

Math 142, Exam 3, Fall 1998, Problems 4, 5, 6, and 7

4. Find $\int \frac{5x^2 - 2x + 2}{x^3 + x} dx$.

Write

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

Multiply both sides by $x^3 + x$ to get

$$5x^2 - 2x + 2 = A(x^2 + 1) + (Bx + C)x$$

$$5x^2 - 2x + 2 = (A + B)x^2 + Cx + A.$$

Equate the corresponding coefficients:

$$5 = A + B$$

$$-2 = C$$

$$2 = A.$$

We see that $B = 3$ and

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

5. Find $\int \sin^2 x \cos^3 x dx$.

Let $u = \sin x$. In this case $du = \cos x dx$ and

$$\begin{aligned} \int \sin^2 x \cos^3 x dx &= \int \sin^2 x (1 - \sin^2 x) \cos x dx = \int (u^2 - u^4) du \\ &= \frac{u^3}{3} - \frac{u^5}{5} + C = \boxed{\frac{\sin^3 x}{3} - \frac{\sin^5 x}{5} + C}. \end{aligned}$$

6. (10 points for each part)

(a) Find the Taylor polynomial of degree three, $P_3(x)$, for $f(x) = e^{-x}$ about $a = 0$.

(b) Find an upper bound for the difference between $f(x)$ and $P_3(x)$ when $|x| \leq \frac{1}{10}$.

We see that

$$\begin{array}{ll} f(x) = e^{-x} & f(0) = 1 \\ f'(x) = -e^{-x} & f'(0) = -1 \\ f''(x) = e^{-x} & f''(0) = 1 \\ f'''(x) = -e^{-x} & f'''(0) = -1 \end{array}$$

So,

$$\boxed{P_3(x) = 1 - x + \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x^3}{3!}.$$

We know that $f^{(4)}(x) = e^{-x}$. Therefore, the difference

$$|f(x) - P_3(x)| = |R_3(X)| = \left| \frac{f^{(4)}(c)x^4}{4!} \right| = \frac{|x|^4}{4!e^c}$$

for some c between x and 0 . We know that $-\frac{1}{10} \leq c \leq \frac{1}{10}$. It follows that

$$e^{-\frac{1}{10}} \leq e^c \leq e^{\frac{1}{10}}$$

and

$$\frac{1}{e^{\frac{1}{10}}} \leq \frac{1}{e^c} \leq \frac{1}{e^{-\frac{1}{10}}} = e^{\frac{1}{10}}.$$

Thus,

$$|f(x) - P_3(x)| = \frac{|x|^4}{4!e^c} \leq \frac{\left(\frac{1}{10}\right)^4 e^{\frac{1}{10}}}{4!} = \frac{e^{\frac{1}{10}}}{4! \cdot 10^4}.$$

We conclude that

$$\boxed{|f(x) - P_3(x)| \leq \frac{e^{\frac{1}{10}}}{4! \cdot 10^4}.$$

7. Find $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin x}{x}$.

It is clear that

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin x}{x} = \boxed{\frac{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}}{\frac{\pi}{4}}}.$$