

RADICAL EQUATIONS

Solve.

$$\sqrt{3x+4} - \sqrt{x+2} = 2$$

Check:

$$x=7 \quad \frac{\sqrt{25} - \sqrt{9}}{5 - 3} = 2$$

$$5 - 3 = 2 \quad \checkmark$$

$$(\sqrt{3x+4})^2 = (2 + \sqrt{x+2})^2$$

$x=-1 \quad \frac{\sqrt{1} - \sqrt{1}}{1 - 1} = 2$
 $1 - 1 = 2 \quad \underline{\text{No!}}$

$$3x+4 = (2+\sqrt{x+2})(2+\sqrt{x+2})$$

$$3x+4 = 4 + 2\sqrt{x+2} + 2\sqrt{x+2} + x+2$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3x+4 \\ -x-4 \\ \hline -x-6 \end{array} = \begin{array}{r} 6+x+4\sqrt{x+2} \\ -6-x \\ \hline 4\sqrt{x+2} \end{array}$$

$$(2x-2)^2 = (4\sqrt{x+2})^2$$

$$(2x-2)(2x-2)$$

$$4x^2 - 4x - 4x + 4 = 16(x+2)$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 4x^2 - 8x + 4 \\ -16x - 32 \\ \hline 4x^2 - 24x - 28 = 0 \end{array}$$

$$4x^2 - 24x - 28 = 0$$

$$4(x^2 - 6x - 7) = 0$$

$$4(x-7)(x+1) = 0$$

$$\boxed{x=7} \quad \cancel{x=-1} \quad \text{Must check!}$$

$$y = \frac{2}{x-2} + 3$$

PARTIAL FRACTIONS

— purpose to find the fractions original that were combined to make the given fraction.

$$\frac{(x-4)2}{(x+3)} + \frac{6(x+3)}{x-4} = \frac{2x-8+6x+18}{(x+3)(x-4)} = \frac{8x+10}{(x+3)(x-4)}$$

$$\frac{8x+10}{(x+3)(x-4)} = \frac{A}{x+3} + \frac{B}{x-4}$$

Multiply by common denom & cancel all denoms!

$$8x+10 = A(x-4) + B(x+3)$$

$$8x+10 = Ax - 4A + Bx + 3B$$

$$8 = A + B$$

$$10 = -4A + 3B$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} A \\ B \end{matrix}$$

$$\frac{2}{x+3} + \frac{6}{x-4}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{(x+3)(x-2)} = \frac{A}{x+3} + \frac{B}{x-2}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{(x^2+4)(x^3+7)} = \frac{Ax^1 + B}{x^2+4} + \frac{Cx^2 + Dx + E}{x^3+7}$$

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

$$\frac{\quad}{x^3(4x+1)} = \frac{A}{x^3} + \frac{B}{x^2} + \frac{C}{x} + \frac{D}{4x+1}$$

$(x-0)^3$

$$\frac{10x^2 + 24x + 8}{x^3 + 3x^2 + 4x + 12}$$

$$(x^3 + 3x^2) + (4x + 12)$$

$$x^2(x+3) + 4(x+3)$$

$$(x+3)(x^2+4)$$

$$\frac{10x^2 + 24x + 8}{(x+3)(x^2+4)} = \frac{A}{x+3} + \frac{Bx+C}{x^2+4}$$

$$10x^2 + 24x + 8 = A(x^2+4) + (x+3)(Bx+C)$$

$$10x^2 + 24x + 8 = Ax^2 + 4A + Bx^2 + Cx + 3Bx + 3C$$

$$10 = A + B$$

$$24 = 0 + 3B + C$$

$$8 = 4A + 3C$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 4 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 24 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 8 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} A \\ B \\ C \end{matrix}$$

$$\frac{2}{x+3} + \frac{8x}{x^2+4}$$