

Trig equations and proofs SOLUTIONS

SECTION 1

$$1) (2-3x)^5 = 2^5 + {}^5C_1(2^4)(-3x)^1 + {}^5C_2(2^3)(-3x)^2 \\ = 32 - 240x + 720x^2 + \dots$$

$$2)a) (3+bx)^5 = 3^5 + {}^5C_1(3^4)(bx)^1 + {}^5C_2(3^3)(bx)^2 \\ = 243 + 405bx + 270b^2x^2 + \dots$$

$$b) 2 \times 405b = 270b^2 \Rightarrow 270b^2 - 810b = 0 \\ \Rightarrow b = 0 \text{ or } b = 3$$

$$3)a) (1+\frac{x}{4})^8 = 1^8 + {}^8C_1(1^7)(\frac{x}{4}) + {}^8C_2(1^6)(\frac{x}{4})^2 + {}^8C_3(1^5)(\frac{x}{4})^3 \\ = 1 + 2x + \frac{7}{4}x^2 + \frac{7}{8}x^3 + \dots$$

$$b) 1 + \frac{x}{4} = 1.025 \Rightarrow \frac{x}{4} = 0.025 \Rightarrow x = 0.1$$

$$(1.025)^8 = 1 + 2(0.1) + \frac{7}{4}(0.1)^2 + \frac{7}{8}(0.1)^3 = 1.2184$$

$$4)a) (2-9x)^4 = 2^4 + {}^4C_1(2^3)(-9x)^1 + {}^4C_2(2^2)(-9x)^2 \\ = 16 - 288x + 1944x^2 + \dots$$

$$b) f(x) = (1+kx)(2-9x)^4 = (1+kx)(16 - 288x + 1944x^2 + \dots) \\ = A - 232x + Bx^2$$

$$A = 1 \times 16 = 16$$

$$c) x \text{ terms: } 1x - 288 + 16k = -232 \Rightarrow 16k = 56 \Rightarrow k = \frac{7}{2}$$

$$d) x^2 \text{ terms: } B = 1944 - 288k = 1944 - 1008 = 936$$

Section 2

$$1)a) 3\sec^2\theta = 4\tan^2\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow 3(1 + \tan^2\theta) = 4\tan^2\theta \quad \checkmark$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan^2\theta = 3 \Rightarrow \tan\theta = \pm\sqrt{3} \quad \checkmark \quad (4)$$

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{2\pi}{3}, \frac{4\pi}{3}, \frac{5\pi}{3} \quad \checkmark$$

$$b) \cot^2\theta - 3\operatorname{cosec}\theta + 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\operatorname{cosec}^2\theta - 1) - 3\operatorname{cosec}\theta + 3 = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\Rightarrow (\operatorname{cosec}\theta - 1)(\operatorname{cosec}\theta - 2) = 0 \quad (4)$$

$$\Rightarrow \operatorname{cosec}\theta = 1 \quad \checkmark \text{ or } \operatorname{cosec}\theta = 2$$

$$\sin\theta = 1 \quad \checkmark \quad \sin\theta = \frac{1}{2} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6} \quad \checkmark$$

$$c) 1 + \tan^2\theta + 2\tan\theta = 0 \quad \checkmark \Rightarrow (\tan\theta + 1)^2 = 0$$

$$\tan\theta = -1 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\theta = -\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{3\pi}{4}, \frac{7\pi}{4} \quad \checkmark \quad (3)$$

$$2a) \sec^2 x - 1 - 2\sec x - 2 = 0 \Rightarrow \sec^2 x - 2\sec x - 3 = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$(\sec x + 1)(\sec x - 3) = 0 \quad (5)$$

$$\sec x = -1 \Rightarrow \cos x = -1 \quad x = 180^\circ, -180^\circ \quad \checkmark$$

$$\text{or } \sec x = 3 \Rightarrow \cos x = \frac{1}{3} \quad x = 70.5^\circ, -70.5^\circ \quad \checkmark$$

$$b) \cosec^2 x + 5\cosec x + 2(\cosec^2 x - 1) = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\Rightarrow 3\cosec^2 x + 5\cosec x - 2 = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$(3\cosec x - 1)(\cosec x + 2) = 0 \quad (5)$$

$$\cosec x = \frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow \text{no solutions} \quad \checkmark$$

$$\cosec x = -2 \Rightarrow \sin x = -\frac{1}{2} \quad x = -150^\circ, -30^\circ \quad \checkmark$$

$$c) \sec^2 x - 1 + 4\sec x - 2 = 0 \Rightarrow \sec^2 x + 4\sec x - 3 = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\Rightarrow \sec x = -2 \pm \sqrt{7}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos x = \frac{1}{-2 \pm \sqrt{7}} = -0.2153 \quad \text{or } 1.5486 \quad \text{no solution}$$

$$x = -102.4^\circ, 102.4^\circ \quad \checkmark \quad (4)$$

$$3a) \cot^2 2x + \cosec 2x - 1 = 0 \quad 0 \leq 2x \leq 720$$

$$(\cosec 2x - 1) + \cosec 2x - 1 = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\cosec^2 2x + \cosec 2x - 2 = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$(\cosec 2x + 2)(\cosec 2x - 1) = 0$$

$$\cosec 2x = -2$$

$$\cosec 2x = 1 \quad \checkmark$$

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

$$\sin 2x = 1$$

$$2x = 210^\circ, 330^\circ, 570^\circ, 690^\circ, 90^\circ, 450^\circ \quad \checkmark$$

$$x = 45^\circ, 105^\circ, 165^\circ, 225^\circ, 285^\circ, 345^\circ \quad \checkmark$$

$$b) 3\cosec^2 x - 4\sin^2 x = 1$$

$$\frac{3}{\sin^2 x} - 4\sin^2 x = 1 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\sin^2 x$$

$$3 - 4\sin^4 x = \sin^2 x$$

$$4\sin^4 x + \sin^2 x - 3 = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$(4\sin^2 x - 3)(\sin^2 x + 1) = 0$$

$$\sin^2 x = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\sqrt{\sin^2 x = -1} \rightarrow \text{no solution}$$

$$\sin x = \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$x = 60^\circ, 120^\circ, 240^\circ, 300^\circ \quad \checkmark$$

(5)

4)a) LHS = $(1 + \cot^2 x) - (1 + \tan^2 x)$ ✓
 $\equiv \cot^2 x - \tan^2 x = \text{RHS}$ ✓ (2)

b) LHS = $\cos^2 x - 4 + 4 \sec^2 x$ ✓
 $\equiv \cos^2 x - 4 + 4(1 + \tan^2 x)$ ✓
 $\equiv \cos^2 x + 4 \tan^2 x = \text{RHS}$ ✓ (3)

c) LHS = $(\tan x + \cot x)(\tan x + \cot x)$ ✓
 $\equiv \tan^2 x + 1 + 1 + \cot^2 x$ ✓
 $\equiv \sec^2 x + \cosec^2 x = \text{RHS}$ ✓ (3)

d) LHS = $\frac{1}{\cos^2 x} + \frac{1}{\sin^2 x}$ ✓
 $\equiv \frac{\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x}{\cos^2 x \times \sin^2 x}$ ✓
 $\equiv \frac{1}{\cos^2 x \sin^2 x}$ ✓ (4)
 $\equiv \sec^2 x \cosec^2 x = \text{RHS}$ ✓

5)a) $1 + \tan^2 x \equiv \sec^2 x \Rightarrow \sec^2 x - \tan^2 x \equiv 1$ ✓
 $\Rightarrow (\sec x + \tan x)(\sec x - \tan x) \equiv 1$ ✓
 $\Rightarrow (-3)(\sec x - \tan x) = 1$
 $\Rightarrow \sec x - \tan x = -\frac{1}{3}$ ✓ (3)

b) $\sec x + \tan x = -3$ } solving simultaneously
 $\sec x - \tan x = -\frac{1}{3}$
 $\sec x = -\frac{5}{3}$ ✓ $\tan x = -\frac{4}{3}$ ✓ (3)

c) If $\sec x = -\frac{5}{3}$ $\cos x = -\frac{3}{5}$ ✓ and $\tan x = -\frac{4}{3}$
 ∵ x is obtuse ✓
 $\cos^{-1}(-\frac{3}{5}) = \underline{126.86}$ (or -126.86)
 $\tan^{-1}(-\frac{4}{3}) = -53.1$ or $\underline{126.86}$
 $x = 126.86$ ✓ (3)

