

Write in the form  $(x + p)^2 + q$

$$x^2 + 6x - 4$$

$$(x + 3)^2 - 9 - 4$$

$$\underline{(x + 3)^2 - 13}$$

$$(x + 3)(x + 3)$$

$$x^2 + 6x + 9$$

Write in the form  $(x + p)^2 + q$

$$x^2 - 10x + 1$$

$$(x - 5)^2 - 25 + 1$$

$$\underline{(x - 5)^2 - 24}.$$

$$(x - 5)(x - 5)$$

$$x^2 - 10x + 25$$

Write in the form  $a(x + p)^2 + q$

$$3x^2 + 6x - 2$$

$$3[(x^2 + 2x)] - 2$$

$$3 \left[ \underbrace{(x+1)^2}_{=} - 1 \right] - 2$$

$$3(x+1)^2 - 3 - 2$$

$$\underline{3(x+1)^2 - 5}$$

$$(x+1)(x+1) \\ x^2 + 2x + 1.$$

Write in the form  $a(x + p)^2 + q$

$$4x^2 + 8x - 11$$

$$4 \left[ (x^2 + 2x) \right] - 11$$

$$4 \left[ (x+1)^2 - 1 \right] - 11$$

$$(x+1)(x+1)$$
$$\underline{x^2 + 2x + 1}$$

$$4(x+1)^2 - 4 - 11$$

$$4 \underline{(x+1)^2} - 15$$

(a) Find the values of  $p$  and  $q$  such that

$$3x^2 + 5x + 1 = a(x + p)^2 + q$$

$$3 \left[ \left( x^2 + \frac{5}{3}x \right) \right] + 1$$

$$3 \left[ \left( x + \frac{5}{6} \right)^2 - \frac{25}{36} \right] + 1$$

$$3 \left( x + \frac{5}{6} \right)^2 - \frac{75}{36} + \frac{36}{36}$$

$$3 \left( x + \frac{5}{6} \right)^2 - \frac{39}{36}$$

$$3 \left( x + \frac{5}{6} \right)^2 - \frac{13}{12}$$

$$\frac{5}{3} \div \frac{2}{1}$$

$$\frac{5}{3} \times \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\left( x + \frac{5}{6} \right) \left( x + \frac{5}{6} \right)$$

$$x^2 + \frac{10}{6}x + \frac{25}{36}$$

(b) Hence, or otherwise, solve the equation  $3x^2 + 5x + 1 = 0$ .

Give your answers in surd form.

$$3(x + \frac{5}{6})^2 - \frac{13}{12} = 0$$

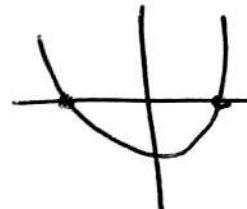
$$3(x + \frac{5}{6})^2 = \frac{13}{12}$$

$$\div 3 \quad (x + \frac{5}{6})^2 = \frac{13}{36} \quad \div 3$$

$$\sqrt{x + \frac{5}{6}} = \pm \frac{\sqrt{13}}{6} \quad \sqrt{\phantom{x}}$$

$$x = -\frac{5}{6} \pm \frac{\sqrt{13}}{6}$$

$$x = -\frac{5 + \sqrt{13}}{6} \quad \text{or} \quad -\frac{5 - \sqrt{13}}{6}$$



$$\frac{13}{12} \div 3$$

$$\frac{13}{12} \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{13}{36}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{13}{36}}$$