

7. [7 points] Use the partial fraction decomposition

$$\frac{x^2 + 11x - 6}{(2-x)(x^2+1)} = \frac{4}{2-x} + \frac{3x-5}{x^2+1}$$

to evaluate the following indefinite integral, showing all of your work.

$$\int \frac{x^2 + 11x - 6}{(2-x)(x^2+1)} \, dx$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{x^2 + 11x - 6}{(2-x)(x^2+1)} \, dx &= \int \frac{4}{2-x} \, dx + \int \frac{3x-5}{x^2+1} \, dx \\ &= 4 \int \frac{1}{2-x} \, dx + 3 \int \frac{x}{x^2+1} \, dx - 5 \int \frac{1}{x^2+1} \, dx \\ &= -4 \ln|2-x| + \frac{3}{2} \ln|x^2+1| - 5 \arctan x + C \end{aligned}$$

Here, we have applied the method of substitution to evaluate the first two integrals in the second step.

Answer: $-4 \ln|2-x| + \frac{3}{2} \ln|x^2+1| - 5 \arctan x + C$