



Exercise 4.2



Resolve into partial fractions.

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

Solution: Let $\frac{x^2 - 3x + 1}{(x-1)^2(x-2)} = \frac{A}{x-1} + \frac{B}{(x-1)^2} + \frac{C}{x-2}$

Multiplying both sides by $(x-1)^2(x-2)$, we get

$$x^2 - 3x + 1 = A(x-1)(x-2) + B(x-2) + C(x-1)^2 \dots \dots \dots (i)$$

$$x^2 - 3x + 1 = A(x^2 - 3x + 2) + B(x-2) + C(x^2 - 2x + 1)$$

Put $x - 1 = 0$ i.e; $x = 1$ in (i), we get

$$(1)^2 - 3(1) + 1 = B(1 - 2)$$

$$1 - 3 + 1 = B(-1)$$



$$1 + 1 = A$$

$$A = 2$$

Put values of A, B, C in (k), we get

Therefore, partial fractions are

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

$$\text{Thus, } \frac{x^2 + 7x + 11}{(x+2)^2(x+3)} = \frac{2}{x+2} + \frac{1}{(x+2)^2} - \frac{1}{x+3}$$

3.

$$\frac{9}{(x-1)(x+2)^2}$$

$$\text{Solution: Let } \frac{9}{(x+2)^2(x-1)} = \frac{A}{x+2} + \frac{B}{(x+2)^2} + \frac{C}{x-1} \dots\dots\dots (K)$$

Multiplying both sides by $(x+2)^2(x-1)$, we get

$$9 = A(x+2)(x-1) + B(x-1) + C(x+2)^2 \dots\dots\dots (i)$$

$$9 = A(x^2 + x - 2) + B(x-1) + C(x^2 + 4x + 4) \dots\dots (ii)$$

Put $x+2=0$ i.e; $x=-2$ in (i), we get

$$9 = B(-2-1)$$

$$9 = -3B$$

$$B = -3$$

Put $x-1=0$ i.e; $x=1$ in (i), we get

$$9 = C(1+2)^2$$

$$9 = C(3)^2$$

$$9 = C(9)$$

$$C = 1$$

by comparing co-efficient of x^2 in (ii), we get

$$0 = A + C$$

Put $C = 1$ in it, we get

$$0 = A + 1$$

$$A = -1$$

Putting values of A, B, C in (k), we get

Therefore, partial fractions are

$$= \frac{1}{x-1} - \frac{1}{x+2} - \frac{3}{(x+2)^2}$$

$$\text{Thus, } \frac{9}{(x+2)^2(x-1)} = \frac{1}{x-1} - \frac{1}{x+2} - \frac{3}{(x+2)^2}$$

4.

$$\frac{x^4 + 1}{x^2(x-1)}$$

$$= \frac{x^4 + 1}{x^3 - x^2}$$



$$= x + 1 + \frac{x^2 + 1}{x^3 - x^2}$$

By long division, we have

$$\begin{array}{r} x^3 - x^2 \overline{) x^4 + 1} \\ \underline{+ x^4 - x^2} \\ x^3 + 1 \\ \underline{+ x^3 - x^2} \\ x^2 + 1 \end{array}$$

$$= x + 1 + \frac{x^2 + 1}{x^2(x-1)} \dots \dots \dots (i)$$

Now consider. $\frac{x^2 + 1}{x^2(x-1)}$

Now, Let $\frac{x^2 + 1}{x^2(x-1)} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x^2} + \frac{C}{x-1} \dots \dots \dots (ii)$

Multiplying by $x^2(x-1)$, we get

$$x^2 + 1 = A(x)(x-1) + B(x-1) + Cx^2 \dots \dots (iii)$$

Put $x = 0$ in (iii)

$$(1)^2 + 1 = B(0 - 1)$$

$$1 = B(-1)$$

$$1 = -B$$

$$B = -1$$

Put $x - 1 = 0$ i.e; $x = 1$ in (iii), we get

$$(1)^2 + 1 = C(1)^2$$

$$2 = C(1)$$

$$C = 2$$

by comparing co-efficient of x^2 in (iii), we get

$$1 = A + C$$

Put $C = 2$ in it

$$1 = A + 2$$

$$A = 1 - 2 = -1$$

Putting values of A, B, C in (ii) and from (i)

Therefore, partial fractions are

$$x + 1 - \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{2}{x-1}$$

$$\text{Thus, } x + 1 + \frac{x^2 + 1}{x^2(x-1)} = x + 1 - \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{x^2} + \frac{2}{x-1}$$

5.
$$\frac{7x + 4}{(3x + 2)(x + 1)^2}$$

Solution:

Let
$$\frac{7x + 4}{(x + 1)^2(3x + 2)} = \frac{A}{x + 1} + \frac{B}{(x + 1)^2} + \frac{C}{3x + 2} \dots \dots \dots (i)$$

Multiplying both sides by $(x + 1)^2(3x + 2)$, we get

$$7x + 4 = A(x + 1)(3x + 2) + B(3x + 2) + C(x + 1)^2 \dots \dots \dots (ii)$$

$$7x + 4 = A(3x^2 + 5x + 2) + B(3x + 2) + C(x^2 + 2x + 1) \dots \dots (iii)$$

Put $x + 1 = 0$ i.e; $x = -1$ in (ii), we get

$$7(-1) + 4 = B\{3(-1) + 2\}$$

$$-7 + 4 = B(-3 + 2)$$

$$-3 = -B$$

$$B = 3$$

Put $3x + 2 = 0$ i.e; $x = -\frac{2}{3}$ in (ii), we get

$$7\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right) + 4 = C\left(-\frac{2}{3} + 1\right)^2$$

$$\frac{-14}{3} + 4 = C\left(\frac{-2 + 3}{3}\right)^2$$

$$\frac{-14 + 12}{3} = C\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2$$

$$\frac{-2}{3} = \frac{1}{9}C$$

$$C = \left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)(9)$$

$$C = -6$$

by comparing co - efficient of x^2 in (iii), we get

$$0 = 3A + C$$

Putting $C = -6$ in it, we get

$$0 = 3A + (-6)$$

$$0 = 3A - 6$$

$$3A = 6$$

$$A = 2$$

Putting values of A, B, C in (i), we get

Therefore, partial fractions are

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

Thus,
$$\frac{7x + 4}{(x + 1)^2(3x + 2)} = \frac{2}{x + 1} + \frac{3}{(x + 1)^2} - \frac{6}{3x + 2}$$

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

Solution: Let $\frac{1}{(x-1)^2(x+1)} = \frac{A}{x-1} + \frac{B}{(x-1)^2} + \frac{C}{x+1} \dots \dots \dots (i)$

• Multiplying both sides by $(x-1)^2(x+1)$, we get

$$1 = A(x-1)(x+1) + B(x+1) + C(x-1)^2 \dots \dots \dots (ii)$$

$$1 = A(x^2 - 1) + B(x+1) + C(x^2 - 2x + 1) \dots \dots \dots (iii)$$

Put $x - 1 = 0$ i.e; $x = -1$ in (ii), we get

$$1 = B(1 + 1)$$

$$1 = 2B$$

$$B = \frac{1}{2}$$

Put $x + 1 = 0$ i.e; $x = -1$ in (iii), we get

$$1 = C(-1 - 1)^2$$

$$1 = C(-2)^2$$

$$1 = 4C$$

$$C = \frac{1}{4}$$

by comparing co-efficient of x^2 in (iii), we get

$$0 = A + C$$

Put $C = \frac{1}{4}$ in it, we get

$$0 = A + \frac{1}{4}$$

$$A = -\frac{1}{4}$$

Putting values of A, B, C in (i), we get

Therefore, partial fractions are

$$\frac{-1}{4(x-1)} + \frac{1}{2(x-1)^2} + \frac{1}{4(x+1)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4(x+1)} - \frac{1}{4(x-1)} + \frac{1}{2(x-1)^2}$$

Thus, $\frac{1}{(x-1)^2(x+1)} = \frac{1}{4(x+1)} - \frac{1}{4(x-1)} + \frac{1}{2(x-1)^2}$

7. $\frac{3x^2 + 15x + 16}{(x+2)^2}$

Solution: $= \frac{3x^2 + 15x + 16}{(x+2)^2} = \frac{3x^2 + 15x + 16}{x^2 + 4x + 4}$

$$x^2 + 4x + 4 \begin{array}{r} 3 \\) 3x^2 + 15x + 16 \\ \underline{\pm 3x^2 \pm 12x \pm 12} \end{array}$$

$$3x + 4$$



$$= \frac{3x^2 + 15x + 16}{x^2 + 4x + 4} = 3 + \frac{3x + 4}{(x + 2)^2}$$

$$= 3 + \frac{3x + 4}{(x + 2)^2} \dots \dots \dots (i)$$

Now consider $\frac{3x + 4}{x^2 + 4x + 4}$

$$\frac{3x + 4}{(x + 2)^2} = \frac{A}{x + 2} + \frac{B}{(x + 2)^2} \dots \dots \dots (ii)$$

Multiplying by $(x + 2)^2$, we get

$$3x + 4 = A(x + 2) + B \dots \dots \dots (iii)$$

Put $x + 2 = 0$ i.e; $x = -2$ in (iii), we get

$$3(-2) + 4 = A(-2 + 2) = B$$

$$-6 + 4 = B$$

$$B = -2$$

by comparing co - efficient of x in (iii), we get

$$3 = A$$

Putting values of A, B in (ii) joining with (i)

Therefore, partial fractions are

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

$$\text{Thus, } 3 + \frac{3x + 4}{(x + 2)^2} = 3 + \frac{3}{x + 2} - \frac{2}{(x + 2)^2}$$

8.

$$\frac{1}{(x^2 - 1)(x + 1)}$$

Solution:

$$= \frac{1}{(x^2 - 1)(x + 1)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(x - 1)(x + 1)(x + 1)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(x - 1)(x + 1)^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(x + 1)^2(x - 1)}$$

$$\text{Let } \frac{1}{(x + 1)^2(x - 1)} = \frac{A}{x + 1} + \frac{B}{(x + 1)^2} + \frac{C}{x - 1} \dots \dots \dots (i)$$

Multiplying both sides by $(x + 1)^2(x - 1)$, we get

$$1 = A(x + 1)(x - 1) + B(x - 1) + C(x + 1)^2 \dots \dots \dots (ii)$$

$$1 = A(x^2 - 1) + B(x - 1) + C(x^2 + 2x + 1) \dots \dots \dots (iii)$$

Put $x + 1 = 0$ i.e; $x = -1$ in (ii), we get



$$1 = B(-1 - 1)$$

$$1 = -2B$$

$$B = -\frac{1}{2}$$

Put $x - 1 = 0$ i. e ; $x = 1$ in (iii), we get

$$1 = C(2)^2$$

$$1 = 4C$$

$$C = \frac{1}{4}$$

by comparing co - efficients of x^2 in (iii), we get

$$0 = A + C$$

Put $C = \frac{1}{4}$ in it, we get

$$0 = A + \frac{1}{4}$$

$$A = -\frac{1}{4}$$

Putting values of A, B, C in (i), we get

Therefore, partial fraction are

$$= -\frac{1}{4(x+1)} - \frac{1}{2(x+1)^2} + \frac{1}{4(x-1)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{4(x-1)} - \frac{1}{4(x+1)} - \frac{1}{2(x+1)^2}$$

$$\text{Thus, } \frac{1}{(x+1)^2(x-1)} = \frac{1}{4(x-1)} - \frac{1}{4(x+1)} - \frac{1}{2(x+1)^2}$$