

Logarithmic Functions and Integration

W-up: AP Multiple Choice # 8, 11(both non calculator)

Differentiate each function:

A) $f(x) = \ln(x)$

B) $f(x) = \ln(4x^2 - 7)$

C) $f(x) = \log_3(2x - 5)$

When the power rule is used to integrate, a variable or expression containing a power of “negative one” will not work since we may not divide by zero. This is not a problem, because this is the answer to the derivative of $\ln x$!

$$\int \frac{1}{u} du = \ln|u| + C$$

Note: absolute value assures us that the domain of “ u ” in the integral matches the domain of “ u ” in its logarithmic answer!

Since NO derivative *ever* contains a non-constant logarithmic function, **ALWAYS** let “ u ” equal the log function!

EX) $\int \frac{1}{x \ln x} dx$

EX) $\int \frac{\log_3(x-1)}{x-1} dx$

EX) $\int \frac{x-1}{x} dx$

Integrating Rational Expressions(denominator not a monomial)

Degree of numerator is
one less than the denominator

Let "u" = the denominator

EX) $\int \frac{1}{5x+3} dx$

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

Degree of numerator is greater
than or equal to the denominator

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

Long Division

Re-substitution

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

$$\int \frac{x^2+3x+1}{u} du \quad \begin{array}{l} u = x+1 \\ du = dx \end{array}$$

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

Since x's remain, write them in terms of u!

Now integrate the first two integrals from the past and follow the strategy above for the last integral

If $u = x+1$ then $x = u-1$

$$\int \frac{(u-1)^2 + 3(u-1) + 1}{u} du$$

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

$$\int u + 1 - \frac{1}{u} du \dots\dots$$

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

$$\text{EX) } \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+1}} dx$$

Use u -substitution to integrate $\int \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} dx$

Since we know $\int \sin x dx$ and $\int \cos x dx$ we can use u -substitution to find the integrals of the other four trig. functions

$$\int \tan u du = -\ln|\cos u| + C$$

$$\int \cot u du = \ln|\sin u| + C$$

$$\int \sec u du = \ln|\sec u + \tan u| + C$$

$$\int \csc u du = -\ln|\csc u + \cot u| + C$$

$$\text{EX) } \int \cot \frac{x}{2} dx$$

$$\text{EX) } \int_0^{\pi/4} \sqrt{1 + \tan^2 x} dx$$