

## 6. PARTIAL FRACTIONS

### PREVIOUS EAMCET BITS

1. For  $|x| < 1$ , the constant term in the expansion of  $\frac{1}{(x-1)^2(x-2)}$  is **[EAMCET 2009]**

- 1) 2                      2) 1                      3) 0                      4)  $-\frac{1}{2}$

Ans : 4

Sol: 
$$\frac{1}{(x-1)^2(x-2)} = \frac{1}{(1-x)^2(-2)} \left[ 1 - \frac{x}{2} \right]$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2}(1-x^2) \left( 1 - \frac{x}{2} \right)^{-1}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} [1 + 2x + 3x^2 + \dots] \left[ 1 + \frac{x}{2} + \left( \frac{x}{2} \right)^2 + \dots \right]$$

$\therefore$  constant =  $-\frac{1}{2}$

2. If  $\frac{x^2 + x + 1}{x^2 + 2x + 1} = A + \frac{B}{x+1} + \frac{C}{(x+1)^2}$  then  $A - B =$  **[EAMCET 2008]**

- 1) 4c                      2) 4c + 1                      3) 3c                      4) 2c

Ans: 4

Sol:  $x^2 + x + 1 = A(x+1)^2 + B(x+1)C$

Put  $x = -1$                       comparing coefficient of  $x^2$

$c = 1$                        $A = 1$ , put  $x = 0$

$A + B + C = 1$

$1 + B + 1 = 1 \Rightarrow B = -1$

$A - B = 1 - (-1) = 2 \Rightarrow 2C$

3. If  $\frac{3x}{(x-a)(x-b)} = \frac{2}{x-a} + \frac{1}{x-b}$ , then  $a : b$  is equal to **[EAMCET 2007]**

- 1) 1 : 2                      2) -2 : 1                      3) 1 : 3                      4) 3 : 1

Ans: 2

Sol:  $3x = 2(x-b) + (x-a)$

Put  $x = 0$

$0 = -2b - a$ ;  $a = -2b$

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{-2}{1}$$

$$\therefore a : b = -2 : 1$$

4. If  $\frac{3x+2}{(x+1)(2x^2+3)} = \frac{A}{x+1} + \frac{Bx+C}{2x^2+3}$  then  $A+C-B$  is equal to **[EAMCET 2006]**

- 1) 0                      2) 2                      3) 3                      4) 5

Ans: 2

Sol:  $3x+2 = A(2x^2+3) + (Bx+C)(x+1)$

Put  $x = -1$

$$-1 = 5A \Rightarrow A = -\frac{1}{5}$$

Put  $x = 0 \Rightarrow 2 = 3A + C$

$$2 = -\frac{3}{5} + C \Rightarrow C = \frac{13}{5}$$

Comparing coefficient of  $x^2$

$$2A + B = 0 \Rightarrow -\frac{2}{5} + B = 0 \Rightarrow B = \frac{2}{5}$$

$$A + C - B = -\frac{1}{5} + \frac{13}{5} - \frac{2}{5} = 2$$

5. If  $\frac{x^3}{(2x-1)(x+2)(x-3)} = A + \frac{B}{2x-1} + \frac{C}{x+2} + \frac{D}{x-3}$ , then A is equal to **[EAMCET 2005]**

- 1)  $\frac{1}{2}$                       2)  $-\frac{1}{50}$                       3)  $-\frac{8}{25}$                       4)  $\frac{27}{25}$

Ans: 1

Sol:  $A = \frac{\text{Coefficient of } x^3 \text{ in Nr}}{\text{Coefficient } x^3 \text{ in Dr}}$

$$A = \frac{1}{2}$$

6. If  $\frac{x+1}{(2x-1)(3x+1)} = \frac{A}{2x-1} + \frac{B}{3x+1}$ , then  $16A+9B$  is equal to **[EAMCET 2004]**

- 1) 4                      2) 5                      3) 6                      4) 8

Ans: 3

Sol:  $x+1 = A(3x+1) + B(2x-1)$

$$\text{Put } x = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{3}{2} = A\left(\frac{5}{2}\right) \Rightarrow A = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$\text{Put } x = -\frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow \frac{2}{3} = B\left(\frac{-5}{3}\right) \Rightarrow B = -\frac{2}{5}$$

$$\therefore 16A + 9B = 16\left(\frac{3}{5}\right) + 9\left(\frac{-2}{5}\right) = 6$$

7. Let a, b and c be such that  $\frac{1}{(1-x)(1-2x)(1-3x)} = \frac{a}{1-x} + \frac{b}{1-2x} + \frac{c}{1-3x}$  then  $\frac{a}{1} + \frac{b}{3} + \frac{c}{5}$  is equal to **[EAMCET 2003]**

- 1)  $\frac{1}{15}$                       2)  $\frac{1}{6}$                       3)  $\frac{1}{5}$                       4)  $\frac{1}{3}$

Ans: 1

Sol:  $1 = a(1-2x)(1-3x) + b(1-x)(1-3x) + c(1-x)(1-2x)$

Put  $x = 1$

$$1 = a(-1)(-2) \Rightarrow a = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Put } x = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow 1 = b\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \Rightarrow b = -4$$

$$\text{Put } x = \frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow 1 = c\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) \Rightarrow c = \frac{9}{2}$$

$$\text{Now } \frac{a}{1} + \frac{b}{3} + \frac{c}{5} = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{4}{3} + \frac{9}{2.5} = \frac{1}{15}$$

8. If  $\frac{1-x+6x^2}{x-x^3} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{1-x} + \frac{C}{1+x}$ , then A is equal to **[EAMCET 2002]**

- 1) 1                      2) 2                      3) 3                      4) 4

Ans: 1

Sol: Given  $1-x+6x^2 = A(1-x^2) + Bx(1+x) + Cx(1-x)$

Put,  $x = 0$ , then  $A = 1$

9. If  $\frac{x-4}{x^2-5x-2k} = \frac{2}{x-2} - \frac{1}{x+k}$ , then  $k =$  **[EAMCET 2001]**

- 1) -3                      2) -2                      3) 2                      4) 3

Ans: 1

Sol:  $\frac{x-4}{x^2-5x-2k} = \frac{2(x+k)-(x-2)}{(x-2)(x+k)}$

$$\frac{x-4}{x^2-5x-2k} = \frac{x+2k+2}{x^2+(k-2)x-2k}$$

Comparing coefficient of x in Dr

$$k - 2 = -5 \quad \therefore k = -3$$

10. If  $\frac{x^2 + 5}{(x^2 + 2)^2} = \frac{1}{x^2 + 2} + \frac{k}{(x^2 + 2)}$ , then  $k =$

[EAMCET 2000]

1) 1

2) 2

3) 3

4) 4

Ans: 3

Sol:  $x^2 + 5 = (x^2 + 2) + k$

$$2 + k = 5 \quad \therefore k = 3$$

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