

TY Hons Maths – Homework No.8

Name of Student: _____ For _____

1. Factorise the following:

(i) $6xy + 3x^2y - 9x^2y^3$ $= 3xy(2 + x - 3xy^2)$	(iii) $6x^2 - 13x - 5$ $(3x + 1)(2x - 5)$
(ii) $(x + y)^2 - 25z^2$ $(x + y + 5z)(x + y - 5z)$	(iv) $27x^3 + 8y^3$ $(3x)^3 + (2y)^3$ $= (3x + 2y)(9x^2 - 6xy + 4y^2)$

2. A quadratic function has roots of -2 and -1. It also contains the point (-3, 8). Evaluate the function in the form $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ where $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$f(x) = k[(x+2)(x+1)]$$

$$f(x) = k[x^2 + 3x + 2]$$

$$(-3, 8) \Rightarrow f(-3) = 8$$

$$f(-3) = k[(-3)^2 + 3(-3) + 2] = 8$$

$$k(2) = 8$$

$$k = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = 4(x^2 + 3x + 2)$$

$$f(x) = 4x^2 + 12x + 8$$

3. The function $f(x) = 2x^2 + 4x - 4$ can be expressed as $a(x+b)^2 + c$, where $a, b, c \in \mathbb{Z}$

(i) Find the values of a, b and c .

(ii) Hence, find the co-ordinates of the local minimum of the curve.

(iii) Solve the equation $f(x) = 0$, writing your answers in surd form.

(iv) Where does the graph cut the y-axis?

(v) Draw a rough sketch of $f(x)$ on the graph paper given.

(i) Using method of completing the square:

$$\begin{aligned} 2x^2 + 4x - 4 &= 2(x^2 + 2x - 2) \\ &= 2(\underbrace{x^2 + 2x + 1}_{(x+1)^2} - 1 - 2) \\ &= 2((x+1)^2 - 3) \\ f(x) &= 2(x+1)^2 - 6 \end{aligned}$$

(ii) Minimum: $x = -1$

$$f(-1) = 2(-1+1)^2 - 6 = -6$$

Min: $(-1, -6)$

(iii) $f(x) = 0$

$$2(x+1)^2 - 6 = 0$$

$$2(x+1)^2 = 6$$

$$(x+1)^2 = 3$$

$$x+1 = \pm\sqrt{3}$$

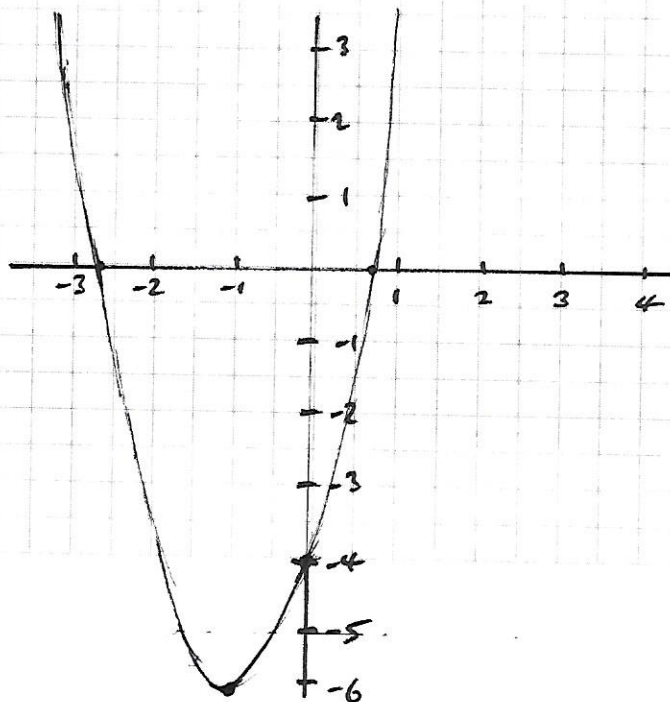
$$x = -1 \pm \sqrt{3}$$

(iv) At y-axis, $x = 0$

$$f(0) = 2(0)^2 + 4(0) - 4$$

$$f(0) = -4$$

$\Rightarrow (0, -4)$



4. Let $f(x) = \frac{x^3-1}{x^2-1}$, with $x \neq \pm 1$ and $g(x) = \frac{x^2+x+1}{x^2-x-2}$, with $x \neq -1, 2$.

If $f(x) \div g(x) = ax+b$, find the value of a and b .

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x) \div g(x) &= \frac{x^3-1}{x^2-1} \div \frac{x^2+x+1}{x^2-x-2} \\
 &= \frac{x^3-1}{x^2-1} \times \frac{x^2-x-2}{x^2+x+1} \\
 &= \frac{(x-1)(x^2+x+1)}{(x-1)(x+1)} \times \frac{(x-2)(x+1)}{x^2+x+1} = x-2
 \end{aligned}$$

$[a=1, b=-2]$

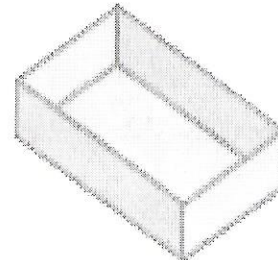
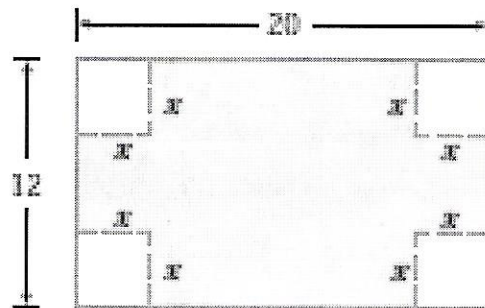
5. Show that $1-x+x^2 - \frac{1}{1+x} = \frac{x^3}{1+x}$ for $x \neq -1$.

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

6. Prove that $k+1$ is a root of the function $f(x) = x^2 - 2x - k^2 + 1$, where k is a constant.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{If } k+1 \text{ is a root} &\Rightarrow f(k+1) = 0 \\
 f(k+1) &= (k+1)^2 - 2(k+1) - k^2 + 1 \\
 &= k^2 + 2k + 1 - 2k - 2 - k^2 + 1 \\
 &= +2 - 2 \\
 &= 0 \\
 \Rightarrow k+1 &\text{ is a root.}
 \end{aligned}$$

7. A box with an open top is to be constructed from a rectangular piece of cardboard with dimensions 12 cm by 20 cm by cutting out equal squares of side x at each corner and then folding up the sides as in the figure.



(i) Express the volume of the box as a function of x .

$$\text{length} = 20 - 2x$$

$$\text{width} = 12 - 2x$$

$$\text{height} = x$$

$$\text{Vol} = (20 - 2x)(12 - 2x)(x)$$

$$= x(240 - 40x - 24x + 4x^2)$$

$$V(x) = 4x^3 - 64x^2 + 240x$$

(ii) What is the volume when $x = 2$ cm

$$V(x) = (20 - 2x)(12 - 2x)(x)$$

$$V(2) = (20 - 2(2))(12 - 2(2))(2)$$

$$= (16)(8)(2)$$

$$= 256 \text{ cm}^3$$