

EXERCISE 4.2

Resolve into partial fractions:

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

Solution:

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

Multiplying both sides by $(x-1)^2(x-2)$, we get
 $x^2 - 3x + 1 = A(x-1)(x-2) + B(x-2) + C(x-1)^2 \dots(ii)$

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

Putting $x - 1 = 0$ i.e $x = 1$ in (ii) we get

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

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

$$-1 = -B$$

$$\Rightarrow B = 1$$

Putting $x - 2 = 0$ i.e $x = 2$ in (ii) we get

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

$$4 - 6 + 1 = C$$

$$-1 = C$$

Equating the coefficient of x^2 in (ii) we get

$$1 = A + C$$

$$1 = A - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow A = 1 + 1$$

$$\boxed{A = 2}$$

Hence the required partial fractions are

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

Q.2
$$\frac{x^2 + 7x + 11}{(x+2)^2(x+3)}$$

Solution:

Let
$$\frac{x^2 + 7x + 11}{(x+2)^2(x+3)} = \frac{A}{x+2} + \frac{B}{(x+2)^2} + \frac{C}{x+3} \dots(i)$$

Multiplying both sides by $(x+2)^2(x+3)$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + 7x + 11 = A(x+2)(x+3) + B(x+3) + C(x+2)^2$$

$$x^2 + 7x + 11 = A(x^2 + 5x + 6) + B(x+3) + C(x^2 + 4x + 4) \dots(ii)$$

Putting $x + 2 = 0$ i.e $x = -2$ in (ii) we get

$$(-2)^2 + 7(-2) + 11 = B(-2 + 3)$$

$$4 - 14 + 11 = B$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{B = 1}$$

Putting $x + 3 = 0$ i.e $x = -3$ in (ii) we get

$$(-3)^2 + 7(-3) + 11 = C(-3+2)^2$$

$$9 - 21 + 11 = C(-1)^2$$

$$20 - 21 = C(1)$$

$$-1 = C \quad \Rightarrow \quad \boxed{C = -1}$$

Equating coefficient of x^2 in (ii) we get

$$A + C = 1$$

$$A - 1 = 1$$

$$A = 1 + 1$$

$$\boxed{A = 2}$$

Hence the required partial fractions are:

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

Q.3
$$\frac{9}{(x-1)(x+2)^2}$$

Solution:

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

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

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

Putting $x-1=0$ i.e $x=1$ in (ii) we get

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

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

$$9 = 9A$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{A = 1}$$

Putting $x+2=0$ i.e $x=-2$ in (ii) we get

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

$$9 = -3C$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{C = -3}$$

Equating the coefficient of x^2 in (ii) we get

$$A + B = 0$$

$$B = -A$$

$$\boxed{B = -1}$$

Hence the partial fractions are

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

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

Solution: $\frac{x^4 + 1}{x^2(x-1)} = \frac{x^4 + 1}{x^3 - x^2}$ is an improper

fraction. First we resolve it into proper fraction.

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

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

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

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

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

Putting $x=0$ in (iii) we get

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

$$1 = -B$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{B = -1}$$

Putting $x-1=0$ i.e $x=1$ in (iii) we get

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

$$1 + 1 = C(1)$$

$$2 = C$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{C = 2}$$

Equating the coefficient of x^2 in (iii) we get

$$A + C = 1$$

$$A + 2 = 1$$

$$A = 1 - 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{A = -1}$$

Putting the value of A, B and C in equation(ii)

Thus required partial fractions are

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

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

Solution:
$$\frac{7x+4}{(3x+2)(x+1)^2}$$

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

$$-18 = 3A$$

$$A = \frac{-18}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{A = -6}$$

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

$$7(-1) + 4 = C(3(-1)+2)$$

$$-7 + 4 = -C$$

$$\Rightarrow -3 = -C$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{C = 3}$$

Equating the coefficient of x^2 we get

$$A + 3B = 0$$

$$-6 + 3B = 0$$

$$3B = 6$$

$$B = \frac{6}{3} \Rightarrow \boxed{B = 2}$$

Putting the value of A, B and C in equation (i) we get required partial fractions.

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

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

$$\text{Solution:} \quad \frac{1}{(x-1)^2(x+1)}$$

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

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

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

Putting $x - 1 = 0$ i.e $x = 1$ in (ii) we get

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

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

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

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

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

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

Equating the coefficient of x^2 in (ii) we get

$$A + C = 0$$

$$A = -C$$

$$A = -\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) \Rightarrow \boxed{A = \frac{-1}{4}}$$

Putting the value of A, B and C in equation (i) we get required partial fractions.

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

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

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

The given fraction is improper fraction. First we resolve it into proper fraction.

By long division,

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

$$-6 + 4 = B$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{B = -2}$$

Equating the coefficient of 'x' we get

$$3 = A$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{A = 3}$$

Putting the value of A and B in equation (ii) and using equation (i) we get required partial fractions.

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

Q.8
$$\frac{1}{(x^2-1)(x+1)}$$

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

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

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

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

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

Putting $x-1=0$ i.e $x=1$ in (ii) we get

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

$$1 = A(2)^2$$

$$1 = 4A$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{A = \frac{1}{4}}$$

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

$$1 = C(-1-1)$$

$$1 = -2C$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{C = \frac{-1}{2}}$$

Equating the coefficient of x^2 in equation (ii)

we get $A+B=0$

$$B = -A$$

$$B = -\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)$$

$$\boxed{B = -\frac{1}{4}}$$

Putting the value of A and B in equation (ii) we get required partial fractions.

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