

Partial Fractions Part 2

Case 4: The denominator $q(x)$ contains a repeated irreducible quadratic factor $ax^2 + bx + c$, where $b^2 - 4ac < 0$. For each $(ax^2 + bx + c)^n$ in the denominator we need

$$\frac{A_1x + B_1}{ax^2 + bx + c} + \frac{A_2x + B_2}{(ax^2 + bx + c)^2} + \frac{A_3x + B_3}{(ax^2 + bx + c)^3} + \cdots + \frac{A_nx + B_n}{(ax^2 + bx + c)^n}$$

For example if we wanted to write the following as a sum of simpler fractions we would need

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

Example: Find

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

$$2) \int \frac{3x^3 + 9x^2 + 16x + 10}{(x^2 + 2x + 3)^2} dx$$

Partial fraction examples using mixed cases: Find

1) $\int \frac{2x^3 + 2x^2 - 95x + 40}{x^3 + x^2 - 20x} dx$

$$2) \int \frac{x-3}{(x^2+2x+10)^2} dx$$

3) $\int \frac{3x^4 + 5x^3 + 2x + 3}{(2x + 1)(x^2 + 1)^2} dx$