

QUESTION TWO

- a) Given that A and B are sets, simplify the following if possible

$$[(A \cap B)' \cap (A' \cup B)]'$$

(5 Marks) 5

- b) Determine the domain of the following function:

$$f(x) = \sqrt{\frac{x+1}{x-1}}$$

(5 Marks) 5

- c) Let α and β be the roots of the quadratic equation $4x^2 + 3x - 2 = 0$

Find a quadratic equation whose roots are α^2 and β^2

(5 Marks) 5

- d) Solve the given inequality $10 - \sqrt{2x+7} \leq 3$

(5 Marks) 3

- e) Solve for x and y given that $\frac{1}{x+iy} + \frac{1}{1+3i} = 1$

(5 Marks) 5

QUESTION THREE

- a) Sketch the graph of the function $k(x) = |2x - 1| - |x + 2|$ (5 Marks) 3

- b) Using synthetic division find the quotient and the remainder when

$f(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 + x - 2$ is divided by $x - (1 + i)$. (5 Marks) 5

- c) Let \mathbf{R} , the set of real numbers be the universal set. If

$A = [-7, 8) \cup [11, \infty)$ and $B = [0, 20]$, find the following sets and display them on the number line:

(i) A' . (2.5 Marks)

(ii) $A \cap B$. (2.5 Marks)

- d) Express $\frac{\sqrt{3}+1}{\sqrt{3}-1} + \sqrt{3} - 1$ in the form $a + b\sqrt{3}$ where a and b are rational

numbers.

(5 Marks) 5

- e) Determine whether the function $f(x) = x^5 + x^3 + x$ is even, odd or neither

(5 Marks) 5

**MA110 – Mathematical Method**

Time allowed: Two hours (2:00 hours)

Instructions:

1. You must write your **Name**, your **Computer Number** and programme of **study** on your answer sheet.
2. Calculators are **not** allowed in this paper.
3. There are three (3) questions in this paper, Attempt **All** questions and show **detailed** working for full credit

QUESTION ONE

- a) Express $2.07\bar{2}$ as a fraction $\frac{a}{b}$ in its simplest form where a and b are integers and $b \neq 0$. (5 Marks) 3
- b) Given the rational function $f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 2}{x - 1}$. Sketch its graph indicating its domain and range, all the asymptotes and intercepts. (5 Marks) 3
- c) Given that $\sqrt{7}$ is an irrational number, Show that $2 + \sqrt{7}$ is also an irrational number (5 Marks) 5
- d) Verify that the two given functions are inverses of each other

$$f(x) = x^3 + 1 \text{ and } g(x) = \sqrt[3]{x - 1} \quad (5 \text{ Marks}) \quad 5$$

- e) Define an operation $*$ on the set of real numbers by $a * b = a^b$
- i). Is $*$ a binary operation on the set of real numbers? Give reason for your answer. (1 Marks) 1
 - ii). Is the operation commutative? (2 Marks) 2
 - iii). Evaluate $(3 * 2) * -2$ (2 Marks) 2