The partial fractions are not so tough as we think with the traditional methods. Just follow us and and fell the fun with Partial Fractions. Let us consider few problems.

• Example 1.

 $\frac{\mathbf{x}^2 - 3\mathbf{x} + 2}{(\mathbf{x} - 5)^3} = \frac{\mathbf{A}}{\mathbf{x} - 5} + \frac{\mathbf{B}}{(\mathbf{x} - 5)^2} + \frac{\mathbf{C}}{(\mathbf{x} - 5)^3}$ [1] \Rightarrow x² - 3 x + 2 = A (x - 5)² + B (x - 5) + C [2] Put x = 5 in equation [2] to get $\Rightarrow 25 - 3 \times 5 + 2 = A \times 0 + B \times 0 + C$ ⇒ C = 12 Differentiate equation [2] with respect to x $\Rightarrow 2 \mathbf{x} - 3 = 2 \mathbf{A} (\mathbf{x} - 5) + \mathbf{B}$ [3] Put x = 5 in equation [3] to get \Rightarrow 2 × 5 - 3 = 2 A × 0 + B ⇒ B = 7 Again Differentiate equation [3] with respect to x ⇒ 2 = 2 A [4] ⇒ A = 1 Now $\frac{\mathbf{x}^2 - 3 \mathbf{x} + 2}{(\mathbf{x} - 5)^3} = \frac{1}{\mathbf{x} - 5} + \frac{7}{(\mathbf{x} - 5)^2} + \frac{12}{(\mathbf{x} - 5)^3}$

• Example 2.

$$\frac{x^{3}-3x}{(x^{2}+2x-1)(x-5)^{2}} = \frac{Ax+B}{(x^{2}+2x-1)} + \frac{C}{(x-5)} + \frac{D}{(x-5)^{2}}$$
[1]

$$\Rightarrow x^{3} - 3x = (Ax + B) (x - 5)^{2} + C (x^{2} + 2x - 1) (x - 5) + D (x^{2} + 2x - 1)$$
[2]

put x = 5 in equation [2] to get

 $5^{3} - 3 \times 5 = D(5^{2} + 2 \times 5 - 1) \Rightarrow 110 = D(34)$

$$\Rightarrow D = \frac{55}{17}$$

Differentiate equation [2] with respect to x

$$\Rightarrow 3 x^{2} - 3 = A (x - 5)^{2} + 2 (Ax + B) (x - 5) + C \{ (2 x + 2) (x - 5) + (x^{2} + 2 x - 1) \} + D (2 x + 2)$$
[3]
put x = 5 in equation[3]

$$3 \times 5^{2} - 3 = A \times 0 + B \times 0 + C \left\{ 0 + \left(5^{2} + 2 \times 5 - 1 \right) \right\} + \frac{55}{17} \left(2 \times 5 + 2 \right) \qquad \left(\text{using } D = \frac{55}{17} \right) = \frac{55}{17} \left(2 \times 5 + 2 \right) = \frac{55}{17}$$

$$= 72 = 34 C + \frac{660}{17}$$

$$= C = \frac{282}{289}$$
Differentiate equation [3] with respect to x
$$6x = 2A (x - 5) + 2A (x - 5) + 2 (Ax + B) + C \{2 (x - 5) + (2x + 2) + (2x + 2)\} + 2D$$

$$6x = 4A (x - 5) + 2 (Ax + B) + C \{2 (x - 5) + 4 (x + 1)\} + 2D$$

$$put x = 5 in equation[4]$$

$$\Rightarrow 30 = 10 A + 2 B + C (24) + 2D = 10 A + B + \frac{282}{289} \times 24 + 2 \times \frac{55}{17}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{32}{289} = 10 A + 2B \qquad \Rightarrow \frac{16}{289} = 5 A + B$$

$$[5]$$
Differentiate equation [4] with respect to x
$$6 = 6A + 6C \qquad \Rightarrow \qquad 1 = A + \frac{282}{289} \qquad (using value of C) \qquad [6]$$

$$\Rightarrow A = \frac{7}{289}$$
Use value of A in [5] to get the value of B as below
$$\frac{16}{289} = 5A + B = 5 \times \frac{7}{289} + B$$

$$\Rightarrow B = -\frac{19}{289}$$
Finally
$$\frac{x^3 - 3x}{(x^2 + 2x - 1) (x - 5)^2} = \frac{\frac{7}{289} x - \frac{19}{289}}{(x^2 + 2x - 1)} + \frac{\frac{282}{289}}{(x - 5)} + \frac{\frac{55}{17}}{(x - 5)^2}$$

Just use this method and enjoy the fun of partial fraction.

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