



Partial Fractions in Integration - Edexcel Past Exam Questions

1. (a) Express $\frac{5x+3}{(2x-3)(x+2)}$ in partial fractions. (3)

(b) Hence find the exact value of $\int_2^6 \frac{5x+3}{(2x-3)(x+2)} dx$, giving your answer as a single logarithm. (5)

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2. $\frac{2(4x^2+1)}{(2x+1)(2x-1)} = A + \frac{B}{(2x+1)} + \frac{C}{(2x-1)}$.

(a) Find the values of the constants A , B and C . (4)

(b) Hence show that the exact value of $\int_1^2 \frac{2(4x^2+1)}{(2x+1)(2x-1)} dx$ is $2 + \ln k$, giving the value of the constant k . (6)

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3. $f(x) = \frac{4-2x}{(2x+1)(x+1)(x+3)} = \frac{A}{(2x+1)} + \frac{B}{(x+1)} + \frac{C}{(x+3)}$.

(a) Find the values of the constants A , B and C . (4)

(b) (i) Hence find $\int f(x) dx$. (3)

(ii) Find $\int_0^2 f(x) dx$ in the form $\ln k$, where k is a constant. (3)

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4. (a) Express $\frac{5}{(x-1)(3x+2)}$ in partial fractions. (3)

(b) Hence find $\int \frac{5}{(x-1)(3x+2)} dx$, where $x > 1$. (3)

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