

1.5) Algebraic division

Worked example

Find the values of A , B and C :

$$\frac{x^2 + 9x - 5}{x + 3} = Ax + B + \frac{C}{x + 3}$$

Your turn

Find the values of A , B and C :

$$\frac{x^2 + 5x - 9}{x + 2} = Ax + B + \frac{C}{x + 2}$$

$$A = 1, B = 3, C = -15$$

Worked example

Find the values of A , B and C :

$$\frac{x^2 - 5x + 9}{x - 2} = Ax + B + \frac{C}{x - 2}$$

Your turn

Find the values of A , B and C :

$$\frac{x^2 + 5x - 9}{x - 3} = Ax + B + \frac{C}{x - 3}$$

$$A = 1, B = 8, C = 15$$

Worked example

Find the values of A , B , C and D :

$$\frac{x^3 - x^2 + 7}{x + 3} = Ax^2 + Bx + C + \frac{D}{x + 3}$$

Your turn

Find the values of A , B , C and D :

$$\frac{x^3 + x^2 - 7}{x + 2} = Ax^2 + Bx + C + \frac{D}{x + 2}$$

$$A = 1, B = -1, C = 2, D = -11$$

Worked example

Find the values of A , B , C and D :

$$\frac{x^3 - x^2 + 7}{x - 2} = Ax^2 + Bx + C + \frac{D}{x - 2}$$

Your turn

Find the values of A , B , C and D :

$$\frac{x^3 + x^2 - 7}{x - 3} = Ax^2 + Bx + C + \frac{D}{x - 3}$$

$$A = 1, B = 4, C = 12, D = 29$$

Worked example

Find the values of A, B, C, D and E :

$$\frac{x^4 - x^3 - x + 10}{x^2 - 2x - 3} = Ax^2 + Bx + C + \frac{Dx + E}{x^2 + 2x - 3}$$

Your turn

Find the values of A, B, C, D and E :

$$\frac{x^4 + x^3 + x - 10}{x^2 + 2x - 3} = Ax^2 + Bx + C + \frac{Dx + E}{x^2 + 2x - 3}$$

$$A = 1, B = -1, C = 5, D = -12, E = 5$$

Worked example

Find the values of A, B, C and D

$$\frac{2x^3 + 3x^2 - 4x + 5}{x - 3} = Ax^2 + Bx + C + \frac{D}{x - 3}$$

Your turn

Find the values of A, B, C and D

$$\frac{2x^3 - 3x^2 + 4x - 5}{x + 3} = Ax^2 + Bx + C + \frac{D}{x + 3}$$

$$A = 2, B = -9, C = 31, D = -160$$

Worked example

Find the values of A, B, C, D and E :

$$\frac{3x^4 - 2x^3 + 5x^2 - 4}{x^2 - 16} = Ax^2 + Bx + C + \frac{Dx + E}{x^2 - 16}$$

Your turn

Find the values of A, B, C, D and E :

$$\frac{3x^4 - 2x^3 - 5x^2 - 4}{x^2 - 4} = Ax^2 + Bx + C + \frac{Dx + E}{x^2 - 4}$$

$$A = 3, B = -2, C = 7, D = -8, E = 24$$

Worked example

Simplify:

$$\frac{x^4 - 81}{x + 3}$$

Your turn

Simplify:

$$\frac{x^4 - 16}{x + 2}$$

$$(x - 1)(x^2 + 1)$$

Worked example

Split into partial fractions:

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

Your turn

Split into partial fractions:

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

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

Worked example

Split into partial fractions:

$$\frac{9x^2 + 20x - 10}{(x - 2)(3x + 1)}$$

Your turn

Split into partial fractions:

$$\frac{9x^2 + 20x - 10}{(x + 2)(3x - 1)}$$

$$3 + \frac{2}{x + 2} - \frac{1}{3x - 1}$$

Worked example

Split into partial fractions:

$$\frac{9x^2 + 16}{9x^2 - 16}$$

Your turn

Split into partial fractions:

$$\frac{16x^2 + 9}{16x^2 - 9}$$

$$1 - \frac{3}{4x + 3} + \frac{3}{4x - 3}$$

Worked example

Split into partial fractions:

$$\frac{16x^3 - 36x^2 + 4x + 22}{4x^2 - 12x + 9}$$

Your turn

Split into partial fractions:

$$\frac{18x^3 - 15x^2 + 5x + 2}{9x^2 - 12x + 4}$$

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

Worked example

Split into partial fractions:

$$\frac{5x^4 - 9x^2 - 7x^2 + 4x - 10}{x^2 - x - 2}$$

Your turn

Split into partial fractions:

$$\frac{5x^4 + 9x^3 - 6x^2 - 2x - 6}{x^2 + x - 2}$$

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