

QUESTION ONE (13 Marks)

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|---|-------|
| (a) Simplify: $-3x^3 \times 4x^2$ | 1 |
| (b) Factorise (i) $x^2 - 8x - 9$
(ii) $6x^3 - 54xy^2$
(iii) $(x+h)^3 - 1$ | 1+2+2 |
| (c) Simplify: $\frac{3}{k^2 - 4} - \frac{2}{k^2 - 3k + 2}$ | 3 |
| (d) Solve for x : $\frac{5}{x} + \frac{3}{2x} = 2$ | 2 |
| (e) If $s = \frac{1}{2}(u+v)t$, find u . | 2 |

QUESTION TWO (13 Marks) Start a new page

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| (a) Write 0.00000725 number in scientific notation. | 1 |
| (b) Express $0.\overline{257}$ as a fraction in lowest terms. | 2 |
| (c) Solve the following pair of simultaneous equations: | 2 |
| $3x - y = 5$ | |
| $5x + 3y = -8$ | |
| (d) Express with a rational denominator: | |
| (i) $\frac{14}{\sqrt{7}}$ | 2+2 |
| (ii) $\frac{3\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{2}}$ | |
| (e) If $x = \sqrt{5} - 2$, find the value of $\frac{x^2 + 2x}{x + 3}$, expressing your answer with a rational denominator. | 4 |

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| (a) State the natural domain of each of the following functions: | 2 |
| (i) $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+2}$ | (ii) $f(x) = \sqrt{2x+3}$ |
| (b) Sketch each of the following, showing any intercepts with the axes, asymptotes or vertices: | 8 |
| (i) $y = \sqrt{25 - x^2}$ | (ii) $y = 3^x + 2$ |
| (iii) $y = -(x-2)^2 + 3$ | (iv) $y = \frac{1}{x-4} - 1$ |

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| (a) (i) Solve for x if $ 2x-5 = 3$ | 2 |
| (ii) Solve for x if $ 8x-9 = 5x$ | 3 |
| (b) By first factorizing the LHS, find the solution for $3x^2 - 28x + 25 > 0$ | 2 |
| (c) If $f(x) = \begin{cases} x+1 & , x \geq 0 \\ \frac{1}{x} & , x < 0 \end{cases}$ then $f(0)$ equals: | 2 |
| (d) Test if the function $f(x) = \frac{3x}{3+x^2}$ is odd, even or neither | 2 |
| (e) Find the largest possible domain of $x = -\sqrt{4-y^2}$ | 2 |

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QUESTION ONE (13 Marks)

(a) Simplify: $-3x^3 \times 4x^2$
 $= -12x^5$

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(b) Factorise (i) $x^2 - 8x - 9$
 $= (x-9)(x+1)$

1+2+2

(ii) $6x^3 - 54xy^2$
 $= 6x(x^2 - 9y^2)$
 $= 6x(x-3y)(x+3y)$

(iii) $(x+h)^3 - 1$
 $= (x+h)^3 - (1)^3$
 $= [(x+h)-1][(x+h)^2 + (x+h)1 + 1^2]$
 $= (x+h-1)(x^2 + 2xh + h^2 + x + h + 1)$

(c) Simplify: $\frac{3}{k^2 - 4} - \frac{2}{k^2 - 3k + 2}$

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$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{3}{(k-2)(k+2)} - \frac{2}{(k-2)(k-1)} \\ &= \frac{3(k-1) - 2(k+2)}{(k-2)(k+2)(k-1)} \\ &= \frac{k-7}{(k-2)(k+2)(k-1)} \end{aligned}$$

(d) Solve for x : $\frac{5}{x} + \frac{3}{2x} = 2$

2

$$\frac{10}{2x} + \frac{3}{2x} = \frac{4x}{2x} \quad 4x = 13 \quad x = \frac{13}{4} \quad x = 3\frac{1}{4}$$

(e) If $s = \frac{1}{2}(u+v)t$, find u .

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$$2s = (u+v)t \quad \frac{2s}{t} = (u+v) \quad u = \frac{2s}{t} - v$$

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(a) Write 0.00000725 number in scientific notation.
 $= 7.25 \times 10^{-6}$

1

(b) Express $0.\overline{257}$ as a fraction in lowest terms.
 $10 \times 0.\overline{257} = 2.575757\dots$

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$$1000 \times 0.\overline{257} = 257.5757\dots$$

$$\therefore 990 \times 0.\overline{257} = 255 \quad 0.\overline{257} = \frac{255}{990} = \frac{17}{66}$$

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(c) Solve the following pair of simultaneous equations:

$$3x - y = 5 \quad (i)$$

$$5x + 3y = -8 \quad (ii)$$

$$3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - y = 5$$

$$9x - 3y = 15 \quad (i) \times 3$$

$$\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) - 5 = y$$

$$14x = 7 \quad \text{add}$$

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

$$y = \frac{-7}{2}$$

(d) Express with a rational denominator:

$$(i) \frac{14}{\sqrt{7}} = \frac{14\sqrt{7}}{\sqrt{7}\sqrt{7}} = \frac{14\sqrt{7}}{7} = 2\sqrt{7}$$

2+2

$$(ii) \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{2}} = \frac{3\sqrt{2}(\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{2})}{(\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{2})(\sqrt{5}+\sqrt{2})} = \frac{3\sqrt{10}+6}{5-2} = \frac{3\sqrt{10}+6}{3} = \sqrt{10}+2$$

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(e) If $x = \sqrt{5} - 2$, find the value of $\frac{x^2 + 2x}{x+3}$, expressing your answer with a rational denominator.

$$= \frac{(\sqrt{5}-2)^2 + 2(\sqrt{5}-2)}{(\sqrt{5}-2)+3}$$

$$= \frac{5 - 4\sqrt{5} + 4 + 2\sqrt{5} - 4}{\sqrt{5} + 1} \quad \text{Rationalize}$$

$$= \frac{5 - 2\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{5} + 1} \cdot \frac{(\sqrt{5}-1)}{(\sqrt{5}-1)}$$

$$= \frac{5\sqrt{5} - 5 - 10 + 2\sqrt{5}}{5-1}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{\frac{7\sqrt{5} - 15}{4}}}$$

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QUESTION THREE (10Marks) Start a new page

- (a) State the natural domain of each of the following functions:

(i) $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+2}$

 $x+2 \neq 0$ (undefined)

x $\neq -2$

All x except x = -2

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

2x + 3 ≥ 0

2x ≥ -3

x $\geq -\frac{3}{2}$

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- (a) (i) Solve for x if
- $|2x-5| = 3$

Either $2x-5 = 3$ or $-(2x-5) = 3$
 $2x = 8$ $-2x+5 = 3$
 $x = 4$ $2x-5 = -3$
 $x = 2$

- (ii) Solve for x if
- $|8x-9| = 5x$

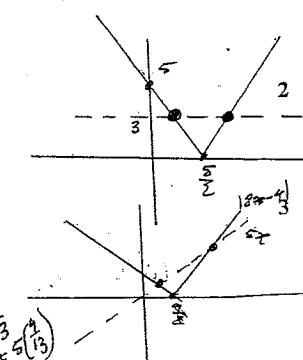
8x - 9 = 5x -(8x-9) = 5x
3x = 9 8x - 9 = 5x
x = 3 13x = 9

check $8(3)-9 = 5(3)$
 $15 = 15$

- (b) By first factorizing the LHS, find the solution for
- $3x^2 - 28x + 25 > 0$

$(3x-25)(x-1) > 0$

ANS $x < 1$ or $x > \frac{25}{3}$



(c) If $f(x) = \begin{cases} x+1, & x \geq 0 \\ \frac{1}{x}, & x < 0 \end{cases}$ then $f(0)$ equals:

$f(x) = x+1$
 $f(0) = 0+1$
 $f(0) = 1$

- (d) Test if the function
- $f(x) = \frac{3x}{3+x^2}$
- is odd, even or neither

$f(-x) = \frac{3(-x)}{3+(-x)^2}$
 $= \frac{-3x}{3+x^2}$
 $f(-x) = -f(x)$
 \therefore Even

- (e) Find the largest possible domain of
- $x = -\sqrt{4-y^2}$

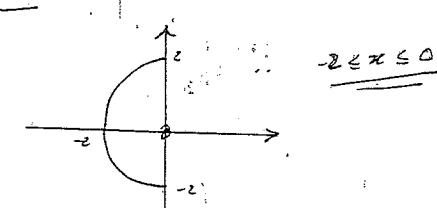
consider:

$x^2 = 4 - y^2$

$x^2 + y^2 = 4$

circle with radius 2

center origin



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