

1 Solve the equation  $\frac{2x}{x+1} - \frac{1}{x-1} = 1$ . [4]

2 Express  $\frac{x+1}{(2x-1)^2}$  in partial fractions. [5]

3 Express  $\frac{3x+2}{x(x^2+1)}$  in partial fractions. [6]

4 Express  $\frac{4}{x(x^2+4)}$  in partial fractions. [6]

5 Solve the equation  $\frac{2x}{x-2} - \frac{4x}{x+1} = 3$ . [5]

6 (i) Express  $\frac{x}{(1+x)(1-2x)}$  in partial fractions. [3]

(ii) Hence use binomial expansions to show that  $\frac{x}{(1+x)(1-2x)} = ax + bx^2 + \dots$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are constants to be determined.

State the set of values of  $x$  for which the expansion is valid. [5]

- 7 A skydiver drops from a helicopter. Before she opens her parachute, her speed  $v \text{ m s}^{-1}$  after time  $t$  seconds is modelled by the differential equation

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = 10e^{-\frac{1}{2}t}.$$

When  $t = 0$ ,  $v = 0$ .

- (i) Find  $v$  in terms of  $t$ . [4]
- (ii) According to this model, what is the speed of the skydiver in the long term? [2]

She opens her parachute when her speed is  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . Her speed  $t$  seconds after this is  $w \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , and is modelled by the differential equation

$$\frac{dw}{dt} = -\frac{1}{2}(w - 4)(w + 5).$$

- (iii) Express  $\frac{1}{(w - 4)(w + 5)}$  in partial fractions. [4]
- (iv) Using this result, show that  $\frac{w - 4}{w + 5} = 0.4e^{-4.5t}$ . [6]
- (v) According to this model, what is the speed of the skydiver in the long term? [2]