



7.3 Mountain Climber

$$\frac{3x+5}{x^3+4x^2+5x+2} = \frac{1}{x+1} + \frac{2}{(x+1)^2} - \frac{1}{x+2}$$

5) Find the partial fraction decomposition: $\frac{3x+5}{x^3+4x^2+5x+2}$

$$\frac{3x+5}{(x+1)^2(x+2)} = \frac{A}{x+1} + \frac{B}{(x+1)^2} + \frac{C}{x+2}$$

LCD: $(x+1)^2(x+2)$

$$\begin{aligned} 3x+5 &= A[(x+1)(x+2)] + B(x+2) + C(x+1)^2 \\ 3x+5 &= Ax^2 + 3Ax + 2A + Bx + 2B + Cx^2 + 2Cx + C \\ 3x+5 &= (A+C)x^2 + (3A+B+2C)x + 2A+2B+C \\ 0=A+C \Rightarrow A &= C \\ 3=3A+B+2C \Rightarrow 3 &= 3A+B-2A \quad * \boxed{J=2A+2B-A} \\ 3=3A+B-2A \Rightarrow 3 &= 3A+B-2A \quad * \boxed{J=2A+2B} \\ 3 &= 2A+2B+C \quad \boxed{3=A+B} \end{aligned}$$

4) Find the partial fraction decomposition: $\frac{3x^3+6x-1}{(x^2+2)^2} = \frac{Ax+B}{x^2+2} + \frac{Cx+D}{(x^2+2)^2}$ LCD: $(x^2+2)^2$

$$\begin{aligned} 3x^3+0x^2+6x-1 &= (Ax+B)(x^2+2) + Cx+D \\ 3x^3+0x^2+6x-1 &= Ax^3+2Ax^2+Bx^2+2B+Cx+D \quad (\text{Rearrange terms}) \\ 3x^3+0x^2+6x-1 &= Ax^3+Bx^2+2Ax+Cx+2B+D \\ 3x^3+0x^2+6x-1 &= Ax^3+Bx^2+(2A+C)x+2B+D \\ 3=A & \quad \rightarrow 6=2(3)+C \\ 0=B & \quad \rightarrow 6=6+C \\ 6=2A+C & \quad \rightarrow -1=2(0)+D \\ 0=C & \quad \rightarrow -1=D \\ -1=2B+D & \quad \rightarrow \boxed{B=1} \end{aligned}$$

3) Find the partial fraction decomposition: $\frac{3x-2}{x^2-3x-4} = \frac{3x-2}{(x-4)(x+1)} = \frac{A}{x-4} + \frac{B}{x+1}$
LCD: $(x-4)(x+1)$. Multiply every term in equation by LCD. Then,

$$3x-2 = A(x+1) + B(x-4)$$

Let $x = -1$.

$$\begin{aligned} 3(-1)-2 &= A(-1+1) + B(-1-4) \\ -3-2 &= A \cdot 0 + B(-5) \\ -5 &= -5B \quad \rightarrow \boxed{B=1} \end{aligned}$$

Let $x = 4$.

$$\begin{aligned} 3(4)-2 &= A(4+1) + B(4-4) \\ 12-2 &= A \cdot 5 \\ \frac{10}{5} &= \frac{5A}{5} \quad \rightarrow \boxed{2=A} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \frac{3x-2}{x^2-3x-4} &= \frac{2}{x-4} + \frac{1}{x+1} \end{aligned}$$

2) Find the partial fraction decomposition: $\frac{-6}{x^2-3x} = \frac{-6}{x(x-3)}$ LCD: $x(x-3)$. Multiply every term in eq.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{-6}{x(x-3)} \cdot x(x-3) &= \frac{A}{x} \cdot x(x-3) + \frac{B}{x-3} \cdot x(x-3) \\ -6 &= A(x-3) + BX \end{aligned}$$

Let $x = 3$.

$$\begin{aligned} -6 &= A(3-3) + B \cdot 3 \\ -6 &= A \cdot 0 + 3B \\ -6 &= 3B \Rightarrow \boxed{B=-2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } x &= 0. \\ -6 &= A(0-3) + B \cdot 0 \\ -6 &= A(-3) \\ -6 &= -3A \quad \rightarrow \boxed{2=A} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \frac{-6}{x^2-3x} &= \frac{2}{x} + \frac{-2}{x-3} \end{aligned}$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{-6}{x^2-3x} &= \frac{2}{x} - \frac{2}{x-3} \end{aligned}$$

- 1) Write the terms for the partial fraction decomposition of the rational function:

$$\frac{x^4-4x^3+x-3}{x^2(x+4)^2(x^2+3)} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x^2} + \frac{C}{x+4} + \frac{D}{(x+4)^2} + \frac{Ex+F}{x^2+3}$$

$$x = \frac{P}{B} = \frac{\pm 1, \pm 2}{\pm 1} = \{\pm 1, \pm 2\}$$

Synthetic division:

$$\begin{array}{r} 1 \ 4 \ 5 \ 2 \\ \downarrow 1 \ 5 \ 10 \\ 1 \ 3 \ 2 \mid 0 \end{array} \text{ NOT 0}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -1 \ 1 \ 4 \ 5 \ 2 \\ \downarrow -1 \ -3 \ -2 \\ 1 \ 3 \ 2 \mid 0 \end{array} \text{ Yes ✓}$$

$x=-1$
 $x \neq 0$
 x^2+3x+2
 $(x+1)(x+2)$ Remaining factors
 $\therefore x^3+4x^2+5x+2 = (x+1)(x+1)(x+2)$

$$= (x+1)(x+1)(x+2)$$

