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- (c) Compute $\int_0^1 f(x) dx$.

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3. Find an antiderivative of

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

4. Determine whether each integral is convergent or divergent. Evaluate those that are convergent.

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(a) $f(x) = 3 - \frac{3x+4}{x^2+3x+2}$

(b) We have

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

for some constants A and B . Since $3x+4 = A(x+1) + B(x+2) = (A+B)x + A+2B$, we have $A+B=3$ and $A+2B=4$. Thus $A=2$ and $B=1$.

(c) An antiderivative of $f(x)$ is

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

Thus $\int_0^1 f(x) dx = 3 - 2 \ln(3) - \ln(2) + \ln(2) + \ln(1) = 3 - 2 \ln(3)$.

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

Since $x^2 + 2x - 3 = (x+3)(x-1)$, we have $g(x) = \frac{A}{x+3} + \frac{B}{x-1}$ for some constants A and B . Since $1 = A(x-1) + B(x+3) = (A+B)x - A + 3B$, we have $A+B=0$ and $-A+3B=1$. Thus $A = -\frac{1}{4}$ and $B = \frac{1}{4}$, i.e.

$$g(x) = -\frac{1}{4(x+3)} + \frac{1}{4(x-1)}.$$

3. Find an antiderivative of

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

We have $h(x) = x^2 + 3 + \frac{-3x+7}{(x+2)(x-1)} = x^2 + 3 + \frac{A}{x+2} + \frac{B}{x-1}$ for some constants A and B .

Since $A(x-1) + B(x+2) = -3x + 7$, we have $A = \frac{-13}{3}$ and $B = \frac{4}{3}$. Hence

$$\int h(x) dx = \frac{x^3}{3} + 3x - \frac{13}{3} \ln|x+2| + \frac{4}{3} \ln|x-1|.$$

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(a)

$$\begin{aligned} \int_1^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2x+1)^3} dx &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^t (2x+1)^{-3} dx \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left. \frac{(2x+1)^{-2}}{-4} \right|_1^t \\ &= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} -\frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{1}{(2t+1)^2} - \frac{1}{3^2} \right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{4} \left(0 - \frac{1}{9} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{36} \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_{-\infty}^0 2^x dx &= \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \int_t^0 e^{\ln(2)x} dx \\
 &= \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \left. \frac{2^x}{\ln(2)} \right|_t^0 \\
 &= \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \frac{1}{\ln(2)} (1 - 2^t) \\
 &= \frac{1}{\ln(2)} (1 - 0) \\
 &= \frac{1}{\ln(2)}
 \end{aligned}$$

(c) Since

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^3 - 3x^2 dx &= \int_{-\infty}^0 x^3 - 3x^2 dx + \int_0^{\infty} x^3 - 3x^2 dx \\
 &= \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \int_t^0 x^3 - 3x^2 dx + \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^t x^3 - 3x^2 dx \\
 &= \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \left. \frac{x^4}{4} - x^3 \right|_t^0 + \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left. \frac{x^4}{4} - x^3 \right|_0^t \\
 &= -\infty + \infty,
 \end{aligned}$$

the integral is divergent.

(d) We obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_0^1 x \ln(x) dx &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \int_t^1 x \ln(x) dx \\
 &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \left. \frac{x^2}{2} \ln(x) \right|_t^1 - \int_t^1 \frac{x}{2} dx \\
 &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} 0 - \frac{t^2 \ln(t)}{2} - \left. \frac{x^2}{4} \right|_t^1 \\
 &= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} -\frac{t^2 \ln(t)}{2} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{t^2}{4} \\
 &= -\frac{1}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

using integration by parts, and L'Hôpital's Rule to compute

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} t^2 \ln(t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\ln(t)}{\frac{1}{t^2}} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\frac{1}{t}}{\frac{-2}{t^3}} = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} -\frac{t^2}{2} = 0.$$