



### Question 1

[5 Marks]

- a. Solve the following equation for  $x$

(2 marks)

$$2x + 3 = 7 - 3x$$

- b. Solve the following equation for radius  $r$  in term of  $V$  and  $h$ , where  $V$  is the volume of a cone with height  $h$  and radius  $r$ .

(3 marks)

$$V = \frac{1}{3} \pi r^2 h ,$$

## Question 2

[4 Marks]

Find all real solutions of the equation.

$$\frac{1}{x+1} - \frac{2}{x^2} = 0$$

### Question 3

[3 Marks]

A telecom company provide two schemes for the customers. First offer is \$7 per month and 3 *cent* per minute, while the second offer is \$5 per month and 8 cent per minute and this is less expensive offer. The following inequality is built for the situation.

$$7 + 0.03x \geq 5 + 0.08x, \text{ where } x \text{ is the number of minutes.}$$

Solve the inequality for the number of minutes. Express the solution using interval notation.

**Question 4**

**[3 Marks]**

Factorize the expression.

$$x^3 + 4x^2 + x + 4$$

### Question 5

[5 Marks]

Helen earns \$7.50 an hour at her job, but if she works more than 35 hours in a week, she is paid  $1\frac{1}{2}$  times her regular salary for the overtime hours worked. One week her gross pay was \$352.50. How many overtime hours did she work that week?

**Formula Sheet**

$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$
$(a + b)^2 = a^2 + 2ab + b^2$
$(a - b)^2 = a^2 - 2ab + b^2$
$a^2 - b^2 = (a + b)(a - b)$
$a^3 - b^3 = (a - b)(a^2 + ab + b^2)$
$a^3 + b^3 = (a + b)(a^2 - ab + b^2)$

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