

Partial fraction 1

1. Partial fraction: $\frac{9x-2}{x^2-x-6}$

$$\frac{9x-2}{x^2-x-6} = \frac{9x-2}{(x-3)(x+2)} = \frac{\left[\frac{9x-2}{x+2}\right]_{x=3}}{x-3} + \frac{\left[\frac{9x-2}{x-3}\right]_{x=-2}}{x+2} = \frac{\left[\frac{9(3)-2}{3+2}\right]}{x-3} + \frac{\frac{9(-2)-2}{(-2)-3}}{x+2} = \frac{5}{x-3} + \frac{4}{x+2}$$

2. Partial fraction: $\frac{3x}{x^3-1}$

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

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

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

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

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

$$\text{Let } \frac{x^2+1}{(x-1)^2(x^2+2x+2)} = \frac{A}{(x-1)^2} + \frac{f(x)}{(x-1)(x^2+2x+2)}$$

$$\text{Then } A = \left[\frac{x^2+1}{x^2+2x+2} \right]_{x=1} = \frac{1^2+1}{1^2+2(1)+2} = \frac{2}{5}$$

$$\text{Hence } \frac{x^2+1}{(x-1)^2(x^2+2x+2)} = \frac{\frac{2}{5}}{(x-1)^2} + \frac{f(x)}{(x-1)(x^2+2x+2)}$$

$$\therefore (x-1)f(x) = (x^2+1) - \frac{2}{5}(x^2+2x+2) = \frac{1}{5}(x-1)(3x-1)$$

$$\therefore f(x) = \frac{1}{5}(3x-1)$$

$$\text{Hence } \frac{x^2+1}{(x-1)^2(x^2+2x+2)} = \frac{\frac{2}{5}}{(x-1)^2} + \frac{1}{5} \frac{(3x-1)}{(x-1)(x^2+2x+2)} \dots (1)$$

$$\text{Consider } \frac{3x-1}{(x-1)(x^2+2x+2)} = \frac{B}{x-1} + \frac{g(x)}{x^2+2x+2}$$

$$\text{Then } B = \left[\frac{3x-1}{x^2+2x+2} \right]_{x=1} = \frac{3-1}{1+2+2} = \frac{2}{5}$$

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

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

$$g(x) = -\frac{1}{5}(2x - 9)$$

$$\frac{3x-1}{(x-1)(x^2+2x+2)} = \frac{\frac{2}{5}}{x-1} + \frac{-\frac{1}{5}(2x-9)}{x^2+2x+2} \dots (2)$$

$$(2) \downarrow (1), \frac{x^2+1}{(x-1)^2(x^2+2x+2)} = \frac{\frac{2}{5}}{(x-1)^2} + \frac{\frac{2}{25}}{x-1} + \frac{-\frac{1}{25}(2x-9)}{x^2+2x+2}$$

4. Partial fraction: $\frac{5x^2+x+6}{(3-2x)(x^2+4)}$

$$\text{Let } \frac{5x^2+x+6}{(3-2x)(x^2+4)} = \frac{A}{3-2x} + \frac{f(x)}{x^2+4}$$

$$\text{Then } A = \left[\frac{5x^2+x+6}{x^2+4} \right]_{x=\frac{3}{2}} = \frac{5\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{3}{2}\right) + 6}{\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 + 4} = 3$$

$$\text{Hence } \frac{5x^2+x+6}{(3-2x)(x^2+4)} = \frac{3}{3-2x} + \frac{f(x)}{x^2+4} = \frac{3(x^2+4) + (3-2x)f(x)}{(3-2x)(x^2+4)}$$

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

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

5. Partial fraction: $\frac{x+1}{(x^2+1)(x^2+x+1)}$

The two factors in the denominator are quite close.

However, the numerator $x+1$ cannot be rewritten as $(x^2+x+1) - (x^2+1)$.

Now, $(x-1)(x^2+x+1) = x^3-1$ is familiar.

We don't like the x^3 term.

Working on another factor, $x(x^2+1) = x^3+x$

Hence $x(x^2+1) - (x-1)(x^2+x+1) = x+1$. Bingo!

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

6. Partial fractions $\frac{7x^2-10x+10}{(x-1)^3}$

$$\frac{7x^2-10x+10}{(x-1)^3} = \frac{7[(x-1)+1]^2 - 10[(x-1)+1] + 10}{(x-1)^3} = \frac{7[(x-1)^2 + 2(x-1) + 1] - 10[(x-1)+1] + 10}{(x-1)^3}$$

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

7. Partial fraction: $\frac{9x^2+34x+14}{(x+2)(x^2-x-12)}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{9x^2+34x+14}{(x+2)(x^2-x-12)} &= \frac{9x^2+34x+14}{(x+2)(x+3)(x-4)} \\ &= \frac{\left[\frac{9x^2+34x+14}{(x+3)(x-4)}\right]_{x=-2}}{x+2} + \frac{\left[\frac{9x^2+34x+14}{(x+2)(x-4)}\right]_{x=-3}}{x+3} + \frac{\left[\frac{9x^2+34x+14}{(x+2)(x+3)}\right]_{x=4}}{x-4} \\ &= \frac{3}{x+2} - \frac{1}{x+3} + \frac{7}{x-4} \end{aligned}$$

8. Partial fraction: $\frac{x-1}{(3x-1)(2x+5)}$

$$\frac{x-1}{(3x-1)(2x+5)} = \frac{\left[\frac{x-1}{2x+5}\right]_{x=\frac{1}{3}}}{3x-1} + \frac{\left[\frac{x-1}{3x-1}\right]_{x=-\frac{5}{2}}}{2x+5} = \frac{\left[\frac{\frac{1}{3}-1}{2(\frac{1}{3})+5}\right]}{3x-1} + \frac{\left[\frac{\frac{-5}{2}-1}{3(\frac{-5}{2})-1}\right]}{2x+5} = \frac{-\frac{2}{17}}{3x-1} + \frac{\frac{7}{17}}{2x+5}$$

9. Partial fraction: $\frac{x^4}{(x^2-x+1)(x^2+2)^2}$

$$(1) (x^2+x+1)(x^2-x+1) = (x^2+1)^2 - x^2 = x^4 + x^2 + 1$$

$$(x^2+2)^2 = x^4 + 4x^2 + 4$$

$$(2) \text{ Let } A(x^4+x^2+1) + B(x^4+4x^2+4) = x^4 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} A+B=1 \\ A+4B=0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow A = \frac{4}{3}, B = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (3) \frac{x^4}{(x^2-x+1)(x^2+2)^2} &= \frac{\frac{4}{3}(x^2+x+1)(x^2-x+1) - \frac{1}{3}(x^2+2)^2}{(x^2-x+1)(x^2+2)^2} = \frac{4}{3} \left[\frac{x^2+x+1}{(x^2+2)^2} \right] - \frac{1}{3} \left[\frac{1}{x^2-x+1} \right] \\ &= \frac{4}{3} \left[\frac{(x^2+2)+(x-1)}{(x^2+2)^2} \right] - \frac{1}{3} \left[\frac{1}{x^2-x+1} \right] = \frac{4}{3} \left[\frac{1}{x^2+2} \right] + \frac{4}{3} \left[\frac{x-1}{(x^2+2)^2} \right] - \frac{1}{3} \left[\frac{1}{x^2-x+1} \right] \end{aligned}$$

10. Partial fraction: $\frac{3x-2}{(x+1)^2(x-3)^2}$

$$(1) \frac{3x-2}{(x+1)(x-3)} = \frac{\left[\frac{3x-2}{x-3}\right]_{x=-1}}{x+1} + \frac{\left[\frac{3x-2}{x+1}\right]_{x=3}}{x-3} = \frac{5}{4} \frac{1}{x+1} + \frac{7}{4} \frac{1}{x-3} \dots (1)$$

$$(2) \frac{1}{(x+1)(x-3)} = \frac{\left[\frac{1}{x-3}\right]_{x=-1}}{x+1} + \frac{\left[\frac{1}{x+1}\right]_{x=3}}{x-3} = -\frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{x+1} + \frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{x-3} \dots (2)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3) \quad (1) \times (2), \quad \frac{3x-2}{(x+1)^2(x-3)^2} &= -\frac{5}{16} \frac{1}{(x+1)^2} - \frac{1}{8} \frac{1}{(x+1)(x-3)} + \frac{7}{16} \frac{1}{(x-3)^2} \\
 &= -\frac{5}{16} \frac{1}{(x+1)^2} - \frac{1}{8} \left(-\frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{x+1} + \frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{x-3} \right) + \frac{7}{16} \frac{1}{(x-3)^2}, \text{ by (2)} \\
 &= -\frac{5}{16} \frac{1}{(x+1)^2} + \frac{1}{32} \frac{1}{x+1} - \frac{1}{32} \frac{1}{x-3} + \frac{7}{16} \frac{1}{(x-3)^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

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