

4.3) Using partial fractions

Worked example

Find the cubic approximation of

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

and state the range of values of x for which the expansion is valid

Your turn

Find the cubic approximation of

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

and state the range of values of x for which the expansion is valid

$$2 - \frac{7}{2}x + \frac{11}{4}x^2 - \frac{25}{8}x^3$$

Valid for $|x| < 1$

Worked example

Find the quadratic approximation of

$$\frac{2x^2 - 5x - 10}{x^2 - x - 2}$$

Your turn

Find the quadratic approximation of

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

$$5 + \frac{3}{2}x^2 + \dots$$

Worked example

Find the quadratic approximation of

$$\frac{40x^2 - 37x + 9}{(4x - 1)^2(x + 2)}$$

Your turn

Find the quadratic approximation of

$$\frac{8x^2 - 13x + 6}{(2x - 1)^2(x + 1)}$$
$$6 + 5x + 23x^2$$