

Partial Fractions and Integration (From OCR 4726)

Q1, (Jan 2006, Q3)

Use $A/x + (Bx + C)/(x^2 + 2)$	B1
Equate $x+6$ to $A(x^2 + 2) + (Bx+C)x$ (or equiv.)	M1√ Equate to their P.F. (e.g. if $B = 0$ or $C = 0$ used)
Use $x = 0$ or equiv. for A (or equate coeff.etc.)	M1√ Include cover-up
Correctly find one of B,C	A1
Get $A=3, B=-3, C=1$	A1

Q2, (Jun 2007, Q3)

(i) Express as $A/(x-1) + (Bx+C)/(x^2+9)$	M1 Allow $C=0$ here
Equate (x^2+9x) to $A(x^2+9) + (Bx+C)(x-1)$	M1√ May imply above line; on their P.F.
Sub. for x or equate coeff.	M1 Must lead to at least 3 coeff.; allow cover-up method for A
Get $A=1, B=0, C=9$	A1 cao from correct method
(ii) Get $A \ln(x-1)$	B1√ On their A
Get $C/3 \tan^{-1}(x/3)$	B1√ On their C ; condone no constant; ignore any $B \neq 0$

Q3, (Jun 2008, Q1)

Write as $\frac{A}{x-2a} + \frac{Bx+C}{x^2+a^2}$	M1 Accept $C=0$
Get $2ax = A(x^2+a^2) + (Bx+C)(x-2a)$	A1√ Follow-on for $C=0$
Choose values of x and/or equate coeff.	M1 Must lead to at least one of their A, B, C
Get $A = 4/5, B = -4/5, C = 2/5a$	A1 For two correct from correct working only
	A1 For third correct
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Q4, (Jun 2009, Q4)

Attempt to divide out.	M1 Or $A+B/(x-2)+(Cx(+D))/(x^2+4)$; allow $A=1$ and/or $B=1$ quoted
Get $x^3 = A(x-2)(x^2+4) + B(x^2+4) + (Cx+D)(x-2)$	M1 Allow √ mark from their Part Fract; allow $D=0$ but not $C=0$
State/derive/quote $A=1$	A1
Use x values and/or equate coeff	M1 To potentially get all their constants
Get $B=1, C=1, D=-2$	A1 For one other correct from cwo
	A1 For all correct from cwo

Q5, (Jan 2010, Q6)

<p>(i) Attempt at correct form of P.F. Rewrite as $4 =$ $A(1+x)(1+x^2) + B(1-x)(1+x^2) +$ $(Cx+D)(1-x)(1+x)$ Use values of x/equate coefficients Get $A = 1, B = 1$ Get $C = 0, D = 2$</p>	<p>M1 Allow $Cx/(x^2+1)$ here; not $C = 0$ M1 ✓ From their P.F. M1 A1 cwo A1 SC Use of cover-up rule for A, B M1 If both correct A1 cwo</p>
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<p>(ii) Get $A \ln(1+x) - B \ln(1-x)$ Get $D \tan^{-1}x$ Use limits in their integrated expressions Clearly get A.G.</p>	<p>M1 Or quote from List of Formulae B1 M1 A1</p>
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Q6, (Jan 2012, Q3)

$\frac{2x^3 + x + 12}{(2x-1)(x^2+4)} \equiv A + \frac{B}{2x-1} + \frac{Cx+D}{x^2+4}$ $2x^3 + x + 12 \equiv$ $A(2x-1)(x^2+4) + B(x^2+4) + (Cx+D)(2x-1)$ <p>$A = 1, B = 3$ $x^3: 2 = 2A \quad x^2: 0 = -A + B + 2C$ $x^1: 1 = 8A - C + 2D \quad x^0: 12 = -4A + 4B - D$ $C = -1, D = -4$ $\Rightarrow 1 + \frac{3}{2x-1} + \frac{-x-4}{x^2+4}$</p>	<p>B1 For correct form soi (A can be $Px + Q$, but not 0) M1 For multiplying out from their form B1 For either A or B correct (dep on 1st B1) M1 For equating at least 2 coefficients (or substitute two values for x or one of each) A1A1 For C, D correct A1 For correct expression WWW SC4 $\Rightarrow \frac{3}{2x-1} + \frac{x^2-x}{x^2+4}$ [7]</p>
<p>ALT: Divide out as not proper $\Rightarrow 1 + \frac{x^2 - 7x + 16}{(2x-1)(x^2+4)}$ $= 1 + \frac{A}{2x-1} + \frac{Bx+C}{x^2+4}$ $x^2 - 7x + 16 \equiv A(x^2+4) + (Bx+C)(2x-1)$ $x^2: 1 = A + 2B \quad x: -7 = -B + 2C$ $1: 16 = 4A - C$ $\Rightarrow A = 3, B = -1, C = -4$ $\Rightarrow 1 + \frac{3}{2x-1} + \frac{-x-4}{x^2+4}$</p>	<p>B1 Divide out B1 Writing in this form including 1 M1 For multiplying out from their form M1 For equating at least 2 coefficients (or substitute two values for x or one of each) A1 B correct A1 C correct A1 For correct expression WWW</p>

Q7, (Jun 2016, Q2)

$$f(x) = \frac{x(x-1)}{(x+1)(x^2+1)} \equiv \frac{A}{(x+1)} + \frac{Bx+C}{(x^2+1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow A(x^2+1) + (Bx+C)(x+1) \equiv x(x-1)$$

For e.g. equate coefficients

$$\Rightarrow A+B=1, \quad B+C=-1, \quad A+C=0$$

$$\Rightarrow A=1, B=0, C=-1$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = \frac{1}{(x+1)} - \frac{1}{(x^2+1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^1 f(x) dx = \int_0^1 \left(\frac{1}{(x+1)} - \frac{1}{(x^2+1)} \right) dx$$

$$= \left[\ln(1+x) - \tan^{-1} x \right]_0^1 = \ln 2 - \frac{\pi}{4}$$

M1 Correct partial fractions

M1 Dep on 1st M

A1 Dep on both M marks.

B1 ft for integrating 1st term correctly ($A/(x+1)$ $A \neq 0$)

B1 ft for subsequent term(s) correctly

B1 in exact form as dep on both previous B marks

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