

## Partial Fractions

Points to note:

1. If denominator had linear factors of the form  $x, (x+1), (2x-3)$  the starting rational expression would be  $\frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{(x+1)} + \frac{C}{(2x-3)}$ .
2. If the denominator had repeating linear factors of the form  $x^3, (2x-1)^2$  the starting rational expression would be  $\frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x^2} + \frac{C}{x^3} + \frac{D}{(2x-1)} + \frac{E}{(2x-1)^2}$
3. If the denominator had quadratic factors of the form  $(x^2+2), (x^2+x-1)$  the starting rational expression would be  $\frac{Ax+B}{(x^2+2)} + \frac{Cx+D}{(x^2+x-1)}$
4. If the denominator had quadratic factors of the form  $(x^2+1)^2, (2x^2+5x+1)^2$  the starting rational expression would be  $\frac{Ax+B}{(x^2+1)} + \frac{Cx+D}{(x^2+1)^2} + \frac{Ex+F}{(2x^2+5x+1)} + \frac{Gx+H}{(2x^2+5x+1)^2}$
5. If the denominator had a mixture of linear and quadratic some single and some repeating  $x^3, (3x+1), (2x^2+1)^2, (5x^2+x+1)$  the starting rational expression would be  $\frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x^2} + \frac{C}{x^3} + \frac{D}{(3x+1)} + \frac{Ex+F}{(2x^2+1)} + \frac{Gx+H}{(2x^2+1)^2} + \frac{Ix+J}{(5x^2+x+1)}$

Assignment:

1.  $\int \frac{x+2}{x^2-2x+1} dx$

2.  $\int \frac{1}{x^3+x} dx$

3.  $\int \frac{x}{(x-4)^2} dx$

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

5.  $\int \frac{x^3}{(x^2+2)^2} dx$

6.  $\int \frac{x^2+6x+4}{x^4+5x^2+4} dx$

7.  $\int \frac{x}{x^4+7x^2+6} dx$

8.  $\int \frac{x^4-x^3-x-1}{x^3-x^2} dx$