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Examination: Midterm Test

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Special Instructions

- ❖ Solve all problems and, in each case, clearly indicate which problem you are solving.
- ❖ Clearly identify your answers; if you don't show or explain your work, you cannot get full marks.
- ❖ Only approved calculators are permitted.

Marks

[3] 1. The expression  $(\sqrt{5} - 2)^2$  can be written as  $a - b\sqrt{c}$  where  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  are whole numbers. Find the values of  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$ .

[3] 2. Simplify the expression  $\sqrt{72} \times 3\sqrt{2}$ .

[3] 3. Rationalize the denominator of the expression and simplify common factors:

$$\frac{2}{1 - \sqrt{5}}$$

[3] 4. Remove the parentheses and combine like terms:

$$2(5x - 2) + x^2 - x(x + 4)$$

[3] 5. Rewrite as a single fraction; combine like terms in the numerator and denominator.

$$\frac{2}{x} - \frac{x + 1}{x^2 - 6}$$

[6] 6. Factor the polynomials completely:

a.  $2x^2 - 5x + 3$

b.  $16x^4 - 81$

- [3] 7. Use synthetic division to determine whether  $x + 2$  is a factor of  $x^3 - 3x + 2$ .
- [6] 8. Solve the following equations or show that there's no solution:
- $x^2 = x + 2$
  - $2x - (x + 1) = 3(x + 5)$
  - $(x - 1)^2 = -2$
- [6] 9. Solve the inequalities:
- $4x + 7 > 4 - 2x$
  - $|3x - 1| \leq 2$
- [3] 10. Write an equation of a line passing through the point  $(2, 1)$  and parallel to the line  $y = 2x$ .
- [3] 11. Write an equation of the circle with diameter 4 and centre  $(1, -1)$ .
- [6] 12. Find the domain of the functions:
- $f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 - 1}$
  - $f(x) = \frac{-1}{\sqrt{x+1}}$
- [2] 13. Clearly show and explain how the graph of  $f(x) = (x + 2)^2$  can be obtained from the graph of  $g(x) = x^2$ .

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3 1.  $(\sqrt{5}-2)^2 = (\sqrt{5}-2)(\sqrt{5}-2) = \sqrt{5}\sqrt{5} - 2\sqrt{5} - 2\sqrt{5} + 4 = 9 - 4\sqrt{5}$   
 $\Rightarrow a=9, b=4, c=5$

3 2.  $\sqrt{72} \times 3\sqrt{2} = 3\sqrt{72 \times 2} = 3\sqrt{144} = 3(12) = 36$

3 3.  $\frac{2}{1-\sqrt{5}} = \frac{2(1+\sqrt{5})}{(1-\sqrt{5})(1+\sqrt{5})} = \frac{2(1+\sqrt{5})}{1+\sqrt{5}-\sqrt{5}-5} = \frac{2(1+\sqrt{5})}{-4} = \frac{(1+\sqrt{5})}{-2}$

3 4.  $2(5x-2) + x^2 - x(x+4)$   
 $= 10x - 4 + \cancel{x^2} - \cancel{x^2} - 4x$   
 $= 6x - 4$

3 5.  $\frac{2}{x} - \frac{x+1}{x^2-6} = \frac{2}{x} - \frac{x+1}{(x-\sqrt{6})(x+\sqrt{6})} = \frac{2(x-\sqrt{6})(x+\sqrt{6}) - (x+1)x}{(x-\sqrt{6})(x+\sqrt{6})x}$   
 $= \frac{2(x^2-6) - x^2 - x}{x(x^2-6)} = \frac{\cancel{2x^2} - 12 - \cancel{x^2} - x}{x(x^2-6)} = \frac{x^2 - x - 12}{x(x^2-6)}$

2@3 6. a)  $2x^2 - 5x + 3 = (2x-3)(x-1)$

b)  $16x^4 - 81 = (4x^2-9)(4x^2+9) = (2x-3)(2x+3)(4x^2+9)$

3 7. 
$$\begin{array}{r|rrrr} -2 & 1 & 0 & -3 & 2 \\ & & -2 & 4 & -2 \\ \hline & 1 & -2 & 1 & 0 \end{array}$$

Since Remainder = 0

$\Rightarrow x+2$  is a Factor of  $x^3 - 3x + 2$

3@2 8. a)  $x^2 = x + 2$   
 $x^2 - x - 2 = 0$   
 $(x+1)(x-2) = 0$   

$x+1=0$	$x-2=0$
$x=-1$	$x=2$

b)  $2x - (x+1) = 3(x+5)$

$2x - x - 1 = 3x + 15$

$2x - x - 3x = 15 + 1$

$-2x = 16$

$x = \frac{16}{-2}$

$x = -8$

c)  $(x-1)^2 = -2$

Since  $(x-1)^2$  is always  $\geq 0$

$\Rightarrow (x-1)^2$  cannot equal  $-2 \Rightarrow$  No solution

9 a)  $4x+7 > 4-2x$   
 $4x+2x > 4-7$   
 $6x > -3$   
 $x > -\frac{3}{6}$   
 $x > -\frac{1}{2}$

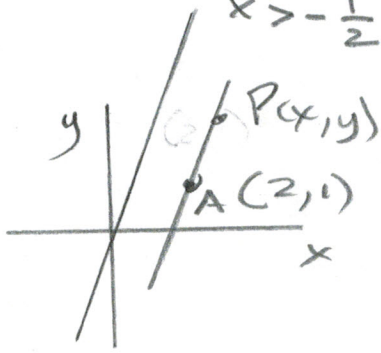
b)  $|3x-1| \leq 2$

$\Rightarrow 3x-1 \leq 2$  AND  $3x-1 \geq -2$   
 $3x \leq 2+1$  AND  $3x \geq -2+1$   
 $3x \leq 3$  AND  $3x \geq -1$   
 $x \leq 1$  AND  $x \geq -\frac{1}{3}$

FINAL ANSWER  
 $-\frac{1}{3} \leq x \leq 1$

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3 10.



Step 1 Slope of  $y = 2x$  is  $\Rightarrow$  required line has slope 2.

Step 2 Let  $P(x,y)$  be ANY point on required line

$M_{AP} = \frac{y-1}{x-2}$

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

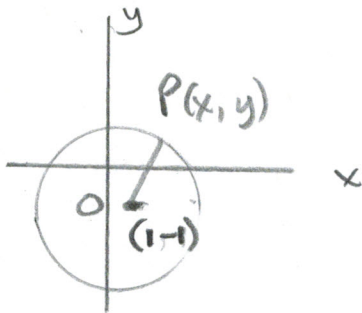
$1(y-1) = 2(x-2)$

$y-1 = 2x-4$

$y = 2x-4+1$

$y = 2x-3$

3 11.



Let  $P(x,y)$  be ANY point on circle  
 distance  $OP = 2$

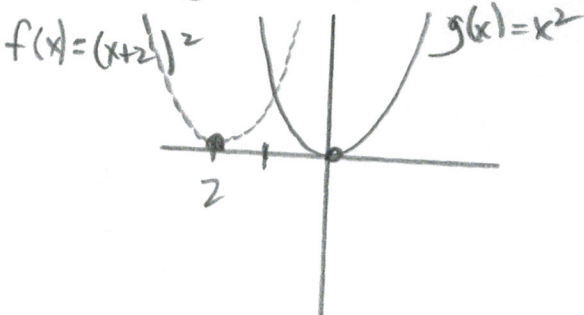
$\sqrt{(x-1)^2 + (y+1)^2} = 2 \Rightarrow x^2 - 2x + 1 + y^2 + 2y + 1 = 4$

$\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 - 2x + 2y - 2 = 0$

12 a)  $f(x) = \sqrt{x^2-1} \Rightarrow x^2-1 \geq 0 \Rightarrow x^2 \geq 1 \Rightarrow x \in \text{Reals} \mid x \geq 1 \text{ or } x \leq -1$

b)  $f(x) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{x+1}}$   
 (i)  $x+1 \neq 0 \Rightarrow x \neq -1$   
 (ii)  $x+1 \geq 0 \Rightarrow x \geq -1$   
 $\left. \begin{matrix} \text{(i)} \\ \text{(ii)} \end{matrix} \right\} x \in \text{Reals} \mid x > -1$

13.  $y = (x+2)^2$



Step 1 Sketch  $g(x)$  or  $y = x^2$

Step 2  $x$  is Replaced by  $(x+2)$

$\Rightarrow$  graph of  $f(x)$  or  $y = (x+2)^2$   
 Shifts horizontally  
 Left 2 units.

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