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Q1) Express the following function as a sum of partial fractions and **evaluate** the coefficients.

$$f(x) = \frac{x^6}{x^2 - 4}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^4 + 4x^2 + 16 \\ x^2 - 4 \overline{) x^6} \\ \underline{-x^6 + 4x^4} \\ 4x^4 \\ \underline{-4x^4 + 16x^2} \\ 16x^2 \\ \underline{-16x^2 + 64} \\ 64 \end{array}$$

$$f(x) = x^4 + 4x^2 + 16 + \frac{64}{x^2 - 4}$$

$$= x^4 + 4x^2 + 16 + \frac{64}{(x-2)(x+2)}$$

$$= x^4 + 4x^2 + 16 + \frac{A}{x-2} + \frac{B}{x+2}$$

$$= x^4 + 4x^2 + 16 + \frac{16}{x-2} - \frac{16}{x+2} \quad *$$

Q2) Evaluate the integral or show that it diverges.

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{e^{-\sqrt{x}}}{\sqrt{x}} dx$$

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{e^{-\sqrt{x}}}{\sqrt{x}} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^t \frac{e^{-\sqrt{x}}}{\sqrt{x}} dx$$

$$\text{Let } u = \sqrt{x}, \quad du = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} dx$$

when $x = t \rightarrow u = \sqrt{t}$
 $x = 1 \rightarrow u = 1$, So the integral becomes

$$\int_1^{\infty} \frac{e^{-\sqrt{x}}}{\sqrt{x}} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^{\sqrt{t}} 2e^{-u} du$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left[-2e^{-u} \right]_1^{\sqrt{t}}$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left[-2e^{-\sqrt{t}} + 2e^{-1} \right]$$

$$= 0 + 2e^{-1}$$

$$= 2e^{-1} \quad \#$$

The integral converges to $2e^{-1}$.

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$$\begin{array}{r} x^3 + 4x \\ x^2 - 4 \overline{) x^5} \\ \underline{-x^5 + 4x^3} \\ 4x^3 \\ \underline{-4x^3 + 16x} \\ 16x \end{array}$$

$$f(x) = x^3 + 4x + \frac{16x}{x^2 - 4}$$

$$= x^3 + 4x + \frac{16x}{(x-2)(x+2)}$$

$$= x^3 + 4x + \frac{A}{x-2} + \frac{B}{x+2}$$

$$= x^3 + 4x + \frac{8}{x-2} + \frac{8}{x+2} \quad \#$$

Q2) Evaluate the integral or show that it diverges.

$$\int_{-1}^1 \frac{1+x}{\sqrt[3]{x^4}} dx$$

The integrand has an infinite discontinuity at $x=0$.

$$\int_{-1}^1 \frac{1+x}{\sqrt[3]{x^4}} dx = \int_{-1}^0 \frac{1+x}{\sqrt[3]{x^4}} dx + \int_0^1 \frac{1+x}{\sqrt[3]{x^4}} dx$$

Let us check the second improper integral

$$\int_0^1 \frac{1+x}{\sqrt[3]{x^4}} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \int_t^1 \frac{1+x}{x^{4/3}} dx$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \int_t^1 (x^{-4/3} + x^{-1/3}) dx$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \left[-3x^{-1/3} + \frac{3}{2}x^{2/3} \right]_t^1$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \left[-3 + \frac{3}{2} + \frac{3}{\sqrt[3]{t}} + \frac{3}{2}t^{3/2} \right]$$

since $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{3}{\sqrt[3]{t}} = +\infty$, the original integral

is divergent. *
