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# Mathematics

## General Instructions

- Reading time – 5 minutes.
- Working time – 2 periods.
- Write using black or blue pen.
- Board approved calculators may be used.
- All *necessary* working should be shown in every question if full marks are to be awarded.
- Marks may **NOT** be awarded for messy or badly arranged work.
- Start each **NEW** section in a separate answer booklet.

## Total Marks - 100 Marks

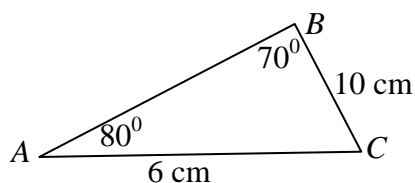
- Attempt Questions 1 - 5
- All questions are of *equal* value.

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### Question 1

Marks

- (a) Express  $\frac{2\pi}{9}$  radians in degrees 1
- (b) Solve  $|4 - x| = 1$  1
- (c) Factorize  $3a^2 - 6a$  1
- (d) Solve the inequality  $5 + 3x < 7$  1
- (e) Simplify  $49^{\frac{1}{2}} \times 81^{\frac{1}{4}}$  1
- (f) Simplify  $\log_6 216$  1
- (g) Express with rational denominator  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{6} + 2}$  2
- (h) On the same set of axes sketch the graphs of  
 $y = \log_{10} x$  and  $y = 10^x$  2
- (i) Factorize  $m^2 - 16$  1
- (j) Simplify  $6 - a - 2(3 - 2a)$  2
- (k) Find the area of the triangle  $ABC$  2



- (l) If  $f(\theta) = \tan 3\theta + \sin 3\theta$  find  $f\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right)$  in exact form 2
- (m) Factorize  $x^2 - 5x + 6$  1
- (n) Simplify  $t + \frac{2t - 1}{3}$  2

## Question 2

Marks

(a) The point  $(3k, 2)$  lies on the line  $2x - 3y = 10$   
Find the value of  $k$  2

(b) Solve the equation  $\tan 2\theta = 1$  for  $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$  2

(c) Evaluate  $\frac{2 + \pi}{2 - \pi}$  to 1 decimal place 1

(d) Find the derivative of

(i)  $4x^9 - 6x + 1$  1

(ii)  $(5x + 6)^{10}$  1

(iii)  $\frac{x^3 + 10}{x^2}$  2

(e) Use the quotient rule to differentiate 2

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

(f) Find integers  $a$  and  $b$  such that 2

$$(5 - \sqrt{2})^2 = a + b\sqrt{2}$$

(g) For the parabola  $(x - 2)^2 = 4y$  find the coordinates of the

(i) vertex 1

(ii) focus 1

(h) Write down the roots of the equation 1

$$(1 - 3x)(x + 10) = 0$$

(i) Sketch the following graphs on separate number plane graphs, indicating any intercepts with the coordinate axes 4

(i)  $y = x + 1$  (iii)  $y^2 = -x$

(ii)  $y = \frac{4}{x}$  (iv)  $y = 2(x + 3)^2$

### Question 3

Marks

- (a) Given that  $\log a = 0.86$  and  $\log b = 0.42$  evaluate
- (i)  $\log\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)$  (ii)  $\log\sqrt{ab}$  3
- (b) If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the roots of  $3x^2 - 2x + 1 = 0$   
Evaluate:
- (i)  $\alpha + \beta$  1
- (ii)  $\alpha\beta$  1
- (iii)  $\frac{1}{\alpha^2\beta} + \frac{1}{\beta^2\alpha}$  2
- (c) The roots of the equation  $mx^2 - x + n = 0$  are  $-2$  and  $3$ .  
Find the values of  $m$  and  $n$ . 2
- (d) Find  $\lim_{n \rightarrow 10} \frac{n^2 - 100}{n - 10}$  1
- (e) Solve  $|3x + 1| > 8$  2
- (f) If  $\sqrt[3]{m} = n^3$  express  $x$  in terms of  $m$  and  $n$  2
- (g) The lines  $4y = bx + 3$  and  $y + 2x = 1$  are parallel. Find  $b$ . 2
- (h) Solve the inequality  $\theta^2 - 4\theta < 0$  2
- (i) Find the equation of the tangent to the curve  
 $y = x^2 - 2x$  at the point where  $x = 1$  2

### Question 4

Marks

- (a) If  $3x^2 + 4x + 5 \equiv A(x+1)^2 + B(x+1) + C$  find the value of the constants  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$ . 2
- (b) Given  $P(x) = k - 3kx - x^2$  find the values of  $k$  for which  $P(x) < 0$  for all  $x$ . 2
- (c) Solve the equation  $x^4 - 10x^2 + 9 = 0$  2
- (d) The vertex of the parabola  $y = x^2 + bx + c$  is at the point  $(2, 3)$ . Find the values of  $b$  and  $c$ . 2
- (e) The locus of a point  $P$  is described by the equation 2
- $$x^2 + y^2 - 4x + 2y = 0$$
- Find the centre and radius.
- (f) (i) Sketch the graph of  $y = x^2 - 6$  and label all intercepts with the axes. 1
- (ii) On the same set of axes carefully sketch the graph of  $y = |x|$  1
- (iii) Find the  $x$  coordinates of the two points where the graphs intersect 1
- (iv) Hence solve the inequality  $x^2 - 6 \leq |x|$  1
- (g) Sketch the region in the number plane which satisfies both the inequalities  $y \leq \sqrt{16 - x^2}$  and  $x - y \geq 4$ . ...3
- (h) If  $\tan A + \sec A = 2$ , evaluate  $\cos A$  ...3

### Question 5

Marks

- (a) Use the product rule to differentiate

$$(x^2 + 5)(1 - 4x)$$

3

- (b) Given the function  $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3-x^2}}$  find the:

(i) domain

2

(ii) range

- (c) Show that  $h(x) = x^3 - x$  is an odd function

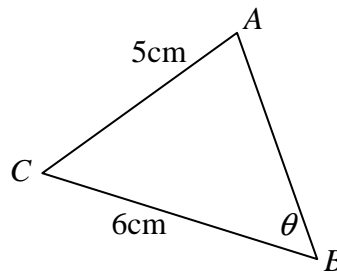
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- (d) For the triangle  $ABC$

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Show that

$$\frac{\sqrt{11}}{6} < \cos \theta < 1$$



- (e)  $\triangle ABC$  is right-angled at  $B$  and  $DE$  is perpendicular to  $AC$  (see diagram)

- (i) Prove that  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle CDE$  are similar

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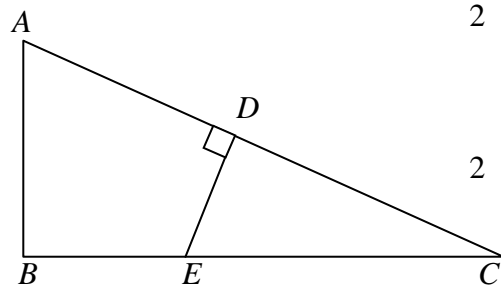
- (ii) Prove that  $BC \times CE = AC \times CD$

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- (iii) Prove that:

$$DE^2 = AD \times DC - BE \times EC$$

2



- (f) If  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are the roots of  $x^2 + 5x + 7 = 0$ , form the equation whose roots are  $(\alpha - \beta)^2$  and  $(\alpha + \beta)^2$

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## Sample Solutions

Question	Marker
1	Mr Fuller
2	Mr Boros
3	Mr Dowdell
4	Mr Dunne
5	Ms Nesbitt

Question 1:

(a)  $\frac{2\pi}{9} \times \frac{180}{\pi} = 40^\circ$

(b)  $|4 - x| = 1$

$4 - x = 1$  or  $-(4 - x) = 1$

$-x = -3$        $-4 + x = 1$

$x = 3$                $x = 5$

(c)  $3a^2 - 6a = 3a(a - 2)$

(d)  $5 + 3x < 7$

$3x < 2$

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

(e)  $49^{\frac{1}{2}} \times 81^{\frac{1}{4}} = 7 \times 3$

$= 21$

(f)  $\log_6 216 = \frac{\ln 216}{\ln 6}$  or let  $\log_6 216 = x$

$= 3$

$216 = 6^x$

$6^3 = 6^x$

$\therefore \log_6 216 = 3$

(g)  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{6} + 2} \times \frac{\sqrt{6} - 2}{\sqrt{6} - 2} = \frac{\sqrt{6} - 2}{6 - 4}$

$= \frac{\sqrt{6} - 2}{2}$

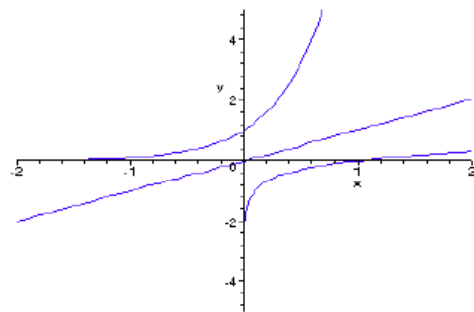
(h)

NB The line  $y = x$  is a line of symmetry for the two graphs.

The  $y$  axis is a vertical asymptote for the log graph. The  $x$  axis is a horizontal asymptote for the exponential graph.

(1,10) would lie on the exponential graph and

(10,1) would be on the log graph.



(i)  $m^2 - 16 = (m - 4)(m + 4)$

(j)  $6 - a - 2(3 - 2a) = 6 - a - 6 + 4a$

$= 3a$

(k)  $\angle BCA = 30^\circ$  ( $\angle$  sum of a  $\Delta = 180^\circ$ )

Area =  $\frac{1}{2} \times 6 \times 10 \times \sin 30^\circ$

$= 15$  square centimetres



$$(l) f(\theta) = \tan 3\theta + \sin 3\theta$$

$$\begin{aligned} f\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) &= \tan 3\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) + \sin 3\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) \\ &= \tan \pi + \sin \pi \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$(m) x^2 - 5x + 6 = (x - 3)(x - 2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (n) t + \frac{2t-1}{3} &= \frac{3t+2t-1}{3} \\ &= \frac{5t-1}{3} \end{aligned}$$

Q. 2.

(a)  $2 \times 3k - 3 \times 2 = 10$

$6k - 6 = 10$

$6k = 16$

$k = \frac{16}{6} = \frac{8}{3} = 2\frac{2}{3}$  (2)

(b)  $\tan 2\theta = 1$   $\begin{matrix} \text{S} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{C} \end{matrix}$

$2\theta = 45^\circ, 225^\circ, 45+360, 225+360$

$2\theta = 45, 225, 405, 585$

$\theta = 22\frac{1}{2}^\circ, 112\frac{1}{2}^\circ, 202\frac{1}{2}^\circ, 292\frac{1}{2}^\circ$

in radians  $\frac{\pi}{8}, \frac{5\pi}{8}, \frac{9\pi}{8}, \frac{13\pi}{8}$  (2)

(c)  $-4.5$  (1)

(d) (i)  $36x^8 - 6$  (1)

(ii)  $10(5x+6)^9 \times 5 = 50(5x+6)^9$  (1)

(iii)  $\frac{x^3}{x^2} + \frac{10}{x^2} = x + 10x^{-2}$

$y' = 1 + 10x^{-3}$

$= 1 - \frac{20}{x^3}$  or  $\frac{x^3 - 20}{x^3}$  (2)

(e)  $y' = \frac{(3x+2) \times 1 - x \times 3}{(3x+2)^2} = \frac{3x+2-3x}{(3x+2)^2} = \frac{2}{(3x+2)^2}$  (2)

(f) LHS/  $25 - 10\sqrt{2} + 2 = 27 - 10\sqrt{2}$   
So  $a = 27$  (1)  
 $b = -10$  (1)

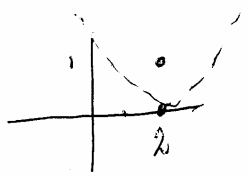
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(3)  $(x-2)^2 = 4(y-0)$   
 matches with  $(x-h)^2 = 4a(y-k)$

$V(2,0)$  ①

$a=1$

$F(2,1)$  ①



(h) let  $1-3x=0$

$3x=1$

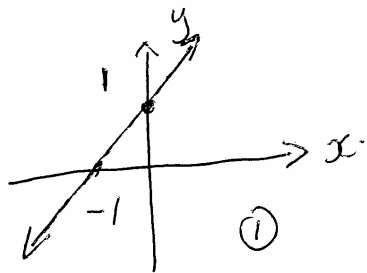
$x = \frac{1}{3}$

①

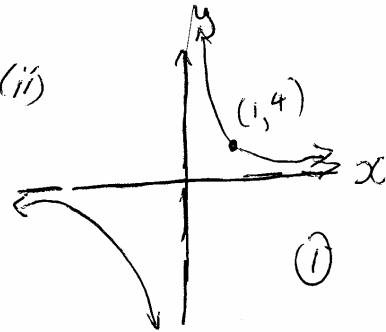
let  $x+10=0$

$x = -10$

(i) (i)

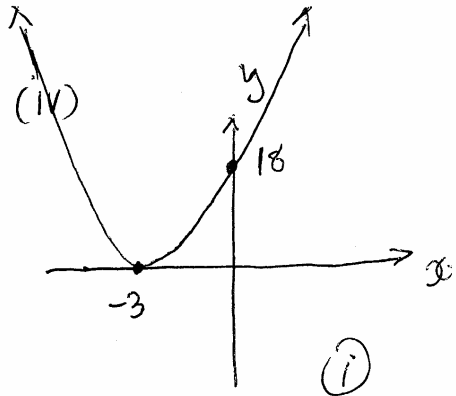
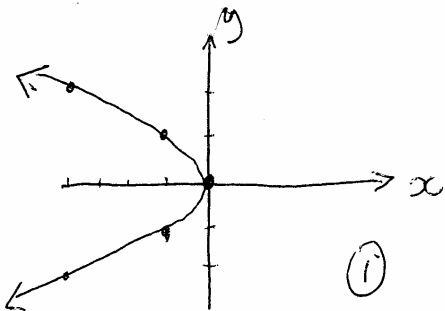


(ii)



(iii)  $y^2 = -x$

x	0	-1	-1	-4	-4	-9	-9		
y	0	1	-1	2	-2	3	-3		



Q3

$$(a) (i) \log\left(\frac{a}{b}\right) = \log a - \log b$$

$$= 0.86 - 0.42$$

$$= 0.44 \quad (1)$$

$$(ii) \log\sqrt{ab} = \frac{1}{2} \log(ab)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (\log a + \log b)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (0.86 + 0.42)$$

$$= 0.64 \quad (2)$$

$$(b) (i) \alpha + \beta = -\frac{2}{3}$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \quad (1)$$

$$(ii) \alpha\beta = \frac{1}{3} \quad (1)$$

$$(iii) \frac{1}{\alpha\beta} + \frac{1}{\beta^2\alpha} = \frac{\beta + \alpha}{\alpha^2\beta^2}$$

$$= \frac{\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)}{\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2}$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{9}{1}$$

$$= 6 \quad (2)$$

$$(c) mx^2 - x + n$$

$$-2 + 3 = \frac{1}{m}$$

$$\therefore 1 = \frac{1}{m}$$

$$\therefore m = 1$$

$$-2 \times 3 = \frac{n}{m}$$

$$\therefore n = -6 \quad (2)$$

$$(d) \lim_{h \rightarrow 10} \frac{(h-10)(h+10)}{h-10}$$

$$= \lim_{h \rightarrow 10} (h+10)$$

$$= 20 \quad (1)$$

$$(e) |3x+1| > 8$$

$$\therefore 3x+1 > 8 \quad \text{or} \quad 3x+1 < -8$$

$$\therefore 3x > 7 \quad \quad \quad 3x < -9$$

$$x > \frac{7}{3} \quad \quad \quad x < -3 \quad (2)$$

$$(f) m^{\frac{1}{x}} = n^3$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{x} \log m = 3 \log n$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{x} = \frac{3 \log n}{\log m} \quad (2)$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{\log m}{3 \log n} = \frac{1}{3} \log_n m$$

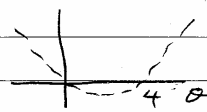
$$(g) m_1 = \frac{b}{4} \quad m_2 = -2$$

$$\therefore \frac{b}{4} = -2$$

$$\therefore b = -8 \quad (2)$$

$$(h) \theta^2 - 4\theta < 0$$

$$\theta(\theta - 4) < 0$$

$$\therefore 0 < \theta < 4 \quad (2)$$


$$(i) y = x^2 - 2x$$

$$y' = 2x - 2$$

When  $x=1$   $y = -1$   
 $y' = 0$

$$\therefore \text{Equation of tangent is } y = -1 \quad (2)$$

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FOUR

$$e) 3x^2 + 4x + 5 \equiv A(x^2 + 2x + 1) + Bx + C$$

$$= Ax^2 + (2A+B)x + A+B+C$$

Hence  $A=3$

$$2A+B=4 \Rightarrow B=-2$$

$$A+B+C=5 \Rightarrow C=4$$

$$b) P(x) = k - 3hx - x^2$$

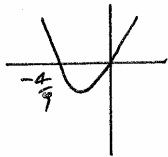
$$= -x^2 - 3hx + k$$

If  $P(x) \leq 0$  then 

$$b^2 - 4ac \leq 0$$

$$9h^2 + 4k \leq 0$$

$$k(9h+4) \leq 0$$



$$-\frac{4}{9} \leq k \leq 0$$

$$c) x^4 - 10x^2 + 9 = 0$$

$$(x^2-1)(x^2-9) = 0$$

$$x^2 = 1, 9$$

$$x = \pm 1, \pm 3$$

$$d) y = x^2 + 6x + c$$

$$y' = 2x + 6$$

$$2x + 6 = 0 \text{ when } x = -3$$

$$b = -4$$

$$\text{Then } y = x^2 - 4x + c$$

Since  $(2, 3)$  lies on curve

$$3 = 4 - 8 + c$$

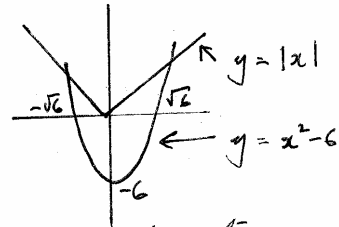
$$c = 7$$

$$e) x^2 - 4x + 4 + y^2 + 2y + 1 = 5$$

$$(x-2)^2 + (y+1)^2 = 5$$

Circle centre  $(2, -1)$  radius  $\sqrt{5}$

f)



Points of intersection

When  $y = x$

$$x = x^2 - 6$$

$$x^2 - x - 6 = 0$$

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

$$x = 3 \text{ ONLY}$$

for right hand branch of  $y = |x|$

Hence  $(3, 3)$

When  $y = -x$  (left hand branch)

$$-x = x^2 - 6$$

$$x^2 + x - 6 = 0$$

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

$$x = -3 \text{ ONLY}$$

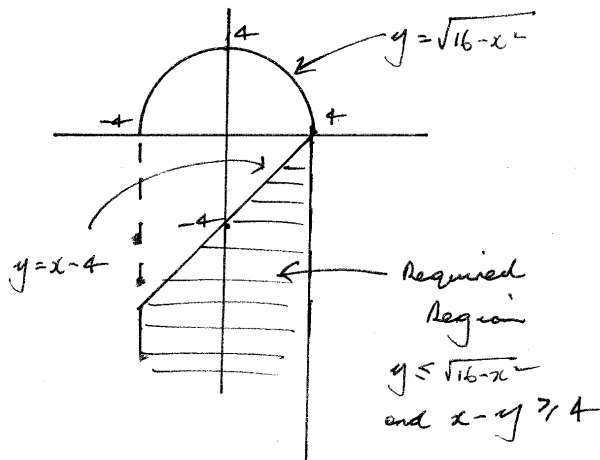
Hence  $(-3, 3)$

From sketch

$$x^2 - 6 \leq |x|$$

$$\text{When } -3 \leq x \leq 3$$

g)



$$\text{If } \cos A = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\tan A + \sec A = \frac{3}{4} + \frac{5}{4} = 2$$

$$\cos A = \frac{4}{5} \text{ is a solution}$$

$$\text{If } \cos A = 0 \\ A = 90^\circ$$

$$\tan A + \sec A \neq 2$$

Since  $\tan 90^\circ$  is undefined

$\cos A = 0$  is not a solution.

h)

$$\tan A + \sec A = 2$$

$$\frac{\sin A}{\cos A} + \frac{1}{\cos A} = 2$$

$$\frac{\sin A + 1}{\cos A} = 2$$

$$1 + \sin A = 2 \cos A$$

$$\sin A = 2 \cos A - 1$$

$$\sqrt{1 - \cos^2 A} = 2 \cos A - 1$$

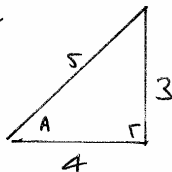
$$1 - \cos^2 A = 4 \cos^2 A - 4 \cos A + 1$$

$$5 \cos^2 A - 4 \cos A = 0$$

$$\cos A (5 \cos A - 4) = 0$$

Likely solutions are  
 $\cos A = 0, \frac{4}{5}$

check



## QUESTIONS

(a) 
$$f(x) = (1-4x) \times 2x + (x^2+5)x - 4$$
$$= 2x - 8x^2 - 4x^2 - 20$$
$$= -12x^2 + 2x - 20$$

(b) Domain:  $-\sqrt{3} < x < \sqrt{3}$  Range  $y \geq \frac{1}{3}$

(c)  $h(-x) = -x^3 + x = -h(x)$   
 $\therefore h(x)$  is an odd function

(d) as 5 cm is not the longest side,  $\theta < 90^\circ$   
 $5^2 = 6^2 + x^2 - 2 \times 6 \times x \cos \theta$  (Cos rule)  
 $x^2 - 12x \cos \theta + 11 = 0$

Solution if  $\Delta \geq 0$

$$\frac{12^2 \cos^2 \theta - 4 \times 11}{4} \geq 0$$

$$72 \cos^2 \theta - 22 \geq 0$$

$$\cos^2 \theta \geq \frac{11}{36}$$

$$\cos \theta \geq \frac{\sqrt{11}}{6} \text{ or } \cos \theta \leq -\frac{\sqrt{11}}{6}$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{11}}{6} \leq \cos \theta \text{ } \theta \text{ in 1st quadrant}$$

$$\cos \theta < 1 \text{ for all values of } \theta \text{ in 1st quadrant}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\sqrt{11}}{6} \leq \cos \theta < 1$$

(e) (i) In  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle CDE$   $\angle ACB$  is common  
 $\angle ABC = \angle EDC = 90^\circ$  (given)

$\therefore \triangle ABC$  is similar to  $\triangle DEC$  (equiangular)

(ii) In  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle CDE$   $\frac{BC}{DC} = \frac{AC}{CE}$  (Corresponding sides)

$$\therefore BC \times CE = AC \times CD$$

(iii) RHS =  $AD \times DC - BE \times EC$   
 $= (AC - DC)DC - (BC - EC)EC$   
 $= AC \cdot CD - DC^2 - BC \cdot EC + EC^2$   
 $= CE^2 - DC^2 + AC \cdot CD - BC \cdot EC$   
 $= DE^2$  as required ( $AC \cdot CD = BC \cdot EC$  from (ii))

(f)  $\alpha + \beta = -\frac{b}{a} = -5$ ,  $\alpha\beta = \frac{c}{a} = 7$

$$(\alpha + \beta)^2 = 25$$

$$(\alpha - \beta)^2 = (\alpha + \beta)^2 - 4\alpha\beta$$

$$= 25 - 28 = -3$$

Required equation  $[x - (\alpha - \beta)] [x - (\alpha + \beta)]$

$$= (x + 3)(x - 25)$$

$$= x^2 - 22x - 75$$