

1. a) Simplify  $\frac{4+7i}{2+5i}$  in the form  $a+bi$  [3 marks]

b) Solve the equation  $5^{2x} + 4(5^x) - 5 = 0$  [4 marks]

2. Solve  $\frac{5}{x} < 2 + 3x$  [5 marks]

3. The sum of the first four terms of a geometric series with common ratio  $-\frac{1}{2}$  is 30.

Determine the tenth term and the infinite sum,  $S_\infty$ . [7 marks]

4. Expand  $\frac{1}{(3-x)^3}$  up to the term  $x^3$  and determine the interval of  $x$  for which the

expansion is valid. Hence, approximate  $\frac{1}{(2.9)^3}$ , correct to four decimal places.

[7 marks]

5. Solve:

a)  $\log_3 x - 4 \log_x 3 + 3 = 0$  [6 marks]

b)  $\sqrt{3x+1} - \sqrt{2x-1} = \sqrt{x+2}$  [6 marks]

6. Given  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $C = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

a) Find the matrix  $D = A - (BC)^T$  [6 marks]

b) Show that  $|AD| = |DA|$  [6 marks]

**Final Answers**

1. a)  $\frac{43}{29} - \frac{6}{29}i$   
b)  $x = 0$

2.  $\left(-\frac{5}{3}, 0\right) \cup (1, \infty)$

3.  $T_{10} = \frac{-3}{32}$ ,  $S_\infty = 32$

4.  $\frac{1}{27} + \frac{1}{27}x + \frac{2}{81}x^2 + \frac{10}{729}x^3$ ,  $(-3, 3)$ , 0.0410

5. a)  $x = 3$        $x = \frac{1}{81}$   
b)  $x = \frac{1}{2}$

6. a)  $D = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & -3 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

**Answer Scheme**

1. a)  $\frac{4+7i}{2+5i} = \frac{4+7i}{2+5i} \times \frac{2-5i}{2-5i} = \frac{43-6i}{29} = \frac{43}{29} - \frac{6}{29}i$

b)  $5^{2x} + 4(5^x) - 5 = 0$

Let  $y = 5^x$

$$y^2 + 4y - 5 = 0$$

$$(y+5)(y-1) = 0$$

$$y = -5 \quad \text{or} \quad y = 1$$

$$5^x = 1$$

$$5^x = -5 \text{ (undefined)}$$

$$5^x = 5^0$$

$$x = 0$$

2.  $\frac{5}{x} < 2 + 3x$

$$\frac{5}{x} - 2 - 3x < 0$$

$$\frac{5 - 2x - 3x^2}{x} < 0$$

$$\frac{3x^2 + 2x - 5}{x} > 0$$

$$\frac{(x-1)(3x+5)}{x} > 0$$

Let  $x-1 > 0, \quad 3x+5 > 0, \quad x > 0$

$$x > 1, \quad x > \frac{-5}{3}, \quad x > 0$$

By using number line:  $\left(-\frac{5}{3}, 0\right) \cup (1, \infty)$

$$3. \quad S_4 = \frac{a \left[ 1 - \left( -\frac{1}{2} \right)^4 \right]}{1 - \left( -\frac{1}{2} \right)}$$

$$30 = a \left( \frac{5}{8} \right)$$

$$a = 48$$

$$T_{10} = 48 \left( -\frac{1}{2} \right)^9 = -\frac{3}{32}$$

$$S_\infty = \frac{48}{1 - \left( -\frac{1}{2} \right)} = 32$$

$$4. \quad \frac{1}{(3-x)^3} = (3-x)^{-3}$$

$$= 3^{-3} \left( 1 - \frac{x}{3} \right)^{-3}$$

$$= \frac{1}{27} \left[ 1 + (-3) \left( -\frac{x}{3} \right) + \frac{(-3)(-4)}{2!} \left( -\frac{x}{3} \right)^2 + \frac{(-3)(-4)(-5)}{3!} \left( -\frac{x}{3} \right)^3 + \dots \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{27} + \frac{1}{27}x + \frac{2}{81}x^2 + \frac{10}{729}x^3 + \dots$$

For expansion valid

$$\left| -\frac{x}{3} \right| < 1 \Rightarrow -3 < x < 3$$

The interval is  $(-3, 3)$

when  $x = 0.1$

$$\frac{1}{(3-0.1)^3} = \frac{1}{27} + \frac{1}{27}(0.1) + \frac{2}{81}(0.1)^2 + \frac{10}{729}(0.1)^3 + \dots$$

$$\frac{1}{(2.9)^3} = 0.0410 \quad (4 \text{ d.p.})$$

5. a)  $\log_3 x - \frac{4}{\log_3 x} + 3 = 0$   
 $(\log_3 x)^2 - 4 + 3 \log_3 x = 0$

Substituting  $y$  for  $\log_3 x$  gives :

$$\begin{aligned}y^2 + 3y - 4 &= 0 \\(y+4)(y-1) &= 0 \\y &= -4 \text{ or } 1 \\\log_3 x &= -4 \quad \text{or} \quad \log_3 x = 1 \\x &= 3^{-4} \quad \text{or} \quad x = 3 \\x &= \frac{1}{81}\end{aligned}$$

**NOTE: Check whether both values satisfy the original equation.**

$$\begin{aligned}b) \quad \sqrt{3x+1} - \sqrt{2x-1} &= \sqrt{x+2} \\(\sqrt{3x+1} - \sqrt{2x-1})^2 &= (\sqrt{x+2})^2 \\3x+1 - 2\sqrt{(3x+1)(2x-1)} + (2x-1) &= x+2 \\-2\sqrt{(3x+1)(2x-1)} &= -4x+2 \\\sqrt{(3x+1)(2x-1)} &= 2x-1 \\(\sqrt{(3x+1)(2x-1)})^2 &= (2x-1)^2 \\6x^2 - x - 1 &= 4x^2 - 4x + 1 \\2x^2 + 3x - 2 &= 0 \\(2x-1)(x+2) &= 0 \\x = \frac{1}{2} \text{ or } x = -2 &\quad \text{but } x \neq -2\end{aligned}$$

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

6. a)  $BC = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$(BC)^T = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}D &= A - (BC)^T \\&= \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & -3 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{b) } AD = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -4 & 5 \\ 3 & 4 & -4 \\ 3 & -2 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad DA = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -1 & 0 \\ -5 & 2 & -6 \\ 5 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|AD| = 4(20 - 8) - (-4)(15 + 12) + 5(-6 - 12) \\ = 66$$

$$|DA| = 7(8 - 0) - (-1)(-20 + 30) + 0 \\ = 66$$

$$\therefore |AD| = |DA| \quad |AD| = 66$$