

EXERCISE 4.1

Resolve into partial fractions.

$$1. \frac{7x-9}{(x+1)(x-3)}$$

$$\text{Let } \frac{7x-9}{(x+1)(x-3)} = \frac{A}{x+1} + \frac{B}{x-3} \quad \dots \dots \dots \text{(i)}$$

Multiplying both sides by $(x+1) (x-3)$

$$(x+1)(x-3) \frac{7x-9}{(x+1)(x-3)} = \frac{A}{x+1}(x+1)(x-3) + \frac{B}{x-3}(x+1)(x-3)$$

$$7x-9 = A(x-3) + B(x+1) \quad \dots \dots \dots \text{(ii)}$$

Equation (ii) is an identity, which holds good for all values of x and hence for

$$X=3 \text{ & } x=-1$$

Put $x=3$ i.e., $x-3=0$ on both sides of the equation (ii)

$$7(3)-9=A(3-3)+B(3+1)$$

$$21-9=A(0)+4B$$

$$12=4B$$

$$B=3$$

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

$$7(-1)-9=A(-1-3)+B(-1+1)$$

$$-7-9=-4A+B(0)$$

$$-16=-4A$$

$$A=4$$

Put values of A & B in (i)

Thus, $\frac{7x-9}{(x+1)(x-3)} = \frac{4}{x+1} + \frac{3}{x-3}$ are the required partial fractions.

2. $\frac{x-11}{(x-4)(x+3)}$

Let $\frac{x-11}{(x-4)(x+3)} = \frac{A}{x-4} + \frac{B}{x+3}$ ----- (i)

Multiplying $(x-4)(x+3)$ On b/s on eq(i)

$$(x-4)(x+3) \frac{x-11}{(x-4)(x+3)} = (x-4)(x+3) \frac{A}{x-4} + \frac{B}{x+3}(x-4)(x+3)$$

$$x-11=A(x+3)+B(x-4) \quad \text{----- (ii)}$$

eq(ii) is identity, which holds good for all values of x , hence for $x=-3$ & $x=4$

put $x=-3$ i.e., $x+3=0$ in eq (ii)

$$-3-11=A(-3+3)+B(-3-4)$$

$$-14=A(0)-7B$$

$$-14=-7B$$

$$B=2$$

Put $x=4$ i.e., $x-4=0$ in eq(ii)

$$4-11=A(4+3)+B(4-4)$$

$$-7=7A+B(0)$$

$$A=-1$$

Put values of A & B in eq (i)

Thus, $\frac{x-11}{(x-4)(x+3)} = \frac{-1}{x-4} + \frac{2}{x+3}$ are the required partial fractions.

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

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

Let $\frac{3x-1}{(x+1)(x-1)} = \frac{A}{x+1} + \frac{B}{x-1}$ ----- (i)

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Multiplying b/s by $(x+1)(x-1)$

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

$$3x-1 = A(x-1) + B(x+1) \quad \text{----- (ii)}$$

Equation (ii) is identity, which holds good for all x and hence for $x=-1$ & $x=1$

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

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

$$-3-1 = -2A + B(0)$$

$$-4 = -2A$$

$$A = 2$$

Put $x=1$ i.e., $x-1=0$ in eq (ii)

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

$$3-1 = A(0) = 2B$$

$$2 = 2B$$

$$B = 1$$

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Put values of A&B in eq (i)

Thus, $\frac{3x-1}{(x+1)(x-1)} = \frac{2}{x+1} + \frac{1}{x-1}$ are the required partial fractions.

4. $\frac{x-5}{x^2+2x-3}$

$$\frac{x-5}{x^2+2x-3} = \frac{x-5}{x^2+3x-x-3}$$

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

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

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Let $\frac{x-5}{(x+3)(x-1)} = \frac{A}{x+3} + \frac{B}{x-1}$ - - - - - (i)

Multiplying eq (i) by $(x+3)(x-1)$ on b/s

$$(x+3)(x-1) \frac{x-5}{(x+3)(x-1)} = (x+3)(x-1) \frac{A}{x+3} + (x+3)(x-1) \frac{B}{x-1}$$

$$x-5 = A(x-1) + B(x+3) \quad - - - - - \text{(ii)}$$

eq(ii) is identity which holds good for all values of x and hence for $x=-3$ & $x=1$

Put $x=-3$ i.e., $x+3=0$ in eq(ii)

$$-3-5 = A(-3-1) + B(-3+3)$$

$$-8 = -4A + 0$$

$$A=2$$

Put $x=1$ i.e., $x-1=0$ in eq(ii)

$$1-5 = A(1-1) + B(1+3)$$

$$-4 = A(0) + 4B$$

$$B=-1$$

Put values of A & B in eq(i)

$$\text{Thus, } \frac{x-5}{(x+3)(x-1)} = \frac{2}{x+3} - \frac{1}{x-1}$$

Or $\frac{x-5}{x^2+2x-3} = \frac{2}{x+3} - \frac{1}{x-1}$ are the required partial fractions.

$$5. \frac{3x+3}{(x-1)(x+2)}$$

$$\text{Let } \frac{3x+3}{(x-1)(x+2)} = \frac{A}{x-1} + \frac{B}{x+2} \quad - - - - - \text{(i)}$$

Multiplying eq(i) by $(x-1)(x+2)$ on b/s

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

$$3x+3 = A(x+2) + B(x-1) \quad - - - - - \text{(ii)}$$

Eq(ii) is an identity which holds good for all x and hence for $x=1$ & $x=-2$

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Put $x=1$ i.e., $x-1=0$ in eq(ii)

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

$$3+3=3A+B(0)$$

$$6=3A$$

$$A=2$$

Put $x=-2$ i.e., $x+2=0$ in eq(ii)

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

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

$$-3=-3B$$

$$B=1$$

Put values of A & b in eq(i)

Thus, $\frac{3x+3}{(x-1)(x+2)} = \frac{2}{x-1} + \frac{1}{x+2}$ are the required partial fractions.

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6. $\frac{7x-25}{(x-4)(x-3)}$

Let $\frac{7x-25}{(x-4)(x-3)} = \frac{A}{x-4} + \frac{B}{x-3}$ - - - - - (i)

Multiplying eq(i) by $(x-4)(x-3)$ on b/s

$$(x-3)(x-4)\frac{7x-25}{(x-4)(x-3)} = (x-3)(x-4) \frac{A}{x-4} + \frac{B}{x-3}(x-3)(x-4)$$

$$7x-25=A(x-3)+B(x-4) - - - - - (ii)$$

Eq(ii) is an identity which holds good for all x and hence for $x=3$ & $x=4$

Put $x=3$ i.e., $x-3=0$ in eq (ii)

$$7(3)-25=A(3-3)+B(3-4)$$

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$$21-25=A(0)+B(-1)$$

$$-4=-B$$

$$B=4$$

Put $x=4$ i.e., $x-4=0$ in eq(ii)

$$7(4)-25=A(4-3)+B(4-4)$$

$$28-25=A(1)+B(0)$$

Put values of A & B in eq(i)

Thus, $\frac{7x-25}{(x-4)(x-3)} = \frac{3}{x-4} + \frac{4}{x-3}$ are the required partial fractions.

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

Since given is an improper fraction, so we have to convert it into proper fraction by long division method.

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

By long division,

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

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

$$\frac{x^2+2x+1}{(x-2)(x+3)} = 1 + \frac{x+7}{(x-2)(x+3)} \quad \dots \dots \dots \text{(A)}$$

$$\text{Consider, } \frac{x+7}{(x-2)(x+3)} = \frac{A}{(x-2)} + \frac{B}{(x+3)} \quad \dots \dots \dots \text{(i)}$$

Multiplying eq(i) with $(x-2)(x+3)$ on b/s

$$(x-2)(x+3) \frac{x+7}{(x-2)(x+3)} = (x-2)(x+3) \frac{A}{(x-2)} + \frac{B}{(x+3)} (x-2)(x+3)$$

$$X+7=A(x+3)+B(x-2) \quad \dots \dots \dots \text{(ii)}$$

Eq(ii) is an identity which holds good for all x and hence for $x=-3$ & $x=2$

Put $x=-3$ i.e., $x+3=0$ in eq(ii)

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

$$4=A(0)+B(-5)$$

$$4=-5B$$

$$B=\frac{-4}{5}$$

Put $x=2$ i.e., $x-2=0$ in eq(ii)

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

$$9=5A+B(0)$$

$$9=5A$$

$$A=\frac{9}{5}$$

Put values of A & b in eq(i)

$$\frac{x+7}{(x-2)(x+3)} = \frac{9/5}{(x-2)} + \frac{-4/5}{(x+3)}$$

Thus, eq (A) \Rightarrow

$$\frac{x^2+2x+1}{(x-2)(x+3)} = 1 + \frac{9}{5(x-2)} - \frac{4}{5(x+3)} \text{ are the required partial fractions.}$$

$$8. \frac{6x^3+5x^2-7}{3x^2-2x-1}$$

By long division method,

$$\frac{6x^3+5x^2-7}{3x^2-2x-1} = 2x+3 + \frac{8x-4}{3x^2-2x-1}$$

$$\frac{6x^3+5x^2-7}{3x^2-2x-1} = 2x+3 + \frac{8x-4}{(3x+1)(x-1)} \quad \dots \dots \dots \text{(A)}$$

$$\text{Consider, } \frac{8x-4}{(3x+1)(x-1)} = \frac{A}{(3x+1)} + \frac{B}{(x-1)} \quad \dots \dots \dots \text{(i)}$$

Multiplying eq (i) by $(3x+1)(x-1)$ on b/s

$$(3x+1)(x-1) \frac{8x-4}{(3x+1)(x-1)} = (3x+1)(x-1) \frac{A}{(3x+1)} + \frac{B}{(x-1)} (3x+1)(x-1)$$

$$8x-4 = A(x-1) + B(3x+1) \quad \dots \dots \dots \text{(ii)}$$

Eq(ii) is an identity which holds good for all x and hence for $x=1$ & $x=-1/3$

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Put $x=1$ i.e., $x-1=0$ in eq (ii)

$$8(1)-4=A(1-1)+B(3(1)+1)$$

$$8-4=A(0)+B(3+1)$$

$$4=4B$$

$$B=1$$

Put $x=-1/3$ i.e., $3x+1=0$ in eq(ii)

$$8\left(\frac{-1}{3}\right) - 4 = A\left(\frac{-1}{3} - 1\right) + B\left(3\left(\frac{-1}{3}\right) + 1\right)$$

$$\frac{-8-12}{3} = A\left(\frac{-1-3}{3}\right) + B(-1+1)$$

$$\frac{-20}{3} = A\left(\frac{-4}{3}\right) + B(0)$$

$$\frac{-20}{3} = \frac{-4}{3}A$$

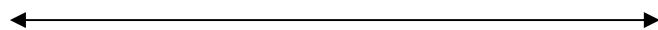
$$-20 = -4A$$

$$A=5$$

Put values of A & B in eq(i)

$$\frac{8x-4}{(3x+1)(x-1)} = \frac{5}{(3x+1)} + \frac{1}{(x-1)}$$

Thus, eq(A) $\Rightarrow \frac{6x^3+5x^2-7}{3x^2-2x-1} = 2x+3 + \frac{5}{(3x+1)} + \frac{1}{(x-1)}$ are the required partial fractions.



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