

Section 3: Partial fractions

Exercise level 2

1. Express each of the following as the sum of partial fractions.

(i)
$$\frac{x+7}{(x+1)(x-2)}$$

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

2. Express each of the following as the sum of partial fractions.

(i)
$$\frac{4}{(1+3x)(1+x)^2}$$

(ii)
$$\frac{13-7x}{(x-2)^2(x-3)}$$

3. Express each of the following in partial fractions, and hence find the first four terms in the binomial expansion of each, stating the values of x for which the expansion is valid.

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

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