A(x^2 + 4) + (Bx + C)(x - 3)$. For $x = 3$ this equation becomes $15(9) - 13(3) + 60 = A(3^2 + 4)$, or $A = 12$. Replacing A with 12 in the equation of the numerators results in $15x^2 - 13x + 60 = 12(x^2 + 4) + (Bx + C)(x - 3)$, or $3x^2 - 13x + 12 = (Bx + C)(x - 3)$. Factoring the left side gives us $(3x - 4)(x - 3) = (Bx + C)(x - 3)$, from which we deduce $B = 3$ and $C = -4$. Thus

$$\frac{x^3 + 12x^2 - 9x + 48}{(x - 3)(x^2 + 4)} = 1 + \frac{12}{x - 3} + \frac{3x - 4}{x^2 + 4}.$$

18. We set

$$\frac{2x^2 + 4x + 2}{(x^2 + 1)^3} = \frac{Ax + B}{x^2 + 1} + \frac{Cx + D}{(x^2 + 1)^2} + \frac{Ex + F}{(x^2 + 1)^3} = \frac{(Ax + B)(x^2 + 1)^2 + (Cx + D)(x^2 + 1) + (Ex + F)}{(x^2 + 1)^3}.$$

Equating numerators gives the equation $2x^2 + 4x + 2 = (Ax + B)(x^2 + 1)^2 + (Cx + D)(x^2 + 1) + (Ex + F)$, or $2x^2 + 4x + 2 = Ax^5 + Bx^4 + (2A + C)x^3 + (2B + D)x^2 + (A + C + E)x + (B + D + F)$. Equating the coefficients of like powers of x yields the equations $A = 0$, $B = 0$, $2A + C = 0$, $2B + D = 2$, $A + C + E = 4$, and $B + D + F = 2$. It immediately follows that $C = 0$ and $D = 2$, $E = 4$, and $F = 0$. Thus,

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

19. We set

$$\frac{3x^3 - 5x^2 + 10x - 19}{(x^2 + 4)(x^2 + 3)} = \frac{Ax + B}{x^2 + 4} + \frac{Cx + D}{x^2 + 3} = \frac{(Ax + B)(x^2 + 3) + (Cx + D)(x^2 + 4)}{(x^2 + 4)(x^2 + 3)}.$$

Equating numerators, we obtain $3x^3 - 5x^2 + 10x - 19 = (Ax + B)(x^2 + 3) + (Cx + D)(x^2 + 4)$, or $3x^3 - 5x^2 + 10x - 19 = (A + C)x^3 + (B + D)x^2 + (3A + 4C)x + (3B + 4D)$. Equating the coefficients of like powers of x yields the equations $A + C = 3$, $B + D = -5$, $3A + 4C = 10$, and $3B + 4D = -19$. We simultaneously solve the two equations in A and C to obtain $A = 2$ and $C = 1$. Similarly we find $B = -1$ and $D = -4$. Thus,

$$\frac{3x^3 - 5x^2 + 10x - 19}{(x^2 + 4)(x^2 + 3)} = \frac{2x - 1}{x^2 + 4} + \frac{x - 4}{x^2 + 3}.$$

20. We set

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2x^4 + 15x^2 + 30}{(x^2 + 4)(x^2 + 3)^2} &= \frac{Ax + B}{x^2 + 4} + \frac{Cx + D}{x^2 + 3} + \frac{Ex + F}{(x^2 + 3)^2} \\ &= \frac{(Ax + B)(x^2 + 3)^2 + (Cx + D)(x^2 + 4)(x^2 + 3) + (Ex + F)(x^2 + 4)}{(x^2 + 4)(x^2 + 3)^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Equating numerators, we obtain

$$2x^4 + 15x^2 + 30 = (Ax + B)(x^2 + 3)^2 + (Cx + D)(x^2 + 4)(x^2 + 3) + (Ex + F)(x^2 + 4).$$

Expanding the right side we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 2x^4 + 15x^2 + 30 &= (A + C)x^5 + (B + D)x^4 + (6A + 7C + E)x^3 + (6B + 7D + F)x^2 \\ &\quad + (9A + 12C + 4E)x + (9B + 12D + 4F). \end{aligned}$$

Equating the coefficients of like powers of x yields the equations $A + C = 0$, $B + D = 2$, $6A + 7C + E = 0$, $6B + 7D + F = 15$, $9A + 12C + 4E = 0$, and $9B + 12D + 4F = 30$. The first of these gives us $C = -A$ and then the third gives $E = A$. Substituting these values into the fourth equation results in $9A - 12A + 4A = 0$, or $A = 0$. Thus, $A = C = E = 0$. Also, from $B + D = 2$, or $D = 2 - B$, we obtain $6B + 7(2 - B) + F = 15$ and $9B + 12(2 - B) + 4F = 30$. Solving these two equations simultaneously, we find that $B = 2$ and $F = 3$. Thus, $D = 2 - B = 2 - 2 = 0$ and

$$\frac{2x^4 + 15x^2 + 30}{(x^2 + 4)(x^2 + 3)^2} = \frac{2}{x^2 + 4} + \frac{3}{(x^2 + 3)^2}.$$

In each of Exercises 21-30, use the Method of Partial Fractions to decompose the integrand. Then evaluate the given integral.

21. We have

$$\int \frac{3x^2 - 5x + 4}{(x - 1)(x^2 + 1)} dx = \int \left(\frac{1}{x - 1} + \frac{2x - 3}{x^2 + 1} \right) dx = \ln(|x - 1|) + \ln(x^2 + 1) - 3 \arctan(x) + C.$$

22. We have

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

23. We calculate

$$\int \frac{7x^3 + 9x - 3x^2 - 6}{(x^2 + 2)(x^2 + 1)} dx = \int \left(\frac{5x}{x^2 + 2} + \frac{2x - 3}{x^2 + 1} \right) dx = \frac{5}{2} \ln(x^2 + 2) + \ln(x^2 + 1) - 3 \arctan(x) + C.$$

In several exercises beginning with Exercise 24 it will be useful to have the following formula

$$\int \frac{2b^2}{(x^2 + 2ax + c^2)^2} dx = \frac{x+a}{x^2 + 2ax + c^2} + \frac{1}{b} \arctan\left(\frac{x+a}{b}\right) + C$$

for constants a, b, c with $b > 0$ and $c^2 = a^2 + b^2$. To obtain this formula, we write

$$x^2 + 2ax + c^2 = (x^2 + 2ax + a^2) + b^2 = (x+a)^2 + b^2,$$

we make the change of variable $x+a = b \tan(\theta)$, $dx = b \sec^2(\theta) d\theta$, and we calculate

$$\theta = \arctan\left(\frac{x+a}{b}\right), \quad \sin(\theta) = \frac{x+a}{\sqrt{x^2 + 2ax + c^2}}, \quad \cos(\theta) = \frac{b}{\sqrt{x^2 + 2ax + c^2}},$$

and

$$\int \frac{2b^2}{(x^2 + 2ax + c^2)^2} dx = \frac{2}{b} \int \frac{\sec^2(\theta)}{\sec^4(\theta)} d\theta = \frac{2}{b} \int \cos^2(\theta) d\theta = \frac{1}{b} (\theta + \sin(\theta) \cos(\theta)) + C$$

and therefore

$$\int \frac{2b^2}{(x^2 + 2ax + c^2)^2} dx = \frac{1}{b} \arctan\left(\frac{x+a}{b}\right) + \frac{x+a}{x^2 + 2ax + c^2} + C.$$

24. We have

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

Therefore, by using the formula that precedes this exercise with $a = 0$, $b = 1$, and $c = 1$, we have

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

25. We calculate

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

(The substitution $u = x^2 + 1$, $du = 2x dx$ is used to calculate the final integral. This substitution can also be applied to the original integral without resorting to partial fractions.)

26. We calculate

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

27. We calculate

$$\int \frac{x^3 + 12x^2 - 9x + 48}{(x-3)(x^2+4)} dx = \int \left(1 + \frac{15x^2 - 13x + 60}{(x-3)(x^2+4)} \right) dx = \int \left(1 + \frac{12}{x-3} + \frac{3x-4}{x^2+4} \right) dx.$$

Since

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

we have

$$\int \frac{x^3 + 12x^2 - 9x + 48}{(x-3)(x^2+4)} dx = x + 12 \ln(|x-3|) - 2 \arctan\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) + C.$$

28. Using the formula that precedes Exercise 24 with $a = 0$, $b = 1$, and $c = 1$, we calculate

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

29. We calculate

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{3x^3 - 5x^2 + 10x - 19}{(x^2 + 4)(x^2 + 3)} dx &= \int \left(\frac{2x - 1}{x^2 + 4} + \frac{x - 4}{x^2 + 3} \right) dx \\ &= \int \frac{2x}{x^2 + 4} dx - \int \frac{1}{x^2 + 4} dx + \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{2x}{x^2 + 3} dx - 4 \int \frac{1}{x^2 + 3} dx. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\int \frac{3x^3 - 5x^2 + 10x - 19}{(x^2 + 4)(x^2 + 3)} dx = \ln(x^2 + 4) - \frac{1}{2} \arctan\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) + \frac{1}{2} \ln(x^2 + 3) - \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}} \arctan\left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{3}}\right) + C.$$

30. Using the formula that precedes Exercise 24 with $a = 0$, $b = \sqrt{3}$, and $c = \sqrt{3}$, we calculate

$$\int \frac{2x^4 + 15x^2 + 30}{(x^2 + 4)(x^2 + 3)^2} dx = \int \left(\frac{2}{x^2 + 4} + \frac{3}{(x^2 + 3)^2} \right) dx = \arctan\left(\frac{1}{2}x\right) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{x}{x^2 + 3} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6} \arctan\left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{3}}\right) + C.$$

Further Theory and Practice

31. What happens if you attempt a partial fraction decomposition of

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

into

$$\frac{A_1x + B_1}{x^2 + 3} + \frac{A_2x + B_2}{(x^2 + 3)^2} + \frac{A_3x + B_3}{(x^2 + 3)^3} + \frac{A_4x + B_4}{(x^2 + 3)^4} ?$$

Explain.

Use the Method of Partial Fractions to calculate each of the integrals in Exercises 32-35.

32. By the Method of Partial Fractions we have

$$\frac{2x^2 + 4x + 9}{x^3 - 1} = \frac{5}{x - 1} - \frac{3x + 4}{x^2 + x + 1}.$$

We write

$$x^2 + x + 1 = \left(x^2 + x + \frac{1}{4}\right) + \frac{3}{4} = \left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^2.$$

We make the change of variable

$$x + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \tan(\theta) \quad , \quad dx = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \sec^2(\theta) d\theta.$$

It follows that

$$x^2 + x + 1 = \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \tan(\theta)\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^2 (\tan^2(\theta) + 1) = \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\right)^2 \sec^2(\theta)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{3x+4}{x^2+x+1} dx &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \int \frac{3\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \tan(\theta) - \frac{1}{2}\right) + 4}{\sec^2(\theta)} \sec^2(\theta) d\theta = 3 \int \tan(\theta) d\theta + \frac{5}{\sqrt{3}} \int d\theta \\ &= -3 \ln(|\sec(\theta)|) + \frac{5}{\sqrt{3}} \theta + C. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{3x+4}{x^2+x+1} dx &= -3 \ln \left(\left| \frac{\sqrt{3}/2}{\sqrt{x^2+x+1}} \right| \right) + \frac{5}{\sqrt{3}} \theta + C \\ &= \frac{3}{2} \ln(x^2+x+1) + \frac{5}{\sqrt{3}} \arctan \left(\frac{2x+1}{\sqrt{3}} \right) + C \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\int \frac{2x^2+4x+9}{x^3-1} dx = 5 \ln(|x-1|) - \frac{3}{2} \ln(x^2+x+1) - \frac{5}{\sqrt{3}} \arctan \left(\frac{2x+1}{\sqrt{3}} \right) + C.$$

33. By the Method of Partial Fractions we have

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

Thus, after making the change of variable $u = x^2 - x + 1$, $du = (2x - 1) dx$ to handle the integration of the second summand, we have

$$\int \frac{5x^2-2x+2}{x^3+1} dx = 3 \ln(|x+1|) + \ln(x^2-x+1) + C.$$

34. By the Method of Partial Fractions we have

$$\frac{8x}{x^5-x^4-x+1} = -\frac{1}{x+1} - \frac{1}{x-1} + \frac{2}{(x-1)^2} + 2\frac{x-1}{x^2+1}.$$

Thus,

$$\int \frac{8x}{x^5-x^4-x+1} dx = -\ln(|x+1|) - \ln|x-1| - \frac{2}{x-1} + \ln(x^2+1) - 2 \arctan(x) + C.$$

35. See Exercise 31. Make the change of variable $x = \tan(\theta)$, $dx = \sec^2(\theta) d\theta$ to obtain $48 \int \frac{\sec^2(\theta)}{\sec^8(\theta)} d\theta$. Write this as $48 \int \cos^6(\theta) dx$ and use a reduction formula, as in Section 7.3. The result is

$$\int \frac{48}{(1+x^2)^4} dx = 8 \frac{x}{(x^2+1)^3} + 10 \frac{x}{(x^2+1)^2} + 15 \frac{x}{x^2+1} + 15 \arctan(x) + C.$$

36. At normal temperatures conduction and convection are the primary means of heat transfer. *Newton's Law of Heat Change* is reasonably accurate under these circumstances. At very high temperatures radiation is the predominant method of heat transfer. *Stefan's Law of Radiation* states that the temperature T (measured in degrees Kelvin) of an object placed in an environment at temperature T_∞ (degrees Kelvin) satisfies

$$\frac{dT}{dt} = k(T_\infty^4 - T^4)$$

for some positive constant k . By separating variables, solve this differential equation. (You will not obtain T explicitly as a function of t . Instead, you will obtain an equation that relates the two variables.)

Solution We have the partial fractions decomposition

$$\frac{4T_\infty^3}{T_\infty^4 - T^4} = -\frac{1}{T - T_\infty} + \frac{1}{T + T_\infty} + \frac{2T_\infty}{T^2 + T_\infty^2}.$$

Therefore,

$$-\ln(|T - T_\infty|) + \ln(|T + T_\infty|) + 2 \arctan\left(\frac{T}{T_\infty}\right) = \int \frac{4T_\infty^3}{T_\infty^4 - T^4} dt = 4T_\infty^3 \int k dt = 4T_\infty^3 kt + C.$$

Writing $\tau = T/T_\infty$ we obtain

$$\ln\left(\left|\frac{\tau + 1}{\tau - 1}\right|\right) + 2 \arctan(\tau) = 4T_\infty^3 kt + C.$$

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37. We solve $(5x^3 + 3x + 2) / (x^3 + x^2 + x + 1) = x^4 + 2$ and find $b = 0.758524427$. Also.

$$\frac{5x^3 + 3x + 2}{x^3 + x^2 + x + 1} - (x^4 + 2) = 3 - x^4 - \frac{3}{x + 1} - \frac{2x}{x^2 + 1}.$$

The required area is

$$\int_0^b \left(\frac{5x^3 + 3x + 2}{x^3 + x^2 + x + 1} - (x^4 + 2) \right) dx = \int_0^b \left(3 - x^4 - \frac{3}{x + 1} - \frac{2x}{x^2 + 1} \right) dx = 0.0774445809.$$

38. The root of $x^2 = (3x^3 + 4x) / (x^4 + 3x^2 + 2)$ for $0 \leq x \leq 1.1$ is $b = 1.087003363$. The required area is

$$\int_0^b \left(\frac{3x^3 + 4x}{x^4 + 3x^2 + 2} - x^2 \right) dx = \int_0^b \left(\frac{x}{x^2 + 1} + \frac{2x}{x^2 + 2} - x^2 \right) dx = 0.4261276278.$$

In each of Exercises 39 and 40 find all roots of the denominator of the integrand. Find a partial fractions decomposition and evaluate the given integral.

39. We factor $x^5 - 7x^4 + 4x^3 - 23x^2 + 20 = (x^2 + 4)(x^3 - 7x^2 + 5)$ and find three real roots of the cubic: $\alpha = -0.80060948993$, $\beta = 0.90578723479$, and $\gamma = 6.8948222551$. It follows that

$$\frac{2x + 4}{x^5 - 7x^4 + 4x^3 - 23x^2 + 20} = \frac{Ax + B}{x^2 + 4} + \frac{C}{x - \alpha} + \frac{D}{x - \beta} + \frac{E}{x - \gamma}.$$

We solve simultaneously for these unknowns, finding $A = 0.07111882046$, $B = 0.08673026889$, $C = 0.03936119938$, $E = -0.1179693854$, $F = 0.0074893656$. With these values, we calculate $\int_1^2 \frac{2x+4}{x^5-7x^4+4x^3-23x^2+20} dx \approx -0.242628758$.

40. We factor $x^5 - 2x^3 - x^2 - 3x + 1 = (x^2 + 0.455692986x + 1.152829370)(x - \alpha)(x - \beta)(x - \gamma)$ where $\alpha = -1.649139742$, $\beta = 0.2897957666$, and $\gamma = 1.815036961$. It follows that

$$\frac{3x + 1}{x^5 - 2x^3 - x^2 - 3x + 1} = \frac{Ax + B}{x^2 + 0.455692986x + 1.152829370} + \frac{C}{x - \alpha} + \frac{D}{x - \beta} + \frac{E}{x - \gamma}.$$

We solve simultaneously for these unknowns, finding $A = 0.4188089540$, $B = -0.4056398027$, $C = -0.1883031114$, $E = -0.4617804633$, $F = 0.2312746207$. With these values, we calculate $\int_2^3 \frac{3x+1}{x^5-2x^3-x^2-3x+1} dx \approx 0.245596$.

41. Computer algebra systems can quickly decompose many a fearsome rational function into its partial fractions expansion. Figure 1 shows an example of this using *Maple*. Find the partial fractions decomposition of the following rational functions:

i)

$$\frac{2x^5 + 13x^4 - 28x^3 + 30x^2 - 37x - 8}{x^6 - x^5 + 2x^4 - x^3 + 2x^2 - x + 1} = \frac{-3x + 14}{x^2 + x + 1} + \frac{5x - 7}{x^2 - x + 1} + \frac{4x - 15}{(x^2 - x + 1)^2}$$

ii)

$$\frac{17x^5 + 39x^4 + 140x^3 + 140x^2 + 199x + 33}{x^6 + 3x^5 + 12x^4 + 19x^3 + 36x^2 + 27x + 27} = \frac{-9x + 12}{(x^2 + x + 3)^3} + \frac{11x - 8}{(x^2 + x + 3)^2} + \frac{17x + 5}{x^2 + x + 3}$$

iii)

$$\frac{2x^9 + 29x^7 + x^6 + 165x^5 + 9x^4 + 431x^3 + 27x^2 + 431x + 27}{x^{14} + 25x^{12} + 267x^{10} + 1579x^8 + 5584x^6 + 11808x^4 + 13824x^2 + 6912} = \frac{2x}{(x^2 + 3)^3} - \frac{3x - 1}{(x^2 + 4)^4}$$