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Exercise 2B

$$1 \frac{3x^2 + x + 1}{x^2(x+1)} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x^2} + \frac{C}{x+1}$$
$$= \frac{Ax(x+1) + B(x+1) + Cx^2}{x^2(x+1)}$$

$$3x^2 + x + 1 \equiv Ax(x+1) + B(x+1) + Cx^2$$

Let
$$x = 0$$
:
 $0 + 0 + 1 = 0 + B \times 1 + 0$
 $B = 1$

Let
$$x = -1$$
:
 $3 - 1 + 1 = 0 + 0 + C \times (-1)^2$
 $C = 3$

Equating terms in x^2 :

$$3 = A + C$$

$$3 = A + 3$$

$$A = 0$$

$$A = 0, B = 1, C = 3$$

$$\frac{-x^2 - 10x - 5}{(x+1)^2 (x-1)} = \frac{D}{x+1} + \frac{E}{(x+1)^2} + \frac{F}{x-1}$$

$$= \frac{D(x+1)(x-1) + E(x-1) + F(x+1)^2}{(x+1)^2 (x-1)}$$

$$-x^2 - 10x - 5 = D(x+1)(x-1) + E(x-1) + F(x+1)^2$$

Let
$$x = -1$$
:
 $-1 + 10 - 5 = 0 + E \times (-2) + 0$
 $4 = -2E$
 $E = -2$

Let
$$x = 1$$
:
 $-1 - 10 - 5 = 0 + 0 + F \times 2^{2}$
 $-16 = 4F$
 $F = -4$

$$-1 = D + F$$

$$-1 = D - 4$$

$$D = 3$$

$$D = 3, E = -2, F = -4$$

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3
$$\frac{2x^2 + 2x - 18}{x(x-3)^2} = \frac{P}{x} + \frac{Q}{x-3} + \frac{R}{(x-3)^2}$$
$$= \frac{P(x-3)^2 + Qx(x-3) + Rx}{x(x-3)^2}$$

$$2x^{2} + 2x - 18 \equiv P(x-3)^{2} + Qx(x-3) + Rx$$

Let
$$x = 0$$
:
 $-18 = P \times (-3)^2 + 0 + 0$
 $-18 = 9P$
 $P = -2$

Let
$$x = 3$$
:
 $18 + 6 - 18 = 0 + 0 + R \times 3$
 $6 = 3R$
 $R = 2$

Equating terms in x^2 :

$$2 = P + Q$$

$$2 = -2 + Q$$

$$Q = 4$$

$$P = -2$$
, $Q = 4$, $R = 2$

4 First factorise the denominator:

$$\frac{5x^2 - 2x - 1}{x^3 - x^2} = \frac{5x^2 - 2x - 1}{x^2(x - 1)}$$
Then
$$\frac{5x^2 - 2x - 1}{x^2(x - 1)} = \frac{C}{x} + \frac{D}{x^2} + \frac{E}{x - 1}$$

$$= \frac{Cx(x - 1) + D(x - 1) + Ex^2}{x^2(x - 1)}$$

$$5x^2 - 2x - 1 = Cx(x - 1) + D(x - 1) + Ex^2$$

Let
$$x = 0$$
:
 $-1 = 0 + D \times (-1) + 0$
 $-1 = -D$
 $D = 1$

Let
$$x = 1$$
:
 $5 - 2 - 1 = 0 + 0 + E \times 1^2$
 $E = 2$

$$5 = C + E$$
$$5 = C + 2$$
$$C = 3$$

$$C = 3, D = 1, E = 2$$

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$$5 \frac{2x}{(x+2)^2} = \frac{A}{x+2} + \frac{B}{(x+2)^2}$$
$$= \frac{A(x+2) + B}{(x+2)^2}$$
$$2x = A(x+2) + B$$

Let
$$x = -2$$
:
 $-4 = 0 + B$
 $B = -4$

Let
$$x = 0$$
:
 $0 = 2A + B$
 $0 = 2A - 4$
 $A = 2$

$$A = 2, B = -4$$

6
$$\frac{10x^2 - 10x + 17}{(2x+1)(x-3)^2} = \frac{A}{2x+1} + \frac{B}{x-3} + \frac{C}{(x-3)^2}$$
$$= \frac{A(x-3)^2 + B(2x+1)(x-3) + C(2x+1)}{(2x+1)(x-3)^2}$$
$$10x^2 - 10x + 17 = A(x-3)^2 + B(2x+1)(x-3) + C(2x+1)$$

$$10x^{2} - 10x + 17 \equiv A(x-3)^{2} + B(2x+1)(x-3) + C(2x+1)$$

Let
$$x = -\frac{1}{2}$$
:
 $\frac{10}{4} + 5 + 17 = A \times \left(-\frac{7}{2}\right)^2 + 0 + 0$
 $\frac{98}{4} = \frac{49}{4} A$
 $A = 2$

Let
$$x = 3$$
:
 $90 - 30 + 17 = 0 + 0 + C \times 7$
 $77 = 7C$
 $C = 11$

$$10 = A + 2B$$
$$10 = 2 + 2B$$
$$B = 4$$

$$A = 2, B = 4, C = 11$$

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$$7 \frac{39x^2 + 2x + 59}{(x+5)(3x-1)^2} = \frac{A}{x+5} + \frac{B}{3x-1} + \frac{C}{(3x-1)^2}$$
$$= \frac{A(3x-1)^2 + B(x+5)(3x-1) + C(x+5)}{(x+5)(3x-1)^2}$$
$$39x^2 + 2x + 59 = A(3x-1)^2 + B(x+5)(3x-1) + C(x+5)$$

Let
$$x = \frac{1}{3}$$
:
 $\frac{39}{9} + \frac{2}{3} + 59 = 0 + 0 + C \times \frac{16}{3}$
 $64 = \frac{16}{3}C$
 $C = 12$

Let
$$x = -5$$
:
 $975 - 10 + 59 = A \times (-16)^2 + 0 + 0$
 $1024 = 256A$
 $A = 4$

$$39 = 9A + 3B$$
$$39 = 36 + 3B$$
$$B = 1$$

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

8 a
$$\frac{4x+1}{(x+5)^2} \equiv \frac{A}{x+5} + \frac{B}{(x+5)^2}$$

$$\equiv \frac{A(x+5) + B}{(x+5)^2}$$

$$4x+1 \equiv A(x+5) + B$$

Let
$$x = -5$$
:
 $-20 + 1 = 0 + B$
 $B = -19$

Let
$$x = 0$$
:
 $1 = 5A + B$
 $1 = 5A - 19$
 $A = 4$

$$\frac{4x+1}{(x+5)^2} \equiv \frac{4}{x+5} - \frac{19}{(x+5)^2}$$

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8 b
$$\frac{6x^2 - x + 2}{x(2x - 1)^2} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{2x - 1} + \frac{C}{(2x - 1)^2}$$
$$= \frac{A(2x - 1)^2 + Bx(2x - 1) + Cx}{x(2x - 1)^2}$$
$$6x^2 - x + 2 = A(2x - 1)^2 + Bx(2x - 1) + Cx$$

Let
$$x = 0$$
:
 $2 = A \times (-1)^2 + 0 + 0$

Let
$$x = \frac{1}{2}$$
:
 $\frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{2} + 2 = 0 + 0 + C \times \frac{1}{2}$
 $C = 6$

$$6 = 4A + 2B$$
$$6 = 8 + 2B$$
$$B = -1$$

So
$$\frac{6x^2-x+2}{x(2x-1)^2} \equiv \frac{2}{x} - \frac{1}{2x-1} + \frac{6}{(2x-1)^2}$$