

1. 5 Evaluate the following improper integral.

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{dx}{x^2 + 5x + 6}$$

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

$$1 = A(x+3) + B(x+2)$$

$$x = -3, \quad B = -1$$

$$x = -2, \quad A = 1$$

$$= \int_1^{\infty} \left( \frac{1}{x+2} - \frac{1}{x+3} \right) dx$$

$$= \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \ln|x+2| - \ln|x+3| \right] \Big|_1^R$$

$$= \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \ln \left| \frac{x+2}{x+3} \right| \Big|_1^R$$

$$= \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \ln \left| \frac{R+2}{R+3} \right| - \ln \left| \frac{3}{4} \right|$$

$$= -\ln \left| \frac{3}{4} \right| = \ln \left| \frac{4}{3} \right|$$

2. 5 Use the Comparison Test to show the following integral converges.

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{2}{x^3 + 3x + 4} dx$$

$$\text{Since } 0 \leq \frac{2}{x^3 + 3x + 4} \leq \frac{2}{x^3} \quad \text{and} \quad \int_1^{\infty} \frac{2}{x^3} dx \text{ is a convergent}$$

p-integral ( $p=3 > 1$ ), by comparison

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{2}{x^3 + 3x + 4} dx \text{ also converges.}$$