

- 4 Solve the equation  $x^3 - 4x^2 - 11x + 2 = 0$ , expressing non-integer solutions in the form  $a \pm b\sqrt{2}$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are integers. [6]
- 10 The remainder when  $2x^3 + 2x^2 - 13x + 12$  is divided by  $x + a$  is three times the remainder when it is divided by  $x - a$ .
- (i) Show that  $2a^3 + a^2 - 13a + 6 = 0$ . [3]
- (ii) Solve this equation completely. [5]
- 6 The cubic polynomial  $f(x)$  is such that the coefficient of  $x^3$  is 1 and the roots of  $f(x) = 0$  are  $-2, 1 + \sqrt{3}$  and  $1 - \sqrt{3}$ .
- (i) Express  $f(x)$  as a cubic polynomial in  $x$  with integer coefficients. [3]
- (ii) Find the remainder when  $f(x)$  is divided by  $x - 3$ . [2]
- (iii) Solve the equation  $f(-x) = 0$ . [2]
- (a) The expression  $f(x) = x^3 + ax^2 + bx + c$  leaves the same remainder,  $R$ , when it is divided by  $x + 2$  and when it is divided by  $x - 2$ .
- (i) Evaluate  $b$ . [2]
- $f(x)$  also leaves the same remainder,  $R$ , when divided by  $x - 1$ .
- (ii) Evaluate  $a$ . [2]
- $f(x)$  leaves a remainder of 4 when divided by  $x - 3$ .
- (iii) Evaluate  $c$ . [1]
- (b) Solve the equation  $x^3 + 3x^2 = 2$ , giving your answers to 2 decimal places where necessary. [5]
- 6 Solve the equation  $x^2(2x + 3) = 17x - 12$ . [6]
- 1 The equation of a curve is given by  $y = x^2 + ax + 3$ , where  $a$  is a constant. Given that this equation can also be written as  $y = (x + 4)^2 + b$ , find
- (i) the value of  $a$  and of  $b$ , [2]
- (ii) the coordinates of the turning point of the curve. [1]
- 5 Solve the equation  $3x(x^2 + 6) = 8 - 17x^2$ . [6]
- 2 The expression  $6x^3 + ax^2 - (a + 1)x + b$  has a remainder of 15 when divided by  $x + 2$  and a remainder of 24 when divided by  $x + 1$ . Show that  $a = 8$  and find the value of  $b$ . [5]

**3** It is given that  $x - 1$  is a factor of  $f(x)$ , where  $f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + ax + b$ .

**(i)** Express  $b$  in terms of  $a$ . [2]

**(ii)** Show that the remainder when  $f(x)$  is divided by  $x - 3$  is twice the remainder when  $f(x)$  is divided by  $x - 2$ . [4]

**5** Solve the equation  $2x^3 - 3x^2 - 11x + 6 = 0$ . [6]





















where  $n$  is a positive integer and  $\binom{n}{r} = \frac{n!}{(n-r)!r!}$ .