

# RATIONAL FUNCTIONS

$$R(x) = \frac{P(x)}{Q(x)} \quad P, Q \text{ polynomials}$$

$$\text{EX: } R(x) = \frac{x^3 - x + 5}{7x^2 - 2x - 7}$$

$$\forall Q(x) \equiv 1, \checkmark$$

$$\text{EX: } \int x^2 + 1 \, dx = \frac{x^3}{3} + x + C$$

$$Q(x) = x, P(x) \equiv 1$$

$$\int \frac{1}{x} \, dx = \ln|x| + C$$

$$\int \frac{1}{2x+3} \, dx = \int \frac{1}{u} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \, du = \frac{1}{2} \ln|u| + C$$

$$2x+3 = u$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \ln|2x+3| + C$$

$$2 \, dx = du, \, dx = \frac{1}{2} \, du$$

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

$$u = ax+b$$

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

$$\int \frac{1}{x^2+a^2} dx = \arctan \frac{x}{a} + C$$

$$\int \frac{1}{x^2-4x+8} dx = \int \frac{1}{(x-2)^2+2^2} dx \stackrel{u=x-2}{=} \int \frac{1}{u^2+2^2} du$$

$$x^2 - 4x + 8 = x^2 - 2 \cdot x \cdot 2 + 8 = x^2 - 2 \cdot x \cdot 2 + 4 + 4$$

$$\boxed{(a-b)^2 = a^2 - 2ab + b^2}$$

$$= (x-2)^2 + 2^2$$

$$= \arctan \frac{u}{2} + C = \arctan \frac{x-2}{2} + C$$

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

$$u = x - 2$$

$$= \int \frac{1}{u^2} du = -u^{-1} + C = -\frac{1}{x-2} + C$$

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

$$x^2 + 2x - 3 = x^2 + 2 \cdot x \cdot 1 + 1 - 4$$

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

$$\boxed{a^2 - b^2 = (a-b)(a+b)}$$

$$\frac{1}{(x-1)(x+3)} = \frac{A}{x-1} + \frac{B}{x+3} \quad A, B \text{ to be determined}$$

Multiply by  $(x-1)(x+3)$

$$1 = A(x+3) + B(x-1) \quad \text{for all } x$$

$$x=1: 1 = 4A, A = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$x=-3: 1 = B \cdot (-4), B = -\frac{1}{4}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{1}{x^2+2x-3} dx &= \int \frac{\frac{1}{4}}{x-1} + \frac{-\frac{1}{4}}{x+3} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \int \frac{1}{x-1} dx - \frac{1}{4} \int \frac{1}{x+3} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \ln|x-1| - \frac{1}{4} \ln|x+3| + C \end{aligned}$$

IN GENERAL:

$$\int \frac{1}{ax^2+bx+c} dx$$

$$ax^2+bx+c \begin{cases} \rightarrow a[(x+p)^2+q^2] \text{ ①} \\ \rightarrow a(x+p)^2 \text{ ②} \\ \rightarrow a \cdot [(x+p)^2-q^2] \text{ ③} \end{cases}$$

① arctan

②  $\neq 1$  power of  $x+p$

③ partial fractions  $\ln$

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

$$x-2 = u, \quad x = 2+u \\ dx = du$$

$$= \int \frac{2+u+5}{u^2+2^2} du = \int \frac{u+7}{u^2+2^2} du$$

$$= \int \frac{u}{u^2+2^2} du + \int \frac{7}{u^2+2^2} du$$

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$$u^2+2^2 = w$$

$$2u du = dw$$

$$\int \frac{u}{u^2+2^2} du = \int \frac{\frac{1}{2} dw}{w} = \frac{1}{2} \ln|w| + C \\ = \frac{1}{2} \ln|u^2+4| + C$$

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$$= \frac{1}{2} \ln|u^2+4| + 7 \arctan \frac{u}{2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \ln|(x-2)^2+4| + 7 \arctan \frac{x-2}{2}$$

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

$$x+1 = u$$

$$= \int \frac{u+4}{u^2} du = \int \frac{1}{u} + \frac{4}{u^2} du$$

$$= \ln|u| - \frac{4}{u} + C = \ln|x+1| - \frac{4}{x+1} + C$$

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

$$\frac{x+5}{(x-1)(x+3)} = \frac{A}{x-1} + \frac{B}{x+3}$$

$$x+5 = A(x+3) + B(x-1)$$

$x=1, x=-3$ , compute  $A, B$