

Answer on Question #85671 – Math – Algebra Question

Resolve $(6x-1)/((x-3)(x+1))$ into partial fractions

Solution

$$\text{Let } \frac{6x-1}{(x-3)(x+1)} = \frac{A}{x-3} + \frac{B}{x+1} \quad |A, B \in \mathbb{R}$$

Then:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{A}{x-3} + \frac{B}{x+1} &= \frac{(A+B)x + (A-3B)}{(x-3)(x+1)} = \frac{6x-1}{(x-3)(x+1)} \Leftrightarrow \\ \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} A+B=6 \\ A-3B=-1 \end{cases} &\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} A=4.25 \\ B=1.75 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \frac{6x-1}{(x-3)(x+1)} = \frac{4.25}{x-3} + \frac{1.75}{x+1} \\ \underline{\text{Answer:}} \quad \frac{6x-1}{(x-3)(x+1)} &= \frac{4.25}{x-3} + \frac{1.75}{x+1}. \end{aligned}$$