1. Solve the following differential equations for y, expressing the answer in the from y = f(x):

(a) 
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\sinh 4x}{y^4}$$
  
(b) 
$$\frac{dy}{dx} - (x+1)y^2 = 0$$

(c)  $(1+x)\frac{dy}{dx} = 4y$  given that y = 1 when x = 1

(d) 
$$\frac{dy}{dx} - e^{2x}(y^2 + 1) = 0$$
 subject to  $y(0) = 1$   
(e)  $\frac{dy}{dx} = y(y - 1)$  subject to  $y(0) = 2$ 

2. If two chemicals are mixed together then the differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = k(N-y)(M-y)$$

can be used to describe the reaction which results in the formation of another chemical with concentration y(t), where k is a positive constant and M, N are the numbers of molecules of the two chemicals before mixing (assume  $M \neq N$ ). Solve the above differential equation to obtain y as a function of t subject to the condition y(0) = 0.

Use your solution to determine  $\lim_{t\to\infty} y(t)$ , distinguishing between the two cases (i) M > N and (ii) M < N.

**3.** For very hot objects that lose heat by radiation it is necessary to use *Stefan's law of cooling*, rather than Newton's law of cooling. According to Stefan's law, the rate of change of temperature of a body due to radiation of heat is given by

$$\frac{dT}{dt} = k(M^4 - T^4)$$

where k is some constant, T is the temperature of the body in degrees Kelvin and M is the (constant) temperature of the surrounding medium in Kelvin.

- (i) Factorise  $M^4 T^4$  and express  $\frac{1}{M^4 T^4}$  in partial fractions.
- (ii) Show that

$$\ln\left(\frac{M+T}{M-T}\right) + 2\tan^{-1}\frac{T}{M} = 4kM^3t + c$$

where c is a constant.