

Assignment #15

Due on Wednesday, November 2, 2011

Read Section 4.9, *Solving the Logistic equation*, in the class lecture notes at <http://pages.pomona.edu/~ajr04747/>, starting on page 64.

Read Section 4.9.2, *Partial Fractions*, in the class lecture notes at <http://pages.pomona.edu/~ajr04747/>, starting on page 67.

Do the following problems

1. Evaluate the integral $\int \frac{y^2 + 1}{y^3 - 4y^2 + y + 6} dy$, by first finding constants A , B and C such that

$$\frac{y^2 + 1}{y^3 - 4y^2 + y + 6} = \frac{A}{y - 2} + \frac{B}{y + 1} + \frac{C}{y - 3}.$$

2. Evaluate the integral $\int \frac{y^2 - y + 6}{y^3 - 5y^2 + y - 5} dy$, by first finding constants A , B and C such that

$$\frac{y^2 - y + 6}{y^3 - 5y^2 + y - 5} = \frac{A}{y - 5} + \frac{By + C}{y^2 + 1}.$$

3. Solve the initial value problem

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = y - \frac{1}{3}y^2, \quad y(0) = 1,$$

and sketch the solution.

4. Use partial fractions to evaluate the integral $\int \frac{y^3 + 3}{y^2 - 3y + 2} dy$.

Suggestion: First divide the denominator into the numerator to obtain

$$\frac{y^3 + 3}{y^2 - 3y + 2} = y + 3 + \frac{7y - 3}{y^2 - 3y + 2}.$$

5. Use partial fractions to evaluate the integral $\int \frac{1}{1 - y^2} dy$.