

## Solutions to ex 2.1

### Text and Tests 2

### Algebra 2

Ex 2.1

Q1 a(ii)

$$x^2 - 7x + 12 = 0$$
$$(x - 3)(x - 4) = 0$$
$$x = 3 \quad x = 4$$

b(ii)

$$2x^2 + 7x - 15 = 0$$
$$(2x - 3)(x + 5) = 0$$
$$2x = 3$$
$$x = 3/2 \quad x = -5$$

c(ii)

$$9x^2 + 3x - 20 = 0$$
$$(3x + 5)(3x - 4) = 0$$
$$3x = -5 \quad 3x = 4$$
$$x = -5/3 \quad x = 4/3$$

$$d \text{ (ii)} \quad 3x^2 - 10x = 0$$

$$x(3x - 10) = 0$$

$$x = 0 \quad 3x = 10$$

$$x = \frac{10}{3}$$

$$e \text{ (ii)} \quad 10 + x - 3x^2 = 0$$

$$3x^2 - x - 10 = 0$$

$$(3x + 5)(x - 2) = 0$$

$$3x = -5$$

$$x = -\frac{5}{3} \quad x = 2$$

$$f \text{ (ii)} \quad (x - 3)(4x^2 - 4) = 0$$

$$x = 3 \quad 4x^2 = 4$$

$$x^2 = 1$$

$$x = \pm 1$$

$$g \text{ (ii)} \quad (2x + 8)(x^2 - 2x - 15) = 0$$

$$(2x + 8)(x - 5)(x + 3) = 0$$

$$2x = -8 \quad x = 5 \quad x = -3$$

$$x = -4$$

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$$\text{Q2 a(ii)} \quad x^2 + 3x - 2 = 0 \quad a = 1 \quad b = 3 \quad c = -2$$

$$x = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{(3)^2 - 4(1)(-2)}}{2(1)}$$

$$x = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{9 + 8}}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{-3 \pm \sqrt{17}}{2}$$

$$x = 0.6$$

$$x = -3.6$$

$$b(ii) \quad 3x^2 - 8x + 1 = 0 \quad a=3 \quad b=-8 \quad c=1$$

$$x = \frac{8 \pm \sqrt{(-8)^2 - 4(3)(1)}}{2(3)}$$

$$x = \frac{8 \pm \sqrt{64-12}}{6}$$

$$x = \frac{8 \pm \sqrt{52}}{6}$$

$$\swarrow \quad \searrow$$
$$x = 2.5 \quad 0.1$$

$$Q3 \quad a(ii) \quad 2x^2 - 12x - 5 = 0 \quad a=2 \quad b=-12 \quad c=-5$$

$$x = \frac{12 \pm \sqrt{(-12)^2 - 4(2)(-5)}}{2(2)}$$

$$x = \frac{12 \pm \sqrt{144+40}}{4}$$

$$x = \frac{12 \pm \sqrt{184}}{4}$$

$$\swarrow \quad \searrow$$
$$x = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{46}}{2}$$

$$b \text{ (ii)} \quad 5x^2 + 4x - 2 = 0 \quad a = 5 \quad b = 4 \quad c = -2$$

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{4^2 - 4(5)(-2)}}{2(5)}$$

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{16 + 40}}{10}$$

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{56}}{10} = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{14}}{5}$$

$$\textcircled{4} \text{ a (ii)} \quad \frac{1}{x-1} + \frac{4}{x} = \frac{3}{1}$$

$$x + 4(x-1) = 3(x)(x-1)$$

$$x + 4x - 4 = 3x^2 - 3x$$

$$0 = 3x^2 - 8x + 4$$

$$0 = (3x - 2)(x - 2)$$

$$3x = 2$$

$$x = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$x = 2$$

$$b \text{ (ii)} \quad \frac{x+2}{x-4} = \frac{2x+1}{x-2}$$

$$(x+2)(x-2) = (2x+1)(x-4)$$

$$x^2 - 4 = 2x^2 - 7x - 4$$

$$0 = x^2 - 7x$$

$$0 = x(x-7)$$

$$x = 0$$

$$x = 7$$

(iii) back a page.

Q4

b (iii)

$$\frac{2}{x-2} + \frac{3}{x} = \frac{5}{x-4}$$

$$2(x)(x-4) + 3(x-2)(x-4) = 5(x)(x-2)$$

$$2x^2 - 8x + 3x^2 - 18x + 24 = 5x^2 - 10x$$

$$+16x = +24$$

$$2x = 3$$

$$x = \frac{3}{2}$$

Q5

$$(i) \quad x^4 - 7x^2 + 10 = 0$$
$$u^2 - 7u + 10 = 0$$
$$(u - 5)(u - 2) = 0$$
$$u = 5 \quad u = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad x^2 = 5 \quad x^2 = 2$$
$$x = \pm\sqrt{5} \quad x = \pm\sqrt{2}$$

let  $u = x^2 \Rightarrow u^2 = x^4$

check:

$$(\sqrt{5})^4 - 7(\sqrt{5})^2 + 10 = 0$$
$$25 - 35 + 10 = 0 \checkmark$$

$$(\sqrt{2})^4 - 7(\sqrt{2})^2 + 10 = 0$$
$$4 - 14 + 10 = 0 \checkmark$$

$$(iv) \quad 2(k-2)^2 - 3(k-2) - 4 = 0 \quad x = k-2$$
$$2x^2 - 3x - 4 = 0 \quad a = 2 \quad b = -3 \quad c = -4$$
$$(2x^2 - 3x - 4)$$

$$x = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{(-3)^2 - 4(2)(-4)}}{2(2)}$$

$$x = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{9 + 32}}{4}$$

$$x = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{41}}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow k-2 = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{41}}{4}$$

$$k = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{41}}{4} + \frac{2}{1}$$

$$k = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{41} + 8}{4} = \frac{11 \pm \sqrt{41}}{4}$$

$$(b) (ii) \quad (2y-3)^2 - 1 = 0 \quad \text{let } x = 2y-3$$

$$x^2 - 1 = 0$$

$$(x+1)(x-1) = 0$$

$$x = -1 \quad x = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \begin{array}{l} 2y-3 = -1 \\ 2y = 2 \\ y = 1 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} 2y-3 = 1 \\ 2y = 4 \\ y = 2 \end{array}$$

$$(c) \quad \left(y + \frac{4}{y}\right)^2 - 9\left(y + \frac{4}{y}\right) + 20 = 0 \quad x = y + \frac{4}{y}$$

$$x^2 - 9x + 20 = 0$$

$$(x-5)(x-4) = 0$$

$$x = 5 \quad x = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow \quad \begin{array}{l} y + \frac{4}{y} = 5 \\ y^2 + 4 = 5y \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} y + \frac{4}{y} = 4 \\ y^2 + 4 = 4y \end{array}$$

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

$$(y-4)(y-1) = 0$$

$$y = 4 \quad y = 1$$

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

$$(y-2)(y-2) = 0$$

$$y = 2 \quad y = 2$$

check  $\left(4 + \frac{4}{4}\right)^2 - 9\left(4 + \frac{4}{4}\right) + 20 = 0$   
 $25 - 45 + 20 = 0 \quad \checkmark$

$$\left(1 + \frac{4}{1}\right)^2 - 9\left(1 + \frac{4}{1}\right) + 20 = 0$$
$$25 - 45 + 20 = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\left(2 + \frac{4}{2}\right)^2 - 9\left(2 + \frac{4}{2}\right) + 20 = 0$$
$$16 - 36 + 20 = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

Q6  $2x^2 - \sqrt{3}x - 3 = 0$        $a = 2$     $b = -\sqrt{3}$     $c = -3$

$$x = \frac{\sqrt{3} \pm \sqrt{(-\sqrt{3})^2 - 4(2)(-3)}}{2(2)}$$

$$x = \frac{\sqrt{3} \pm \sqrt{3+24}}{4}$$

$$x = \frac{\sqrt{3} \pm \sqrt{27}}{4} \quad \begin{array}{l} \nearrow x = \sqrt{3} \\ \searrow x = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{array}$$

Q7

(a)  $x = -4.2$     $x = 1.2$

(b)  $x = -2.3$     $x = 1.3$

(c)  $x = -9.6$     $x = -0.5$

(d)  $-1.7 < x < 0.6$

(e)  $x = -1.7$     $x = 0.7$

(f)  $x = -3$     $x = 1$

(g)  $x = -3.5$     $x = 0.6$

(h)  $-4.1 < x < -0.8$

Q8 Does not ~~cut~~ <sup>cut</sup> x axis

Q9  $x_1 = -2.5$     $x_2 = -22.5$

$$(x_2 - x_1) = (-22.5 - (-2.5)) = -20 \quad -23 + 2 = -21$$

$$(x_2 + x_1) = (-22.5 + (-2.5)) = -25 \quad 23 - 2 = 21$$



Q10

(a)  $x = -0.5$   $x = 2$

(b)  $x = 0.8$

(c)  $x = -0.6$   $x = 2.4$

Q11

$$2x + 3\sqrt{x} = 5$$

$$u = \sqrt{x} \quad u^2 = x$$

$$2u^2 + 3u - 5 = 0$$

$$(2u + 5)(u - 1) = 0$$

$$2u = -5 \quad u = 1$$

$$u = -\frac{5}{2}$$

$$\sqrt{x} = -\frac{5}{2} \quad \sqrt{x} = 1$$

$$x = \frac{25}{4} \quad x = 1$$

Test  $2\left(\frac{25}{4}\right) + 3\left(\sqrt{\frac{25}{4}}\right) = 5$

$$2(1) + 3(\sqrt{1}) = 5$$

$$12.5 + \frac{3\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)}{3.75} \neq 5$$

$$2 + 3 = 5 \checkmark$$

(ii)  $x - 3\sqrt{x} - 4 = 0$

$$u = \sqrt{x} \Rightarrow u^2 = x$$

$$u^2 - 3u - 4 = 0$$

$$(u - 4)(u + 1) = 0$$

$$u = 4 \quad u = -1$$

$$\sqrt{x} = 4 \quad \sqrt{x} = -1$$

$$x = 16 \quad x = 1$$

$$16 - 3\sqrt{16} - 4$$

$$1 - 3(1) - 4 = 0$$

$$16 - 12 - 4 = 0 \checkmark$$

$$1 - 3 - 4 \neq 0 \times$$

$$x = 16$$

Q12 (i)  $x^2 - \sqrt{7}x - 14 = 0.$

$$x = \frac{\sqrt{7} \pm \sqrt{(\sqrt{7})^2 - 4(1)(-14)}}{2(1)}$$

$$x = \frac{\sqrt{7} \pm \sqrt{7+56}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{7} \pm \sqrt{63}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{7} \pm 3\sqrt{7}}{2}$$

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$$\frac{\sqrt{7} + 3\sqrt{7}}{2} \quad \frac{\sqrt{7} - 3\sqrt{7}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{4\sqrt{7}}{2} \quad = \frac{-2\sqrt{7}}{2}$$

$$= 2\sqrt{7} \quad = -\sqrt{7}$$

(ii)

$$2x^2 + 7\sqrt{5}x + 15 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-7\sqrt{5} \pm \sqrt{(7\sqrt{5})^2 - 4(2)(15)}}{2(2)}$$

$$= \frac{-7\sqrt{5} \pm 5\sqrt{5}}{4}$$

↙ ↘

$$\frac{-7\sqrt{5} + 5\sqrt{5}}{4} \quad \frac{-7\sqrt{5} - 5\sqrt{5}}{4}$$

$$= \frac{-2\sqrt{5}}{4} \quad = \frac{-12\sqrt{5}}{4}$$

$$= -\frac{\sqrt{5}}{2} \quad = -3\sqrt{5}$$