

1. Algebraic Techniques

Exercise 1A

Expanding and factorising

Q1

- (a) $4x^2 + 4x + 1$
- (b) $9x^2 - 24x + 16$
- (c) $9x^2y^2 - 24xy + 16$
- (d) $9x^2 - 24xy + 16y^2$
- (e) $x^2 + 2 + \frac{1}{x^2}$
- (f) $x^2 - \frac{1}{x^2}$
- (g) $6x^2 - 5x - 4$
- (h) $4x^2 - 9y^2$
- (i) $6x^2 - 5xy - 4y^2$

Q2

- (a) $(x+3)^2$
- (b) $(x+5)(x-3)$
- (c) $(2x+1)(2x-5)$
- (d) $3(4x+3y)(4x-3y)$
- (e) $(5+x+y)(5-x-y)$
- (f) $(2x+3)(x-5)$
- (g) $(x+y+2)(x-y)$
- (h) $(x-3)(1+x)$
- (i) $(x^2+y^2)(x+y)(x-y)$

Q3

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

(b) From part (a), we have

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

Hence $1+x+x^2 = \frac{x^3-1}{x-1}$. We have $x \neq 1$ because the denominator cannot be zero.

P1

- (a) $(4-9x^2)(4+9x^2) = (2-3x)(2+3x)(4+9x^2)$
- (b) $(a+2)(a^2-4) = (a+2)(a+2)(a-2)$
 $= (a+2)^2(a-2)$
- (c) $(2x-3)(3x+2)$
- (d) $(2x-3y)(3x+2y)$

P2

$$\begin{aligned} (a) \quad (x-1)(x^2+x+1) \\ (b) \quad (3x-2)(9x^2+6x+4) \\ (c) \quad (2x+1-2)((2x+1)^2+2(2x+1)+4) \\ = (2x-1)(4x^2+8x+7) \end{aligned}$$

P3

$$\begin{aligned} (a) \quad x^3 - 3x^2y + 3xy^2 - y^3 \\ (b) \quad x^3 + 3x^2y + 3xy^2 + y^3 \end{aligned}$$

P4

$$\begin{aligned} (a) \quad &\text{RHS} \\ &= (x-1)(1+x+x^2+x^3+\cdots+x^{n-2}+x^{n-1}) \\ &= x+x^2+x^3+x^4+\cdots+x^{n-1}+x^n \\ &\quad - 1 - x - x^2 - x^3 - \cdots - x^{n-2} - x^{n-1} \\ &= -1 + x^n = x^n - 1 = \text{LHS} \\ (b) \quad &\text{Divide both sides of a) by } x-1 \\ &\therefore \frac{x^n-1}{x-1} = 1 + x + x^2 + \cdots + x^{n-1} \\ (c) \quad &x = 2, n = 100 \text{ using (b)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{2^{100}-1}{2-1} = 2^{100} - 1$$

P5

$$\begin{aligned} z^6 + 1 &= (z^2)^3 + 1 \\ &= (z^2 + 1)(z^4 - z^2 + 1) \\ &= (z^2 + 1)(z^4 + 2z^2 + 1 - 3z^2) \\ &= (z^2 + 1)((z^2 + 1)^2 - 3z^2) \\ &= (z^2 + 1)(z^2 - z\sqrt{3} + 1)(z^2 + z\sqrt{3} + 1) \end{aligned}$$

P6

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{RHS} \\ &= a^3 + ab^2 + ac^2 - a^2b - abc - a^2c + a^2b + b^3 + bc^2 \\ &\quad - ab^2 - b^2c - abc + a^2c + b^2c + c^3 - abc - bc^2 - ac^2 \\ &= a^3 + b^3 + c^3 - 3abc \end{aligned}$$

Exercise 1B

Algebraic fractions

Q1

(a) $\frac{6x}{5}$

(b) $\frac{9x + 22x}{30} = \frac{31x}{30}$

(c) $\frac{3x - 1 - 7 + 2x}{3} = \frac{5x - 8}{3}$

(d) $\frac{4(5x + 3) - 3(1 - 4x)}{24} = \frac{32x + 9}{24}$

(e) $\frac{17}{8x}$

(f) $\frac{5 - 8}{4x} = -\frac{3}{4x}$

(g) $\frac{x(x + 1) - x(x - 1)}{(x - 1)(x + 1)}$

(h) $\frac{3x + 5 - (x + 7)}{x - 2} = \frac{2x - 2}{x - 2} = \frac{2(x - 1)}{x - 2}$

(i) $\frac{2x + x - 2}{x(x - 2)} = \frac{3x - 2}{x(x - 2)}$

(j) $\frac{9 + 10x}{12x^2}$

(k) $\frac{5(x + 2) + 2(x - 2)}{x(x - 2)(x + 2)} = \frac{7x + 6}{x(x - 2)(x + 2)}$

(l)
$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{3}{x(x - 4)} - \frac{2}{(x - 2)(x - 1)} \\ &= \frac{3(x - 2)(x - 1) - 2(x)(x - 4)}{x(x - 4)(x - 2)(x - 1)} \\ &= \frac{3x^2 - 9x + 6 - 2x^2 + 8x}{x(x - 4)(x - 2)(x - 1)} \\ &= \frac{x^2 - x + 6}{x(x - 4)(x - 2)(x - 1)} \end{aligned}$$

Q2

(a) $\frac{5x}{5y} \times \frac{3y}{20x^2} = \frac{3}{20x}$

(b) $\frac{5x}{6} \times \frac{9}{15xy} = \frac{1}{2y}$

(c) $\frac{x - 2}{x + 3} \times \frac{(x - 3)(x + 2)}{(x - 3)^2} = \frac{(x + 2)(x - 2)}{(x + 3)(x - 3)}$

(d) $\frac{(x - 3)(x + 3)}{(x - 5)(x + 3)} \times \frac{3(x - 2)(x + 2)}{(x - 2)(x - 3)} = \frac{3(x + 2)}{x - 5}$

Q3

(a) $\frac{2x(2x + 3y)}{8x^2} = \frac{2x + 3y}{4x}$

(b)
$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{y - x}{xy} \times \frac{1}{x - y} = \frac{(y - x)}{xy} \times \frac{-1}{(y - x)} \\ &= -\frac{1}{xy} \end{aligned}$$

(c) $\left(\frac{y + x}{xy}\right) \times \frac{(y - x)}{xy} = \frac{y^2 - x^2}{x^2y^2}$

Q4

(a) $\frac{x^2 - 1}{x^2 + 1}$

(b) $\frac{x + 1 + x}{x + 1 - x} = \frac{2x + 1}{1}$

Q5

(a) $\frac{1}{x + 1} \quad \left(\text{multiplying by } \frac{x}{x}\right)$

(b) $\frac{y + x}{y - x} \quad \left(\text{multiplying by } \frac{xy}{xy}\right)$

(c) $\frac{y^2 + x^2}{y^2 - x^2} \quad \left(\text{multiplying by } \frac{xy}{xy}\right)$

(d) $\frac{2(x + 3) + x}{3(x + 3) - x} = \frac{3(x + 2)}{2x + 9}$

$$\left(\text{multiplying by } \frac{x(x + 3)}{x(x + 3)}\right)$$

Q6

(a) $\frac{1 - x}{x - 1} = -1$

(b) $\frac{(t - 3)(t + 3)}{3(t - 3)} = \frac{t + 3}{3}$

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

(d)
$$\frac{2 - (x + 3) - 5(x - 3)}{(x - 3)(x + 3)}$$

$$= \frac{-6x + 14}{(x - 3)(x + 3)} = \frac{2(7 - 3x)}{(x - 3)(x + 3)}$$

Q7

(a) $\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} = \frac{b + a}{ab} = \frac{5}{3}$

(b)
$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{a^2} + \frac{1}{b^2} = \frac{b^2 + a^2}{a^2b^2} = \frac{(a + b)^2 - 2ab}{a^2b^2} \\ &= \frac{25 - 6}{9} = \frac{19}{9} \end{aligned}$$

(c) $\frac{b + a}{ab(a + b)} = \frac{1}{ab} = \frac{1}{3}$

Q8

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

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

P1

$$\frac{1+n^2-1-n(n+1)}{n} = \frac{n^2-n^2-n}{n} = -1$$

or, simplifying first two terms

$$\frac{1+n^2-1}{n} - (n+1) = \frac{n^2}{n} - n - 1 = n - n - 1 = -1$$

P2

$$(a) \frac{a+\frac{1}{a}}{a-\frac{1}{a}} \times \frac{a}{a} = \frac{a^2+1}{a^2-1}$$

$$(b) \frac{\frac{a}{b}+\frac{b}{a}}{\frac{a}{b}-\frac{b}{a}} \times \frac{ab}{ab} = \frac{a^2+b^2}{a^2-b^2}$$

P3

$$q = \frac{1}{1-p} = \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{a}} \times \frac{a}{a} = \frac{a}{a-1} \quad (1)$$

$$r = \frac{q}{q-1} = \frac{\frac{a}{a-1}}{\frac{a}{a-1}-1}$$

now substitute (1)

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

P4

- (a) To find the average of 2 numbers we add them and divide by 2.

$$\frac{\frac{1}{a}+\frac{1}{b}}{2} \times \frac{ab}{ab} = \frac{b+a}{2ab} = \frac{a+b}{2ab}$$

or halfway between

$$\frac{1}{a} = \frac{b}{ab} \text{ and } \frac{1}{b} = \frac{a}{ab} \text{ is } \frac{a+b}{2ab}$$

- (b) Average of $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{10}$

$$= \frac{2+10}{2 \times 2 \times 10} = \frac{12}{40} = \frac{3}{10}$$

note we could also find average

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{5}{10} \text{ so average } \frac{6}{10} \div 2 = \frac{3}{10}$$

(c) According to Bob the average of a and b is $\frac{a+b}{2}$
and find reciprocal $\frac{2}{a+b}$

$$(d) x-y = \frac{a+b}{2ab} - \frac{2}{a+b} \text{ from (a)}$$

$$= \frac{(a+b)^2 - 4ab}{2ab(a+b)}$$

$$= \frac{(a-b)^2}{2ab(a+b)}$$

Since a and b are positive $x-y > 0$

$$\therefore x > y$$

∴ Bob's average is less than actual average x .**P5**

(a)

$$\frac{1}{u} = \frac{1}{f} - \frac{1}{v} \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{1}{u} = \frac{v-f}{fv}$$

$$u = \frac{fv}{v-f} \quad (2)$$

(b) $v-f \neq 0$ is $v \neq f$ also in equation if $v=f$ RHS=0

$$\implies \frac{1}{u} = 0 \text{ is not valid}$$

$$(c) x_1x_2 = (u-f)(v-f)$$

$$= uv - fv - uf + f^2$$

substituting for fv from (a)

$$= uv - uf - u(v-f) + f^2$$

$$= f^2$$

Exercise 1C

Indices

Q1

- (a) 1
- (b) 7
- (c) 5
- (d) $\left(8^{\frac{1}{3}}\right)^2 = 2^2 = 4$
- (e) $\left(9^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)^3 = 3^3 = 27$
- (f) $\left(\left(\frac{125}{64}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^2 = \frac{25}{16}$
- (g) $\left(-8^{\frac{1}{3}}\right)^2 = (-2)^2 = 4$

Q2

- (a) $\frac{1}{9^{\frac{1}{2}}} = \frac{1}{3}$
- (b) $\frac{1}{5^2} = \frac{1}{25}$
- (c) $3^3 = 27$
- (d) $\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)^2 = \frac{25}{4}$
- (e) $\left\{\left(\frac{1}{25}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}}\right\}^3 = 5^3 = 125$
- (f) $\frac{1}{4^{\frac{1}{2}}} = \frac{1}{2}$
- (g) $\left(125^{-\frac{1}{3}}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{25}$
- (h) $(2^3)^{-3} \times 2^8 = 2^{-9} \times 2^8 = 2^{-1} = \frac{1}{2}$

Q3

- (a) $2 \times 1 + 1 = 3$
- (b) $3^{2x} \times 3^2 = 3^{2x+2}$
- (c) 3^{3x+1}
- (d) $36x^6y^8$

$$(e) 4x^{-6} = \frac{4}{x^6}$$

$$(f) 4x^7$$

Q4

- (a) $2^n \times 2^{2n} \times 2^{3n} \times 2^{4n} = 2^{10n}$
- (b) $\frac{7^{-2n} \times 7}{7^{3n}} = 7^{1-5n}$
- (c) $\frac{3^n \times 3^{2n+2}}{3^{3n-6}} = 3^8$
- (d) $\frac{(3^n - 1)(3^n + 1)}{(3^n - 1)} = 3^n + 1$
- (e) $\frac{5^n(5^n - 1)}{5^n - 1} = 5^n$

Q5

- (a) $2^x = 2^4$
 $x = 4$
- (b) $2^{2x+2} = 2^4$
 $2x + 2 = 4$
 $x = 1$
- (c) $2^{2x+2} = 2^0$
 $x = -1$
or $4^{x+1} = 4^0$
 $x + 1 = 0$
 $x = -1$
- (d) $2^{2x+2} = 2^{-3}$
 $2x + 2 = -3$
 $2x = -5$
 $x = -\frac{5}{2}$
- (e) $3^{3x+3} = 3 \times 3^{2x-2}$
 $3x + 3 = 2x - 1$
 $x = -4$
- (f) $\frac{1}{x^2} = 49$
 $x^2 = \frac{1}{49}$
 $x = \pm \frac{1}{7}$

Q6

- (a) $3^7(3 - 1) = 2 \times 3^7$
- (b) $2^n(1 + 2) = 3 \times 2^n$
- (c) $3^n(3^n - 1)$
- (d) $3^n(2^n - 1)$
- (e) $3^n(3^{2n} - 1) = 3^n(3^n + 1)(3^n - 1)$

P1

$$(a) 2^{-4x} = 2^{-5}$$

$$-4x = -5$$

$$x = \frac{5}{4}$$

(b) $2^{3x} = 2^{2x+2}$

$$3x = 2x + 2$$

$$x = 2$$

(c) $(2^4)^{2-n} = \frac{1}{2^{3x}}$

$$2^{8-4n} = 2^{-3x}$$

$$8 - 4n = -3x$$

$$x = 8$$

(d) $2^{3x} = 2(2^{x+3})$

$$2^{3x} = 2^{x+4}$$

$$3x = x + 4$$

$$2x = 4$$

$$x = 2$$

(e) $2^{5x} = 2^{x+4}(2 - 1)$

$$2^{5x} = 2^{x+4}$$

$$5x = x + 4$$

$$4x = 4$$

$$x = 1$$

(f) $2^{2x} - 2 \times 2^x - 8 = 0$

$$\text{Let } u = 2^x$$

$$u^2 - 2u - 8 = 0$$

$$(u - 4)(u + 2) = 0$$

$$u = 4, -2$$

$$u = 4$$

$$2^x = 4$$

$$x = 2$$

$$u = -2$$

$$2^x = -2$$

No solution

P2

(a) $\frac{3^x \times 4^x}{8^x} \times \frac{6^x}{3^x} = \frac{6^x}{2^x} = 3^x$

(b) $\sqrt{2^{4x} \times 2^{4x} \times 2^{12x}}$

$$= \sqrt{2^{20x}} = (2^{20x})^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$= 2^{10x}$$

Alternatively:

$$\sqrt{2^{4x}} \times \sqrt{4^{2x}} \times \sqrt{8^{4x}}$$

$$= 2^{2x} \times 4^x \times 8^{2x}$$

$$= 2^{2x} \times 2^{2x} \times 2^{6x}$$

$$= 2^{10x}$$

P3

$$\begin{aligned} \text{half of } 2^{200} &= \frac{2^{200}}{2} \\ &= 2^{199} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore x = 199$$

P4

$$5^n(5 + 1) = 6 \times 5^n$$

$$\frac{5^{100}(5 + 1)}{6} = 5^{100}$$

P5

(a) $(5^x - 2^y)(5^x + 2^y)$ Difference of squares

(b) $2^{4x}(1 - 2^{2x}) = 2^{4x}(1 - 2^x)(1 + 2^x)$

P6

$$6 \text{ lots of } 6^6 = 6 \times 6^6 = 6^7$$

P7

$$2^a + 3^b = 17 \quad (1)$$

$$2 \times 2^a - 3 \times 3^b = -11 \quad (2)$$

$$2 \times 2^a + 2 \times 3^b = 34 \quad 2 \times (1)$$

$$5 \times 3^b = 45 \quad \text{subtract}$$

$$3^b = 9$$

$$3^b = 3^2$$

$$b = 2$$

$$2^a + 3^2 = 17 \quad \text{sub in (1)}$$

$$2^a = 8$$

$$a = 3$$

Exercise 1D

Surds

Q1

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \quad & \sqrt{9 \times 5} + \sqrt{16 \times 5} - \sqrt{9 \times 4 \times 2} \\ &= 3\sqrt{5} + 4\sqrt{5} - 6\sqrt{2} \\ &= 7\sqrt{5} - 6\sqrt{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b)} \quad & 3\sqrt{4 \times 6} + 6\sqrt{25 \times 6} - 5\sqrt{9 \times 6} \\ &= 3 \times 2\sqrt{6} + 6 \times 5\sqrt{6} - 5 \times 3\sqrt{6} \\ &= 6\sqrt{6} + 30\sqrt{6} - 15\sqrt{6} \\ &= 21\sqrt{6} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(c)} \quad \frac{4+2\sqrt{3}}{2} = \frac{2(2+\sqrt{3})}{2} = 2+\sqrt{3}$$

$$\text{(d)} \quad \frac{2\sqrt{6} \times 3\sqrt{7}}{12\sqrt{21}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

Q2

$$\text{(a)} \quad 5 - 2 = 3$$

$$\text{(b)} \quad \sqrt[3]{8 \times 3} = 2\sqrt[3]{3}$$

$$\text{(c)} \quad \sqrt[3]{1000 \times 2} = 10\sqrt[3]{2}$$

$$\text{(d)} \quad \sqrt[5]{32 \times 2} = 2\sqrt[5]{2}$$

Q3

$$\text{(a)} \quad a\sqrt{b}$$

$$\text{(b)} \quad a^2b$$

$$\text{(c)} \quad a^2b$$

$$\text{(d)} \quad a^2b\sqrt{ab}$$

Q4

$$\text{(a)} \quad \frac{1}{2\sqrt{5}} \times \frac{\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{5}} = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{10}$$

$$\text{(b)} \quad \frac{5\sqrt{2}}{3\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{\sqrt{10}}{\sqrt{10}} = \frac{5 \times \sqrt{2} \times \sqrt{2}\sqrt{5}}{3 \times 10} = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{3}$$

$$\text{(c)} \quad \frac{5\sqrt{3}}{3\sqrt{5}} \times \frac{\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{5}} = \frac{\sqrt{15}}{3}$$

$$\text{(d)} \quad \frac{\sqrt{2}}{5-\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{5+\sqrt{2}}{5+\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}(5+\sqrt{2})}{25-2} = \frac{5\sqrt{2}+2}{23}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(e)} \quad & \frac{5+\sqrt{2}}{5-\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{5+\sqrt{2}}{5+\sqrt{2}} = \frac{25+10\sqrt{2}+2}{25-2} \\ &= \frac{27+10\sqrt{2}}{23} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(f)} \quad & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}+1} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{\sqrt{3}-1} + \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{4} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{3-1} + \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{4} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}-1}{4} \\ &= \frac{2\sqrt{3}-2+\sqrt{3}-1}{4} \\ &= \frac{3\sqrt{3}-3}{4} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(g)} \quad & \frac{42}{3\sqrt{7}} - \frac{6}{\sqrt{7}+2} \times \frac{\sqrt{7}-2}{\sqrt{7}-2} \\ &= \frac{14}{\sqrt{7}} \times \frac{\sqrt{7}}{\sqrt{7}} - \frac{6(\sqrt{7}-2)}{7-4} \\ &= 2\sqrt{7} - 2(\sqrt{7}-2) \\ &= 4 \end{aligned}$$

Q5

$$\text{(a)} \quad \frac{a\sqrt{b}}{c\sqrt{d}} \times \frac{\sqrt{d}}{\sqrt{d}} = \frac{a\sqrt{bd}}{cd}$$

$$\text{(b)} \quad \frac{1}{a+\sqrt{b}} \times \frac{a-\sqrt{b}}{a-\sqrt{b}} = \frac{a-\sqrt{b}}{a^2-b}$$

$$\text{(c)} \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{a}} \times \frac{\sqrt{a}}{\sqrt{a}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{b}} \times \frac{\sqrt{b}}{\sqrt{b}} = \frac{\sqrt{a}}{a} - \frac{\sqrt{b}}{b}$$

$$\text{(d)} \quad \frac{1}{a\sqrt{b}-c} \times \frac{a\sqrt{b}+c}{a\sqrt{b}+c} = \frac{a\sqrt{b}+c}{a^2b-c^2}$$

$$\text{(e)} \quad \frac{1}{a\sqrt{b}+c\sqrt{d}} \times \frac{a\sqrt{b}-c\sqrt{d}}{a\sqrt{b}-c\sqrt{d}} = \frac{a\sqrt{b}-c\sqrt{d}}{a^2b-c^2d}$$

Q6

$$\text{(a)} \quad 4 - 5 = -1$$

$$\text{(b)} \quad 25 + 10\sqrt{3} + 3 = 28 + 10\sqrt{3}$$

$$\text{(c)} \quad 25 - 20\sqrt{3} + 12 = 37 - 20\sqrt{3}$$

$$\text{(d)} \quad 2 + 2\sqrt{6} + 3 = 5 + 2\sqrt{6}$$

$$\text{(e)} \quad 1 + \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{3}{2} + \sqrt{2}$$

$$\text{(f)} \quad 3 - 2 + \frac{1}{3} = \frac{4}{3}$$

Q7

$$\text{(a)} \quad 3 + 2\sqrt{4 \times 5} \quad a = 3, b = 20$$

$$\text{(b)} \quad 4 - 12\sqrt{5} + 45 \quad a = 49, b = -12$$

$$\text{(c)} \quad 12 - 12\sqrt{18} + 9 \times 6 = 12 - 36\sqrt{2} + 54 \quad a = 66, b = -36$$

$$\text{(d)} \quad 1 - 6\sqrt{2} + 18 - (4 + 12\sqrt{2} + 18) = -3 - 18\sqrt{2} \quad a = -3, b = -18$$

Q8

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \quad \sqrt{x} &= 3\sqrt{2} + 2\sqrt{2} \\ &= 5\sqrt{2} \\ &= \sqrt{25 \times 2} \\ &= \sqrt{50} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore x = 50$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b)} \quad x\sqrt{2} &= 3\sqrt{2} + 6\sqrt{2} - 4\sqrt{2} \\ &= 5\sqrt{2} \\ \therefore x &= 5 \end{aligned}$$

Q9

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \quad x + \frac{1}{x} &= \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}} \\ &= \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2} \\ &= 2\sqrt{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 &= x^2 + 2 + \frac{1}{x^2} \\ \therefore (2\sqrt{3})^2 &= x^2 + 2 + \frac{1}{x^2} \\ \therefore x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} &= 12 - 2 \\ &= 10 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b)} \quad x + \frac{1}{x} &= \sqrt{5} - 2 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5} - 2} \times \frac{\sqrt{5} + 2}{\sqrt{5} + 2} \\ &= \sqrt{5} - 2 + \sqrt{5} + 2 = 2\sqrt{5} \\ x - \frac{1}{x} &= \sqrt{5} - 2 - (\sqrt{5} + 2) = -4 \\ \therefore x^2 - \frac{1}{x^2} &= \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)\left(x - \frac{1}{x}\right) \\ &= (2\sqrt{5})(-4) = -8\sqrt{5} \end{aligned}$$

Q10

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS} &= x^2 + 6x + 1 \\ &= (2\sqrt{2} - 3)^2 + 6(2\sqrt{2} - 3) + 1 \\ &= 8 - 12\sqrt{2} + 9 + 12\sqrt{2} - 18 + 1 \\ &= 0 \\ \therefore 2\sqrt{2} - 3 &\text{ satisfies } x^2 + 6x + 1 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

P1

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{4}{2+\sqrt{5}} \times \frac{2-\sqrt{5}}{2-\sqrt{5}} - \frac{1}{9-4\sqrt{5}} \times \frac{9+4\sqrt{5}}{9+4\sqrt{5}} \\ &= \frac{4(2-\sqrt{5})}{-1} - \frac{9+4\sqrt{5}}{81-80} \\ &= 4\sqrt{5} - 8 - 9 - 4\sqrt{5} = -17 \end{aligned}$$

P2

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{n} + \sqrt{n+1}} \times \frac{\sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n}} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n}}{1} \end{aligned}$$

(b) Using (a) in each term

$$\begin{aligned} &\sqrt{2} - 1 + \sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2} + \sqrt{4} - \sqrt{3} + \\ &\dots + \sqrt{99} - \sqrt{98} + \sqrt{100} - \sqrt{99} \\ &= -1 + \sqrt{100} = 10 - 1 = 9 \end{aligned}$$

P3

$$xy \left(\frac{x}{y} - 2 + \frac{y}{x} \right) = x^2 - 2xy + y^2 \text{ rational number}$$

Chapter Review

R1

In each equation let the unknown be x

- (a) Let Joel's age be x , then Zach's age is $x + 4$

$$x + x + 4 = 16$$

$$2x = 12$$

$$x = 6$$

\therefore Joel's age is 6 and Zach's age is 10

- (b) $x - \frac{x}{4} = 12$

$$\frac{3}{4}x = 12$$

$$3x = 48$$

$$x = 16$$

- (c) Let cost of a card be x so cost of book is $6x$

$$x + 6x = 28$$

$$7x = 28$$

$$x = 4$$

\therefore Card cost is \$4 and book \$24

- (d) Let Jeremy's age be x years old, so Natalie is $5x$ years old. Hence, their ages in 8 years are $x + 8$ and $5x + 8$ respectively.

$$3(x + 8) = 5x + 8$$

$$2x = 16$$

$$x = 8$$

So Natalie is 40 years old now.

- (e) If there are x correct answers, Glen left out 6 questions so incorrect is $24 - x$

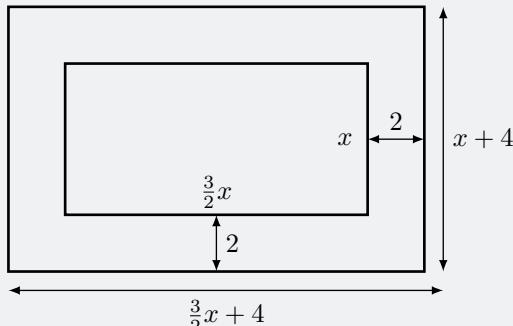
$$2x - 3(24 - x) = 28$$

$$5x = 100$$

$$x = 20$$

20 correct answers

- (f) Let the width be x . Therefore length is $\frac{3}{2}x$.



$$\left(\frac{3}{2}x + 4\right)(x + 4) - x\left(\frac{3}{2}x\right) = 116$$

$$6x + 4x + 16 = 116$$

$$10x = 100$$

width $x = 10$ m, length 15m, area of pool = 150m^2 .

R2

$$(a) x(y + 3) = y$$

$$y - xy = 3x$$

$$y(1 - x) = 3x$$

$$y = \frac{3x}{1 - x}$$

$$(b) \frac{1}{y} = \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{z}$$

$$\frac{1}{y} = \frac{z - x}{xz}$$

$$y = \frac{xz}{z - x}$$

$$(c) y^2(a - b) = 4$$

$$y = \pm \sqrt{\frac{4}{a - b}} = \pm \frac{2}{\sqrt{a - b}}$$

$$(d) x^2 = y^2 - 4ab$$

$$y^2 = x^2 + 4ab$$

$$y = \pm \sqrt{x^2 + 4ab}$$

R3

$$(a)$$

$$(i) x^2 = \frac{3V}{h}$$

$$x = \sqrt{\frac{3V}{h}}, \text{ but note } x > 0$$

$$(ii) x = \sqrt{\frac{3 \times 15}{5}} = 3 \text{ cm}$$

$$(b)$$

$$(i) r^2 = \frac{V}{\pi h}$$

$$r = \sqrt{\frac{V}{\pi h}}$$

$$(ii) r = \sqrt{\frac{100}{4\pi^2}} = \frac{5}{\pi} \text{ cm}$$

$$(c)$$

$$(i) r^3 = \frac{3V}{4\pi}$$

$$r = \sqrt[3]{\frac{3V}{4\pi}}$$

$$(ii) r = \sqrt{3 \times \frac{9\pi}{2} \times \frac{1}{4\pi}} = \frac{3}{2} \text{ cm.}$$

R4

- (a) Let the length be x cm, then the width is $x - 6$ cm.

$$P = 60 = 4x - 12$$

$$4x = 72$$

$$x = 18 \text{ cm}$$

\therefore length of rectangle is 18 cm

- (b) Let Emma's age be x years, therefore Robin's age is $x + 23$ years. In 6 years
 $x + 23 + 6 = 2(x + 6)$

$$x = 17$$

Emma is 17 and Robin is 40 years old.

R5

- (a) $(x - 10)(x + 1)$
 (b) $(x + 9)(x - 7)$
 (c) $(x - 2)(5x - 4)$
 (d) $(5x + 3)(x - 1)$
 (e) $(4 + x)(5 - 2x)$
 (f) $5(x - 5) + x(x - 5) = (x - 5)(5 + x)$
 (g) $(5 + x - 1)(5 - (x - 1))$ difference of squares
 $= (4 + x)(6 - x)$
 (h) $(x - y)(x + y) + 3(x - y) = (x - y)(x + y + 3)$
 (i) $(x + y + 2)(x + y - 2)$
 (j) $5(16x^4 - y^4) = 5(4x^2 - y^2)(4x^2 + y^2)$
 $= 5(2x - y)(2x + y)(4x^2 + y^2)$
 (k) $x^2(x - 3) - 4(x - 3) = (x - 3)(x - 2)(x + 2)$
 (l) $(2x - 3y)(x + y)$

R6

- (a) $\sqrt{2} + 2\sqrt{2} = 3\sqrt{2}$
 (b) $2\sqrt{2} + 3\sqrt{2} = 5\sqrt{2}$
 (c) $2\sqrt{5} + 3\sqrt{5} = 5\sqrt{5}$
 (d) $3\sqrt{10} - 2\sqrt{10} = \sqrt{10}$
 (e) $4 - 12\sqrt{2} + 18 = 22 - 12\sqrt{2}$
 (f) $6 - 3 = 3$

R7

- (a) $3 + 1 = 4$
 (b) $a^{-1} = \frac{1}{a}$
 (c) $9x^4 \div 6x^4 = \frac{3}{2}$
 (d) $\frac{3^{2m-2} \times 2^{m+3}}{3^{m+2} \times 2^{m+2}} = 2 \times 3^{m-4}$

R8

- (a) $\left(8\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 = 2^2 = 4$
 (b) $\left(25^{-\frac{1}{2}}\right)^3 = \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^3 = \frac{1}{125}$
 (c) $\left[\left(\frac{1}{16}\right)^{-\frac{1}{4}}\right]^3 = 2^3 = 8$

R9

5 lots of $5^5 = 5 \times 5^5 = 5^6$

R10

- (a) $2^{x+3} = 2^4$
 $x = 1$
 (b) $2^{3x} = 2^{-2}$
 $x = -\frac{2}{3}$
 (c) $2^{2x} = 2^{\frac{1}{2}}$
 $x = \frac{1}{4}$
 (d) $3^{2x-1} = 3^0$
 $x = \frac{1}{2}$
 (e) $4 + 3^x = 36$
 $3^x = 9$
 $x = 2$
 (f) $2^{2x} - 5 \times 2^x + 4 = 0$
 $(2^x - 4)(2^x - 1) = 0$
 $x = 2 \quad x = 0$

R11

- (a) $\sqrt{2} + 1$
 (b) $\frac{(2 + \sqrt{5})^2}{4 - 5} = \frac{9 + 2\sqrt{5}}{-1}$
 (c) $\frac{(4 + \sqrt{2})(1 - \sqrt{2})}{-1}$
 $= -(2 - 3\sqrt{2})$
 $= 3\sqrt{2} - 2$
 (d) $\frac{3(\sqrt{6} + 2)}{2}$

R12

- (a) $(2 - \sqrt{3})^2 = a - 4\sqrt{b}$
 $= 7 - 4\sqrt{3}$
 $a = 7 \quad b = 3$
 (b) $\frac{(\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{3})^2}{2} = a - \sqrt{b}$
 $\frac{8 - 2\sqrt{15}}{2} = 4 - \sqrt{15}$
 $a = 4 \quad b = 15$

10 Chapter Worked Solutions

R13

(a) $8x - 32 - 12 + 3x = 2x$

$$9x = -4$$

$$x = \frac{44}{9}$$

(b) $4x - 6 = 3x - 1$

(c) $9x - 3 - 4x - 2 = -30$

$$5x = -25$$

$$x = -5$$

(d) $-4x^2 + 2x - 6x + 3 = -4x^2 - 2 + 9x$

$$13x = 5$$

$$x = \frac{5}{13}$$

R14

(a) $\frac{4x - 6 - 3x - 1}{10} = \frac{x - 7}{10}$

(b) $\frac{3}{x - y}$

(c) $\frac{4 + x}{x^2 - 4}$

(d) $\frac{x(x + y) - y}{x^2 - y^2} = \frac{x^2 + xy - y}{x^2 - y^2}$

(e) $3 \left[\frac{x - 1 - x - 1}{(x + 1)(x - 1)} \right] = \frac{-6}{(x + 1)(x - 1)}$

(f) $\frac{2(x + 7) - 3(x + 2)}{(x - 2)(x + 2)(x + 7)}$

$$= \frac{-x + 8}{(x - 2)(x + 2)(x + 7)}$$

(g) $\frac{x^2 - y^2 - x^2}{x + y} = \frac{-y^2}{x + y}$

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

$$= \frac{4x - 8}{(x + 2)(x - 2)} = \frac{4}{x + 2}$$

(i) $\frac{x + 3 - x}{(x + 3)^2} = \frac{3}{(x + 3)^2}$

(j) $\frac{1 - (x + 1)}{(x + 1)^2} = \frac{-x}{(x + 1)^2}$

(k) $\frac{1}{\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y}} = \frac{xy}{y + x}$

(l) $\frac{1}{x + y} \left(\frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{y} \right) = \frac{1}{xy}$

R15

(a) $x + \frac{1}{x} - 2$

(b) $x - \frac{1}{x}$

R16

(a) $a + \frac{1}{a} = 2 + \sqrt{3} + \frac{1}{2 + \sqrt{3}} \times \frac{2 - \sqrt{3}}{2 - \sqrt{3}}$
 $= 2 + \sqrt{3} + 2 - \sqrt{3}$
 $= 4$

(b) $\left(a + \frac{1}{a} \right)^2 = a^2 + 2 + \frac{1}{a^2}$
 $(4)^2 = a^2 + 2 + \frac{1}{a^2}$ using result (a)
 $\therefore a^2 + \frac{1}{a^2} = 16 - 2$
 $= 14$

R17

(a) y^2

(b) $y + y^2$

(c) y^3

(d) $4y^2$

(e) $2x^6$

(f) $8x^6$

(g) a^{m+n}

(h) 1

(i) $1 + \frac{y}{x}$

(j) $\frac{1}{y} + \frac{1}{x}$

(k) $1 + y$

(l) $2x + 3y$

(m) $2 + \frac{3y}{x}$

(n) $\frac{x + y}{x} = 1 + \frac{y}{x}$

(o) $\frac{2xy}{1 + 2y}$

(p) $\frac{5x}{4}$

(q) $\frac{x + y}{x^2 y^2}$

(r) $\frac{y + x}{y - x}$

(s) $\frac{2}{x + y}$

(t) -1