

Math 112 — Practice Exam II

Show all work clearly; an answer with no justifying computations may not receive credit (except for the “write down but do not evaluate” questions). If any divergent improper integrals appear, state that they are divergent.

- (8 points) Write down, but *do not evaluate*, an integral that represents the length of the curve $y = \arctan(2x)$ on $0 \leq x \leq \sqrt{3}/2$.
- (10 points) Write out the *form* of the partial fraction expansion of the rational function

$$\frac{x^6 + 3x^5 - x^3 + 5x + 2}{(x-1)^2(x^2+3)^2}.$$

You need not find the constants in the numerators, but be sure to complete the first step.

- (10 points) Find the centroid of the half-disc $x^2 + y^2 \leq a^2$, $y \geq 0$, in terms of the constant a .
- (7 points) Recall that the Laplace transform of a function $f(t)$ (that is continuous for $t \geq 0$) is given by $L(s) = \int_0^\infty e^{-st} f(t) dt$. Does the Laplace transform of $f(t) = \arctan t$ exist for $s > 0$? Explain your answer.
- (65 points) Evaluate the following integrals:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{(a)} \int_{-1}^1 \frac{3x+2}{\sqrt{4-x^2}} dx & \text{(b)} \int_0^2 \frac{3x+2}{x^2-4x+3} dx \\ \text{(c)} \int \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2+6x}} dx & \text{(d)} \int_5^\infty \frac{\sqrt{x+4}}{x} dx \end{array}$$

Some possibly useful formulas:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1 & \sin 2A = 2 \sin A \cos A \\ \tan^2 \theta + 1 = \sec^2 \theta & \cos 2A = \cos^2 A - \sin^2 A \\ \sec^2 \theta - 1 = \tan^2 \theta & = 2 \cos^2 A - 1 \\ & = 1 - 2 \sin^2 A \end{array}$$

$$\int \tan x \, dx = \ln |\sec x| + C \qquad \int \sec x \, dx = \ln |\sec x + \tan x| + C$$

$$\int u \, dv = uv - \int v \, du \qquad (\bar{x}, \bar{y}) = \left(\frac{\int x(f(x) - g(x)) dx}{\text{area}}, \frac{\int \frac{1}{2}(f(x)^2 - g(x)^2) dx}{\text{area}} \right)$$

$$t = \tan \frac{x}{2} : \quad \cos x = \frac{1-t^2}{1+t^2}, \quad \sin x = \frac{2t}{1+t^2}, \quad dx = \frac{2}{1+t^2} dt$$

Solutions to Exam II:

1. Because $\frac{d}{dx}(\arctan(2x)) = 2/(1+4x^2)$, the desired arc length is given by

$$\int_0^{\sqrt{3}/2} \sqrt{1 + \frac{4}{(1+4x^2)^2}} dx .$$

2. The denominator is

$$(x-1)^2(x^2+3)^2 = (x^2-2x+1)(x^4+6x^2+9) = x^6 - 2x^5 + 7x^4 - 12x^3 + 15x^2 - 18x + 9 ,$$

so long division

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \\ x^6 - 2x^5 + 7x^4 - 12x^3 + 15x^2 - 18x + 9 \overline{) x^6 + 3x^5 - x^3 + 5x + 2} \\ \underline{x^6 - 2x^5 + 7x^4 - 12x^3 + 15x^2 - 18x + 9} \\ 5x^5 - 7x^4 + 11x^3 - 15x^2 + 23x - 7 \end{array}$$

gives a quotient of 1 and a remainder of $5x^5 - 7x^4 + 11x^3 - 15x^2 + 23x - 7$. Now $x^2 + 3$ is an irreducible (over the reals) quadratic, so the form of the partial fraction expansion is

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x^6 + 3x^5 - x^3 + 5x + 2}{(x-1)^2(x^2+3)^2} &= 1 + \frac{5x^5 - 7x^4 + 11x^3 - 15x^2 + 23x - 7}{(x-1)^2(x^2+3)^2} \\ &= 1 + \frac{A}{x-1} + \frac{B}{(x-1)^2} + \frac{Cx+D}{x^2+3} + \frac{Ex+F}{(x^2+3)^2} . \end{aligned}$$

3. The area of the half-disc, which has radius a , is $\pi a^2/2$, and by symmetry the centroid must lie on the y -axis, so its x -coordinate is 0. So we only need to find its y -coordinate. Now the y -coordinate of any thin vertical slice is halfway up the slice, so

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{y} &= \frac{M_y}{\pi a^2/2} = \frac{2}{\pi a^2} \int_{-a}^a \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} \cdot \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi a^2} \int_{-a}^a (a^2 - x^2) dx = \frac{1}{\pi a^2} \left[a^2 x - \frac{1}{3} x^3 \right]_{-a}^a = \frac{4a}{3\pi} . \end{aligned}$$

4. Because $\arctan t \geq 0$ for $t \geq 0$ and $\arctan t < \pi/2$ for all values of t , we have $0 \leq (\arctan t)e^{-st} \leq (\pi/2)e^{-st}$ for all t . Now for $s > 0$,

$$\int_0^\infty e^{-st} dt = \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \left(-\frac{1}{s} e^{-st} \Big|_0^u \right) = -\frac{1}{s} \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} (e^{-su} - 1) = \frac{1}{s} ,$$

so $(\pi/2) \int_0^\infty e^{-st} dt$ also converges (to $\pi/(2s)$), and hence, by the Comparison Test, the Laplace transform $L(s) = \int_0^\infty (\arctan x)e^{-st} dt$ exists (and is less than $\pi/(2s)$), so we have a function that bounds the Laplace transform from above).

5. (a) The radical in the denominator suggests the substitution $x = 2 \sin \theta$, so that $dx = 2 \cos \theta d\theta$ and $\sqrt{4-x^2} = 2 \cos \theta$, and as x varies from -1 to 1 , θ varies from $-\arcsin(1/2)$ to $\arcsin(1/2)$ — let's denote that arcsin by α . So the integral becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\alpha}^{\alpha} \frac{6 \sin \theta + 2}{2 \cos \theta} 2 \cos \theta d\theta &= \int_{-\alpha}^{\alpha} (6 \sin \theta + 2) d\theta = [-6 \cos \theta + 2\theta]_{-\alpha}^{\alpha} \\ &= (-6 \cos \alpha + 2\alpha) - (-6 \cos(-\alpha) + 2(-\alpha)) \\ &= 4\alpha = 4 \arcsin(1/2) , \end{aligned}$$

because the cosines of α and $-\alpha$ are equal.

- (b) First, we should note that the denominator, $x^2 - 4x + 3 = (x - 1)(x - 3)$, is 0 at 1, inside the interval, so the integral is improper and may be divergent — we will need to find the limit of the antiderivative as x approaches 1 from both sides. We need to find the antiderivative: The form of the partial fraction expansion of the integrand is $(3x+2)/(x^2-4x+3) = A/(x-1) + B/(x-3)$. Multiplying both sides by $x^2 - 4x + 3$ gives $3x + 2 = A(x - 3) + B(x - 1) = (A + B)x + (-3A - B)$, or $A + B = 3$ and $-3A - B = 2$. Thus, $A = -5/2$ and $B = 11/2$:

$$\int \frac{3x + 2}{x^2 - 4x + 3} dx = \int \left(-\frac{5}{2} \frac{1}{x - 1} + \frac{11}{2} \frac{1}{x - 3} \right) dx = -\frac{5}{2} \ln|x - 1| + \frac{11}{2} \ln|x - 3| + C .$$

Now the limit as x approaches 1 (from either direction) of the first term is unbounded, so the improper integral is divergent.

- (c) Because $x^2 + 6x = (x^2 + 6x + 9) - 9 = (x + 3)^2 - 9$, we set $x + 3 = 3 \sec \theta$, so that $x = 3 \sec \theta - 3$, $dx = 3 \sec \theta \tan \theta d\theta$, and $\sqrt{x^2 + 6x} = 3 \tan \theta$. So the integral becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{3 \sec \theta - 3}{3 \tan \theta} 3 \sec \theta \tan \theta d\theta &= \int (3 \sec^2 \theta - 3 \sec \theta) d\theta \\ &= 3 \tan \theta - 3 \ln |\sec \theta + \tan \theta| + C \\ &= \sqrt{x^2 + 6x} - 3 \ln \left| \frac{x + 3}{3} + \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + 6x}}{3} \right| + C \\ &= \sqrt{x^2 + 6x} - 3 \ln |x + 3 + \sqrt{x^2 + 6x}| + C_1 , \end{aligned}$$

where $C_1 = C - \ln 3$.

- (d) We first find the antiderivative of the function being integrated: Set $u = \sqrt{x + 4}$, so that $x = u^2 - 4$ and $dx = 2u du$. Then the indefinite integral (without the limits) becomes

$$\int \frac{u}{u^2 - 4} 2u du = \int \frac{2u^2}{u^2 - 4} du = 2 \int \left(1 + \frac{4}{u^2 - 4} \right) du ,$$

the last step by long division. Now $4/(u^2 - 4) = A/(u - 2) + B/(u + 2)$ gives $4 = A(u + 2) + B(u - 2) = (A + B)u + (2A - 2B)$, so $A = -B = 1$:

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \int \left(1 + \frac{1}{u - 2} - \frac{1}{u + 2} \right) du &= 2(u + \ln |u - 2| - \ln |u + 2|) + C \\ &= 2 \left(\sqrt{x + 4} + \ln \left| \frac{\sqrt{x + 4} - 2}{\sqrt{x + 4} + 2} \right| \right) + C . \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{x + 4} - 2}{\sqrt{x + 4} + 2} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 - \frac{2}{\sqrt{x+4}}}{1 + \frac{2}{\sqrt{x+4}}} = \frac{1 - 0}{1 + 0} = 1 ,$$

so the second term in the integral approaches 0 as $x \rightarrow \infty$; but the first term grows without bound, so the improper integral diverges.