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## 3.1) Improper integrals

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## Worked example

Find the value of the improper integral

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^3} dx$$

## Your turn

Find the value of the improper integral

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^2} dx$$

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## Worked example

Find the value of the improper integral

$$\int_2^{\infty} x^{-\frac{5}{2}} dx$$

## Your turn

Find the value of the improper integral

$$\int_2^{\infty} x^{-\frac{3}{2}} dx$$

$$\sqrt{2}$$

## Worked example

Find the value of the improper integral

$$\int_0^{\infty} e^{-2x} dx$$

## Your turn

Find the value of the improper integral

$$\int_0^{\infty} e^{-3x} dx$$

$$\frac{1}{3}$$

## Worked example

Show that the integral does not converge:

$$\int_0^1 \frac{1}{x^3} dx$$

## Your turn

Show that the integral does not converge:

$$\int_0^1 \frac{1}{x^2} dx$$

Shown

## Worked example

Show that the integral does not converge:

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{x}} dx$$

## Your turn

Show that the integral does not converge:

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} dx$$

Shown

## Worked example

Show that the integral converges and find its value:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 e^{-x^3} dx$$

## Your turn

Show that the integral converges and find its value:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x e^{-x^2} dx$$

0



## Worked example

Evaluate the integral:

$$\int_0^2 \frac{6x}{\sqrt[3]{4-x^2}} dx$$

## Your turn

Evaluate the integral:

$$\int_0^2 \frac{x}{\sqrt{4-x^2}} dx$$

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## Worked example

Show that the integral is divergent:

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \tan x \, dx$$

## Your turn

Show that the integral is divergent:

$$\int_0^{\pi} \sec^2 x \, dx$$

Shown

## Worked example

Find the exact value of

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{3x^2 + 4x + 1} dx$$

## Your turn

Find the exact value of

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{2x^2 + 3x + 1} dx$$

**ln 2**

## 3.2) The mean value of a function

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## Worked example

Find the mean value of  $f(x) = \frac{3}{\sqrt{2+5x}}$  over the interval  $[4,7]$

## Your turn

Find the mean value of  $f(x) = \frac{4}{\sqrt{2+3x}}$  over the interval  $[2,6]$

$$\frac{4}{3}(\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{2})$$

## Worked example

Find the mean value of  $f(x) = \frac{2 \sin x \cos x}{\cos 2x+3}$   
over the interval  $[0, \frac{\pi}{4}]$

## Your turn

Find the mean value of  $f(x) = \frac{\sin x \cos x}{\cos 2x+2}$  over  
the interval  $[0, \frac{\pi}{2}]$

$$\frac{\ln 3}{2\pi}$$

## Worked example

Find the mean value of  $f(x) = \frac{5x}{2x^2-3x-2}$  over the interval  $[1, 4]$

## Your turn

Find the mean value of  $f(x) = \frac{5x}{2x^2+3x-2}$  over the interval  $[1, 5]$

$$\frac{1}{4} \ln \frac{49}{3}$$

## Worked example

Find the mean value of  $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4-x}}$  over the interval  $[0, 4]$

## Your turn

Find the mean value of  $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2-x}}$  over the interval  $[0, 2]$

$$\sqrt{2}$$



## Worked example

$$f(x) = \frac{3}{1 - e^x}$$

- (a) Find the mean value of  $f(x)$  over the interval  $[\ln 2, \ln 10]$
- (b) Use your answer to part a to find the mean value over the interval  $[\ln 2, \ln 10]$  of  $f(x) + 5$ .
- (c) Use geometric considerations to write down the mean value of  $-f(x)$  over the interval  $[\ln 2, \ln 10]$

## Your turn

$$f(x) = \frac{4}{1 + e^x}$$

- (a) Find the mean value of  $f(x)$  over the interval  $[\ln 2, \ln 6]$
- (b) Use your answer to part a to find the mean value over the interval  $[\ln 2, \ln 6]$  of  $f(x) + 4$ .
- (c) Use geometric considerations to write down the mean value of  $-f(x)$  over the interval  $[\ln 2, \ln 6]$

- (a)  $\frac{4 \ln \frac{9}{7}}{\ln 3}$
- (b)  $\frac{4 \ln \frac{9}{7}}{\ln 3} + 4$
- (c)  $-\frac{4 \ln \frac{9}{7}}{\ln 3}$

## 3.3) Differentiating inverse trigonometric functions [Chapter CONTENTS](#)

## Worked example

Find:

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\arcsin x)$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\arctan x)$$

## Your turn

Find:

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\arccos x)$$

$$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$

## Worked example

Find:

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\arccos x^4)$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\arctan 2x^3)$$

## Your turn

Find:

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\arcsin x^2)$$

$$\frac{2x}{\sqrt{1-x^4}}$$

## Worked example

Find:

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\operatorname{arcsec} 3x)$$

## Your turn

Find:

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\operatorname{arcsec} 2x)$$

$$\frac{1}{x\sqrt{4x^2 - 1}}$$

## Worked example

Given that  $y = \arctan\left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right)$ , find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$

## Your turn

Given that  $y = \arctan\left(\frac{1-x}{1+x}\right)$ , find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$

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

## Worked example

Prove:

$$\cos(\arctan x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}$$

## Your turn

Prove:

$$\sin(\operatorname{arcsec} x) = \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{x^2}}$$

Proof

## 3.4) Integrating with inverse trigonometric functions [Chapter CONTENTS](#)



## Worked example

Use an appropriate substitution to show that:

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

$$\int \frac{-1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} dx = \arccos x + C$$

## Your turn

Use an appropriate substitution to show that:

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

**Proof**

## Worked example

Use an appropriate substitution to show that:

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

where  $a$  is a positive constant and  $|x| < a$

## Your turn

Use an appropriate substitution to show that:

$$\int \frac{1}{a^2 + x^2} dx = \frac{1}{a} \arctan \left( \frac{x}{a} \right) + C, a > 0, |x| < a$$

**Proof**

## Worked example

Find:

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

## Your turn

Find:

$$\int \frac{4}{5+x^2} dx$$

$$\frac{4}{\sqrt{5}} \arctan\left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{5}}\right) + c$$

## Worked example

Find:

$$\int \frac{1}{49 + 16x^2} dx$$

## Your turn

Find:

$$\int \frac{1}{25 + 9x^2} dx$$

$$\frac{1}{15} \arctan\left(\frac{3x}{5}\right) + c$$

## Worked example

Find:

$$\int_{-1}^2 \frac{1}{\sqrt{21-3x^2}} dx$$

## Your turn

Find:

$$\int_{-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}}^{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3-4x^2}} dx$$

$$\frac{\pi}{6}$$

## Worked example

Find:

$$\int \frac{x+9}{\sqrt{1-9x^2}} dx$$

## Your turn

Find:

$$\int \frac{x+4}{\sqrt{1-4x^2}} dx$$

$$\frac{1}{4}\sqrt{1-4x^2} + 2 \arcsin 2x + c$$

## Worked example

Find:

$$\int \frac{6x - 5}{3 + x^2} dx$$

## Your turn

Find:

$$\int \frac{8x - 3}{4 + x^2} dx$$

$$4 \ln(4 + x^2) - \frac{3}{2} \arctan\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) + c$$

## Worked example

Find:

$$\int \frac{3x - 1}{\sqrt{5 - 4x^2}} dx$$

## Your turn

Find:

$$\int \frac{4x - 1}{\sqrt{6 - 5x^2}} dx$$

$$-\frac{4}{5}\sqrt{6 - 5x^2} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}\arcsin\left(\sqrt{\frac{5}{6}}x\right) + c$$



## 3.5) Integrating using partial fractions

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## Worked example

Find:

$$\int \frac{1+x}{x^3+16x} dx$$

## Your turn

Find:

$$\int \frac{1+x}{x^3+9x} dx$$

$$\frac{1}{18} \ln \left( \frac{x^2}{x^2+9} \right) + \frac{1}{3} \arctan \left( \frac{x}{3} \right) + c$$

## Worked example

Find:

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

## Your turn

Find:

$$\int \frac{x^2 - 3x}{(x^2 + 6)(x + 2)} dx$$

$$\ln |x + 2| - \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} \arctan \left( \frac{x}{\sqrt{6}} \right) + c$$

## Worked example

Find:

$$\int \frac{x^4 + x}{x^4 + 7x^2 + 12} dx$$

## Your turn

Find:

$$\int \frac{x^4 + x}{x^4 + 5x^2 + 6} dx$$

$$x + \frac{1}{2} \ln \left| \frac{x^2 + 2}{x^2 + 3} \right| + 2\sqrt{2} \arctan \left( \frac{x}{\sqrt{2}} \right) - 3\sqrt{3} \arctan \left( \frac{x}{\sqrt{3}} \right) + c$$

## Worked example

Evaluate:

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

## Your turn

Find:

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

$$\frac{1}{4}(\pi + 2 \ln 2)$$

## Worked example

Find:

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

## Your turn

Find:

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

$$\frac{1}{4} \ln |x| + \frac{3}{8} \ln |x^2 + 2| + \frac{5}{4(x^2 + 2)} + c$$

## Worked example

Find:

$$\int \frac{1}{3x^2 + 6x + 7} dx$$

## Your turn

Find:

$$\int \frac{1}{2x^2 + 4x + 11} dx$$

$$\frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} \arctan\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}(x+1)}{3}\right) + c$$