

NAME: SOLUTIONS

## TEST 1

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Applied Math (201-943-DW)

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**This test is marked out of 75 marks**

**Question 1.** (2 marks each = 12 marks)

TRUE or FALSE: For each of the following statements, indicate whether it is true or false. If the statement is false, give a correction to the statement.

(a)  $-5^{-1} = 5$

$$-5^{-1} = -\frac{1}{5} \quad \text{FALSE}$$

(b)  $(-64)^{\frac{2}{3}} = -16$

$$(-64)^{\frac{2}{3}} = (\sqrt[3]{64})^2 = (-4)^2 = 16 \quad \text{FALSE}$$

(c)  $\frac{1}{x-1} = x$

$$\frac{1}{x-1} = \frac{1}{x} \quad \text{FALSE}$$

(d)  $2 - x(3+x) = -6x - 2x^2$

$$2 - 3x - x^2 = 2 - x(3+x) \quad \text{FALSE}$$

(e)  $-2^{-3} = (-2)^{-3} \quad \text{TRUE}$

(f)  $\sqrt[4]{16} = 2 \quad \text{TRUE}$

**Question 2.** (3 marks each = 15 marks)

Using the laws of exponents, simplify the following expressions. There should be no negative exponents in your final answer.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} & (-3^2(-x)^4)^3(3^4x^6) \\ &= -3^6x^{12}3^4x^6 \\ &= \boxed{-3^{10}x^{18}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b)} & \frac{8}{-64x^{-5}} \\ &= -\frac{8x^5}{64} = \boxed{-\frac{x^5}{8}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(c)} & \frac{2^2a^4b^{-2}}{(2a)^4b^{-1}} \\ &= \frac{2^2a^4b}{2^4a^4b^2} = \boxed{\frac{1}{2^2b}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(d)} & (4^{-\frac{1}{2}}a^3b^{-1})^{-4} \\ &= 4^2a^{-12}b^4 \\ &= \boxed{\frac{4^2b^4}{a^{12}}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(e)} & (3^3x^{-\frac{3}{2}}y^{-4})^4(9x^{\frac{1}{2}}y^{-2}) \\ &= (3^{12}x^{-6}y^{-16})(3^2x^{\frac{1}{2}}y^{-2}) \\ &= 3^{14}x^{-11/2}y^{-18} \\ &= \boxed{\frac{3^{14}}{x^{11/2}y^{18}}} \end{aligned}$$

**Question 3.** (2 marks each = 10 marks)

Evaluate the following.

(a)  $\sqrt[3]{-8} = \boxed{-2}$

(b)  $4^{-0.5} = 4^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{1}{4^{\frac{1}{2}}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4}} = \boxed{\frac{1}{2}}$

(c)  $-9^{\frac{3}{2}} = -(9)^{\frac{3}{2}} = -(\sqrt{9})^3 = -(3)^3 = \boxed{-27}$

(d)  $\sqrt[4]{16} = \boxed{2}$

(e)  $\sqrt[3]{-125} = \boxed{-5}$

**Question 4.** (6 marks)

Ten litres of a fuel-mixture containing 60% oil and 40% gasoline is required for an engine. To make the fuel-mixture, the only products available are a tank of pure gasoline and a tank of 80% oil and 20% gasoline fuel-mixture. How much pure gasoline and how much of the 80% oil and 20% fuel-mixture must be combined in order to get the required product?

REQUIRED:  $\left. \begin{array}{l} 60\% \text{ OIL} \\ 40\% \text{ GAS} \end{array} \right\} 10 \text{ LITRES} = \begin{array}{l} 6\text{L OIL} \\ 4\text{L GAS} \end{array}$

WE HAVE

(A)  $\begin{array}{l} 80\% \text{ OIL} \\ 20\% \text{ GAS} \end{array}$

X LITRES

&

(B) 100% GAS

10-X LITRES

AMOUNT OF OIL IN (A) + AMOUNT OF OIL IN (B) = AMOUNT OF OIL IN FINAL MIX

$0.8x + 0(10-x) = 6$

$0.8x = 6$

$x = 7.5 \text{ L}$

SO 2.5 L OF GASOLINE MUST BE ADDED TO 7.5 L OF 80% OIL - 20% GAS MIX TO MAKE 10L OF DESIRED PRODUCT.

Question 5. (3 marks each = 12 marks)

Isolate the specified variable in the given expressions:

(a)  $2a + 5 = 2 - (3 + a)$  (isolate  $a$ )

$$2a + 5 = 2 - 3 - a$$

$$2a + 5 = -1 - a$$

$$3a = -6 \quad \boxed{a = -2}$$

(b)  $\frac{2}{x} + 4y = \frac{y}{5} - 3$  (isolate  $x$ )

MULTIPLY BOTH SIDES by  $5x$   
 $5x \left( \frac{2}{x} + 4y \right) = 5x \left( \frac{y}{5} - 3 \right)$

$$10 + 20xy = xy - 15x$$

ALL 'x' TERMS ON ONE SIDE

$$20xy - xy + 15x = -10$$

$$19xy + 15x = -10$$

$$x(19y + 15) = -10$$

$$\boxed{x = \frac{-10}{19y + 15}}$$

(c)  $a^2b - 3(a+b) = \frac{3}{a} - 2b$  (isolate  $b$ )

MULTIPLY EVERYTHING by  $a$

$$a^3b - 3a(a+b) = 3 - 2ab$$

$$a^3b - 3a^2 - 3ab = 3 - 2ab$$

$$a^3b - ab = 3 + 3a^2$$

$$b(a^3 - a) = 3 + 3a^2$$

$$b = \frac{3 + 3a^2}{a^3 - a} = \boxed{\frac{3(1 + a^2)}{a(a^2 - 1)}}$$

(d)  $x^{-1}y^2 - \frac{3y}{2} = 24$  (isolate  $x$ )

$$\frac{y^2}{x} - \frac{3y}{2} = 24 \quad \text{multiply by '2x'}$$

$$2x \left( \frac{y^2}{x} - \frac{3y}{2} \right) = 2x(24)$$

$$2y^2 - 3xy = 48x$$

$$2y^2 = 48x + 3xy$$

$$2y^2 = x(48 + 3y)$$

$$\boxed{x = \frac{2y^2}{48 + 3y}}$$

**Question 6. (6 marks)**

Solve the system of equations.

$$x - 3y + 3z = -4$$

$$2x + 3y - z = 15$$

$$4x - 3y - z = 19$$

ISOLATE  $x$  IN EQUATION ①

$$x = -4 + 3y - 3z$$

SUBSTITUTE IN EQUATIONS ② & ③

$$2(-4 + 3y - 3z) + 3y - z = 15$$

$$-8 + 6y - 6z + 3y - z = 15$$

$$9y - 7z = 23 \quad \text{N2}$$

$$4(-4 + 3y - 3z) - 3y - z = 19$$

$$-16 + 12y - 12z - 3y - z = 19$$

$$9y - 13z = 35 \quad \text{N3}$$

ISOLATE  $y$  IN N2

$$9y = 23 + 7z$$

$$y = \frac{23 + 7z}{9}$$

SUB IN N3

$$9y - 13z = 35$$

$$9\left(\frac{23 + 7z}{9}\right) - 13z = 35$$

$$23 + 7z - 13z = 35$$

$$-6z = 12$$

$$\boxed{z = -2}$$

$$\longrightarrow y = \frac{23 + 7z}{9} = \frac{23 + 7(-2)}{9} = \frac{23 - 14}{9} = \frac{9}{9} = 1$$

$$\boxed{y = 1}$$

$$\longrightarrow x = -4 + 3y - 3z \\ = -4 + 3(1) - 3(-2) \\ = -4 + 3 + 6 \\ = 5$$

$$\boxed{x = 5}$$

SOLUTION  $\boxed{(x, y, z) = (5, 1, -2)}$

Question 7. (2 marks each = 14 marks)

Perform the following operations on polynomials and simplify the answer.

$$(a) 4a^5 - 2a + 3(a - 2) - 5a^4(a + 2)$$

$$= 4a^5 - 2a + 3a - 6 - 5a^5 - 10a^4$$

$$= \boxed{-a^5 - 10a^4 + a - 6}$$

$$(b) a - 2(1 - a) + 3(-3a - 5)$$

$$= a - 2 + 2a - 9a - 15$$

$$= \boxed{-6a - 17}$$

$$(c) (2x - 3)(4 - x)$$

$$= 8x - 2x^2 - 12 + 3x$$

$$= \boxed{-2x^2 + 11x - 12}$$

$$(d) 2y(y - 1)(5 - 3y)$$

$$= (2y^2 - 2y)(5 - 3y)$$

$$= 10y^2 - 6y^3 - 10y + 6y^2$$

$$= \boxed{-6y^3 + 16y^2 - 10y}$$

$$(e) \frac{2xy - 4x^2y}{xy}$$

$$= \frac{2xy}{xy} - \frac{4x^2y}{xy}$$

$$= \boxed{2 - 4x}$$

$$(f) 2xy^2 - x(x - 3(4 - y))$$

$$= 2xy^2 - x(x - 12 + 3y)$$

$$= \boxed{2xy^2 - x^2 + 12x - 3xy}$$

$$(g) (x^3 - 4x + 3) \div (x - 1)$$

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 + x - 3 \\ x-1 \overline{) x^3 + 0x^2 - 4x + 3} \\ \underline{-(x^3 - x^2)} \phantom{+ 3} \\ x^2 - 4x + 3 \\ \underline{-(x^2 - x)} \phantom{+ 3} \\ -3x + 3 \\ \underline{-(-3x + 3)} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

$$\text{ANSWER: } \boxed{x^2 + x - 3}$$

$$\text{CHECK: } (x-1)(x^2 + x - 3)$$

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

$$= x^3 - 4x + 3 \quad \text{CORRECT}$$

