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FUNCTIONS

EXAM QUESTIONS

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Question 1 (**)

The function f is given by

$$f: x \mapsto \frac{x}{x+3}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \neq -3.$$

- a) Find an expression for
- $f^{-1}(x)$
- .

The function g is defined as

$$g: x \mapsto \frac{2}{x}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \neq 0.$$

- b) Evaluate
- $fg\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)$
- .

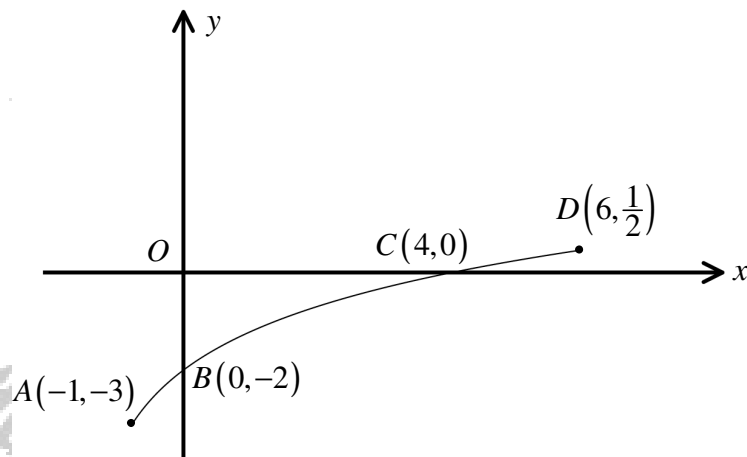
$$\boxed{}, \quad f^{-1}: x \mapsto \frac{3x}{1-x}, \quad fg\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) = \frac{1}{2}$$

Handwritten solution for part (b):

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a) } f(x) &= \frac{x}{x+3} \\ \Rightarrow y &= \frac{x}{x+3} \\ \Rightarrow yx + 3y &= x \\ \Rightarrow 3y &= x - yx \\ \Rightarrow x &= \frac{3y}{1-y} \\ \therefore f^{-1}(y) &= \frac{3y}{1-y} \end{aligned}$$


$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b) } fg\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) &= f\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) \\ &= \frac{\frac{2}{3}}{\frac{2}{3}+3} \\ &= \frac{\frac{2}{3}}{\frac{11}{3}} \\ &= \frac{2}{11} \end{aligned}$$

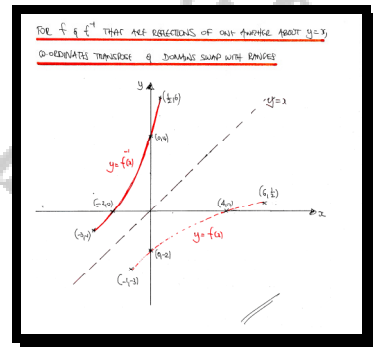
Question 2 (**)



The figure above shows the graph of the function $f(x)$, defined for $-1 \leq x \leq 6$.

Sketch the graph of $f^{-1}(x)$, marking clearly the end points of the graph and any points where it crosses the coordinate axes.

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Question 3 ()**

The function f is given by

$$f(x) = \ln(4x - 2), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > \frac{1}{2}.$$

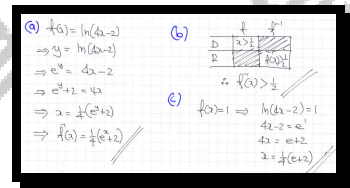
a) Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$, in its simplest form.

b) State the range of $f^{-1}(x)$.

c) Solve the equation

$$f(x) = 1.$$

$$f^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{4}(e^x + 2), \quad f^{-1}(x) > \frac{1}{2}, \quad x = \frac{1}{4}(e + 2)$$



Question 4 ()**

The function f is given by

$$f(x) = 3 - \ln x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > 0.$$

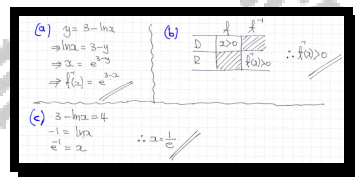
a) Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$.

b) State the range of $f^{-1}(x)$.

c) Solve the equation

$$f(x) = 4.$$

$$f^{-1}(x) = e^{3-x}, \quad f^{-1}(x) > 0, \quad x = \frac{1}{e}$$



Question 5 (+)**

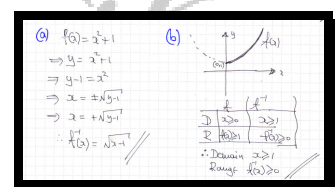
A function f is defined by

$$f(x) = x^2 + 1, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq 0.$$

a) Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$.

b) State the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.

$$f^{-1}(x) = \sqrt{x-1}, \quad x \geq 1, \quad f^{-1}(x) \geq 0$$



Question 6 (***)

The functions f and g are given by

$$f(x) = x^2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{x+2}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \neq -2.$$

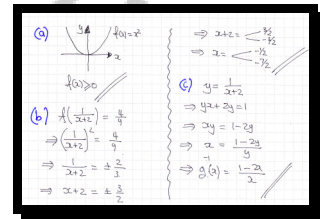
a) State the range of $f(x)$.

b) Solve the equation

$$fg(x) = \frac{4}{9}.$$

c) Find, in its simplest form, an expression for $g^{-1}(x)$.

$$\boxed{x \geq 0}, \quad \boxed{f(x) \geq 0}, \quad \boxed{x = -\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{7}{2}}, \quad \boxed{g^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{x} - 2 = \frac{1-2x}{x}}$$



Question 7 (**+)

The functions f and g satisfy

$$f(x) = \ln(4 - 2x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x < 2.$$

$$g(x) = e^{3x}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

a) Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$.

b) Solve the equation

$$fg(x) = 0.$$

$$f^{-1}(x) = 2 - \frac{1}{2}e^x, \quad x = \frac{1}{3} \ln\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)$$

Handwritten solution for part (a):

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{a} \quad f(x) &= \ln(4 - 2x) \\ \Rightarrow y &= \ln(4 - 2x) \\ \Rightarrow e^y &= 4 - 2x \\ \Rightarrow 2x &= 4 - e^y \\ \Rightarrow x &= \frac{1}{2}(4 - e^y) \\ \therefore f^{-1}(x) &= \frac{1}{2}(4 - e^x) \end{aligned}$$

Question 8 (***)

The functions f and g satisfy

$$f(x) = 1 + \frac{1}{2} \ln(x+3), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > -3.$$

$$g(x) = e^{2(x-1)} - 3, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

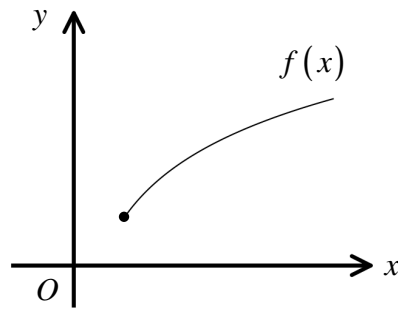
- a) Find, in its **simplest** form, an expression for $fg(x)$.
- b) Hence, or otherwise, write down an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$.

$$fg(x) = x, \quad f^{-1}(x) = e^{2(x-1)} - 3$$

(a) $f(g(x)) = 1 + \frac{1}{2} \ln(e^{2(x-1)} - 3 + 3)$
 $= 1 + \frac{1}{2} \ln(e^{2(x-1)}) = 1 + \frac{1}{2} \times 2(x-1)$
 $= 1 + x - 1 = x$

(b) Since $f(g(x)) = x$ $g(x) = f^{-1}(x)$
 $\therefore f^{-1}(x) = e^{2(x-1)} - 3$

Question 9 (**+)



The diagram above shows the graph of the function f , defined as

$$f(x) \equiv \frac{1}{1-x} + 4, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \geq 2.$$

a) Evaluate $f(2)$, $f(101)$, $f(1001)$.

b) State the range of $f(x)$.

The inverse function is denoted by $f^{-1}(x)$.

c) Determine an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$, as a simplified fraction.

$$f(2) = 3, \quad f(101) = 3.99, \quad f(1001) = 3.999, \quad 3 \leq f(x) < 4, \quad f^{-1}(x) = \frac{x-5}{x-4}$$

(a) $f(2) = \frac{1}{1-2} + 4 = -1 + 4 = 3$
 $f(101) = \frac{1}{1-101} + 4 = \frac{1}{-100} + 4 = -0.01 + 4 = 3.99$
 $f(1001) = \frac{1}{1-1001} + 4 = \frac{1}{-1000} + 4 = -0.001 + 4 = 3.999$
 (c) $y = \frac{1}{1-x} + 4$
 $\Rightarrow y - 4 = \frac{1}{1-x}$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{y-4} = 1-x$
 $\Rightarrow x = 1 - \frac{1}{y-4} = \frac{y-4-1}{y-4} = \frac{y-5}{y-4}$
 $\therefore f^{-1}(x) = \frac{x-5}{x-4}$

Question 10 (+)**

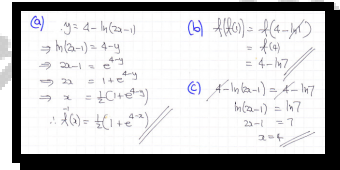
The function f is given by

$$f(x) = 4 - \ln(2x - 1), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > \frac{1}{2}.$$

- a) Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$, in its simplest form.
- b) Determine the exact value of $ff(1)$.
- c) Hence, or otherwise, solve the equation

$$f(x) = ff(1).$$

$$\boxed{}, \quad \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{2}(1 + e^{4-x})}, \quad \boxed{ff(1) = 4 - \ln 7}, \quad \boxed{x = 4}$$



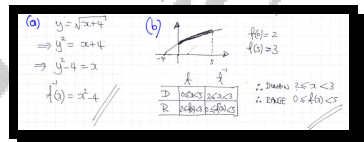
Question 11 (+)**

A function f is defined by

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x+4}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad 0 \leq x < 5.$$

- a) Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$.
- b) Determine the domain and the range of $f^{-1}(x)$.

$$\boxed{f^{-1}(x) = x^2 - 4}, \quad \boxed{2 \leq x < 3}, \quad \boxed{0 \leq f^{-1}(x) < 5}$$



Question 12 (**+)

The function f is defined

$$f : x \mapsto \frac{2x-3}{x-2}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \neq 2.$$

- a) Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$ in its simplest form.
- b) Hence, or otherwise, find in its simplest form $ff(k+2)$.

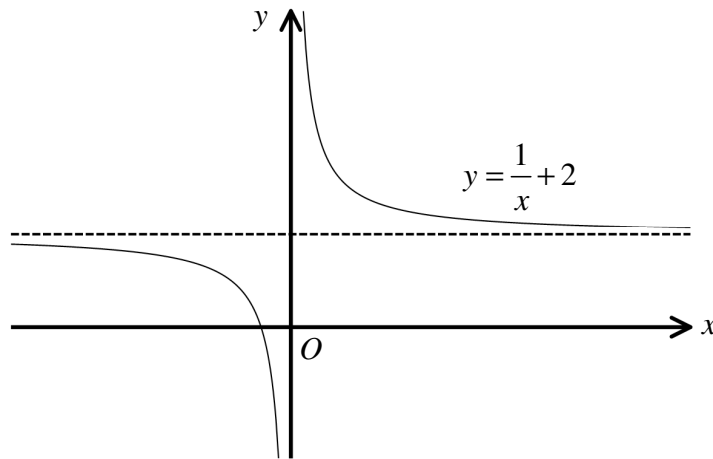
, $f^{-1} : x \mapsto \frac{2x-3}{x-2}$,

4) FINDING THE INVERSE METHOD

$\rightarrow f(x) = \frac{2x-3}{x-2}$
 $\rightarrow y = \frac{2x-3}{x-2}$
 $\rightarrow y(x-2) = 2x-3$
 $\rightarrow yx - 2y = 2x - 3$
 $\rightarrow yx - 2x = 2y - 3$
 $\rightarrow x(y-2) = 2y-3$
 $\rightarrow x = \frac{2y-3}{y-2} \quad \therefore f^{-1}(y) = \frac{2y-3}{y-2}$

b) As $f(x)$ is self inverse, ie $f(x) = f^{-1}(x)$ then we have
 $\rightarrow f(f(b)) = a$
 $\rightarrow f(f(a)) = x$
 $\rightarrow f(f(k+2)) = k+2$

Question 13 (***)



The figure above shows the graph of

$$y = \frac{1}{x} + 2, \quad x \neq 0.$$

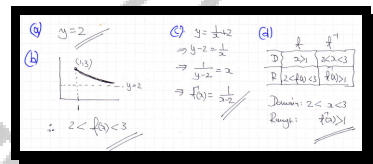
- a) State the equation of the horizontal asymptote to the curve, marked as a dotted line in the figure.

The function f is defined

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x} + 2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > 1.$$

- b) State the range of $f(x)$.
- c) Obtain an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$.
- d) State the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.

, $y = 2$, $2 < f(x) < 3$, $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{x-2}$, $2 < x < 3$, $f^{-1}(x) > 1$



Question 14 (*)**

The functions f and g are given by

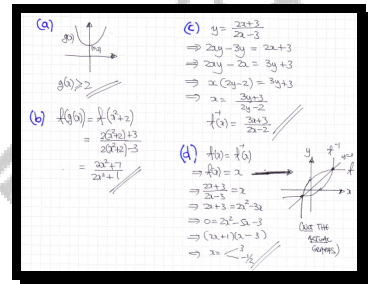
$$f(x) = \frac{2x+3}{2x-3}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq \frac{3}{2}.$$

$$g(x) = x^2 + 2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- State the range of $g(x)$.
- Find an expression, as a simplified algebraic fraction, for $fg(x)$.
- Determine an expression, as a simplified algebraic fraction, for $f^{-1}(x)$.
- Solve the equation

$$f^{-1}(x) = f(x).$$

$$\boxed{}, \quad \boxed{g(x) \geq 2}, \quad \boxed{fg(x) = \frac{2x^2+7}{2x^2+1}}, \quad \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = \frac{3x+3}{2x-2}}, \quad \boxed{x = -\frac{1}{2}, 3}$$



Question 15 (***)

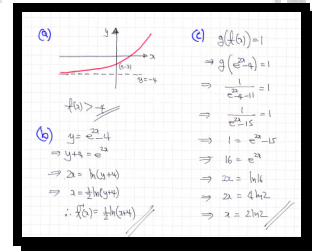
$$f(x) = e^{2x} - 4, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{x-11}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 11.$$

- Determine the range of $f(x)$.
- Find an expression for the inverse function $f^{-1}(x)$.
- Solve the equation

$$gf(x) = 1.$$

$$f(x) > -4, \quad f^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \ln(x+4), \quad x = 2 \ln 2$$



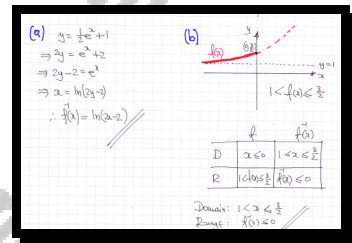
Question 16 (*)**

A function f is defined by

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2}e^x + 1, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \leq 0.$$

- a) Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$.
- b) State the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.

$$f^{-1}(x) = \ln(2x - 2), \quad 1 < x \leq \frac{3}{2}, \quad f^{-1}(x) \leq 0$$



Question 17 (***)

The function f is given by

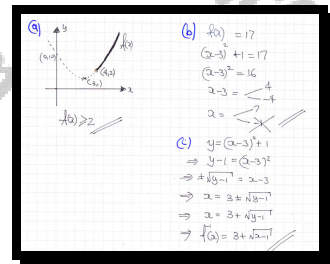
$$f(x) = (x-3)^2 + 1, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq 4.$$

- a) Sketch the graph of $f(x)$ and hence write down its range.
- b) Solve the equation

$$f(x) = 17.$$

- c) Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$ in its simplest form.

$$\boxed{f(x) \geq 2}, \quad \boxed{x = 7, x \neq -1}, \quad \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = 3 + \sqrt{x-1}},$$



Question 18 (*)**

The functions f and g are given by

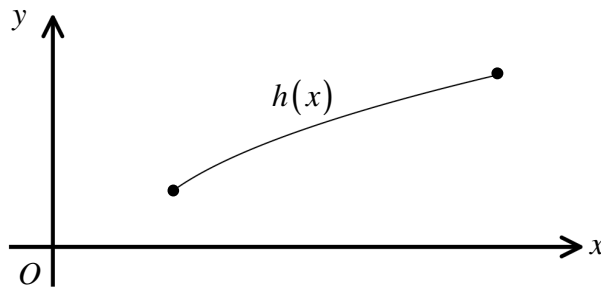
$$f(x) = \sqrt{x}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \geq 0.$$

$$g(x) = x - 2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- a) Find an expression for the function composition $fg(x)$.

The function h , whose graph is shown below, is defined by

$$h(x) = \sqrt{x-2}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, 3 \leq x \leq 11.$$



- b) State the range of $h(x)$.
- c) Determine an expression for the inverse function $h^{-1}(x)$.
- d) State the domain and range of $h^{-1}(x)$.

$$\boxed{\quad}, \quad \boxed{fg(x) = \sqrt{x-2}}, \quad \boxed{1 \leq h(x) \leq 3}, \quad \boxed{h^{-1}(x) = x^2 + 2},$$

$$\boxed{1 \leq x \leq 3 \quad \& \quad 3 \leq h^{-1}(x) \leq 11}$$

Question 19 (***)

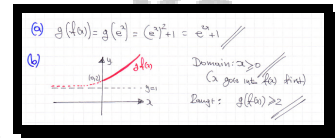
The functions f and g are defined by

$$f(x) = e^x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq 0.$$

$$g(x) = x^2 + 1, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- a) Find an expression for $gf(x)$, in its simplest form.
- b) Determine the domain and range of $gf(x)$.

$$gf(x) = e^{2x} + 1, \quad x \geq 0, \quad gf(x) \geq 2$$



Question 20 (*)**

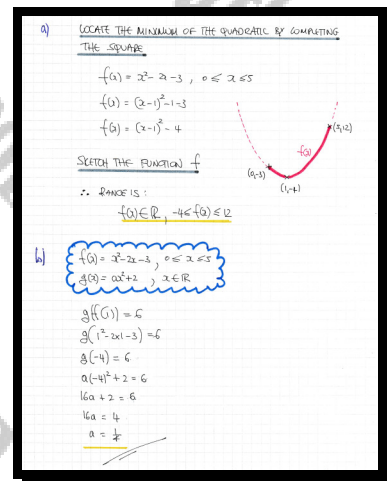
The functions f and g are defined by

$$f: x \mapsto x^2 - 2x - 3, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, 0 \leq x \leq 5.$$

$$g: x \mapsto ax^2 + 2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad a \text{ is a real constant.}$$

- a) Find the range of f .
- b) Determine the value of a , if $gf(1) = 6$.

, $-4 \leq f(x) \leq 12$, $a = \frac{1}{4}$



Question 21 (***)

The function f is defined as

$$f : x \mapsto \frac{2}{x-3} - \frac{4}{x^2-4x+3}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > 1.$$

a) Show clearly that

$$f : x \mapsto \frac{2}{x-1}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > 1.$$

b) Find an expression for f^{-1} , in its simplest form.

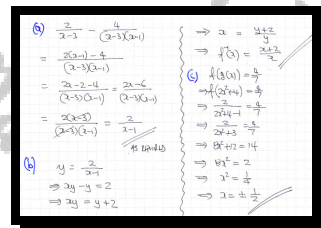
The function g is given by

$$g : x \mapsto 2x^2 + 4, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

c) Solve the equation

$$fg(x) = \frac{4}{7}.$$

$$\boxed{}, \quad \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = \frac{x+2}{x} = 1 + \frac{2}{x}}, \quad \boxed{x = \pm \frac{1}{2}}$$



Question 22 (***)

The functions f and g are defined by

$$f : x \mapsto x^2 + 3, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

$$g : x \mapsto 2x + 2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Solve the equation

$$fg(x) = 2gf(x) + 15.$$

$$x = 3$$

Handwritten solution showing the steps to solve the equation $fg(x) = 2gf(x) + 15$. The steps are:

$$\begin{aligned} f(g(x)) &= f(2x+2) = (2x+2)^2 + 3 = 4x^2 + 8x + 4 + 3 = 4x^2 + 8x + 7 \\ g(f(x)) &= g(x^2 + 3) = 2(x^2 + 3) + 2 = 2x^2 + 8 \\ \therefore f(g(x)) &= 2g(f(x)) + 15 \\ 4x^2 + 8x + 7 &= 2(2x^2 + 8) + 15 \\ 4x^2 + 8x + 7 &= 4x^2 + 31 \\ 8x &= 24 \\ x &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

Question 23 (***)

The functions f and g are defined as

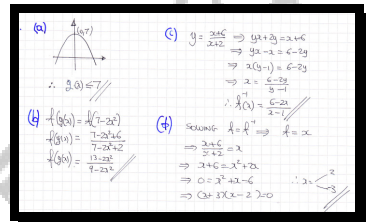
$$f(x) = \frac{x+6}{x+2}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq -2$$

$$g(x) = 7 - 2x^2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- State the range of $g(x)$.
- Find, as a simplified fraction, an expression for $fg(x)$.
- Find, as a simplified fraction, an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$.
- Solve the equation

$$f^{-1}(x) = f(x).$$

$$\boxed{3}, \quad \boxed{g(x) \leq 7}, \quad \boxed{fg(x) = \frac{13 - 2x^2}{9 - 2x^2}}, \quad \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = \frac{2x - 6}{1 - x}}, \quad \boxed{x = -3, 2}$$



Question 24 (*)**

The function f is defined as

$$f : x \mapsto \frac{x}{x-1}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 1$$

- a) Find in its simplest form the composition $ff(x)$.
- b) Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$ in its simplest form.

$$\boxed{ff(x) = x}, \quad \boxed{f : x \mapsto \frac{x}{x-1}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 1}$$

Question 25 (*)**

The functions g and f are given by

$$g : x \mapsto 4 - 3x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

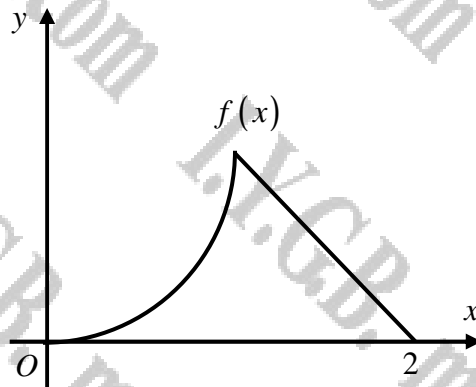
$$f : x \mapsto x^2 + ax + b, \quad x \in \mathbb{R},$$

where a and b are non zero constants.

Given that $fg(2) = -5$ and $gf(2) = -29$, find the value a and the value of b .

$$\boxed{a = 4, b = -1}$$

Question 26 (***)

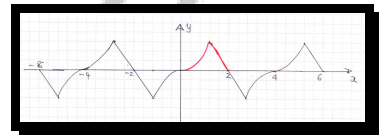


The figure above shows the **part** of the curve with equation

$$y = f(x), \text{ for } 0 \leq x \leq 2.$$

Given that the curve is odd and periodic with period 4, sketch the curve for $-6 \leq x \leq 6$.

graph



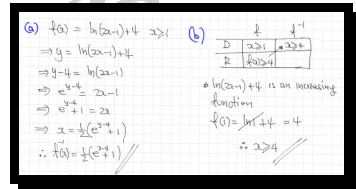
Question 27 (*)**

The function f is defined by

$$f(x) = \ln(2x-1) + 4, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \geq 1.$$

- a) Find $f^{-1}(x)$ in its simplest form.
- b) Determine the domain of $f^{-1}(x)$.

$$f^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{2}(1 + e^{x-4}), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \geq 4$$



Question 28 (*)**

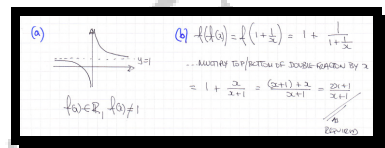
The function f is given by

$$f: x \mapsto 1 + \frac{1}{x}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 0.$$

- a) Find the range of f .
- b) Show clearly that

$$ff: x \mapsto \frac{2x+1}{x+1}.$$

$$f(x) \in \mathbb{R}, f(x) \neq 1$$



Question 29 (***)

The functions f and g are defined as

$$f(x) = 2x - 1, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$g(x) = e^{\frac{x}{2}}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$.
- Find, as an exact surd, the value of $fg(\ln 2)$.
- Solve the equation

$$f^{-1}(x) = \frac{9}{2f(x)}.$$

$$\boxed{f^{-1}(x) = \frac{x+1}{2}}, \quad \boxed{fg(\ln 2) = 2\sqrt{2}-1}, \quad \boxed{x = -\frac{5}{2}, 2}$$

(a) $y = 2x - 1$
 $\Rightarrow y + 1 = 2x$
 $\Rightarrow x = \frac{y+1}{2}$
 $\therefore f^{-1}(x) = \frac{x+1}{2}$

(b) $f(g(\ln 2)) = f\left(e^{\frac{\ln 2}{2}}\right)$
 $= f\left(e^{\ln \sqrt{2}}\right) = f(\sqrt{2}) = 2(\sqrt{2}) - 1 = 2\sqrt{2} - 1$

(c) $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{9}{2f(x)}$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{x+1}{2} = \frac{9}{2(2x-1)}$
 $\Rightarrow (x+1)(2x-1) = 9$
 $\Rightarrow 2x^2 + 2x - 10 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow (2x+2)(x-2) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow x = -2 \text{ or } x = 2$

Question 30 (***)

The functions f , g and h are defined as

$$f(x) = x^2 - 1, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$g(x) = e^{\frac{3x}{2}}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$h(x) = fg(x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- State the range of $g(x)$.
- Find, in its simplest form, an expression for $h(x)$.
- Solve the equation $h(x) = 15$, giving the answer in terms of $\ln 2$.
- Find an expression for $h^{-1}(x)$, the inverse of $h(x)$.

$$\boxed{g(x) > 0}, \quad \boxed{fg(x) = e^{3x} - 1}, \quad \boxed{x = \frac{4}{3} \ln 2}, \quad \boxed{h^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{3} \ln(x+1)}$$

Handwritten solutions for Question 30:

(a) $g(x) > 0$

(b) $h(x) = fg(x) = (e^{\frac{3x}{2}})^2 - 1 = e^{3x} - 1$

(c) $h(x) = 15 \Rightarrow e^{3x} - 1 = 15 \Rightarrow e^{3x} = 16 \Rightarrow 3x = \ln 16 \Rightarrow 3x = 4 \ln 2 \Rightarrow x = \frac{4}{3} \ln 2$

(d) $y = e^{3x} - 1 \Rightarrow y + 1 = e^{3x} \Rightarrow \ln(y+1) = 3x \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{3} \ln(y+1)$

Question 31 (*)**

The functions f and g are defined by

$$f(x) \equiv \frac{2}{x}, x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 0$$

$$g(x) \equiv f(x-3)+3, x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq k.$$

- a) Find an expression for $g(x)$, as a simplified fraction stating the value of the constant k .
- b) Find an expression for $g^{-1}(x)$.

$$g(x) = \frac{3x-7}{x-3}, k=3, g^{-1}(x) = \frac{3x-7}{x-3}, \text{ self inverse}$$

(a) $f(x) = \frac{2}{x}$
 $g(x) = f(x-3)+3 = \frac{2}{x-3} + 3 = \frac{2+3(x-3)}{x-3} = \frac{3x-7}{x-3} \quad (k=3)$

(b) $g^{-1}(x) = \frac{3x-7}{x-3}$ • $f(x)$ is self inverse
 • TRANSFORM $x \rightarrow x+3$

HENCE THE RESULTING GRAPH WILL ALSO BE A REFLECTION IN THE LINE $y=x$.
 \therefore ALSO A SELF INVERSE

Question 32 (*)**

The functions f and g are defined by

$$f: x \mapsto 4 - x^2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$g: x \mapsto \frac{5x}{2x-1}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \neq \frac{1}{2}$$

a) Evaluate $fg^{-1}(3)$.

b) Solve the equation

$$g^{-1}f(x) = \frac{7}{5}.$$

, $fg^{-1}(3) = -5$, $x = \pm \frac{1}{3}$

(a) $y = \frac{5x}{2x-1}$
 $\Rightarrow 2xy - y = 5x$
 $\Rightarrow 2xy - 5x = y$
 $\Rightarrow x(2y-5) = y$
 $\Rightarrow x = \frac{y}{2y-5}$
 $\Rightarrow g^{-1}(y) = \frac{y}{2y-5}$

Now $f(g^{-1}(y))$
 $= 4 - \left(\frac{y}{2y-5}\right)^2$
 $= 4 - \frac{y^2}{(2y-5)^2}$
 $= \frac{4(2y-5)^2 - y^2}{(2y-5)^2}$
 $= \frac{4(4y^2 - 20y + 25) - y^2}{(2y-5)^2}$
 $= \frac{16y^2 - 80y + 100 - y^2}{(2y-5)^2}$
 $= \frac{15y^2 - 80y + 100}{(2y-5)^2}$
 $= -5$

(b) $g^{-1}(f(x)) = \frac{7}{5}$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{f(x)}{2f(x)-5} = \frac{7}{5}$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{4-x^2}{2(4-x^2)-5} = \frac{7}{5}$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{4-x^2}{8-2x^2-5} = \frac{7}{5}$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{4-x^2}{3-2x^2} = \frac{7}{5}$

Now $2(4-x^2) - 5 = 8 - 2x^2 - 5 = 3 - 2x^2$
 $5(4-x^2) = 20 - 5x^2$
 $20 - 5x^2 = 7(3 - 2x^2)$
 $20 - 5x^2 = 21 - 14x^2$
 $9x^2 = 1$
 $x^2 = \frac{1}{9}$
 $x = \pm \frac{1}{3}$

Question 33 (*)**

The function f is defined as

$$f: x \mapsto \frac{1}{x+2} + \frac{2x+11}{2x^2+x-6} \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > \frac{3}{2}$$

a) Show clear that

$$f: x \mapsto \frac{4}{2x-3}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > \frac{3}{2}$$

b) Find an expression for f^{-1} , in its simplest form.

c) Find the domain of f^{-1} .

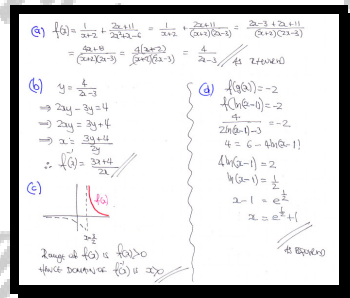
The function g is given by

$$g: x \mapsto \ln(x-1), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > 1$$

d) Show that $x=1+\sqrt{e}$ is the solution of the equation

$$fg(x) = -2$$

, $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{3x+4}{2x}$, $x > 0$

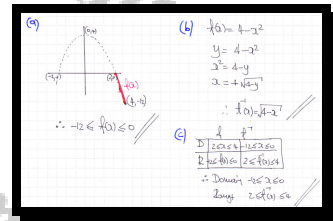


Question 34 (***)

$$f(x) = 4 - x^2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad 2 \leq x \leq 4.$$

- a) Determine the range of $f(x)$.
- b) Find an expression for the inverse function $f^{-1}(x)$.
- c) State the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.

$$\boxed{-12 \leq f(x) \leq 0}, \quad \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = \sqrt{4-x}}, \quad \boxed{-12 \leq x \leq 0}, \quad \boxed{2 \leq f^{-1}(x) \leq 4}$$



Question 35 (***)

A function is defined by

$$f(x) = \sqrt{e^x - 1}, \quad x \geq 0.$$

a) Find the values of ...

i. ... $f(\ln 5)$.

ii. ... $f'(\ln 5)$.

The inverse function of $f(x)$ is $g(x)$.

b) Determine an expression for $g(x)$.

c) State the value of $g'(2)$.

, $f(\ln 5) = 2$, $f'(\ln 5) = \frac{5}{4}$, $g(x) = \ln(x^2 + 1)$, $g'(2) = \frac{4}{5}$

The handwritten solution shows three methods to solve the problem:

- a) i) Direct substitution:** $f(\ln 5) = \sqrt{e^{\ln 5} - 1} = \sqrt{5 - 1} = 2$
- ii) Differentiation:** $f(x) = (e^x - 1)^{1/2}$
 $f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}(e^x - 1)^{-1/2} \cdot e^x$
 $f'(\ln 5) = \frac{e^{\ln 5}}{2\sqrt{e^{\ln 5} - 1}} = \frac{5}{2\sqrt{5-1}} = \frac{5}{4}$
- b) Inverse function:** $y = \sqrt{e^x - 1}$
 $y^2 = e^x - 1$
 $y^2 + 1 = e^x$
 $x = \ln(y^2 + 1)$
 $\therefore f^{-1}(x) = \ln(x^2 + 1)$
- c) Reciprocal rule:** $f'(g(x)) \cdot g'(x) = 1$
 $\frac{5}{4} \cdot g'(2) = 1$
 $g'(2) = \frac{4}{5}$

Question 36 (***)

A function f is defined by

$$f(x) = 2 + \frac{1}{x+1}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \geq 0.$$

- a) Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$, as a simplified fraction.
- b) Find the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.

, $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{3-x}{x-2}$, $2 < x \leq 3$, $f^{-1}(x) \geq 0$

a) BY THE SLOTTED METHODOLOGY

$$y = 2 + \frac{1}{x+1}$$

$$y(x+1) = 2(x+1) + 1$$

$$yx + y = 2x + 3$$

$$yx - 2x = 3 - y$$

$$x(y-2) = 3-y$$

$$x = \frac{3-y}{y-2}$$

$$\therefore f^{-1}(x) = \frac{3-x}{x-2}$$

b) STATE BY SKETCHING THE GRAPHS OF $f(x)$ OR $f^{-1}(x)$ VIA TRANSFORMATIONS

	$f(x)$	$f^{-1}(x)$
DOMAIN	$x > -1$	$x > 2$
RANGE	$y > 2$	$y \geq 0$

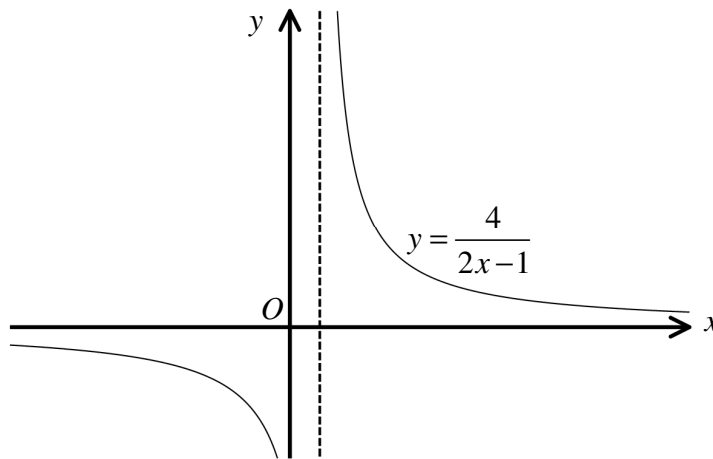
\therefore DOMAIN for $f^{-1}(x)$ is $x > 2$
 RANGE of $f^{-1}(x)$ is $f^{-1}(x) \geq 0$

Question 37 (***)

$$y = \frac{2}{x-2} - \frac{6}{(x-2)(2x-1)}$$

- a) Show clearly that $y = \frac{4}{2x-1}$

The figure below shows the graph of $y = \frac{4}{2x-1}$, $x \neq \frac{1}{2}$.



- b) State the equation of the vertical asymptote of the curve, shown dotted in the figure above.

The function f is defined

$$f(x) = \frac{4}{2x-1}, \quad x > \frac{1}{2}$$

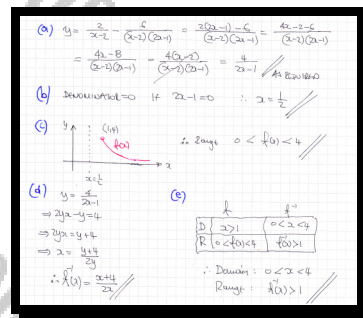
- c) State the range of $f(x)$.

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- d) Obtain an expression for the inverse of the function, $f^{-1}(x)$.
- e) State the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.

, $x = \frac{1}{2}$, $0 < f(x) < 4$, $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{x+4}{2x}$, $0 < x < 4$, $f^{-1}(x) > 1$



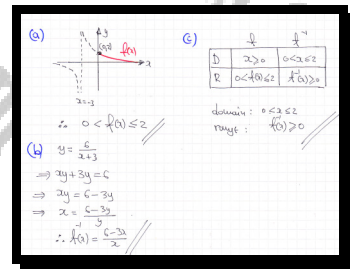
Question 38 (***)

The function f is defined by

$$f(x) = \frac{6}{x+3}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \geq 0.$$

- a) Find the range of $f(x)$.
- b) Determine an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$ in its simplest form.
- c) Find the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.

$$\boxed{0 < f(x) \leq 2}, \quad \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = \frac{6-3x}{x}}, \quad \boxed{0 < x \leq 2, f^{-1}(x) \geq 0}$$



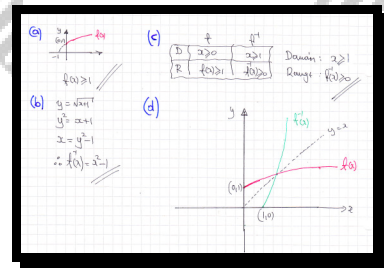
Question 39 (***)

The function $f(x)$ is defined by

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x+1}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq 0.$$

- Find the range of $f(x)$.
- Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$ in its simplest form.
- State the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.
- Sketch in the same diagram $f(x)$ and $f^{-1}(x)$.

$$\boxed{f(x) \geq 1}, \quad \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = x^2 - 1}, \quad \boxed{x \geq 1, \quad f^{-1}(x) \geq 0}$$



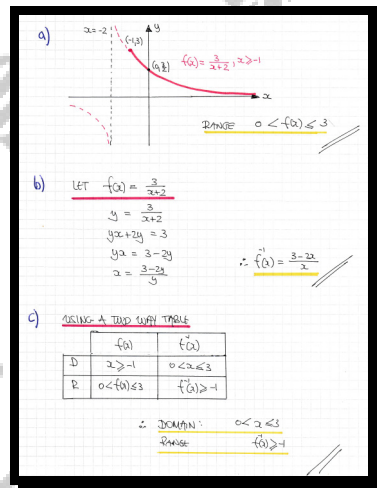
Question 40 (***)

The function f is given by

$$f : x \mapsto \frac{3}{x+2}, x \in \mathbb{R}, x \geq -1.$$

- By sketching the graph of f , or otherwise, state its range.
- Determine an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$, the inverse of f .
- Find the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.

$$\boxed{\phantom{0 < x \leq 3}}, \boxed{f(x) \in \mathbb{R}, 0 < f(x) \leq 3}, \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = \frac{3}{x} - 2 = \frac{3-2x}{x}}, \boxed{0 < x \leq 3, f^{-1}(x) \geq -1},$$



Question 41 (***)

The function f is satisfies

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x} - 3, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 9.$$

- a) Sketch the graph of $f(x)$.

The sketch must include the coordinates of any points where the graph of $f(x)$ meets the coordinate axes.

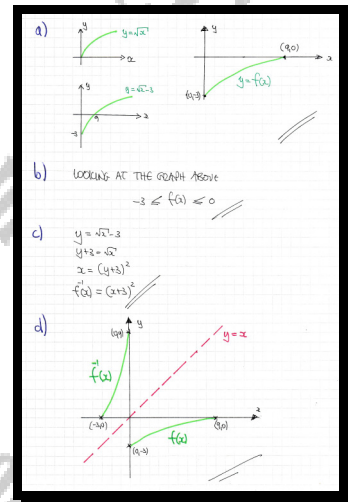
- b) State the range of $f(x)$.

- c) Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$.

- d) Sketch in the same set of axes as that of part (a) the graph of $f^{-1}(x)$.

The sketch must include the coordinates of the points where the graph of $f^{-1}(x)$ meets the coordinate axes, and how $f^{-1}(x)$ is related graphically to $f(x)$.

, $-3 \leq f(x) \leq 0$, $f^{-1}(x) = (x+3)^2$



Question 42 (***)

The function f satisfies

$$f : x \mapsto \frac{3x+1}{x+4}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > -4.$$

- Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$ in its simplest form.
- Determine the domain and the range of $f^{-1}(x)$.

The function g is given by

$$g : x \mapsto e^x - 3, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- Solve the equation

$$fg(x) = \frac{4}{5},$$

giving exact answers in terms of $\ln 2$.

$$\boxed{}, \quad \boxed{f^{-1} : x \mapsto \frac{1-4x}{x-3}}, \quad \boxed{x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x < 3}, \quad \boxed{f^{-1}(x) \in \mathbb{R}, \quad f^{-1}(x) > -4}, \quad \boxed{x = 2 \ln 2}$$

a) $f(x) = \frac{3x+1}{x+4}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > -4$

$\rightarrow y = \frac{3x+1}{x+4}$
 $\Rightarrow y(x+4) = 3x+1$
 $\Rightarrow yx + 4y = 3x+1$
 $\Rightarrow yx - 3x = 1-4y$
 $\Rightarrow x(y-3) = 1-4y$
 $\Rightarrow x = \frac{1-4y}{y-3}$

$\therefore f(x) = \frac{1-4x}{x-3}$ or $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{1-4x}{x-3}$

b) FIND THE RANGE OF $f(x)$ VIA A QUICK SKETCH

- VERTICAL ASYMPTOTE: $x = -4$ (DENOMINATOR ZERO)
- HORIZONTAL ASYMPTOTE: $y = 3$ ($\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3x+1}{x+4} = 3$)
- $a = 0 \Rightarrow y = \frac{1}{4}$
- HENCE WE SKETCH

\therefore RANGE OF $f(x)$ IS $f(x) < 3$

THUS WE HAVE

	$f(x)$	$f^{-1}(x)$
DOMAIN	$x > -4$ (GIVEN)	$x < 3$
RANGE	$f(x) < 3$	$f^{-1}(x) > -4$

c) FIRSTLY OBTAIN AN EXPRESSION FOR THE COMPOSITION

$f(g(x)) = f(e^x - 3) = \frac{3(e^x - 3) + 1}{(e^x - 3) + 4} = \frac{3e^x - 8}{e^x + 1}$

$f(g(x)) = \frac{4}{5}$
 $\rightarrow \frac{3e^x - 8}{e^x + 1} = \frac{4}{5}$
 $\Rightarrow 15e^x - 40 = 4e^x + 4$
 $\Rightarrow 11e^x = 44$
 $\Rightarrow e^x = 4$
 $\Rightarrow x = \ln 4$
 $\Rightarrow x = 2 \ln 2$

"CHECKED" BY $f(g(x))$

Question 43 (***)

The function f is defined as

$$f : x \mapsto \frac{2x-1}{x^2-x-2} - \frac{1}{x-2}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x > 4.$$

a) Show clearly that

$$f : x \mapsto \frac{1}{x+1}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x > 4.$$

b) Find the range of f .

c) Determine an expression for the inverse function, $f^{-1}(x)$.

d) State the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.

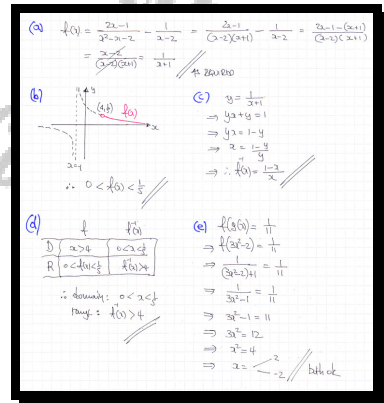
The function g is given by

$$g : x \mapsto 3x^2 - 2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

e) Solve the equation

$$fg(x) = \frac{1}{11}.$$

$$\boxed{0 < x < \frac{1}{5}}, \quad \boxed{0 < f(x) < \frac{1}{5}}, \quad \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = \frac{1-x}{x}}, \quad \boxed{0 < x < \frac{1}{5}}, \quad \boxed{f^{-1}(x) > 4}, \quad \boxed{x = \pm 2}$$



Question 44 (***)

A function f is defined by

$$f(x) = 4 - \frac{1}{x-1}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x > 1.$$

- a) Determine an expression for the inverse, $f^{-1}(x)$.
- b) Find the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.

$$\boxed{x > 4}, \quad f^{-1}(x) = 1 - \frac{1}{x-4} = \frac{x-5}{x-4}, \quad \boxed{x < 4}, \quad \boxed{f^{-1}(x) > 1}$$

a) USING STANDARD METHODOLOGY

$$y = 4 - \frac{1}{x-1}$$

$$\frac{y-4}{-1} = 4 - y$$

$$2 - 1 = \frac{1}{4-y}$$

$$2 = 1 + \frac{1}{4-y}$$

$$y = 1 + \frac{1}{4-2}$$

$$\therefore f^{-1} = 1 - \frac{1}{x-4}$$

b) SKETCHING $f(x)$ FIRST - SKETCHING WITH $g = 4 - \frac{1}{x-1}$

READ $f(x)$ WITH $x > 1$

\therefore RANGE OF $f(x)$ IS $f(x) < 4$

	f	f^{-1}
D	$x > 1$	$x < 4$
R	$f(x) < 4$	$f^{-1}(x) > 1$

\therefore DOMAIN $x < 4$
RANGE $f^{-1}(x) > 1$

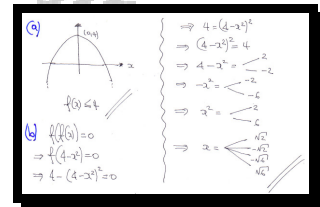
Question 45 (***)

$$f(x) = 4 - x^2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- a) State the range of $f(x)$.
- b) Solve the equation

$$ff(x) = 0.$$

$$f(x) \leq 4, \quad x = \pm\sqrt{2}, \pm\sqrt{6}$$



Question 46 (***)

$$f(x) = 4(x+1)^2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \leq -2.$$

- State the range of $f(x)$.
- Find an expression for the inverse function $f^{-1}(x)$.
- State the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.
- Evaluate $f^{-1}(49)$.
- Verify that the answer to part (d) is correct by carrying an appropriate calculation involving $f(x)$.

$$\boxed{f(x) \geq 4}, \quad \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = -1 - \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{x}}, \quad \boxed{x \geq 4, \quad f^{-1}(x) \leq -2}, \quad \boxed{f^{-1}(49) = -\frac{9}{2}}, \quad \boxed{f\left(-\frac{9}{2}\right) = 49}$$

(a) $y = 4(x+1)^2$
 $\Rightarrow \sqrt{y} = 2|x+1|$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{y}}{2} = |x+1|$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{y}}{2} = x+1$ (since $x \leq -2$)
 $\Rightarrow x = -1 - \frac{\sqrt{y}}{2}$
 $\therefore f^{-1}(x) = -1 - \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{x}$

(b) $y = 4(x+1)^2$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{y}{4} = (x+1)^2$
 $\Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{y}{4}} = |x+1|$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{y}}{2} = |x+1|$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{y}}{2} = x+1$ (since $x \leq -2$)
 $\Rightarrow x = -1 - \frac{\sqrt{y}}{2}$
 $\therefore f^{-1}(x) = -1 - \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{x}$

(c) Domain: $x \geq 4$
 Range: $f^{-1}(x) \leq -2$

(d) $f^{-1}(49) = -1 - \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{49}$
 $= -1 - \frac{7}{2}$
 $= -\frac{9}{2}$

(e) $f\left(-\frac{9}{2}\right) = 4\left(-\frac{9}{2} + 1\right)^2$
 $= 4\left(-\frac{7}{2}\right)^2$
 $= 4 \times \frac{49}{4}$
 $= 49$

Question 47 (***)

The function f is given by

$$f : x \mapsto 3 + \frac{2}{x-2}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x > 2.$$

- Sketch the graph of f .
- Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$ as a single fraction, in its simplest form.
- Find the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.
- Find the value of x that satisfy the equation $f(x) = f^{-1}(x)$

, $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{2x-4}{x-3}$, $x \in \mathbb{R}, x > 3$, $f(x) \in \mathbb{R}, f^{-1}(x) > 2$, $x = 4, x \neq 1$

a) WORKING THROUGH TRANSFORMATIONS

sketch the graph

b) REVERSE THE GRAPHIC METHOD

$$y = 3 + \frac{2}{x-2}$$

$$y(x-2) = 3(x-2) + 2$$

$$yx - 2y = 3x - 6 + 2$$

$$yx - 3x = 2y - 4$$

$$x(y-3) = 2y-4$$

$$x = \frac{2y-4}{y-3}$$

$\therefore f^{-1}(x) = \frac{2x-4}{x-3}$

c) GENERIC 4 "TWO WAY TABLE"

	$f(x)$	$f^{-1}(x)$
DOMAIN	$x > 2$	$x > 3$
RANGE	$f(x) > 3$	$f^{-1}(x) > 2$

Domain of f^{-1} : $x > 3$
Range of f^{-1} : $f^{-1}(x) > 2$

d) $f(x) = f^{-1}(x)$ is equivalent to $f(x) = x$ or $f^{-1}(x) = x$

$$\rightarrow f(x) = x$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{2x-4}{x-3} = x$$

$$\rightarrow 2x-4 = x^2-3x$$

$$\rightarrow 0 = x^2-5x+4$$

$$\rightarrow (x-1)(x-4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 1 \text{ or } x = 4$$

Fit domain of $f(x)$ or $f^{-1}(x)$ does NOT ALLOW IT

Question 48 (***)

The functions f and g are defined below

$$f(x) = x^2 + 2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > 0$$

$$g(x) = 3x - 1, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > 4.$$

- Write down the range of $f(x)$ and the range of $g(x)$.
- Explain why $gf(1)$ cannot be evaluated.
- Solve the equation

$$fg(x) = 8x^2 + 10.$$

$$f(x) \in \mathbb{R}, \quad f(x) > 2, \quad g(x) \in \mathbb{R}, \quad g(x) > 11, \quad x = 7, \quad x \neq 1$$

(a) $f(x) = x^2 + 2$ and $g(x) = 3x - 1$

(b) $gf(1)$ is not defined because $f(1) = 3$ is not in the domain of g .

(c) $fg(x) = 8x^2 + 10$

$$f(g(x)) = 9x^2 - 2x + 1 = 8x^2 + 10$$

$$x^2 - 2x - 9 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 + 36}}{2} = 1 \pm \sqrt{10}$$

$x = 1 + \sqrt{10}$ and $x = 1 - \sqrt{10}$ are not in the domain of f .

Question 49 (***)

The functions f and g are defined below

$$f(x) = x^2 - 2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$g(x) = 2x + 3, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > 0.$$

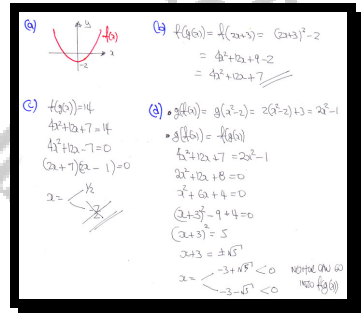
- a) Write down the range of $f(x)$.
- b) Find, in its simplest form, an expression for $fg(x)$.
- c) Solve the equation

$$fg(x) = 14.$$

- d) Show that there is no solution for the equation

$$fg(x) = gf(x).$$

$$f(x) \in \mathbb{R}, \quad f(x) \geq -2, \quad fg(x) = 4x^2 + 12x + 7, \quad x = \frac{1}{2}, x \neq -\frac{7}{2}$$



Question 50 (***)

The functions f and g are defined as

$$f(x) = 4 + \ln x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > 0.$$

$$g(x) = ex^2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- a) Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$.
- b) State the range of $f^{-1}(x)$.
- c) Show that $x = \sqrt{e}$ is a solution of the equation

$$fg(x) = 6.$$

$$f^{-1}(x) = e^{x-4}, \quad f^{-1}(x) > 0$$

(a) $y = 4 + \ln x$
 $y - 4 = \ln x$
 $e^{y-4} = x$
 $\therefore x^{-1} = e^{-y}$

(b) $x > 0$
 $\therefore f^{-1}(x) > 0$

(c) $fg(x) = 6$
 $\Rightarrow 4 + \ln(ex^2) = 6$
 $\Rightarrow 4 + \ln e + \ln x^2 = 6$
 $\Rightarrow 4 + 1 + 2\ln x = 6$
 $\Rightarrow 2\ln x = 1$
 $\Rightarrow \ln x = \frac{1}{2}$
 $\Rightarrow x = e^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{e}$

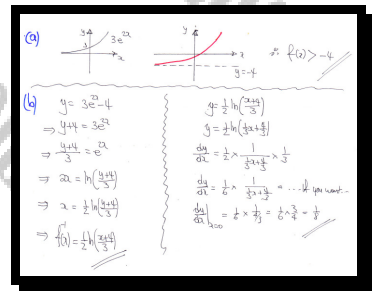
Question 51 (***)

The function f is given by

$$f(x) = 3e^{2x} - 4, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- State the range of $f(x)$.
- Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$.
- Find the value of the gradient on $f^{-1}(x)$ at the point where $x = 0$.

$$f(x) > -4, \quad f^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \ln\left(\frac{x+4}{3}\right), \quad \frac{1}{8}$$



Question 52 (***)

The functions f and g are defined

$$f(x) = x^2 - 10x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$g(x) = e^x + 5, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

a) Find, showing all steps in the calculation, the value of $g(3\ln 2)$.

b) Find, in its simplest form, an expression for $fg(x)$.

c) Show clearly that

$$g(2x) - fg(x) = k,$$

stating the value of the constant k .

d) Solve the equation

$$gf(x) = 6.$$

$$g(3\ln 2) = 13, \quad fg(x) = e^{2x} - 25, \quad k = 30, \quad x = 0, \quad x = 10$$

Handwritten solution for part (d):

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(d)} \quad & g(f(x)) = 6 \\ & \Rightarrow e^{x^2 - 10x} + 5 = 6 \\ & \Rightarrow e^{x^2 - 10x} = 1 \\ & \Rightarrow x^2 - 10x = 0 \\ & \Rightarrow x(x - 10) = 0 \\ & \Rightarrow x = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad x = 10 \end{aligned}$$

Question 53 (***)

$$f(x) = e^x, x \in \mathbb{R}, x > 0.$$

$$g(x) = 2x^3 + 11, x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

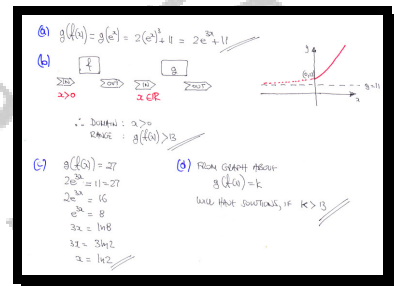
- a) Find and simplify an expression for the composite function $gf(x)$.
- b) State the domain and range of $gf(x)$.
- c) Solve the equation

$$gf(x) = 27.$$

The equation $gf(x) = k$, where k is a constant, has solutions.

- d) State the range of the possible values of k .

$$\boxed{\quad}, \quad \boxed{gf(x) = 2e^{3x} + 11}, \quad \boxed{x > 0, gf(x) > 13}, \quad \boxed{x = \ln 2}, \quad \boxed{k > 13}$$



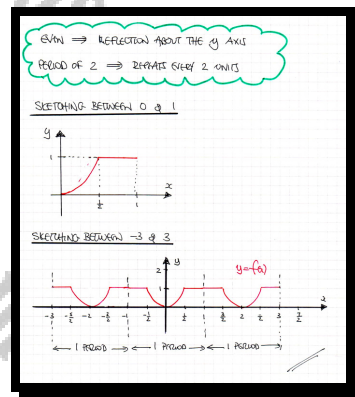
Question 54 (***)

An even function f , of period 2 is defined by

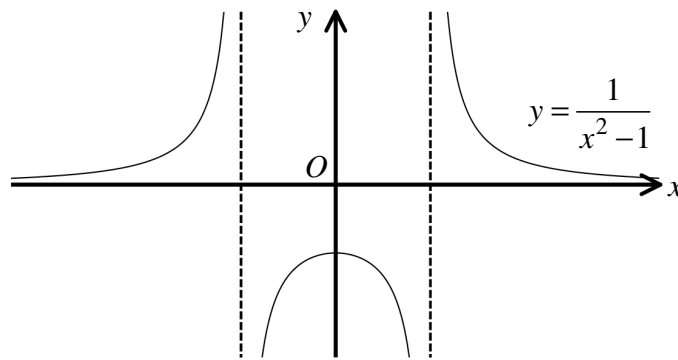
$$f(x) \equiv \begin{cases} 4x^2 & 0 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 & \frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

Sketch the graph of $f(x)$ for $-3 \leq x \leq 3$.

, graph



Question 55 (***)



The figure above shows the graph of the curve C with equation

$$y = \frac{1}{x^2 - 1}, \quad x \neq \pm 1.$$

- a) State the equations of the vertical asymptotes of the curve, marked with dotted lines in the diagram.

The function f is defined as

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 - 1}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > 1.$$

- b) Write down the range of $f(x)$.
- c) Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$.

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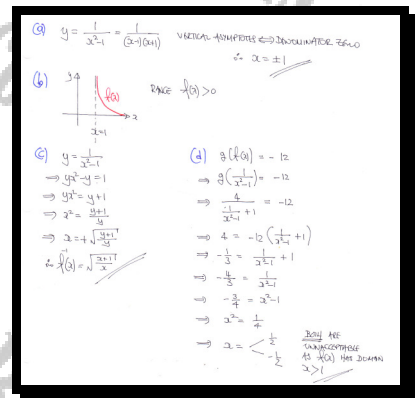
The function g is defined as

$$g(x) = \frac{4}{x+1}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \neq -1.$$

d) Show no value of x satisfies the equation

$$gf(x) = -12.$$

$$\boxed{x = \pm 1}, \quad \boxed{f(x) \in \mathbb{R}, f(x) > 0}, \quad \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{x}} = \sqrt{\frac{x+1}{x}}}, \quad \boxed{x = \pm \frac{1}{2}}$$



Question 56 (***)

The functions f and g are defined by

$$f(x) = x - \frac{1}{x}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq 1$$

$$g(x) = 3x^2 + 2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq 0.$$

a) By showing that $f(x)$ is an increasing function, find its range.

b) Solve the equation

$$gf(x) = \frac{3}{x^2} + 23.$$

$$f(x) \geq 0, \quad x = 3$$

(a) $f(x) = x - \frac{1}{x} = x - x^{-1}$
 $f'(x) = 1 + x^{-2}$
 $f'(x) = 1 + \frac{1}{x^2} > 0$
 For all values of x ,
 since it contains neither
 squares or surds
 $\therefore f(x)$ is an increasing function

Graph of $f(x)$ showing the curve passing through $(1,0)$ and $(3,2)$.
 \therefore Range $f(x) \geq 0$

(b) $3(3-x)^2 + 2 = \frac{3}{x^2} + 23$
 $\Rightarrow 3(x-3)^2 + 2 = \frac{3}{x^2} + 23$
 $\Rightarrow 3(x^2 - 2 + \frac{1}{x^2}) + 2 = \frac{3}{x^2} + 23$
 $\Rightarrow 3x^2 - 6 + \frac{3}{x^2} + 2 = \frac{3}{x^2} + 23$
 $\Rightarrow 3x^2 = 27$

$\Rightarrow x^2 = 9$
 $\Rightarrow x = 3$

Question 57 (***)

The functions f and g are given by

$$f(x) = 3x + \ln 2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$g(x) = e^{2x}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

a) Show clearly that

$$gf(x) = 4e^{6x}.$$

b) Show further that $x = \ln(2e)$ is the solution of the equation

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{1}{2} gf(x-1) \right] = 768.$$

proof

(a) $gf(x) = f(3x + \ln 2) = e^{2(3x + \ln 2)} = e^{6x + 2\ln 2} = e^{6x} \cdot e^{2\ln 2} = e^{6x} \cdot 4 = 4e^{6x}$
 (b) $\frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{1}{2} gf(x-1) \right] = 768$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{1}{2} \times 4e^{6(x-1)} \right] = 768$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} [2e^{6(x-1)}] = 768$
 $\Rightarrow 2e^{6(x-1)} \times 6 = 768$
 $\Rightarrow 12e^{6(x-1)} = 768$
 $\Rightarrow e^{6(x-1)} = 64$
 $\Rightarrow 6(x-1) = \ln 64$
 $\Rightarrow 6x - 6 = \ln 64$
 $\Rightarrow 6x = 6 + \ln 64$
 $\Rightarrow x = 1 + \frac{1}{6} \ln 64$
 $\Rightarrow x = 1 + \frac{1}{6} \ln 2^6$
 $\Rightarrow x = 1 + \ln 2$
 $\Rightarrow x = \ln(2e)$

Question 58 (***)

The piecewise continuous function f is **odd** with domain all real numbers.

It is defined by

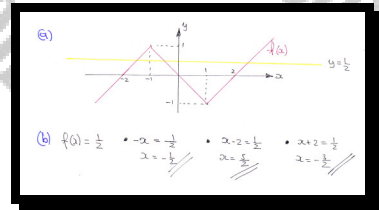
$$f(x) \equiv \begin{cases} -x & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ x-2 & x > 1 \end{cases}$$

a) Sketch the graph of f for all values of x .

b) Solve the equation

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\boxed{}, \quad \boxed{x = -\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{5}{2}}$$



Question 59 (***)

The functions f and g are given by

$$f(x) = x^2 + 2kx + 4, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$g(x) = 3 - kx, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

where k is a non zero constant.

- a) Find, in terms of k , the range of f .
- b) Given further that $fg(2) = 4$, determine the value of k .

$$\boxed{}, \quad \boxed{f(x) \geq 4 - k^2}, \quad \boxed{k = \frac{3}{2}}$$

a) COMPLETING THE SQUARE

$$f(x) = x^2 + 2kx + 4, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$f(x) = (x+k)^2 - k^2 + 4$$

$f(x)$ HAS A MINIMUM VALUE OF $4 - k^2$

$f(x) \geq 4 - k^2$

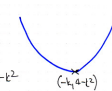
b) $f(g(2)) = 4$

$$\Rightarrow f(3 - 2k) = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow (3 - 2k)^2 + 2k(3 - 2k) + 4 = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow 9 - 12k + 4k^2 + 6k - 4k^2 + 4 = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow 9 - 6k = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \frac{5}{6}$$


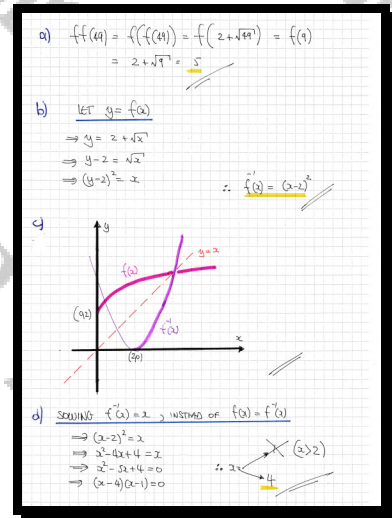
Question 60 (***)

The function f is defined by

$$f(x) = 2 + \sqrt{x}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq 0.$$

- Evaluate $ff(49)$.
- Find an expression for the inverse function, $f^{-1}(x)$.
- Sketch in the same set of axes the graph of $f(x)$ and the graph of $f^{-1}(x)$, clearly marking the line of reflection between the two graphs.
- Show that $x = 4$ is the only solution of the equation $f(x) = f^{-1}(x)$.

$$\boxed{5}, \quad \boxed{ff(49) = 5}, \quad \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = (x-2)^2}$$



Question 61 (****)

The functions f and g are defined by

$$f(x) = x^2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq 1$$

$$g(x) = x - 6, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \leq 10.$$

- a) Find the domain and range of $fg(x)$.
- b) Show the following equation has no solutions

$$fg(x) = g^{-1}(x).$$

$$\boxed{}, \quad \boxed{7 \leq x \leq 10}, \quad \boxed{1 \leq fg(x) \leq 16}$$

a) WE START WITH THE DOMAIN OF $f(g(x))$

IN: $2 \leq 10$ **OUT:** $2-6$ **IN:** $2 > 1$ **OUT:** $2 > 7$

THE DOMAIN MUST SATISFY
 $2 \leq 10$ AND $2-6 > 1$

LOWERING THE CEILING
 $7 \leq 2 \leq 10$

TO FIND THE RANGE
 $f(g(x)) = f(x-6) = (x-6)^2$

SEARCHING FOR THE DOMAIN
 $\therefore 1 \leq f(g(x)) \leq 16$

b) SOLVING THE EQUATION
 $\Rightarrow f(g(x)) = g^{-1}(x)$
 $\Rightarrow (x-6)^2 = x+6$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 - 12x + 36 = x+6$

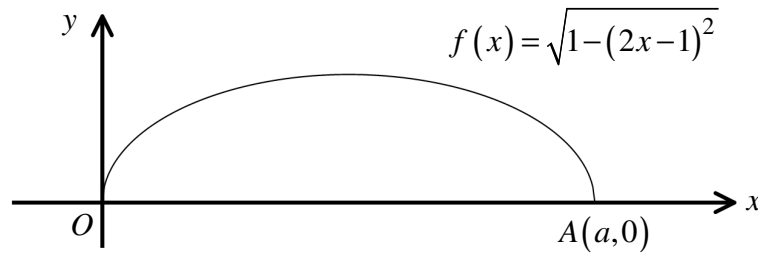
LOOKING AT THE DOMAIN OF $f(g(x))$
 ONLY SOLUTION IS $x=10$ AS $7 \leq x \leq 10$

NOW LOOKING AT $g(x)$ & ITS INVERSE

	$g(x)$	$g^{-1}(x)$
Domain	$x \leq 10$	$x \leq 4$
Range	$g(x) \leq 4$	$g^{-1}(x) \leq 10$

\therefore DOMAIN OF $g(x) \leq 4$
 $\therefore 2 \neq 10$
 \therefore **NO SOLUTIONS**

Question 62 (***)



The figure above shows the graph of the function

$$f(x) \equiv \sqrt{1 - (2x - 1)^2}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad 0 \leq x \leq a.$$

- a) Find the value of the constant a .
- b) State the range of $f(x)$.

The function g is suitably defined by

$$g(x) = 2f\left(\frac{1}{2}x\right) - 2.$$

- c) Sketch the graph of $g(x)$.
- d) State the domain and range of $g(x)$.

$$\boxed{}, \quad \boxed{a = 1}, \quad \boxed{0 \leq f(x) \leq 1}, \quad \boxed{0 \leq x \leq 2}, \quad \boxed{-2 \leq g(x) \leq 0}$$

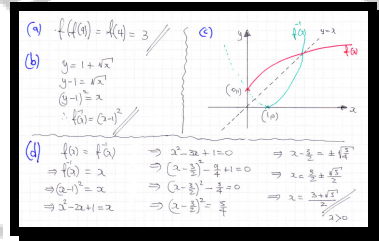
Question 63 (***)

The function f is defined by

$$f(x) = 1 + \sqrt{x}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq 0.$$

- a) Evaluate $ff(9)$.
- b) Find an expression for the inverse function, $f^{-1}(x)$.
- c) Sketch in the same diagram the graph of $f(x)$ and the graph of $f^{-1}(x)$, clearly marking the line of reflection between the two graphs.
- d) Show that $x = \frac{3 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$ is the only solution of the equation $f(x) = f^{-1}(x)$.

, $ff(9) = 3$, $f^{-1}(x) = (x-1)^2$



Question 64 (****)

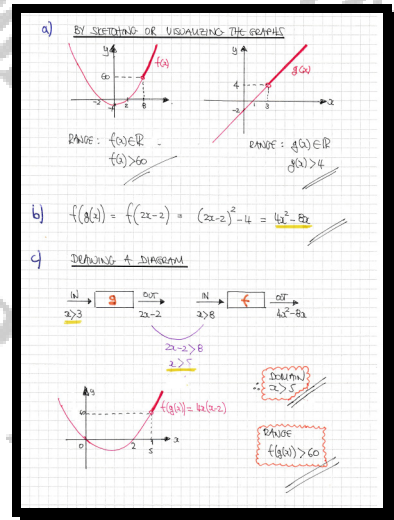
The functions f and g are defined by

$$f(x) = x^2 - 4, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > 8$$

$$g(x) = 2x - 2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > 3.$$

- State the range of $f(x)$ and the range of $g(x)$.
- Find a simplified expression for $fg(x)$.
- Determine the domain and range of $fg(x)$.

, $f(x) > 60$, $g(x) > 4$, $fg(x) = 4x^2 - 8x$, $x > 5$, $fg(x) > 60$



Question 65 (****)

The functions f and g are defined by

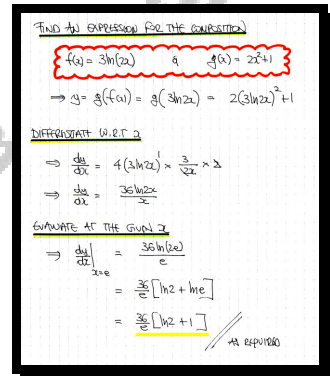
$$f(x) = 3 \ln 2x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > 0$$

$$g(x) = 2x^2 + 1, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Show that the value of the gradient on the curve $y = gf(x)$ at the point where $x = e$ is

$$\frac{36}{e}(1 + \ln 2).$$

, proof



Question 66 (***)

$$f(x) = 3x^2 - 18x + 21, x \in \mathbb{R}, x > 4.$$

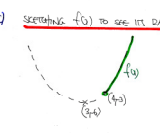
- a) Express $f(x)$ in the form $A(x+B)^2 + C$, where A , B and C are integers and hence find the range of $f(x)$.
- b) Find a simplified expression for $f^{-1}(x)$, the inverse of $f(x)$.
- c) Determine the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.

$$\boxed{3}, \boxed{A=3, B=-3, C=-6}, \boxed{f(x) > -3}, \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = 3 + \sqrt{\frac{x+6}{3}}},$$

$$\boxed{x > -3, f^{-1}(x) > 4}$$

a) COMPLETING THE SQUARE
 $\rightarrow f(x) = 3x^2 - 18x + 21$
 $\rightarrow \frac{1}{3}f(x) = x^2 - 6x + 7$
 $\rightarrow \frac{1}{3}f(x) = (x-3)^2 - 9 + 7$
 $\rightarrow f(x) = 3(x-3)^2 - 6$

b) INVERSE PART (a)
 $\rightarrow y = 3(x-3)^2 - 6$
 $\rightarrow y+6 = 3(x-3)^2$
 $\rightarrow \frac{y+6}{3} = (x-3)^2$
 $\rightarrow x-3 = \pm\sqrt{\frac{y+6}{3}}$
 BUT $x > 4$ so LHS IS POSITIVE
 $\rightarrow x-3 = +\sqrt{\frac{y+6}{3}}$
 $\rightarrow x = 3 + \sqrt{\frac{y+6}{3}} \quad \therefore f^{-1}(x) = 3 + \sqrt{\frac{x+6}{3}}$

c) SKETCHING $f(x)$ TO SEE THE DOMAIN


x	$f(x)$
4	-3
5	3

 \therefore Domain: $x > 4$
 Range: $f(x) > -3$

Question 67 (***)

The piecewise continuous function f is even with domain $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

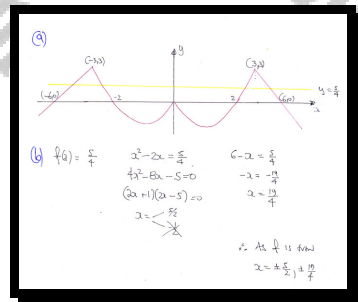
It is defined by

$$f(x) \equiv \begin{cases} x^2 - 2x & 0 \leq x \leq 3 \\ 6 - x & x > 3 \end{cases}$$

- a) Sketch the graph of f for all values of x .
- b) Solve the equation

$$f(x) = \frac{5}{4}$$

$$\boxed{}, x = \pm \frac{5}{2}, \pm \frac{19}{4}$$



Question 68 (***)

$$f(x) = x^2 - 4x - 5, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq 2.$$

- Find the range of $f(x)$.
- State the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.
- Sketch the graph of $f^{-1}(x)$, marking clearly the coordinates of any points where the graph meets the coordinate axes.

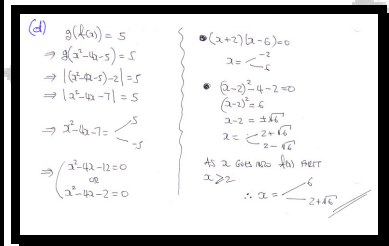
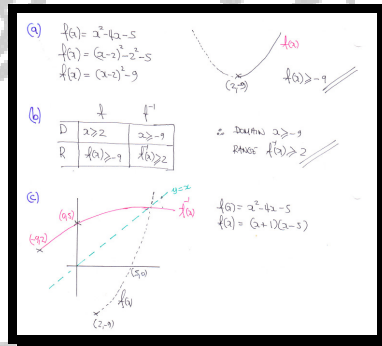
The function g is given

$$g(x) = |x - 2|, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- Find, in exact form where appropriate, the solutions of the equation

$$gf(x) = 5.$$

$$\boxed{f(x) \geq -9}, \quad \boxed{x \geq -9, \quad f^{-1}(x) \geq 2}, \quad \boxed{x = 2 + \sqrt{6}, \quad x = 6}$$



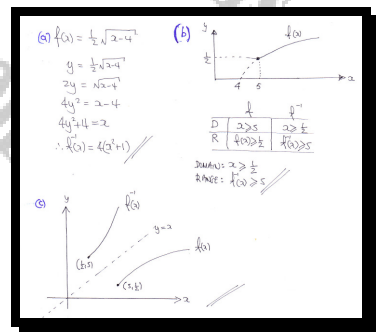
Question 68 (***)

The function f is given by

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{x-4}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \geq 5.$$

- Determine an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$, in its simplest form.
- Find the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.
- Sketch in the same diagram the graph of $f(x)$ and the graph of $f^{-1}(x)$.

$$f^{-1}(x) = 4(x^2 + 1), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \geq \frac{1}{2}, \quad f^{-1}(x) \in \mathbb{R}, f^{-1}(x) \geq 5$$



Question 70 (****)

The functions f and g are defined by

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x+4}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq -3$$

$$g(x) = 2x^2 - 3, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \leq 47$$

- a) Find a simplified expression for $gf(x)$.
- b) Determine the domain and range of $gf(x)$.
- c) Solve the equation

$$fg(x) = 17.$$

$$\boxed{}, \quad \boxed{gf(x) = 2x + 5}, \quad \boxed{-3 \leq x \leq 5}, \quad \boxed{-1 \leq gf(x) \leq 15}, \quad \boxed{x = -12}$$

a) SIMPLIFIED EXPRESSION

$$g(f(x)) = g(\sqrt{x+4}) = 2(\sqrt{x+4})^2 - 3 = 2(x+4) - 3 = 2x + 5$$

b) LOOKING AT f DETERMINE

$x \geq -3$

$x \leq 47$

$f(x) > 1$ BECAUSE IT GIVES INTO g — CHECKING

$$\begin{aligned} g(x) &\leq 47 \\ 2x - 3 &\leq 47 \\ 2x &\leq 50 \\ x &\leq 25 \\ -5 &\leq x < 25 \end{aligned}$$

SO THE INEQUALITIES $x \geq -3$ AND $x \leq 25$ ARE THE SAME AS $-3 \leq x \leq 25$ AND HERE $-5 \leq x < 25$

\therefore DOMAIN $-3 \leq x \leq 5$

FOR THE RANGE OF $gf(x) = 2x + 5$

RANGE $-1 \leq gf(x) \leq 15$

c) FINDING $f(x)$ AS PART OF THE REVERSE EQUATION

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow f(x) &= 17 \\ \Rightarrow \sqrt{2x-3} &= 17 \\ \Rightarrow \sqrt{2x-3} + 0 &= 17 \\ \Rightarrow 2x-3 &= 17^2 \\ \Rightarrow 2x &= 288 \\ \Rightarrow x &= 144 \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow 2x < 144$ (NOT ON THE EQUATION)

$\Rightarrow x < 72$

Question 71 (****)

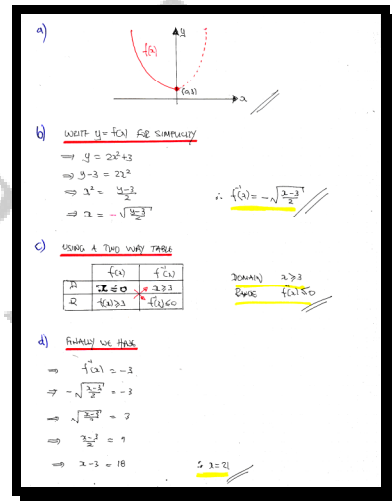
The function $f(x)$ is given by

$$f(x) = 2x^2 + 3, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \leq 0.$$

- a) Sketch the graph of $f(x)$.
- b) Find $f^{-1}(x)$ in its simplest form.
- c) Find the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.
- d) Solve the equation

$$f^{-1}(x) = -3.$$

, $f^{-1}(x) = -\sqrt{\frac{x-3}{2}}$, $x \in \mathbb{R}, x \geq 3$, $f(x) \in \mathbb{R}, f(x) \leq 0$, $x = 21$



Question 72 (****)

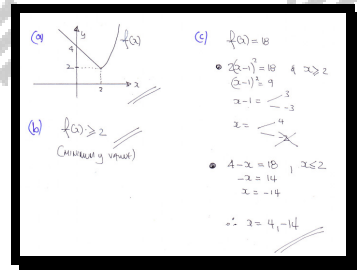
The function f is defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 4-x, & x \in \mathbb{R}, x \leq 2 \\ 2(x-1)^2, & x \in \mathbb{R}, x \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

- a) Sketch the graph of $f(x)$.
- b) State the range of $f(x)$.
- c) Solve the equation

$$f(x) = 18.$$

, $f(x) \geq 2$, $x = -14, 4$



Question 73 (***)

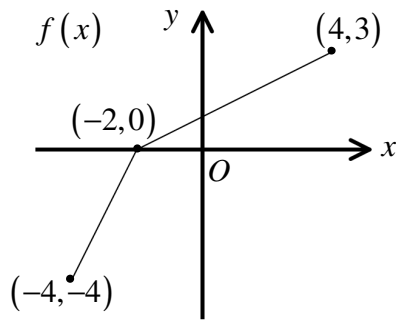


figure 1

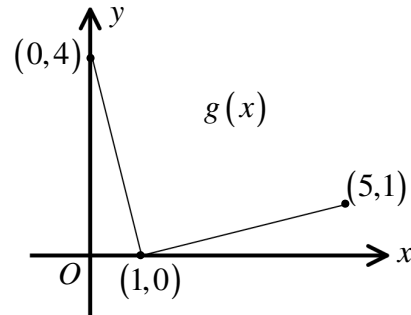


figure 2

Figure 1 and figure 2 above, show the graphs of two piecewise continuous functions $f(x)$ and $g(x)$, respectively.

Each graph consists of two straight line segments joining the points with the coordinates shown in each figure.

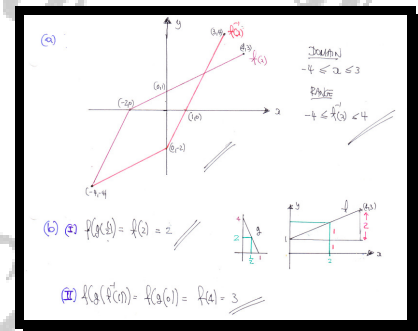
a) Sketch on the same set of axes the graphs of $f(x)$ and its inverse $f^{-1}(x)$, stating the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.

b) Evaluate ...

i. ... $fg\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$.

ii. ... $fgf^{-1}(1)$.

$\boxed{-4 \leq x \leq 3}$, $\boxed{-4 \leq x \leq 3}$, $\boxed{-4 \leq f^{-1}(x) \leq 4}$, $\boxed{fg\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 2}$, $\boxed{fgf^{-1}(1) = 3}$



Question 74 (***)

$$f(x) = 2 - \frac{1}{x}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 0.$$

- a) Sketch the graph of $f(x)$.
- b) State the range of $f(x)$.
- c) Find as a simplified fraction, an expression for $ff(x)$.
- d) Hence, show that

$$fff(x) = \frac{4x-3}{3x-2}.$$

$$f(x) \in \mathbb{R}, f(x) \neq 2, \quad ff(x) = \frac{3x-2}{2x-1}$$

(a) $\frac{1}{x} \rightarrow -\frac{1}{x} \rightarrow \frac{1}{x} + 2$

(b) $f(x) \in \mathbb{R}, f(x) \neq 2$

(c) $ff(x) = f\left(2 - \frac{1}{x}\right) = 2 - \frac{1}{2 - \frac{1}{x}} = 2 - \frac{x}{2x-1}$
 $= \frac{4x-2-x}{2x-1} = \frac{3x-2}{2x-1}$

(d) $fff(x) = f\left(\frac{3x-2}{2x-1}\right) = 2 - \frac{1}{\frac{3x-2}{2x-1}} = 2 - \frac{2x-1}{3x-2}$
 $= \frac{6x-4-(2x-1)}{3x-2} = \frac{4x-3}{3x-2}$ // Equates

Question 75 (****)

The functions f and g satisfy

$$f(x) = 2e^{\frac{1}{2}x}, x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$g(x) = \ln 4x, x \in \mathbb{R}, x > \frac{1}{4}$$

- Find $fg(x)$ in its simplest form.
- Find the domain and range of $fg(x)$.
- Solve the equation

$$fg(x) = 3x + 1.$$

$$\boxed{}, \boxed{fg(x) = 4\sqrt{x}}, \boxed{x \in \mathbb{R}, x > \frac{1}{4}}, \boxed{fg(x) \in \mathbb{R}, f(x) > 2}, \boxed{x = 1, x \neq \frac{1}{9}}$$

(a) $fg(x) = f(\ln 4x) = 2e^{\frac{1}{2}(\ln 4x)} = 2e^{\frac{1}{2}(\ln 4) + \frac{1}{2}(\ln x)} = 2e^{\frac{1}{2} \ln 4} \cdot 2e^{\frac{1}{2} \ln x} = 2 \cdot 2 \cdot e^{\frac{1}{2} \ln x} = 4e^{\frac{1}{2} \ln x} = 4\sqrt{x}$

(b) Domain: $x > \frac{1}{4}$

(c) $4\sqrt{x} = 3x + 1$
 $\Rightarrow (4\sqrt{x})^2 = (3x + 1)^2$
 $\Rightarrow 16x = 9x^2 + 6x + 1$
 $\Rightarrow 0 = 9x^2 - 10x + 1$
 $\Rightarrow 0 = (3x - 1)(3x - 1)$
 $\Rightarrow 3x - 1 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{3}$ (not in domain)

OR $4\sqrt{x} = 3x + 1$
 $\Rightarrow 0 = 3x - 4\sqrt{x} + 1$
 $\Rightarrow 0 = (3\sqrt{x} - 1)(\sqrt{x} - 1)$
 $\Rightarrow \sqrt{x} = 1$
 $\Rightarrow x = 1$ (in domain)

Question 76 (***)

The function $f(x)$ is given by

$$f(x) = \frac{4}{x-2}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 2.$$

- a) Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$, in its simplest form.
- b) State the domain of $f^{-1}(x)$.

The function g is defined as

$$g(x) = x^2 - 8x + 10, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \geq k.$$

- c) Given that $g^{-1}(x)$ exists, find the least value of k .

$$\boxed{f^{-1}(x) = \frac{2x+4}{x}}, \quad \boxed{x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 0}, \quad \boxed{k=4}$$

(a) $y = \frac{4}{x-2}$
 $yx - 2y = 4$
 $yx = 4 + 2y$
 $x = \frac{4+2y}{y}$
 $\therefore f^{-1}(x) = \frac{4+2x}{x} = \frac{2x+4}{x}$

(b) As domain of $f(x)$ is $\mathbb{R} \setminus \{2\}$, (x ≠ 2), the range of $f(x)$ is $\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$.
 \therefore in the inverse, where $y=0$ is there, $x=2$ is not allowed.
 $x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 0$ ← from part (a)

(c) $g(x) = x^2 - 8x + 10$
 $= (x-4)^2 - 6$

$\therefore a \geq -6$
 \therefore least $k = 4$

Question 77 (****)

The functions f and g are given below

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2-2x}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \neq 0, x \neq \frac{1}{2}, x \neq 1$$

$$g(x) = ff(x).$$

a) Find a simplified expression for $g(x)$.

b) Hence show clearly that

$$ffff(x) = x.$$

c) Find an expression for the inverse function $g^{-1}(x)$.

$$g(x) = \frac{1-x}{1-2x}, \quad g^{-1}(x) = \frac{1-x}{1-2x}$$

Handwritten solution for Question 77:

(a) $g(x) = f(f(x)) = f\left(\frac{1}{2-2x}\right) = \frac{1}{2-2\left(\frac{1}{2-2x}\right)} = \frac{1}{2-\frac{2}{2-2x}} = \frac{1}{2-\frac{1}{1-x}} = \frac{1-x}{1-2x}$

(b) $ffff(x) = g(g(x)) = g\left(\frac{1-x}{1-2x}\right) = \frac{1-\frac{1-x}{1-2x}}{1-2\left(\frac{1-x}{1-2x}\right)} = \frac{\frac{(1-2x)-(1-x)}{1-2x}}{1-\frac{2(1-x)}{1-2x}} = \frac{\frac{-x}{1-2x}}{\frac{1-2x-2(1-x)}{1-2x}} = \frac{-x}{1-2x} \cdot \frac{1-2x}{1-2+2x} = \frac{-x}{-1+x} = x$

(c) Since $g(g(x)) = x \Rightarrow g(x) = g^{-1}(x) \therefore g^{-1}(x) = \frac{1-x}{1-2x}$

Question 78 (***)

$$f(x) = x^2 - 6x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \leq 3.$$

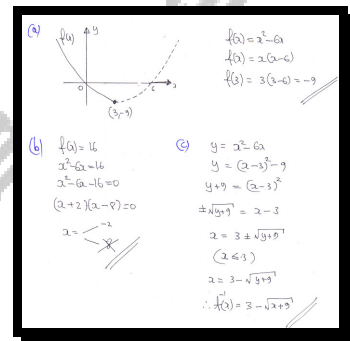
a) Find the range of $f(x)$.

b) Solve the equation

$$f(x) = 16.$$

c) Find an expression for the inverse function $f^{-1}(x)$.

$$f(x) \geq -9, \quad x = -2, \quad f^{-1}(x) = 3 - \sqrt{x+9}$$



Question 79 (***)

The following functions are defined as follows

$$f(x) = 3 - x^2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$


$$g(x) = \frac{2}{x+1}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \neq -1.$$

- Find the range of $f(x)$.
- Find $g^{-1}(x)$ in its simplest form, further stating its range.
- Determine the composite function $gf(x)$.
- Find the domain of $gf(x)$.
- Solve the equation

$$gf(x) = \frac{8}{15}.$$

$$\boxed{f(x) \leq 3}, \quad \boxed{g^{-1}(x) = \frac{2}{x} - 1 = \frac{2-x}{x}}, \quad \boxed{g^{-1}(x) \neq -1}, \quad \boxed{gf(x) = \frac{2}{4-x^2}}, \quad \boxed{x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq \pm 2},$$

$$\boxed{x = \pm \frac{1}{2}}$$

(a)  $f(x) \leq 3$

(b) $y = \frac{2}{x+1}$
 $yx + y = 2$
 $yx = 2 - y$
 $x = \frac{2-y}{y}$
 $g^{-1}(x) = \frac{2-x}{x}$

D	$\frac{2-x}{x}$	$\frac{2}{x}$	$\frac{1}{x}$
R	$x \neq 0$	$g(x) \in \mathbb{R}$	$g(x) \neq 1$

\therefore Range: $g(x) \in \mathbb{R}$
 $x \neq -1$

(c) $g(f(x)) = g(3-x^2) = \frac{2}{(3-x^2)+1} = \frac{2}{4-x^2}$

(d) $\frac{2}{4-x^2} = \frac{8}{15}$
 $\frac{1}{4-x^2} = \frac{4}{15}$
 $15 = 4(4-x^2)$
 $15 = 16 - 4x^2$
 $1 = 4x^2$
 $x^2 = \frac{1}{4}$
 $x = \pm \frac{1}{2}$

Question 80 (***)

The function f is given by

$$f : x \mapsto \frac{3-x}{1+x}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \leq -2.$$

- a) Show that for some constants a and b

$$\frac{3-x}{1+x} \equiv a + \frac{b}{1+x}.$$

- b) Sketch the graph of f and hence state its range.

- c) Show that $ff(x) = x$, for all $x \leq -2$.

- d) Without finding $f^{-1}(x)$ explain how part (c) can be used to deduce $f^{-1}(x)$.

$$\boxed{a = -1}, \quad \boxed{b = 4}, \quad \boxed{-5 \leq f(x) < -1}$$

(a) $a + \frac{b}{1+x} = \frac{a(1+x)+b}{1+x} = \frac{a+ax+b}{1+x} = \frac{ax+(a+b)}{1+x}$
 compare $a = -1$ $a+b=3$
 $-1+b=3$
 $b=4$

(b) $y = \frac{3-x}{1+x}$
 Sketch of the graph showing a vertical asymptote at $x = -1$ and a horizontal asymptote at $y = -1$. The graph is in the region $x \leq -2$.
 Hence $\bullet f(x) = -5$
 Range $-5 \leq f(x) < -1$

(c) $f(f(x)) = \frac{3-\frac{3-x}{1+x}}{1+\frac{3-x}{1+x}}$
 $= \frac{3 - \frac{3-x}{1+x}}{1 + \frac{3-x}{1+x}}$
 $= \frac{\frac{3(1+x) - (3-x)}{1+x}}{\frac{(1+x) + (3-x)}{1+x}}$
 $= \frac{3+3x-3+x}{1+x+3-x}$
 $= \frac{4x}{4}$
 $= x$

(d) $f(f(x)) = x$ $\therefore f(x) = 2$
 $\therefore f^{-1}(x) = 2$ (Self inverse)

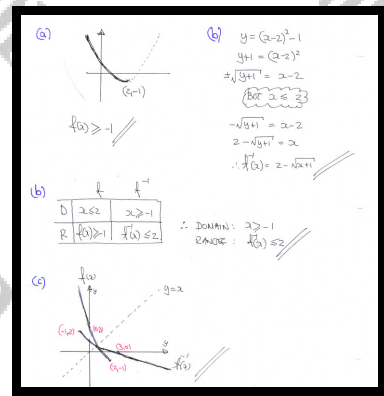
Question 81 (***)

The function $f(x)$ is defined by

$$f(x) = (x-2)^2 - 1, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \leq 2.$$

- Find the range of $f(x)$.
- Find $f^{-1}(x)$ in its simplest form.
- Determine the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.
- Sketch in the same diagram $f(x)$ and $f^{-1}(x)$.

$$\boxed{f(x) \geq -1}, \quad \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = 2 - \sqrt{x+1}}, \quad \boxed{x \geq -1, \quad f^{-1}(x) \leq 2}$$



Question 82 (***)

The functions f and g are defined by

$$f(x) = e^x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$g(x) = \ln(x^2 - 4), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > 2$$

- a) Find the domain and range of $gf(x)$.
- b) Find the domain of $fg(x)$.
- c) Solve the equation

$$fg(x) = 5.$$

$$x > \ln 2, \quad gf(x) \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > 2, \quad x = 3$$

(a) $f(x) = e^x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$
 $g(x) = \ln(x^2 - 4), \quad x > 2$

$gf(x) = g(e^x) = \ln(e^{2x} - 4)$

IN \xrightarrow{f} OUT \xrightarrow{g} OUT
 $x \in \mathbb{R} \xrightarrow{f} e^x \xrightarrow{g} \ln(e^{2x} - 4)$

$f(x) > 2$
 $e^x > 2$
 $x > \ln 2$

\therefore Domain of $gf(x)$ is $x > \ln 2$

Range: $gf(x) \in \mathbb{R}$
 This is equivalent to the graph of $y = \ln t, \quad t > 0$
 or $y = \ln(x^2 - 4), \quad x > 2$

(b) $f(g(x))$
 IN \xrightarrow{g} OUT \xrightarrow{f} OUT
 $x > 2 \xrightarrow{g} \ln(x^2 - 4) \xrightarrow{f} e^{\ln(x^2 - 4)}$

(c) $f(g(x)) = 5$
 $\Rightarrow f(\ln(x^2 - 4)) = 5$
 $\Rightarrow e^{\ln(x^2 - 4)} = 5$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 - 4 = 5$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 = 9$
 $\Rightarrow x = 3$

Question 83 (****)

The functions f and g are defined by

$$f(x) = e^x - 3, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$g(x) = x + 1, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

a) Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$, the inverse of $f(x)$.

b) State the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.

c) Solve the equation

$$fgf(x) = 2(e-1),$$

giving the final answer in terms of logarithms in its simplest form.

d) Find an exact solution of the equation

$$fgf(x) = e.$$

$$f^{-1}(x) = \ln(x+3), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > -3, \quad f^{-1}(x) \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x = \ln 2, \quad x = \ln[2 + \ln(3+e)]$$

Handwritten solution for Question 83:

(a) $y = e^x - 3$
 $y + 3 = e^x$
 $x = \ln(y+3)$
 $f^{-1}(x) = \ln(x+3)$

(b) Domain: $x > -3$
 Range: $y \in \mathbb{R}$

(c) $g(f(g(x))) = 2(e-1)$
 $g(f(x+1)) = 2(e-1)$
 $3[e^{x+1} - 3] = 2(e-1)$
 $(e^{x+1} - 3) + 1 = 2(e-1)$
 $e^{x+1} - 2 = 2e - 2$
 $e^{x+1} = 2e$
 $e^x = 2$
 $x = \ln 2$

(d) $f(g(f(x))) = e$
 $f(g(e^x - 3)) = e$
 $f(e^{e^x - 3} + 1) = e$
 $e^{e^x - 2} = e$
 $e^{e^x - 2} = e^1$
 $e^x - 2 = 1$
 $e^x = 3$
 $x = \ln 3$

Question 84 (****)

The functions f and g are defined by

$$f(x) = x^2 + 3x - 7, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$g(x) = ax + b, \quad x \in \mathbb{R},$$

where a and b are positive constants.

When the composition $fg(x)$ is divided by $(x+2)$ the remainder is 21, while $(x-1)$ is a factor of the composition $gf(x)$.

Determine the value of a and the value of b .

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Handwritten solution for Question 84:

- $f(g(x)) = (ax+b)^2 + 3(ax+b) - 7$
 $= a^2x^2 + 2abx + b^2 + 3ax + 3b - 7$
 $= a^2x^2 + (2ab+3a)x + (b^2+3b-7)$
- $g(f(x)) = a(x^2 + 3x - 7) + b$
 $= ax^2 + 3ax - 7a + b$
- $f(g(-2)) = 21$
 $4a^2 - 2(2ab+3a) + b^2 + 3b - 7 = 21$
 $4a^2 - 4ab - 6a + b^2 + 3b - 28 = 0$
- $g(f(1)) = 0$
 $a + 3a - 7a + b = 0$
 $b = 3a$
- $4a^2 - 4a(3a) - 6a + (3a)^2 + 3(3a) - 28 = 0$
 $4a^2 - 12a^2 - 6a + 9a^2 + 9a - 28 = 0$
 $a^2 + 3a - 28 = 0$
 $(a-4)(a+7) = 0$
 $a = 4$ (since $a > 0$)
- $b = 3a = 12$ (since $b > 0$)

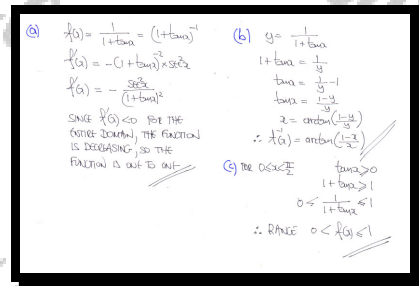
Question 85 (****)

The function f is defined as

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{1 + \tan x}, \quad 0 \leq x < \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

- a) Use differentiation to show that f is a one to one function.
- b) Find a simplified expression for the inverse of f .
- c) Determine the range of f .

, $f^{-1}(x) = \arctan\left(\frac{1-x}{x}\right)$, $0 < f(x) \leq 1$



Question 86 (***)

The function f is defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x+1, & x \in \mathbb{R}, x \leq 2 \\ (x-2)^2 + 3, & x \in \mathbb{R}, x > 2 \end{cases}$$

- a) Sketch the graph of $f(x)$.
- b) Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$, fully specifying its domain.

, $f(x) = \begin{cases} x-1, & x \in \mathbb{R}, x \leq 3 \\ 2 + \sqrt{x-3}, & x \in \mathbb{R}, x > 3 \end{cases}$

a) SKETCHING EACH SECTION SEPARATELY MAKING SURE THAT BOTH SECTIONS AGREE AT $x=2$

b) TREATING EACH SECTION SEPARATELY

• $f_1(x) = x+1$
 $y = x+1$
 $x = y-1$
 $f_1^{-1}(x) = x-1$

• $f_2(x) = (x-2)^2 + 3$
 $y = (x-2)^2 + 3$
 $y-3 = (x-2)^2$
 $x-2 = \pm\sqrt{y-3}$
 $(x > 2 \Rightarrow \text{take } + \text{ sign})$
 $x-2 = \sqrt{y-3}$
 $x = 2 + \sqrt{y-3}$
 $f_2^{-1}(x) = 2 + \sqrt{x-3}$

∴ $f^{-1}(x) = \begin{cases} x-1 & x \leq 3 \\ 2 + \sqrt{x-3} & x > 3 \end{cases}$

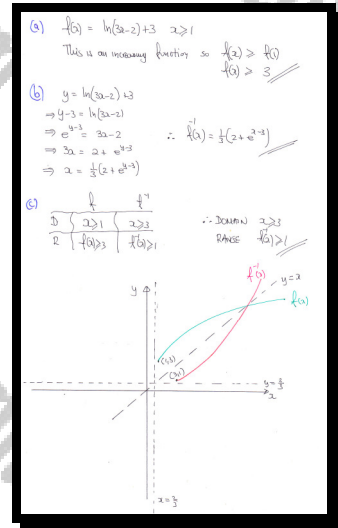
Question 87 (***)

The function $f(x)$ is defined by

$$f(x) = \ln(3x-2) + 3, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq 1.$$

- Find the range of $f(x)$.
- Find $f^{-1}(x)$ in its simplest form.
- Find the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.
- Sketch in the same diagram $f(x)$ and $f^{-1}(x)$.

$$\boxed{f(x) \geq 3}, \quad \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{3}(2 + e^{x-3})}, \quad \boxed{x \geq 3, f^{-1}(x) \geq 1}$$



Question 88 (***)

The functions $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are defined by

$$f(x) = \ln x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > 0$$

$$g(x) = e^{3x}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > 1.$$

a) Find, in its simplest form, the function compositions

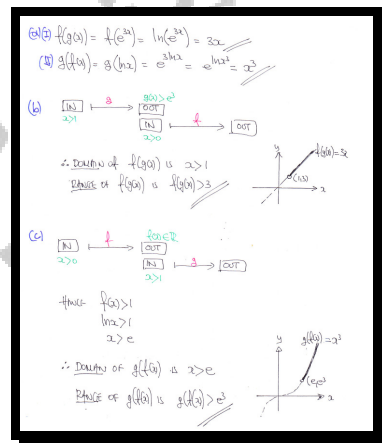
i. $fg(x)$.

ii. $gf(x)$.

b) Find the domain and range of $fg(x)$.

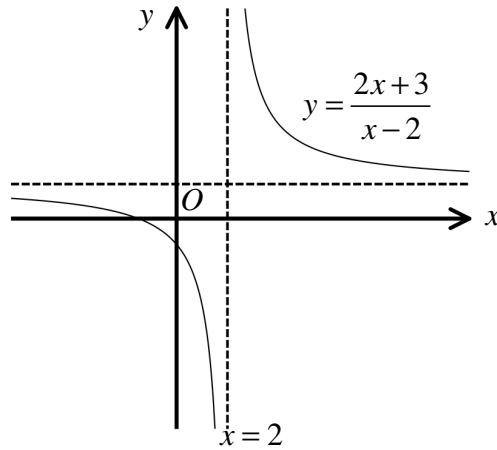
c) Find the domain and range of $gf(x)$.

$$\boxed{fg(x) = 3x}, \quad \boxed{gf(x) = x^3}, \quad \boxed{x > 1, fg(x) > 3}, \quad \boxed{x > e, gf(x) > e^3}$$



Question 89 (***)

The figure below shows the graph of the curve with equation $y = \frac{2x+3}{x-2}$.



- a) Write down the equation of the horizontal asymptote to the curve.

The function f is defined as

$$f(x) = \frac{2x+3}{x-2}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \geq 0, x \neq 2.$$

- b) Find the range of $f(x)$.
- c) Find $f^{-1}(x)$ in its simplest form.
- d) State the range of $f^{-1}(x)$.

$$\boxed{y=2}, \quad \boxed{f(x) \leq -\frac{3}{2} \text{ or } f(x) > 2}, \quad \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = \frac{2x+3}{x-2}}, \quad \boxed{f^{-1}(x) \geq 0, f^{-1}(x) \neq 2}$$

(a) $y = \frac{2x+3}{x-2} = \frac{2(x-2)+7}{x-2} = 2 + \frac{7}{x-2}$
 As $x \rightarrow \infty$, $y \rightarrow 2$. \therefore horizontal asymptote is $y=2$.

(b) $y > 2$ or $y < -\frac{3}{2}$
 RANGE: $f(x) > 2$ or $f(x) < -\frac{3}{2}$

(c) $y = 2 + \frac{7}{x-2}$
 $\Rightarrow y-2 = \frac{7}{x-2}$
 $\Rightarrow x-2 = \frac{7}{y-2}$
 $\Rightarrow x = 2 + \frac{7}{y-2}$
 $\Rightarrow x = \frac{2(y-2)+7}{y-2}$
 $\Rightarrow f^{-1}(y) = \frac{2y+3}{y-2}$

(d)

	f^{-1}	f^{-1}
D	$2 > 0, 2 \neq 2$	$f^{-1}(x) > 0$
R	$f^{-1}(x) > 0$ $f^{-1}(x) \neq 2$	$f^{-1}(x) \neq 2$

$\therefore f^{-1}(x) > 0, f^{-1}(x) \neq 2$

Question 90 (****)

The function $f(x)$ is defined by

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x-2}}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > 2.$$

- a) Find the range of $f(x)$.
- b) Determine a simplified expression for $f^{-1}(x)$, further stating the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.
- c) Show that the equation $f^{-1}(x) = -\frac{3}{x}$ has no real solutions.

, $f(x) > 0$, $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{x^2} + 2$, $x > 0, f^{-1}(x) > 2$

a) ATTEMPTING TO SKETCH THE GRAPH OF $f(x)$

THE RANGE OF $f(x)$ IS $f(x) \in \mathbb{R}, f(x) > 0$

b) LET $y = f(x)$ FOR SIMPLICITY

$y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x-2}}$
 $y^2 = \frac{1}{x-2}$
 $x-2 = \frac{1}{y^2}$
 $x = \frac{1}{y^2} + 2$
 $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{x^2} + 2$

	$f(x)$	$f^{-1}(x)$
D	$x > 2$	$x > 0$
R	$f(x) > 0$	$f^{-1}(x) > 2$

DOMAIN OF $f^{-1}(x)$: $x > 0$
 RANGE OF $f^{-1}(x)$: $f(x) > 2$

c) SOLVING THE GIVEN EQUATION, IN ORDER TO DETERMINE 'WHAT IS THE PROBLEM' WITH THE ROOTS

$\frac{1}{x^2} + 2 = -\frac{3}{x}$
 $1 + 2x^2 = -3x$

$\Rightarrow 2x^2 + 3x + 1 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow (2x+1)(x+1) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow x = -\frac{1}{2}$
 $\Rightarrow x = -1$

NEITHER SOLUTION IS POSSIBLE AS THE DOMAIN OF $f^{-1}(x)$ IS $x > 0$

Question 91 (***)

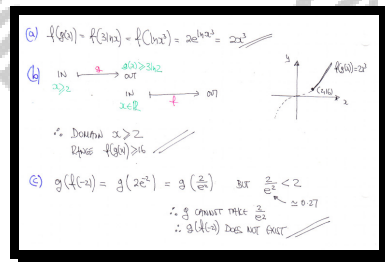
The functions $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are defined by

$$f(x) = 2e^x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$g(x) = 3 \ln x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \geq 2.$$

- a) Find, in its simplest form, the function composition $fg(x)$.
- b) Find the domain and range of $fg(x)$.
- c) Show that $gf(-2)$ does not exist.

$$fg(x) = 2x^3, \quad x \geq 2, \quad fg(x) \geq 16$$



Question 92 (***)

$$f(x) = 2\cos 2x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad 0 \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$g(x) = |x|, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- a) Sketch the graph of $f(x)$.

The sketch must include the coordinates of any points where the curve crosses the coordinate axes.

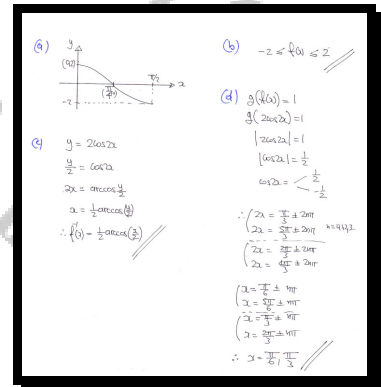
- b) State the range of $f(x)$.

- c) Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$.

- d) Solve the equation

$$gf(x) = 1.$$

$$\left(\frac{\pi}{4}, 0\right), (0, 2), \quad -2 \leq f(x) \leq 2, \quad f^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \arccos\left(\frac{x}{2}\right), \quad x = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{\pi}{3}$$



Question 93 (***)

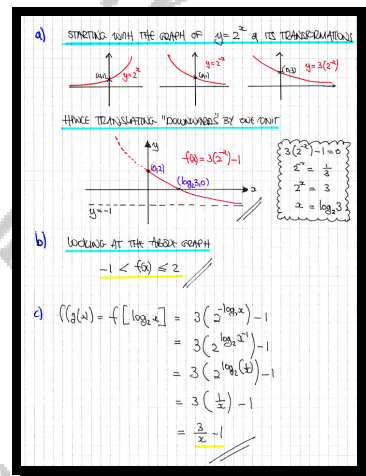
The functions f and g are defined as

$$f(x) = 3(2^{-x}) - 1, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq 0$$

$$g(x) = \log_2 x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq 1.$$

- a) Sketch the graph of f .
- Mark clearly the exact coordinates of any points where the curve meets the coordinate axes. Give the answers, where appropriate, in exact form in terms of logarithms base 2.
 - Mark and label the equation of the asymptote to the curve.
- b) State the range of f .
- c) Find $f(g(x))$ in its simplest form.

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Question 94 (****)

$$f(x) = e^{-2x} + \frac{\ln 2}{x}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > \ln 4.$$

- a) Show that $f(x)$ is a decreasing function.
- b) Find the range of $f(x)$ in its simplest form.

3, $f(x) \in \mathbb{R}, f(x) < \frac{9}{16}$

(a) $f(x) = e^{-2x} + \frac{\ln 2}{x} = e^{-2x} + (\ln 2)x^{-1}$
 $f'(x) = -2e^{-2x} - (\ln 2)x^{-2} = -\left[2e^{-2x} + \frac{\ln 2}{x^2}\right]$
 $e^{-2x} > 0 \Rightarrow 2e^{-2x} > 0$
 $\frac{1}{x^2} > 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\ln 2}{x^2} > 0 \quad \left. \vphantom{\frac{1}{x^2} > 0} \right\} \Rightarrow f'(x) < 0$
 \therefore This is a decreasing function

(b) $f(\ln 4) = \frac{9}{16}$
 $f(x) = e^{-2x} + \frac{\ln 2}{x}$
 $= \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{16}$
 $= \frac{2}{16}$

Question 95 (***)

The function $f(x)$ satisfies

$$f(x) = \frac{2x+1}{x-1}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq 2.$$

a) Show that

$$f(x) = A + \frac{B}{x-1},$$

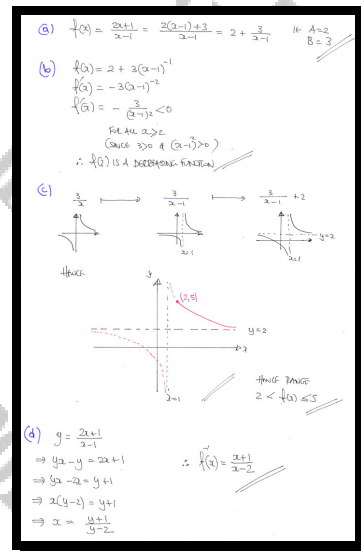
where A and B are positive constants to be found.

b) Show that $f(x)$ is a decreasing function.

c) Sketch the graph of $f(x)$ and hence find its range.

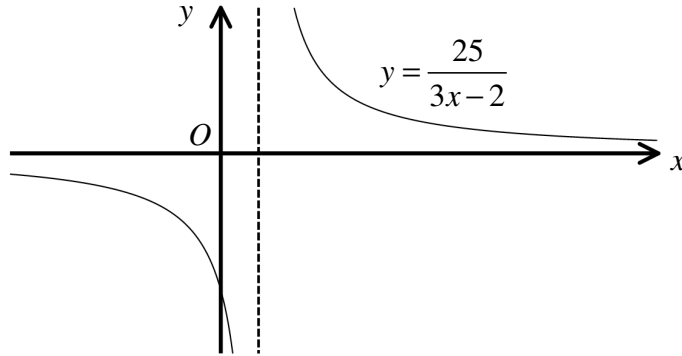
d) Find $f^{-1}(x)$, in its simplest form.

$$\boxed{A = 2, B = 3}, \quad \boxed{f(x) \in \mathbb{R}, \quad 2 < f(x) \leq 5}, \quad \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = \frac{x+1}{x-2}}$$



Question 96 (****)

The figure below shows the graph of the curve C with equation $y = \frac{25}{3x-2}$.



- a) State the equation of the vertical asymptote of the curve, marked with a dotted line in the diagram.

The function f is defined as

$$f(x) = \frac{25}{3x-2}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad 1 < x \leq 9.$$

- b) Write down the range of $f(x)$.
- c) Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$.
- d) State the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.
- e) Solve the equation $f(x^2) = \frac{2}{x-1}$.

$$\boxed{x = \frac{2}{3}}, \quad \boxed{1 \leq f(x) < 25}, \quad \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = \frac{2x+25}{3x}}, \quad \boxed{1 \leq x < 25}, \quad \boxed{1 < f^{-1}(x) \leq 9}, \quad \boxed{x = \frac{7}{6}, 3}$$

(a) $x = \frac{2}{3}$

(b) $1 \leq f(x) < 25$

(c) $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{2x+25}{3x}$

Domain: $1 < x < 25$
Range: $1 < f(x) < 9$

(e) $y = \frac{25}{3x-2}$

$$3xy - 2y = 25$$

$$3xy = 25 + 2y$$

$$x = \frac{25+2y}{3y}$$

$$f^{-1}(y) = \frac{2y+25}{3y}$$

(e) $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{2}{x-1}$

$$\frac{25}{3x-2} = \frac{2}{x-1}$$

$$25x - 25 = 6x^2 - 4$$

$$0 = 6x^2 - 25x + 21$$

$$(6x-7)(x-3) = 0$$

$$x = \frac{7}{6}, 3$$

Question 97 (**)**

The functions $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are defined as

$$f(x) = \frac{2x^2 - 50}{x + 5}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \neq -6.$$

$$g(x) = x^2 + 1, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Show that ...

a) ... $fg(x) = k(x+k)(x-k)$,

stating the value of the constant k .

b) ... $gf(x) = 4x^2 - 40x + 101$.

$k = 2$

(a) $f(g(x)) = f(x^2 + 1) = \frac{2(x^2 + 1)^2 - 50}{(x^2 + 1) + 5} = \frac{2(x^4 + 2x^2 + 1) - 50}{x^2 + 6}$
 $= \frac{2x^4 + 4x^2 - 48}{x^2 + 6} = \frac{2(x^4 + 2x^2 - 24)}{x^2 + 6} = \frac{2(x^2 + 6)(x^2 - 4)}{x^2 + 6}$
 $= 2(x^2 - 4) = 2(x + 2)(x - 2)$

(b) $g(f(x)) = g\left(\frac{2x^2 - 50}{x + 5}\right) = \left(\frac{2x^2 - 50}{x + 5}\right)^2 + 1 = \frac{(2x^2 - 50)^2}{(x + 5)^2} + 1$
 $= \frac{4x^4 - 200x^2 + 2500}{x^2 + 10x + 25} + 1 = \frac{4x^4 - 200x^2 + 2500 + x^2 + 10x + 25}{x^2 + 10x + 25}$
 $= \frac{4x^4 - 199x^2 + 10x + 2525}{x^2 + 10x + 25}$

Question 98 (***)

The functions f and g are defined as

$$f(x) = x^2 - 16, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x < 0$$

$$g(x) = 12 - \frac{1}{2}x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > 8.$$

- a) Find, in any order, ...
- i. ... the range of $f(x)$ and the range of $g(x)$.
 - ii. ... the domain and range of $fg(x)$.

b) Solve the equation

$$fg(x) = g(2x - 22).$$

$$\boxed{}, \quad \boxed{f(x) > -16}, \quad \boxed{g(x) < 8}, \quad \boxed{x > 24}, \quad \boxed{fg(x) > -16}, \quad \boxed{x = 30}$$

q1) SKETCHING THE TWO FUNCTIONS

RANGE OF $f(x)$
 $f(x) > -16$

RANGE OF $g(x)$
 $g(x) < 8$

q2)

$2 > 8 \rightarrow \boxed{8}$ $8 < 24 \rightarrow \boxed{24}$

- $f(g(x)) = f(12 - \frac{1}{2}x) = (12 - \frac{1}{2}x)^2 - 16 = \frac{1}{4}(24 - x)^2 - 16$
- THE DOMAINS MUST SATISFY $2 > 8$ AND $8 < 24$
- $12 - \frac{1}{2}x < 0$
 $-\frac{1}{2}x < -12$
 $x > 24$
- THE RANGE CAN BE FOUND BY INSPECTION OR BY LOOKING AT THE GRAPH. OFFSHOOT
 $f(g(x)) > -16$

c) SOLVING THE EQUATION

$$\Rightarrow -f(g(x)) = f(2x - 22)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{4}(24 - x)^2 - 16 = 12 - \frac{1}{2}(2x - 22)$$

(FOUR IS FOUR TIMES)

$$\Rightarrow (24 - x)^2 - 64 = 48 - 2(2x - 22)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 48x + 576 - 64 = 48 - 4x + 44$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 - 44x + 430 = 0$$

BY THE QUADRATIC FORMULA OR FACTORIZATION

$$\Rightarrow (x - 30)(x - 14) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \begin{matrix} & \diagdown & \\ & 30 & \\ & \diagup & \end{matrix} \quad x > 24$$

Question 99 (****)

The functions f and g are defined by

$$f(x) = 2x + 3, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \leq 8$$

$$g(x) = x^2 - 1, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq 0.$$

Find the domain and range of $fg(x)$.

, $0 \leq x \leq 3$, $1 \leq fg(x) \leq 19$

Handwritten solution for finding the domain and range of the composite function $fg(x)$.

$f(x) = 2x + 3, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \leq 8$
 $g(x) = x^2 - 1, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq 0$

To find the domain, look at the diagram below

$x \geq 0 \rightarrow g(x) \rightarrow x \leq 8 \rightarrow f(x) \rightarrow fg(x)$

The domain of $f(g(x))$ must satisfy $x \geq 0$ and $g(x) \leq 8$

$\Rightarrow g(x) \leq 8$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 - 1 \leq 8$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 \leq 9$
 $\Rightarrow -3 \leq x \leq 3$
 $\Rightarrow 0 \leq x \leq 3$ (since $x \geq 0$)

To find the range it might be helpful to obtain the composition first, in order to sketch it for the range domain

$f(g(x)) = f(x^2 - 1)$
 $= 2(x^2 - 1) + 3$
 $= 2x^2 + 1$

Looking at the diagram, the range of $f(g(x))$ is $1 \leq f(g(x)) \leq 19$

The diagram shows a coordinate system with a parabola $y = 2x^2 + 1$ for $x \geq 0$. The vertex is at $(0, 1)$ and the curve passes through $(3, 19)$. The domain $0 \leq x \leq 3$ is indicated on the x-axis, and the corresponding range $1 \leq y \leq 19$ is shown on the y-axis.

Question 100 (****)

The functions f and g are given by

$$f : x \mapsto x^2, x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

$$g : x \mapsto 2x+1, x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- a) Solve the equation

$$fg(x) = gf(x).$$

- b) Find the inverse function of g .

The function h is defined on a suitable domain such so that

$$ghf(x) = 3 - 2x^2, x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- c) Determine an equation of h .

$$\boxed{}, \boxed{x = -2 \cup x = 0}, \boxed{g^{-1}(x) = \frac{x-1}{2}}, \boxed{h(x) = 1-x}$$

Handwritten solution for Question 100:

a) FORMING EXPRESSIONS & SOLVE THE EQUATION
 $\Rightarrow f(g(x)) = g(f(x))$
 $\Rightarrow f(2x+1) = g(x^2)$
 $\Rightarrow (2x+1)^2 = 2x^2+1$
 $\Rightarrow 4x^2+4x+1 = 2x^2+1$
 $\Rightarrow 2x^2+4x = 0$
 $\Rightarrow 2x(x+2) = 0$
 $\therefore x = 0$ or $x = -2$

b) LET $g(x) = y$
 $y = 2x+1$
 $2x = y-1$
 $x = \frac{1}{2}(y-1)$
 $\therefore g^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{2}(x-1)$

c) PROCEED AS FOLLOWS
 $ghf(x) = 3 - 2x^2$
 $g(g^{-1}h(x)) = g^{-1}(3 - 2x^2)$
CHANGE TO IDENTIFY
 $h(x) = \frac{1}{2}(3 - 2x^2 - 1)$
 $h(x) = \frac{1}{2}(2 - 2x^2)$
 $h(x) = 1 - x^2$
 $\therefore h(x) = 1 - x^2$
 or $h(x) = 1 - x$

Question 101 (***)

The piecewise continuous function f is even with domain $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $-6 \leq x \leq 6$.

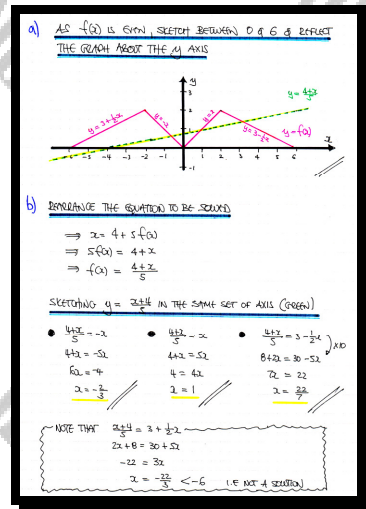
It is defined by

$$f(x) \equiv \begin{cases} x & 0 \leq x \leq 2 \\ 3 - \frac{1}{2}x & 2 \leq x \leq 6 \end{cases}$$

- a) Sketch the graph of f for $-6 \leq x \leq 6$.
 b) Hence, solve the equation

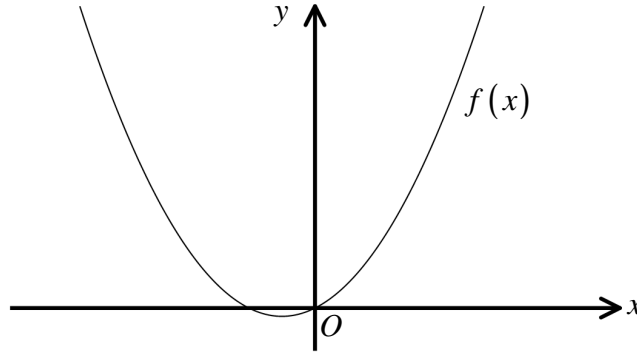
$$x = 4 + 5f(x).$$

$$\boxed{x = -\frac{2}{3}} \cup x = 1 \cup x = \frac{22}{7}$$



Question 102 (***)

The graph below shows the graph of a function $f(x)$.



The function f is defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} ax^2 + x, & x \in \mathbb{R}, x \leq 1 \\ bx^3 + 2, & x \in \mathbb{R}, x > 1 \end{cases}$$

The function is **continuous** and **smooth**.

Find the value of a and the value of b .

, $a = 4, b = 3$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} ax^2 + x & x \leq 1 \\ bx^3 + 2 & x > 1 \end{cases} \Rightarrow f(x) = \begin{cases} 2ax + 1 & x \leq 1 \\ 3bx^2 & x > 1 \end{cases}$$

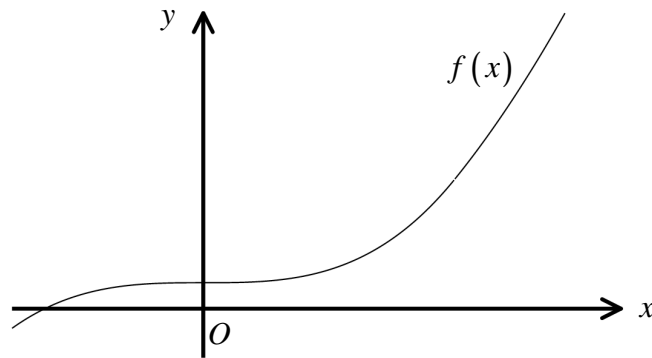
- continuity
 $ax^2 + x = bx^3 + 2$ at $x = 1$
 $a + 1 = b + 2$
 $a - b = 1$
- smooth
 $2ax + 1 = 3bx^2$ at $x = 1$
 $2a + 1 = 3b$
 $2a - 3b = -1$

$a = b + 1$

$2(b + 1) - 3b = -1$
 $2b + 2 - 3b = -1$
 $-b = -3$
 $b = 3$

$a = 4$

Question 103 (****)



The figure above shows the graph of a function $f(x)$, defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} ax^3 + 2, & x \in \mathbb{R}, x \leq 2 \\ bx^2 - 2, & x \in \mathbb{R}, x > 2 \end{cases}$$

The function is **continuous** and **smooth**.

Find the value of a and the value of b .

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AS THE SECTIONS ARE BOTH POLYNOMIALS THE ONLY PLACE WHERE DISCONTINUITY AND LACK OF SMOOTHNESS CAN OCCUR IS AT $x=2$

CONTINUITY AT $x=2$

$$\begin{aligned} ax^3 + 2 &= bx^2 - 2 \\ 8a + 2 &= 4b - 2 \\ 8a - 4b &= -4 \\ 2a - b &= -1 \end{aligned}$$

SMOOTHNESS AT $x=2$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx}(ax^3 + 2) &= \frac{d}{dx}(bx^2 - 2) \\ 3ax^2 &= 2bx \\ 12a &= 4b \\ b &= 3a \end{aligned}$$

SOIVING YIELDS

$$\begin{aligned} 2a - (3a) &= -1 \\ -a &= -1 \\ a &= 1 \end{aligned} \quad a = 1 \quad b = 3$$

Question 104 (***)

The function $f(x)$ is defined by

$$f(x) \equiv 3 - 2x^2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \leq 0.$$

- a) State the range of $f(x)$.
- b) Show that $ff(x) = -8x^4 + 24x^2 - 15$ and hence solve the equation $ff(x) = -47$.
- c) Find an expression for the inverse function, $f^{-1}(x)$.
- d) Solve the equation

$$f(x) = f^{-1}(x).$$

$$\boxed{x = -2}, \quad \boxed{f(x) \leq 3}, \quad \boxed{x = -2}, \quad \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = -\sqrt{\frac{3-x}{2}}}, \quad \boxed{x = -\frac{3}{2}}$$

a) Sketch the function

b) Find the composition $ff(x)$

$$ff(x) = f(3 - 2x^2) = 3 - 2(3 - 2x^2)^2 = 3 - 2(9 - 12x^2 + 4x^4)$$

$$= 3 - 18 + 24x^2 - 8x^4 = -8x^4 + 24x^2 - 15$$

Solve the required equation

$$\Rightarrow -8x^4 + 24x^2 - 15 = -47$$

$$\Rightarrow -8x^4 + 24x^2 + 32 = 0 \quad \div (-8)$$

$$\Rightarrow x^4 - 3x^2 - 4 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x^2 + 1)(x^2 - 4) = 0$$

THIS IS A QUADRATIC IN x^2

$$\Rightarrow (x^2 + 1)(x - 2)(x + 2) = 0$$

↑
REMEMBER AS $x^2 + 1 \neq 0$

$$\Rightarrow x = \begin{matrix} > \\ < \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} 2 \\ -2 \end{matrix}$$

NOT IN THE DOMAIN

$$\Rightarrow \underline{x = -2}$$

c) Using standard methodology

$$\Rightarrow y = 3 - 2x^2$$

$$\Rightarrow 2x^2 = 3 - y$$

$$\Rightarrow x^2 = \frac{3-y}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \pm \sqrt{\frac{3-y}{2}}$$

BUT $x \leq 0$

$$\Rightarrow x = -\sqrt{\frac{3-y}{2}}$$

$$\therefore f^{-1}(x) = -\sqrt{\frac{3-x}{2}}$$

d) Solving $f = f^{-1}$ i.e. $3 - 2x^2 = -\sqrt{\frac{3-x}{2}}$ by inspection

WE CAN CHECK EITHER $f(x) = x$
OR $f^{-1}(x) = x$ (SIMILAR)

$$\Rightarrow 3 - 2x^2 = x$$

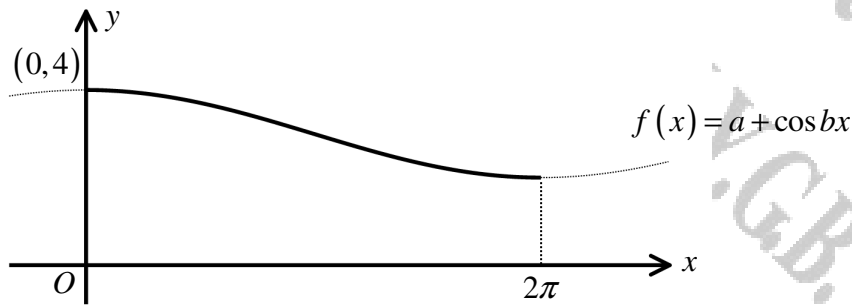
$$\Rightarrow 0 = 2x^2 + x - 3$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = (2x + 3)(x - 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \begin{matrix} < \\ > \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} -\frac{3}{2} \\ 1 \end{matrix}$$

NOT IN THE DOMAIN

Question 105 (***)



The figure above shows the graph of the function

$$f(x) = a + \cos bx, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 2\pi,$$

where a and b are non zero constants.

The stationary points $(0, 4)$ and $(2\pi, 2)$ are the endpoints of the graph.

- State the range of $f(x)$ and hence find the value of a and the value of b .
- Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$, the inverse function of $f(x)$.
- State the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.
- Find the gradient at the point on $f(x)$ with coordinates $(\frac{4\pi}{3}, \frac{5}{2})$.
- State the gradient at the point on $f^{-1}(x)$ with coordinates $(\frac{5}{2}, \frac{4\pi}{3})$.

$$\boxed{}, \quad \boxed{2 \leq f(x) \leq 4}, \quad \boxed{a = 3, b = \frac{1}{2}}, \quad \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = 2 \arccos(x - 3)}, \quad \boxed{2 \leq x \leq 4},$$

$$\boxed{0 \leq f^{-1}(x) \leq 2\pi}, \quad \boxed{-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}}, \quad \boxed{-\frac{4}{\sqrt{3}}}$$

(a) RANGE: $2 \leq f(x) \leq 4$
 $-1 \leq \cos bx \leq 1$
 $2 \leq a + \cos bx \leq 4$
 $a = 3$

(b) $y = 3 + \cos(\frac{1}{2}x)$
 $y - 3 = \cos(\frac{1}{2}x)$
 $\arccos(y - 3) = \frac{1}{2}x$
 $x = 2 \arccos(y - 3)$
 $f^{-1}(x) = 2 \arccos(x - 3)$

(c) $f^{-1}(x) = 2 \arccos(x - 3)$
 $f^{-1}(0) = -\frac{4\pi}{3}$
 $f^{-1}(4) = \frac{4\pi}{3}$

(d) $f^{-1}(x) = 2 \arccos(x - 3)$
 $f^{-1}(\frac{5}{2}) = 2 \arccos(\frac{5}{2} - 3) = 2 \arccos(-\frac{1}{2}) = \frac{4\pi}{3}$

(e) RECIPROCAL RELATIONSHIP
 $\frac{1}{f'(x)} = -\frac{1}{f'(f^{-1}(x))}$
 $\frac{1}{-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}} = -\frac{1}{f'(f^{-1}(\frac{5}{2}))}$
 $f'(f^{-1}(\frac{5}{2})) = \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}}$

Question 106 (***)

The function f is defined in a suitable domain of real numbers and satisfies

$$f(x) = \ln\left(\frac{e-x}{e+x}\right).$$

- a) Show that f is odd.
- b) Determine the largest possible domain of f .
- c) Solve the equation

$$f(x) + f(x+1) = 0.$$

$$\boxed{}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad -e < x < e, \quad x = -\frac{1}{2}$$

a) $f(x) = \ln\left(\frac{e-x}{e+x}\right)$

$$f(-x) = \ln\left(\frac{e-(-x)}{e+(-x)}\right) = \ln\left(\frac{e+x}{e-x}\right) = \ln\left(\frac{e-x}{e+x}\right)^{-1}$$

$$= -\ln\left(\frac{e-x}{e+x}\right) = -f(x)$$

$\therefore f(x)$ is odd

b) To find the largest possible domain

- $e+x \neq 0$
 $x \neq -e$
- The log's argument must be positive

$$\frac{e-x}{e+x} > 0$$

$$\frac{(e-x)(e+x)}{(e+x)(e+x)} > 0$$

$$\frac{(e-x)(e+x)}{(e+x)^2} > 0$$

As the denominator is always positive
 $(e-x)(e+x) > 0$

\therefore Largest possible domain
 $x \in \mathbb{R}, -e < x < e$

Finally solving the equation

$$f(x) + f(x+1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln\left(\frac{e-x}{e+x}\right) + \ln\left(\frac{e-(x+1)}{e+(x+1)}\right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln\left(\frac{e-x}{e+x}\right) + \ln\left(\frac{e-x-1}{e+x+1}\right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln\left[\frac{e-x}{e+x} \times \frac{e-x-1}{e+x+1}\right] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(e-x)(e-x-1)}{(e+x)(e+x+1)} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow (e-x)(e-x-1) = (e+x)(e+x+1)$$

$$\Rightarrow (e-x)^2 - (e-x) = (e+x)^2 + (e+x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \cancel{e^2} - 2ex + x^2 - e + x = \cancel{e^2} + 2ex + x^2 + e + x$$

$$\Rightarrow -2e = 4ex$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -\frac{1}{2}$$

Question 107 (***)

The functions f and g are defined by

$$f(x) = 2x + 3, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \leq 4$$

$$g(x) = x^2 - 4, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq 1.$$

Find the domain and range of $gf(x)$.

, $-1 \leq x \leq 4$, $-3 \leq gf(x) \leq 117$

Handwritten solution for Question 107:

$f(x) = 2x + 3, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \leq 4$
 $g(x) = x^2 - 4, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq 1$

LOOKING AT THE DIAGRAM BELOW

$\begin{matrix} \mathbb{N} & \xrightarrow{f} & \mathbb{R} & \xrightarrow{g} & \mathbb{R} \\ 2x \leq 4 & & & & 2x > 1 \end{matrix}$

THE DOMAIN MUST SATISFY

- $2x \leq 4$ AND $2x + 3 > 1$
- $2x \geq -2$
- $2 \geq -1$

$\therefore -1 \leq x \leq 4$

TO FIND THE RANGE (BEST TO FIND AN EXPRESSION FOR THE COMPOSITION)

$gf(x) = g(2x+3) = (2x+3)^2 - 4$

LOOKING AT THE GRAPH WITH THE DOMAIN ABOVE

$-3 \leq gf(x) \leq 117$

Graph of $y = (2x+3)^2 - 4$ for $x \in [-1, 4]$. The vertex is at $(-1.5, -4)$. The function is increasing on the interval $[-1, 4]$. The range is from $y = -3$ at $x = -1$ to $y = 117$ at $x = 4$.

Question 108 (***)

The function f satisfies

$$f(x) \equiv x^2 - 4x + 1, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > 4.$$

- a) Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$.
- b) Determine the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.
- c) Solve the equation

$$f(x) = f^{-1}(x).$$

$$\boxed{}, \quad \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = 2 + \sqrt{x+3}}, \quad \boxed{x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > 1}, \quad \boxed{f^{-1}(x) \in \mathbb{R}, \quad f^{-1}(x) > 4},$$

$$\boxed{x = \frac{5 + \sqrt{21}}{2}}$$

a) $f(x) = x^2 - 4x + 1, \quad x > 4$
 $y = x^2 - 4x + 1$
 $y - 1 = x^2 - 4x$
 $y - 1 + 4 = x^2 - 4x + 4$
 $x - 2 = \pm \sqrt{y+3}$
 $x - 2 = 2 + \sqrt{y+3} \quad (x > 4)$
 $x = 2 + \sqrt{y+3}$
 $f^{-1}(y) = 2 + \sqrt{y+3}$

b) Sketching $f(x)$

x	4	x^2
1	$2 > 4$	$2 > 1$
2	$f(x) > 1$	$f(x) > 4$

 \therefore Domain of $f^{-1}(x)$: $x > 1$
 Range of $f^{-1}(x)$: $f^{-1}(x) > 4$

c) USING THE FACT THAT $f^{-1}(x) = f(x)$ CAN BE SOLVED AT $f(x) = x$ OR $f(x) = x$ (IF IT IS CONVENIENT) OR $f(x) = x$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 - 4x + 1 = 2 + \sqrt{x+3}$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 - 4x - 1 = \sqrt{x+3}$
 $\Rightarrow (x-2)^2 - 5 = \sqrt{x+3}$
 $\Rightarrow (x-2)^2 = \sqrt{x+3} + 5$
 $\Rightarrow x - 2 = \frac{5 + \sqrt{21}}{2}$
 $\Rightarrow x = \frac{5 + \sqrt{21}}{2}$
 BUT AS $x > 4$
 $\Rightarrow x = \frac{5 + \sqrt{21}}{2}$

Question 109 (***)

The functions $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are given by

$$f(x) = 3x - k, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq 1, \quad k \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$g(x) = 2x^2 + 4, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq 0$$

- State the range of $f(x)$.
- Find an expression for $gf(x)$ in terms of k .
- Find the range of values of k which allows $gf(x)$ to be formed.
- Find the value of k , given that $gf(3) = 102$.

$$f(x) \in \mathbb{R}, f(x) \geq 3 - k, \quad f(x) \in \mathbb{R}, 2(3x - k)^2 + 4, \quad k \leq 3, \quad k = 2, k \neq 16$$

Handwritten solution for Question 109:

(a) $f(x) \geq 3 - k$

(b) $g(f(x)) = g(3x - k) = 2(3x - k)^2 + 4$

(c) $f(x) \geq 0$ or $g(x) \geq 0$

$3x - k \geq 0 \implies 3x \geq k$

For $x \geq 1$, $\therefore k < 3$

$k \leq 3x$

(d) $g(f(3)) = 102 \implies 2(9 - k)^2 + 4 = 102$

$\implies (9 - k)^2 = 49$

$\implies 9 - k = \pm 7$

$\implies k = 2$ or $k = 16$

$k = 16$ is rejected because $k < 3$.

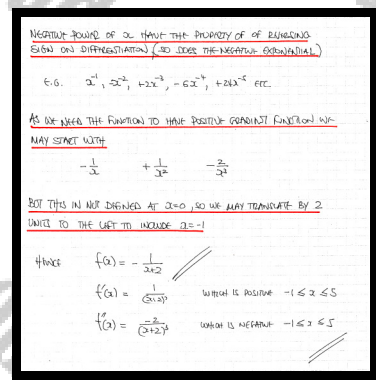
Question 110 (****)

The function $f(x)$ has domain $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $-1 \leq x \leq 5$.

It is further given that $f'(x) > 0$ and $f''(x) < 0$

Find a possible equation of $f(x)$, which **does not** contain exponentials.

, $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+2}$



Question 111 (***)

The function f is defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -x^2 + 8x - 5, & x \in \mathbb{R}, x \leq 2 \\ x^2 - 2x + 8, & x \in \mathbb{R}, x > 2 \end{cases}$$

- a) Show that $f \dots$
- \dots is not continuous.
 - \dots is an increasing function.

Let the set A be defined

$$A = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : 1 \leq x \leq 3\}.$$

- b) Determine the range of $f(A)$.
- c) Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$, indicating clearly its domain.

$$\boxed{}, \quad \boxed{f(A) \in [2, 7] \cup (8, 11]}, \quad \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = \begin{cases} 4 - \sqrt{11-x} & x \leq 7 \\ 1 + \sqrt{1+x} & x > 8 \end{cases}}$$

$f(x) = \begin{cases} -x^2 + 8x - 5, & x \in \mathbb{R}, x \leq 2 \\ x^2 - 2x + 8, & x \in \mathbb{R}, x > 2 \end{cases}$

a) i) AS POLYNOMIALS ARE CONTINUOUS THE ONLY PLACE WHERE DISCONTINUITY MIGHT OCCUR IS AT $x=2$

$f(2) = -2^2 + 8(2) - 5 = -4 + 16 - 5 = 7$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} f(x) = 2^2 - 2(2) + 8 = 4 - 4 + 8 = 8$

OR SIMPLY SUBSTITUTE $x=2$ INTO THE 'SECOND' SECTION

\therefore NOT CONTINUOUS AS THERE IS A 'JUMP' FROM 7 TO 8 AT $x=2$

ii) CONSIDERING THE SEPARATE SECTIONS

- $f_1(x) = -x^2 + 8x - 5, x \leq 2$
 $f_1(x) = -x^2 + 8$
 NOW $x \leq 2$
 $-x^2 \geq -4$
 $-x^2 + 8 \geq 4$
 $f_1(x) \geq 4$
- $f_2(x) = x^2 - 2x + 8, x > 2$
 $f_2(x) = 2x - 2$
 NOW $x > 2$
 $2x > 4$
 $2x - 2 > 2$
 $f_2(x) > 2$

$f(x) > 0$ FOR ALL x , SO f IS INCREASING

b) LOOKING AT THE GRAPH OF f

$f(x)$ CAN TAKE VALUES BETWEEN 2 AND 11, EXCLUDING THE GAP

$\therefore f(A) \in [2, 7] \cup (8, 11]$

c) TREATING EACH SECTION SEPARATELY

- $y = -x^2 + 8x - 5, x \leq 2$
 $-y = x^2 - 8x + 5$
 $-y = (x-4)^2 - 11$
 $\Rightarrow 11 - y = (x-4)^2$
 $\Rightarrow x - 4 = \pm \sqrt{11 - y}$
 $\Rightarrow x = 4 \pm \sqrt{11 - y}$
- $y = x^2 - 2x + 8, x > 2$
 $y = (x-1)^2 + 7$
 $\Rightarrow y - 7 = (x-1)^2$
 $\Rightarrow x - 1 = \pm \sqrt{y - 7}$
 $\Rightarrow x = 1 \pm \sqrt{y - 7}$

$\therefore f^{-1}(x) = \begin{cases} 4 - \sqrt{11-x} & 2 \leq 7 \\ 1 + \sqrt{1+x} & 8 < x \leq 11 \end{cases}$

Question 112 (***)

The function $f(x)$ is defined

$$f(x) = x^2(x+2), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > 0.$$

a) Show that $f(x)$ is invertible.

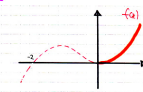
b) Solve the equation

$$f(x) = f^{-1}(x).$$

$$x = -1 + \sqrt{2}$$

a) EASIEST IS TO SHOW THAT f IS AN INCREASING FUNCTION IN ITS DOMAIN

$\rightarrow f(x) = x^2(x+2) \quad x > 0$
 $\rightarrow f(x) = x^3 + 2x^2$
 $\rightarrow f'(x) = 3x^2 + 4x$
 IF $x > 0$, $f'(x) > 0$
 $\therefore f$ IS AN INCREASING FUNCTION, & THEREFORE INVERTIBLE



b) THE SOLUTION SET OF $f(x) = f^{-1}(x)$ IS EQUAL TO THAT OF $f(x) = x$ OR INDEED $f^{-1}(x) = x$

$\Rightarrow f(x) = x$
 $\Rightarrow x^3 + 2x^2 = x$
 $\Rightarrow x(x+2) = 1 \quad (x \neq 0)$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 + 2x = 1$
 $\Rightarrow (x+1)^2 - 1 = 1$
 $\Rightarrow (x+1)^2 = 2$
 $\Rightarrow x+1 = \pm\sqrt{2}$
 $\Rightarrow x = -1 \pm \sqrt{2}$
 $\rightarrow x = -1 + \sqrt{2} \quad x > 0$

Question 113 (***)

The function f is defined as

$$f : x \mapsto 6 - \ln(x+3), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \geq -2.$$

Consider the following sequence of transformations T_1 , T_2 and T_3 .

$$\ln x \xrightarrow{T_1} \ln(x+3) \xrightarrow{T_2} -\ln(x+3) \xrightarrow{T_3} -\ln(x+3) + 6.$$

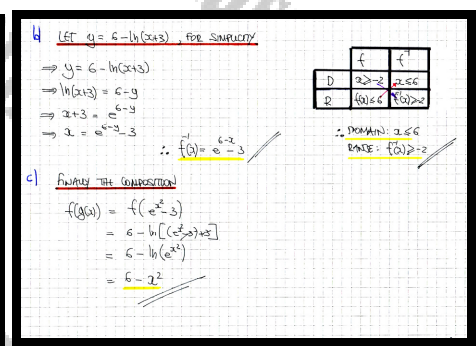
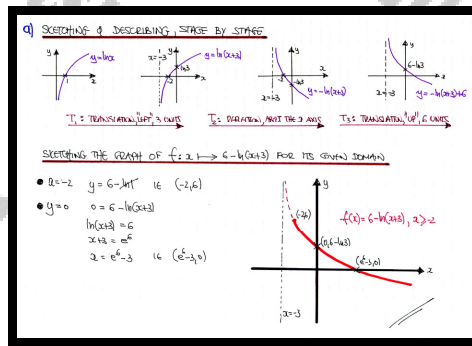
- Describe geometrically T_1 , T_2 and T_3 , and hence sketch the graph of $f(x)$. Indicate clearly any intersections with the axes and the graph's starting point.
- Find, in its simplest form, an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$, stating further the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.

The function g satisfies

$$g : x \rightarrow e^{x^2} - 3, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- Find, in its simplest form, an expression for the composition $fg(x)$.

, $T_1 =$ translation, "left", 3 units , $T_2 =$ reflection about x -axis ,
 $T_3 =$ translation, "up", 6 units , $(0, 6 - \ln 3)$, $(-3 + e^6, 0)$, $(-2, 6)$,
 $f^{-1} : x \mapsto -3 + e^{6-x}$, $x \leq 6$, $f^{-1}(x) \geq -2$, $fg : x \mapsto 6 - x^2$



Question 114 (****+)

The functions $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are defined by

$$f(x) = \frac{4}{x+3}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x > 0$$

$$g(x) = 9 - 2x^2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq 2.$$

- a) Find, in its simplest form, the function $fg(x)$.
- b) Find the domain of $fg(x)$.
- c) Find in exact form where appropriate the solutions of the equation

$$|fg(x)| = 1.$$

- d) Solve the equation

$$f(x) = f^{-1}(x).$$

$$\boxed{fg(x) = \frac{2}{6-x^2}}, \quad \boxed{2 \leq x < \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}}, \quad \boxed{x = 2, x \neq \pm 2\sqrt{2}, x \neq -2}, \quad \boxed{x = 1, x \neq -4}$$

(a) $fg(x) = f(1-2x) = \frac{4}{9-2x^2+3} = \frac{4}{6-x^2}$
 (b) $9-2x^2 > 0$
 $2x^2 - 9 < 0$
 $(2x-3)(2x+3) < 0$
 $-\frac{3}{2} < x < \frac{3}{2}$
 $x \geq 2$
 \therefore Domain $2 \leq x < \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{2}$
 (c) $|fg(x)| = 1$
 $\frac{4}{6-x^2} = \pm 1$
 $6-x^2 = \pm 4$
 $-x^2 = \pm 2$
 $x^2 = \mp 2$
 $x = \pm 1$
 $\therefore x = 1$
 (d) $f(x) = f^{-1}(x)$
 $\frac{4}{x+3} = x+3$
 $4 = (x+3)^2$
 $0 = x^2 + 6x + 5$
 $0 = (x+1)(x+5)$
 $x = -1$ or $x = -5$

Question 115 (***)

The functions f and g are defined by

$$f(x) = 2x + 1, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \leq 5$$

$$g(x) = \sqrt{x-1}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq 10.$$

- a) Find an expression for the composite function $fg(x)$, further stating its domain and range.

The domain of $g(x)$ is next changed to $x > a$.

- b) Given that now $gf(x)$ **cannot** be formed, determine the smallest possible value of the constant a .

$$\boxed{a=10}, \quad \boxed{fg(x) = 1 + 2\sqrt{x-1}}, \quad \boxed{x \in \mathbb{R}, 10 \leq x \leq 26}, \quad \boxed{fg(x) \in \mathbb{R}, 7 \leq fg(x) \leq 11}, \quad \boxed{a=26}$$

a) STARTING WITH THE COMPOSITION

$$f(g(x)) = f(\sqrt{x-1}) = 2\sqrt{x-1} + 1 //$$

NEXT THE DOMAIN

IN g OUT f IN g OUT f

$$x \geq 10 \quad \sqrt{x-1} \quad 2x+1 \quad x \leq 5 \quad 2x+1$$

IT MUST SATISFY BOTH

$$x \geq 10 \quad \text{AND} \quad \sqrt{x-1} \leq 5$$

$$x-1 \leq 25$$

$$x \leq 26 //$$

\therefore DOMAIN $x \in \mathbb{R}$ SUCH THAT $10 \leq x \leq 26 //$

TO FIND THE RANGE WE NEED TO SEE THE RANGE OF $f(g(x))$

RANGE OF $f(g(x))$

$f(g(x)) \in \mathbb{R}$ SUCH THAT $7 \leq f(g(x)) \leq 11 //$

b) WORKING AGAIN AT THE DIAGRAM OF THE COMPOSITION

IN g OUT f IN g OUT f

$$x > a \quad \sqrt{x-1} \quad x \leq 5$$

$$\sqrt{x-1} > 5$$

$$\sqrt{x-1} > 5$$

$$x-1 > 25$$

$$x > 26 //$$

If $a = 26 //$

Question 116 (***)

The function f satisfies

$$f(x) = 4 - \frac{3}{x^2 + 2}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \geq 1.$$

- By considering the horizontal asymptote of $f(x)$ and showing further it is an increasing function, find its range.
- Find $f^{-1}(x)$, in its simplest form.
- Find the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.

$$\boxed{f(x) \in \mathbb{R}, 3 \leq f(x) < 4}, \quad \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2x-5}{4-x}}}, \quad \boxed{x \in \mathbb{R}, 3 \leq x < 4}, \quad \boxed{f(x) \in \mathbb{R}, f(x) \geq 1}$$

(a) $f(x) = 4 - \frac{3}{x^2+2}$ As $x \rightarrow \infty$, $\frac{3}{x^2+2} \rightarrow 0$, $y \rightarrow 4$ (Horizontal Asymptote)

$f'(x) = 4 - 3(x^2+2)^{-1}$
 $f'(x) = 3(x^2+2)^{-2} \cdot 2x = \frac{6x}{(x^2+2)^2}$ As $x > 1$, $x > 0$
 $\therefore f'(x) > 0$, $f(x)$ is increasing.
 \therefore RANGE: $3 \leq f(x) < 4$

(b) $y = 4 - \frac{3}{x^2+2}$
 $\rightarrow \frac{3}{x^2+2} = 4-y$
 $\rightarrow \frac{3x^2}{3} = \frac{1}{4-y}$
 $\rightarrow x^2+2 = \frac{3}{4-y}$
 $\rightarrow x^2 = \frac{3}{4-y} - 2$
 $\rightarrow x^2 = \frac{3-2(4-y)}{4-y}$
 $\rightarrow x^2 = \frac{2y-5}{4-y}$
 $\rightarrow x = \sqrt{\frac{2y-5}{4-y}}$

(c) f^{-1}
 $\begin{matrix} 3 & 2 > 1 & 3 \leq x < 4 \\ 2 & 3 \leq f(x) < 4 & f(x) \geq 1 \end{matrix}$
 \therefore Domain: $3 \leq x < 4$
 RANGE: $f(x) > 1$

Question 117 (***)

The function f is given by

$$f(x) = 1 + \sqrt{x+1}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq 0.$$

- a) Find an expression for the inverse function $f^{-1}(x)$.
- b) Determine the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.
- c) Solve the equation

$$f(x) = f^{-1}(x).$$

$$f^{-1}(x) = x^2 - 2x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq 0, \quad f^{-1}(x) \in \mathbb{R}, \quad f^{-1}(x) \geq 0, \quad x = 3$$

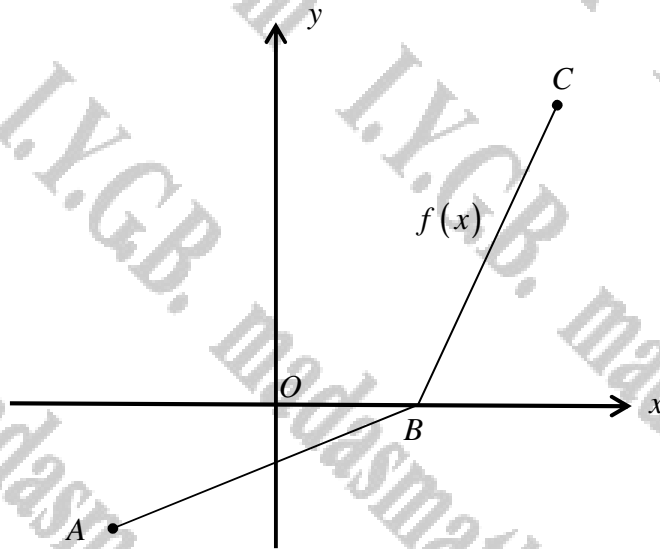
Handwritten solution for Question 117:

(a) $y = 1 + \sqrt{x+1}$
 $y - 1 = \sqrt{x+1}$
 $(y-1)^2 = x+1$
 $x = (y-1)^2 - 1$
 $x = y^2 - 2y + 1 - 1$
 $\therefore f^{-1}(x) = x^2 - 2x$

(b) $f^{-1}(x) = x^2 - 2x$
 Domain: $x \geq 2$
 Range: $f(x) \geq 0$

(c) $f(x) = f^{-1}(x)$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 - 2x = x$
 $\Rightarrow x^2 - 3x = 0$
 $\Rightarrow x(x-3) = 0$
 $\therefore x = 3$

Question 118 (****+)



The above figure shows the graph of the function $f(x)$, consisting of two straight line segments starting at $A(-4, -4)$ and $B(6, 8)$ meeting at the point $C(4, 0)$.

- State the range of $f(x)$.
- Evaluate $ff(4)$.
- Hence find $fff(5)$.

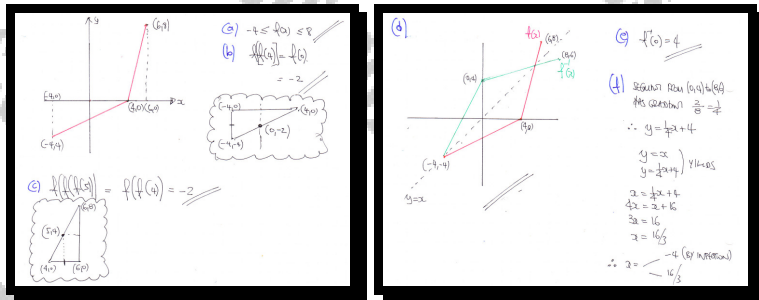
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The inverse of $f(x)$ is $f^{-1}(x)$.

- d) Sketch the graph of $f^{-1}(x)$.
- e) State the value of $f^{-1}(x)$.
- f) Solve the equation $f(x) = f^{-1}(x)$.

$-4 \leq f(x) \leq 6$, $ff(4) = -2$, $fff(5) = -2$, $f^{-1}(0) = 4$, $x = -4, \frac{16}{3}$



Question 119 (***)

The functions f and g are given by

$$f(x) = 5e^{-x} + 1, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq 0$$

$$g(x) = 2x + 1, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

a) Find ...

i. ... an expression for $gf(x)$.

ii. ... the range of $gf(x)$.

iii. ... the domain of $fg(x)$.

b) Show that the only solution of the equation $fg(x) = 5e^{2x+1} - 9$ can be written as

$$x = \frac{1}{2} \left[-1 + \ln(1 + \sqrt{2}) \right].$$

$$\boxed{gf(x) = 10e^{-x} + 3}, \quad \boxed{3 < gf(x) \leq 13}, \quad \boxed{x \geq -\frac{1}{2}}$$

Handwritten solution for Question 119:

(a) (i) $gf(x) = g(5e^{-x} + 1) = 2(5e^{-x} + 1) + 1 = 10e^{-x} + 3$

(ii) Range of $gf(x)$: $3 < gf(x) \leq 13$

(iii) Domain of $fg(x)$: $x \geq -\frac{1}{2}$

(b) $fg(x) = 5e^{2x+1} - 9$

$f(2x+1) = 5e^{-(2x+1)} + 1 = g$

$5e^{-(2x+1)} + 1 = 5e^{2x+1} - 9$

$5e^{-(2x+1)} - 5e^{2x+1} + 10 = 0$

$e^{-(2x+1)} - e^{2x+1} + 2 = 0$

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

$\frac{1}{a} - a + 2 = 0 \quad (a = e^{2x+1})$

$1 - a^2 + 2a = 0$

$0 = a^2 - 2a - 1$

$0 = (a-1)^2 - 2$

$2 = (a-1)^2$

$a-1 = \pm \sqrt{2}$

$a = 1 \pm \sqrt{2}$

$e^{2x+1} = 1 \pm \sqrt{2}$

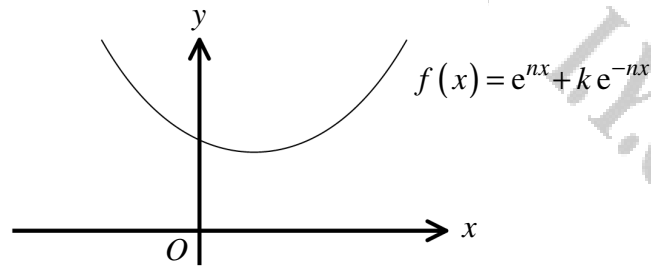
$2x+1 = \ln(1 \pm \sqrt{2})$

$2x = \ln(1 \pm \sqrt{2}) - 1$

$x = \frac{1}{2} [\ln(1 \pm \sqrt{2}) - 1]$

Since $x \geq -\frac{1}{2}$, we take the positive root: $x = \frac{1}{2} [-1 + \ln(1 + \sqrt{2})]$

Question 120 (****+)



The figure above shows the graph of the function with equation

$$f(x) = e^{nx} + k e^{-nx}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad k > 1, \quad n > 0.$$

Find the range of $f(x)$ in exact form.

, $f(x) \geq 2\sqrt{k}$

LOCATE THE CO-ORDINATES OF THE MINIMUM BY DIFFERENTIATION

$$f(x) = e^{nx} + k e^{-nx}$$

$$f'(x) = n e^{nx} - n k e^{-nx}$$

Set $f'(x) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow n e^{nx} - n k e^{-nx} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{nx} - k e^{-nx} = 0 \quad \text{if } \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{nx} = k e^{-nx}$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{2nx} = k$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{2nx} = \sqrt{k} \quad e^{2nx} > 0$$

NEXT WE CAN FIND THE y CO-ORDINATE - WE DON'T REQUIRE x

$$\Rightarrow y = e^{nx} + k e^{-nx}$$

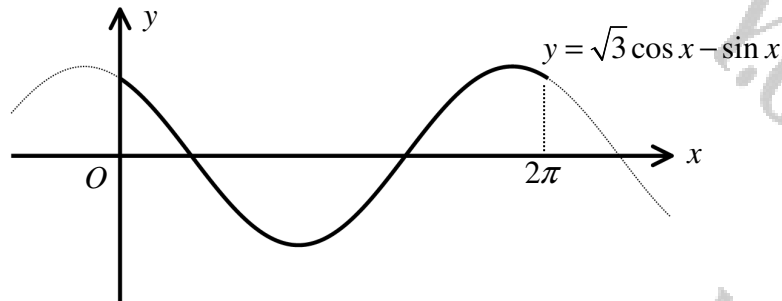
$$\Rightarrow y = \sqrt{k} + \frac{k}{\sqrt{k}}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \sqrt{k} + \sqrt{k}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 2\sqrt{k}$$

\therefore THE RANGE IS $f(x) \geq 2\sqrt{k}$

Question 121 (***)



The graph of $y = \sqrt{3} \cos x - \sin x$ for $0 \leq x \leq 2\pi$ is shown in the figure above.

- a) Express $\sqrt{3} \cos x - \sin x$ in the form $R \cos(x + \alpha)$, $R > 0$, $0 < \alpha < \frac{\pi}{2}$.

The function f is defined as

$$f(x) = \sqrt{3} \cos x - \sin x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 2\pi.$$

- b) State the range of $f(x)$.
- c) Explain why $f(x)$ does not have an inverse.

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The function $g(x)$ is defined as

$$g(x) = \sqrt{3} \cos x - \sin x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad 0 < x_1 \leq x \leq x_2 < 2\pi.$$

The ranges of $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are the same and the inverse function $g^{-1}(x)$ exists.

d) Find ...

i. ... the value of x_1 and the value of x_2 .

ii. ... an expression for $g^{-1}(x)$.

$$\boxed{}, \quad \boxed{\sqrt{3} \cos x - \sin x = 2 \cos\left(x + \frac{\pi}{6}\right)}, \quad \boxed{2 \leq f(x) \leq 2}, \quad \boxed{x_1 = \frac{5\pi}{6}}, \quad \boxed{x_2 = \frac{11\pi}{6}},$$

$$\boxed{g^{-1}(x) = -\frac{\pi}{6} + \arccos\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)}$$

Handwritten solution for part d):

(a) $\sqrt{3} \cos x - \sin x = 2 \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \cos x - \frac{1}{2} \sin x \right)$
 $= 2 \left(\cos\left(x + \frac{\pi}{6}\right) \right) = 2 \cos\left(x + \frac{\pi}{6}\right)$

(b) RANGE: $-2 \leq f(x) \leq 2$

(c) BECAUSE $f(x)$ IS NOT A ONE-TO-ONE FUNCTION, E.G. $f(x) = 0$ HAS TWO UNIQUE SOLUTIONS.

(d) i) $2 \cos\left(x + \frac{\pi}{6}\right) = 2$
 $\cos\left(x + \frac{\pi}{6}\right) = 1$
 $x + \frac{\pi}{6} = 0$
 $x = -\frac{\pi}{6} + 2\pi$
 $x = \frac{11\pi}{6}$

$2 \cos\left(x + \frac{\pi}{6}\right) = -2$
 $\cos\left(x + \frac{\pi}{6}\right) = -1$
 $x + \frac{\pi}{6} = \pi$
 $x = \frac{5\pi}{6}$
 $\therefore x_1 = \frac{5\pi}{6}$ and $x_2 = \frac{11\pi}{6}$

(ii) $f = 2 \cos\left(x + \frac{\pi}{6}\right)$
 $\frac{1}{2} = \cos\left(x + \frac{\pi}{6}\right)$
 $\arccos\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = x + \frac{\pi}{6}$
 $x = -\frac{\pi}{6} + \arccos\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$

$\therefore g^{-1}(x) = -\frac{\pi}{6} + \arccos\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$

Question 122 (***)

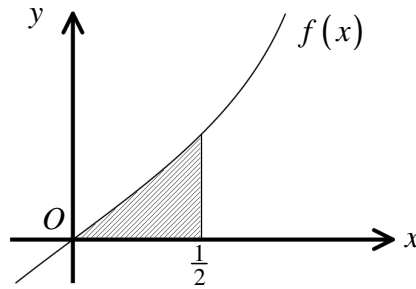
The function f is defined as

$$f(x) = \ln\left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right), \quad |x| < 1.$$

- Show that $f(x)$ is an odd function.
- Find an expression for $f'(x)$ as a single simplified fraction, showing further that $f'(x)$ is an even function.
- Determine an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$.
- Use the substitution $u = e^x + 1$ to find the exact value of

$$\int_0^{\ln 3} f^{-1}(x) \, dx.$$

The figure below shows part of the graph of $f(x)$.



- Find an exact value for the area of the shaded region, bounded by $f(x)$, the coordinate axes and the straight line with equation $x = \frac{1}{2}$.

$$\boxed{}, \quad \boxed{f'(x) = \frac{2}{1-x^2}}, \quad \boxed{f'(x) = \frac{e^x - 1}{e^x + 1}}, \quad \boxed{\ln\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)}, \quad \boxed{\text{area} = \frac{3}{2} \ln 3 - 2 \ln 2 \approx 0.262}$$

[solution overleaf]

a) USING THE STANDARD METHOD

$$f(-x) = \ln\left[\frac{1+(-x)}{1-(-x)}\right] = \ln\left(\frac{1-x}{1+x}\right) = \ln\left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right)^{-1}$$

$$= -\ln\left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right) = -f(x)$$

AS $f(-x) = -f(x)$ THE FUNCTION IS ODD

b) DIFFERENTIATING AFTER MANIPULATING

$$f(x) = \ln\left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right) = \ln(1+x) - \ln(1-x)$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{1+x} + \frac{1}{1-x}$$

$$f(x) = \frac{(1-x) + (1+x)}{(1-x)(1-x)}$$

$$f'(x) = \frac{2}{1-x^2}$$

CHECKING $f'(-x)$

$$f'(-x) = \frac{2}{1-(-x)^2} = \frac{2}{1-x^2} = f'(x)$$

AS $f'(-x) = f'(x)$, $f(x)$ IS EVEN

c) WRITE $f(x)$ AS g & h SEPARATELY

$$g = \ln\left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right) \Rightarrow e^g = \frac{1+x}{1-x}$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{g(1-x)} = 1+x$$

$$\Rightarrow e^g - xe^g = 1+x$$

$$\Rightarrow e^g(1-x) = 1+x$$

$$\Rightarrow x(1+e^g) = e^g - 1$$

$\Rightarrow x = \frac{e^g - 1}{e^g + 1}$

$$\therefore f'(x) = \frac{e^g - 1}{e^g + 1}$$

d) $\int_0^{\ln 3} f'(x) dx = \int_0^{\ln 3} \frac{e^g - 1}{e^g + 1} dg$

$$= \int_0^{\ln 3} \frac{e^g - 1}{e^g + 1} dg = \int_0^{\ln 3} \frac{u-1}{u+1} du$$

... PARTIAL FRACTIONS ...

$\frac{u-1}{u+1} \equiv \frac{A}{u} + \frac{B}{u+1}$	$u = e^g + 1$
$u-1 \equiv A(u+1) + Bu$	$\frac{du}{dx} = e^g$
\bullet IF $u=0$ \bullet IF $u=1$	$e^g = u-1$
$-2 = -A$ $-1 = 8$	$2 = u-1$
$A = 2$ $B = -1$	$2 = \ln 3 - 1$

$$= \int_0^{\ln 3} \left(\frac{2}{u} - \frac{1}{u+1} \right) du = \left[2 \ln|u| - \ln|u+1| \right]_0^{\ln 3}$$

$$= (2 \ln 3 - \ln 3) - (2 \ln 2 - \ln 2) = 2 \ln 3 - \ln 3 - 2 \ln 2 + \ln 2$$

$$= \ln 6 - \ln 3 - \ln 4 = \ln\left(\frac{6}{3 \times 4}\right) = \ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

e) LOOKING AT THE INVERSE (BELOW)

REMARKS = $\frac{1}{2} \ln 3$

$$\therefore \text{RESPONSE AREA} = \frac{1}{2} \ln 3 - \ln 2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \ln 3 - (\ln 4 - \ln 3)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \ln 3 - 2 \ln 2 + \ln 3$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} \ln 3 - \ln 4$$

Question 123 (***)

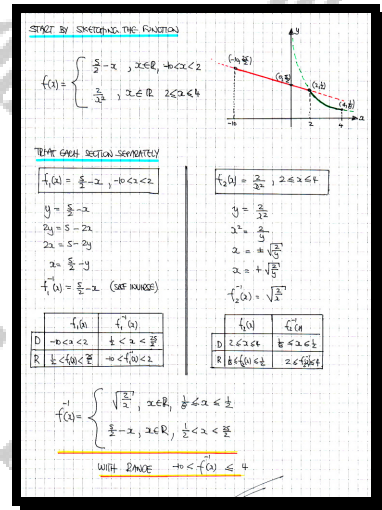
The piecewise continuous function f is defined by

$$f(x) \equiv \begin{cases} \frac{5}{2} - x, & x \in \mathbb{R}, -10 < x < 2 \\ \frac{2}{x^2}, & x \in \mathbb{R}, 2 \leq x \leq 4 \end{cases}$$

Determine an expression, similar to the one above, for the inverse of f .

You must also give the range of the inverse of f .

$$\boxed{}, f^{-1}(x) \equiv \begin{cases} \sqrt{\frac{2}{x}}, & x \in \mathbb{R}, \frac{1}{8} \leq x \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{5}{2} - x, & x \in \mathbb{R}, \frac{1}{2} < x < \frac{25}{2} \end{cases}, -10 < f^{-1}(x) \leq 4$$



Question 124 (***)

$$f(x) = \ln(4x-8), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x > 2.$$

- a) Find an expression for the inverse function, $f^{-1}(x)$.
- b) Find the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.

The function g is defined as

$$g(x) = |x|, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- c) Sketch the graph of $fg(x)$, indicating clearly the equations of any asymptotes and the coordinates of the points where the graph meets the coordinate axes.
- d) Hence solve the equation

$$fg(x) = 1.$$

$$f^{-1}(x) = 2 + \frac{1}{4}e^x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, f^{-1}(x) > 2, \quad \left(\frac{9}{4}, 0\right), \left(-\frac{9}{4}, 0\right), \quad x = \pm 2, \quad x = \pm \frac{1}{2}(e+8)$$

(a) $y = \ln(4x-8)$
 $\Rightarrow e^y = 4x-8$
 $\Rightarrow 4x = e^y + 8$
 $\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{4}e^y + 2$
 $\therefore f^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{4}e^x + 2$

(b) $\ln a \rightarrow \ln(x-b) \rightarrow \ln(a-b)$
 $\frac{f}{D} \frac{f^{-1}}{R}$
 $D: x > 2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$
 $R: f(x) > 2, \quad f(x) > 2$
 $\therefore \text{Domain: } x \in \mathbb{R}$
 $\text{Range: } f(x) > 2$

(c) $f(g(x)) = f(|x|) = \ln(4|x|-8)$
 $fg(x) = |\ln(4|x|-8)|$
 Graph of $fg(x) = |\ln(4|x|-8)|$ showing asymptotes at $x = 2$ and $x = -2$, and x-intercepts at $(\frac{9}{4}, 0)$ and $(-\frac{9}{4}, 0)$.

(d) $\ln(4x-8) = 1$
 $4x-8 = e$
 $4x = e+8$
 $x = \frac{1}{4}(e+8)$
 or
 $\ln(-4x-8) = 1$
 $-4x-8 = e$
 $-e-8 = 4x$
 $x = -\frac{1}{4}(e+8)$
 $\therefore x = \pm \frac{1}{4}(e+8)$

Question 125 (***)

Information about the functions f , g and h are given by

$$f(x) \equiv 1 - \frac{1}{x},$$

$$g(x) \equiv fg(x),$$

$$fh(x) = \frac{x-3}{x-4}.$$

All the above functions are defined for all real numbers except for values of x for which the functions are undefined.

Find simplified expressions for ...

- a) ... $g(x)$.
- b) ... $fg(x)$.
- c) ... $f^{-1}(x)$.
- d) ... $h(x)$.

$$\boxed{g(x) = \frac{1}{1-x}}, \quad \boxed{fg(x) = x}, \quad \boxed{f^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{1-x}}, \quad \boxed{h(x) = 4-x}$$

Handwritten student work for Question 125:

a) $g(x) = f\left(1 - \frac{1}{x}\right) = 1 - \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{x}} = 1 - \frac{x}{x-1} = \frac{x-1-x}{x-1} = \frac{-1}{x-1} = \frac{1}{1-x}$

b) $fg(x) = f\left(\frac{1}{1-x}\right) = 1 - \frac{1}{\frac{1}{1-x}} = 1 - (1-x) = x$

c) $f(x) = 1 - \frac{1}{x} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{x} = 1 - f(x) \Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{1-f(x)}$
 $\therefore f^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{1-x}$

d) $fh(x) = \frac{x-3}{x-4} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{h(x)}} = \frac{x-3}{x-4} \Rightarrow \frac{h(x)}{h(x)-1} = \frac{x-3}{x-4}$
 $h(x)(x-4) = (x-3)(h(x)-1) \Rightarrow hx - 4h = hx - 3h - x + 3 \Rightarrow -4h = -3h - x + 3 \Rightarrow -h = -x + 3 \Rightarrow h = x - 3$
 Wait, the student's work shows a different path: $\frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{h}} = \frac{x-3}{x-4} \Rightarrow \frac{h}{h-1} = \frac{x-3}{x-4} \Rightarrow h(x-4) = (x-3)(h-1) \Rightarrow hx - 4h = hx - 3h - x + 3 \Rightarrow -4h = -3h - x + 3 \Rightarrow -h = -x + 3 \Rightarrow h = x - 3$. However, the boxed answer is $h(x) = 4-x$. Let's re-check the student's work for (d):
 $fh(x) = \frac{x-3}{x-4} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{h}} = \frac{x-3}{x-4} \Rightarrow \frac{h}{h-1} = \frac{x-3}{x-4} \Rightarrow h(x-4) = (x-3)(h-1) \Rightarrow hx - 4h = hx - 3h - x + 3 \Rightarrow -4h = -3h - x + 3 \Rightarrow -h = -x + 3 \Rightarrow h = x - 3$. The student's final answer is $h(x) = 4-x$. There is a discrepancy in the student's work. The boxed answer is $h(x) = 4-x$.

Question 126 (***)

The functions f and g are defined by

$$f(x) \equiv \sin x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad -\frac{\pi}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$$

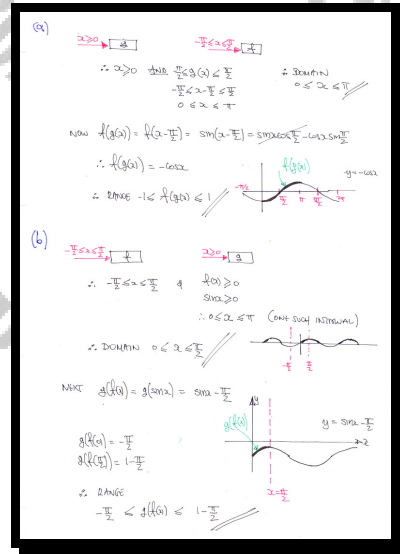
$$g(x) \equiv x - \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq 0.$$

Determine, showing a clear method, the domain and range of the compositions

a) $fg(x)$.

b) $gf(x)$.

$$\boxed{0 \leq x \leq \pi}, \quad \boxed{-1 \leq fg(x) \leq 1}, \quad \boxed{0 \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{2}}, \quad \boxed{-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq gf(x) \leq 1 - \frac{\pi}{2}}$$



Question 127 (***)

A function f is defined by

$$f(x) = x^2 - 12x + 27, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x < 4.$$

- Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$.
- State the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.

$$f^{-1}(x) = 6 - \sqrt{x+9}, \quad x \geq -5, \quad f^{-1}(x) < 4$$

a) $f(x) = x^2 - 12x + 27, \quad x < 4$

Let $y = x^2 - 12x + 27$
 $\Rightarrow y = (x-6)^2 - 36 + 27$
 $\Rightarrow y = (x-6)^2 - 9$
 $\Rightarrow y+9 = (x-6)^2$
 $\Rightarrow (x-6)^2 = y+9$
 $\Rightarrow x-6 = \pm\sqrt{y+9}$ ($x < 4$)
 $\Rightarrow x = 6 - \sqrt{y+9}$
 $\therefore f^{-1}(x) = 6 - \sqrt{x+9}$

b)

	$f(x)$	$f^{-1}(x)$
D	$x < 4$	$x > -5$
R	$f(x) > -5$	$f^{-1}(x) < 4$

Graph of $f(x) = x^2 - 12x + 27$ for $x < 4$. The vertex is at $(6, -9)$. The graph is a downward-opening parabola. The domain is $x < 4$ and the range is $f(x) > -5$. The inverse function $f^{-1}(x) = 6 - \sqrt{x+9}$ has domain $x > -5$ and range $f^{-1}(x) < 4$.

Question 128 (***)

The functions f and g are defined by

$$f(x) \equiv 3x^2 + 6x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R},$$

$$g(x) \equiv ax + b, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- a) Given that $g(x)$ is a self inverse function show that $a = -1$.
- b) Given that $gf(x) < 10$ for all values of x , determine the range of values of b .

$$b > -7$$

The handwritten solution is as follows:

a) $g(x) = ax + b$
 $g^{-1}(x) = \frac{y-b}{a}$
 Since g is self-inverse, $g^{-1}(x) = g(x)$
 $\frac{y-b}{a} = ax + b$
 $y - b = a(ax + b)$
 $y - b = a^2x + ab$
 $y = a^2x + ab + b$
 Comparing with $y = ax + b$, we have:
 $a^2 = a$ and $ab + b = b$
 $a^2 - a = 0 \Rightarrow a(a-1) = 0$
 $a = 0$ or $a = 1$
 If $a = 0$, $g(x) = b$, which is not a self-inverse function.
 $\therefore a = 1$
 At this point, $g(x) = x + b$
 $g^{-1}(x) = x - b$
 For g to be self-inverse, $g^{-1}(x) = g(x)$
 $x - b = x + b$
 $-b = b$
 $2b = 0$
 $b = 0$
 $\therefore g(x) = x$

b) $gf(x) < 10$
 $\Rightarrow g(3x^2 + 6x) < 10$
 $\Rightarrow a(3x^2 + 6x) + b < 10$
 $\Rightarrow 3ax^2 + 6ax + b < 10$
 $\Rightarrow 3ax^2 + 6ax + b - 10 < 0$
 $\Rightarrow 3ax^2 + 6ax + (b-10) < 0$

Since this is a quadratic inequality, for it to be true for all x , the discriminant must be less than 0 and the leading coefficient must be positive.

Discriminant $\Delta < 0$
 $\Delta = (6a)^2 - 4(3a)(b-10) < 0$
 $36a^2 - 12a(b-10) < 0$
 $36a^2 - 12ab + 120a < 0$
 $3a^2 - ab + 10a < 0$
 $a(3a - b + 10) < 0$

Since $a = 1$ (from part a), we have:
 $1(3(1) - b + 10) < 0$
 $3 - b + 10 < 0$
 $13 - b < 0$
 $-b < -13$
 $b > 13$

Question 129 (***)

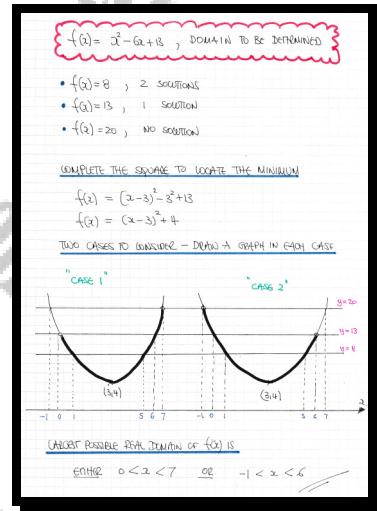
A function f is defined in a restricted real domain and has equation

$$f(x) \equiv x^2 - 6x + 13.$$

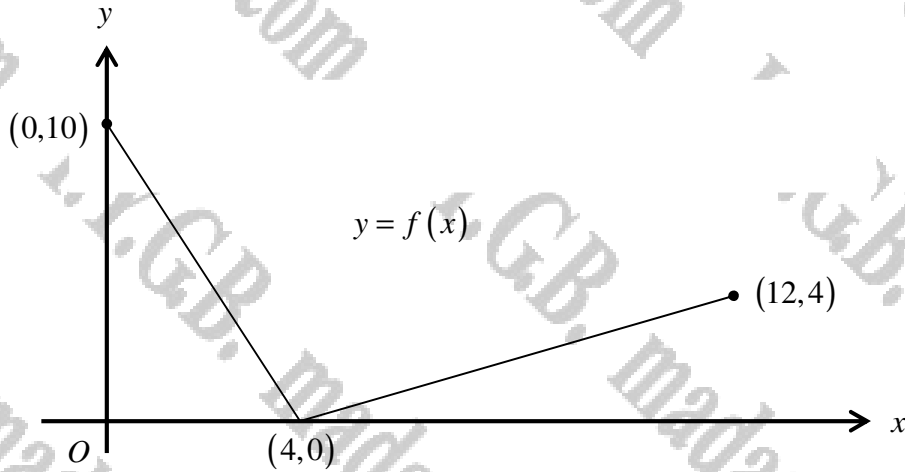
It is further given that the equations $f(x) = 8$, $f(x) = 13$ and $f(x) = 20$ have 2 distinct solutions, 1 solution and no solutions, respectively.

Determine the possible domain of f .

, $0 < x < 7$ or $-1 < x < 6$



Question 130 (****+)



The graph of the function $f(x)$ consists of two straight line segments joining the point $(0,10)$ to $(4,0)$ and the point $(12,4)$ to $(4,0)$, as shown in the figure above.

a) Find the value of $ff(2)$.

The function g is defined as

$$g(x) \equiv \frac{2x+1}{x-1}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \neq 1.$$

b) Determine the solutions of the equation $gf(x) = 3$.

, $ff(2) = \frac{1}{2}$, $x = \frac{12}{5}, 12$

4 ● STARTING WITH A GOOD DIAGRAM OF CONSIDERABLE SIMILAR TECHNIQUES

● STARTING WITH $f(x) = \frac{5}{2}$ OBTAIN MIDPOINT IN THE DIAGRAM ABOVE.
 ● NOW $ff(2) = f(x) = \dots$ LOOKING AT THE SIMILAR TRIANGLES ABOVE

$$\frac{2}{1} = \frac{4}{x-2}$$

$$2x - 4 = 4$$

$$2x = 8$$

$$\therefore f(f(2)) = \frac{1}{2}$$

b) ● WHAT YOU NEED $g(f(x)) = 3$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2(f(x))+1}{f(x)-1} = 3$$

$$\Rightarrow 2f(x)+1 = 3f(x)-3$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = 4$$

4 ● AGAIN LOOKING AT A GOOD DIAGRAM, WITH SIMILAR TECHNIQUES IN MIND

● ONE SOLUTION IS $x=2$ (BY INSPECTION)
 ● THE OTHER SOLUTION APPEARS $\frac{6}{x} = \frac{1}{4-x}$

$$\Rightarrow 4x = 24 - 6x$$

$$\Rightarrow 10x = 24$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{12}{5}$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{12}{5}$$

Question 131 (***)

The function f is defined as

$$f(x) = 3 - \ln 4x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x > 0$$

- a) Determine, in exact form, the coordinates of the point where the graph of f crosses the x axis.

Consider the following sequence of transformations T_1 , T_2 and T_3 .

$$\ln x \xrightarrow{T_1} \ln 4x \xrightarrow{T_2} -\ln 4x \xrightarrow{T_3} 3 - \ln 4x$$

- b) Describe geometrically each of the transformations T_1 , T_2 and T_3 , and hence sketch the graph of $f(x)$.

Indicate clearly any intersections with the coordinate axes.

The function g is defined by

$$g(x) = e^{5-x}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- c) Show that

$$fg(x) = x - k - k \ln k,$$

where k is a positive integer.

$$\boxed{}, \left(\frac{1}{4}e^3, 0\right), T_1 = \text{stretch in } x, \text{ scale factor } \frac{1}{4}, T_2 = \text{reflection in the } x\text{-axis},$$

$$T_3 = \text{translation, "up", 4 units}, k = 2$$

a) SOLVING $4=0$ YIELDS
 $\Rightarrow 0 = 3 - \ln 4x$
 $\Rightarrow \ln 4x = 3$
 $\Rightarrow 4x = e^3$
 $\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{4}e^3$

b) SKETCHING A DECREASING GRAPH STAGE
 The sketch shows three stages of transformations:
 1. $g(x) = \ln x$: A logarithmic curve passing through (1,0).
 2. $g(x) = \ln 4x$: A stretch in the x-direction by a scale factor of 1/4.
 3. $g(x) = -\ln 4x$: A reflection in the x-axis.
 4. $f(x) = 3 - \ln 4x$: A translation upwards by 3 units.
 The final graph of $f(x)$ is shown with its x-intercept at $(\frac{1}{4}e^3, 0)$.

c) FINISH THE COMPOSITION
 $f(g(x)) = f(e^{5-x})$
 $= 3 - \ln(4e^{5-x})$
 $= 3 - [\ln 4 + \ln e^{5-x}]$
 $= 3 - [\ln 4 + (5-x)]$
 $= 3 - \ln 4 - 5 + x$
 $= x - 2 - \ln 4$
 $= x - 2 - 2 \ln 2$ (let $k=2$)

Question 132 (***)

The function f is defined as

$$f(x) = \ln(4 - 2x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x < 2.$$

- a) Find in exact form the coordinates of the points where the graph of $f(x)$ crosses the coordinate axes.

Consider the following sequence of transformations T_1 , T_2 and T_3 .

$$\ln x \xrightarrow{T_1} \ln(x+4) \xrightarrow{T_2} \ln(2x+4) \xrightarrow{T_3} \ln(-2x+4)$$

- b) Describe geometrically the transformations T_1 , T_2 and T_3 , and hence sketch the graph of $f(x)$.

Indicate clearly any asymptotes and coordinates of intersections with the axes.

- c) Find, an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$, the inverse function of $f(x)$.
- d) State the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.

$\left(\frac{3}{2}, 0\right)$, $\left(0, \ln 4\right)$, $T_1 = \text{translation, "left", 4 units}$,
 $T_2 = \text{stretch in } x, \text{ scale factor } \frac{1}{2}$, $T_3 = \text{reflection in the } y\text{-axis}$, asymptote $x = 2$,
 $f^{-1}(x) = 2 - \frac{1}{2}e^x$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $f^{-1}(x) < 2$

a) $f(x) = \ln(4-2x), \quad x < 2$
 • SET $y=0$
 $y = \ln 4 = 2 \ln 2$
 $\therefore (0, \ln 4)$
 • SET $y=0$
 $0 = \ln(4-2x)$
 $e^0 = 4-2x$
 $1 = 4-2x$
 $2x = 3$
 $x = \frac{3}{2}$
 $\therefore \left(\frac{3}{2}, 0\right)$

b) DESCRIBING THE TRANSFORMATIONS TO $\ln(x)$ GRAPH
 $y = \ln x$
 T_1 TRANSLATION "LEFT" BY 4 UNITS
 $y = \ln(x+4)$
 T_2 STRETCH IN x , SCALE FACTOR $\frac{1}{2}$
 $y = \ln(2x+4)$
 T_3 REFLECTION IN THE y AXIS
 $y = \ln(-2x+4)$
 $y = \ln(4-2x)$
 ASYMPTOTE $x = 2$

c) USING THE STANDARD ALGEBRA TO FIND THE INVERSE
 $f(x) = \ln(4-2x)$
 $y = \ln(4-2x)$
 $e^y = 4-2x$
 $2x = 4 - e^y$
 $x = 2 - \frac{1}{2}e^y$
 $\therefore f^{-1}(x) = 2 - \frac{1}{2}e^x$

d)

	$f(x)$	$f^{-1}(x)$
DOMAIN	$x < 2$	$x \in \mathbb{R}$
RANGE	$f(x) \in \mathbb{R}$	$f^{-1}(x) < 2$

 \therefore DOMAIN OF $f^{-1}(x) : x \in \mathbb{R}$
 RANGE OF $f^{-1}(x) : f^{-1}(x) < 2$

Question 133 (***)

The function f is defined by

$$f(x) = \sqrt{1 - \frac{4}{x^2}}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq 2.$$

- a) Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$, in its simplest form.
 b) Determine the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$.

$$f^{-1}(x) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad 0 \leq x < 1, \quad f^{-1}(x) \in \mathbb{R}, \quad f^{-1}(x) \geq 2$$

(a) $y = \sqrt{1 - \frac{4}{x^2}}$
 $\rightarrow y^2 = 1 - \frac{4}{x^2}$
 $\rightarrow \frac{4}{x^2} = 1 - y^2$
 $\rightarrow \frac{4}{x^2} = \frac{1-y^2}{1}$
 $\rightarrow x^2 = \frac{4}{1-y^2}$
 $\rightarrow x = \pm \frac{2}{\sqrt{1-y^2}}$
 As $x \geq 2$
 $\therefore x = \frac{2}{\sqrt{1-y^2}}$
 $\therefore f^{-1}(y) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{1-y^2}}$

(b) $f(x) = 0$
 As x increases
 $f(x)$ increases
 As $x \rightarrow \infty$
 $f(x) \rightarrow 1$

$y = 1$

D	$x \geq 2$	$0 \leq y < 1$
R	$0 \leq x < 1$	$f(x) \geq 2$

$\therefore f^{-1}(x) = \frac{2}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$

Question 134 (***)

The function f is defined on a suitable domain, so that the functions g and h satisfy the following relationships.

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{2}f(x) + \frac{1}{2}f(-x)$$

$$h(x) = \frac{1}{2}f(x) - \frac{1}{2}f(-x).$$

- a) Show clearly that g is an even function and h is an odd function.

It is now given that

$$f(x) = \frac{x+1}{x-1}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \neq \pm 1.$$

- b) Express $f(x)$ as the sum of an even and an odd function.

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 + 1}{x^2 - 1} + \frac{2x}{x^2 - 1}$$

$g(x) = \frac{1}{2}f(x) + \frac{1}{2}f(-x)$
 $g(-x) = \frac{1}{2}f(-x) + \frac{1}{2}f(x) = \frac{1}{2}f(x) + \frac{1}{2}f(-x) = g(x) \rightarrow g(x) = g(-x)$
So even
 $h(x) = \frac{1}{2}f(x) - \frac{1}{2}f(-x)$
 $h(-x) = \frac{1}{2}f(-x) - \frac{1}{2}f(x) = -\left[\frac{1}{2}f(x) - \frac{1}{2}f(-x)\right] = -h(x) \rightarrow h(-x) = -h(x)$
So odd
 (b) Now $g(x) + h(x) = \frac{1}{2}f(x) + \frac{1}{2}f(-x) + \frac{1}{2}f(x) - \frac{1}{2}f(-x) = f(x)$
 $f(x) = g(x) + h(x)$
 $\frac{x+1}{x-1} = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{x+1}{x-1} + \frac{x+1}{x-1} \right] + \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{x+1}{x-1} - \frac{x+1}{x-1} \right]$
 $\frac{x+1}{x-1} = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{2x+2}{x-1} \right] + \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{2x+1}{x-1} - \frac{2x+1}{x-1} \right]$
 $\frac{x+1}{x-1} = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{2x+2}{x-1} \right] + \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{x^2-2x+2}{(x-1)(x+1)} \right]$
 $\frac{x+1}{x-1} = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{2x+2}{x-1} \right] + \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{2x}{x-1} \right]$
 $\frac{x+1}{x-1} = \frac{x+1}{x-1} + \frac{2x}{x-1}$
QED

Question 135 (****+)

The functions f and g are defined by

$$f(x) \equiv 3 \sin x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad -\frac{\pi}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$g(x) \equiv 6 - 3x^2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

- a) Find an expression for $f^{-1}g(x)$.
- b) Determine the domain of $f^{-1}g(x)$.

$$\boxed{}, \quad \boxed{f^{-1}g(x) = \arcsin(2 - x^2)}, \quad \boxed{-\sqrt{3} \leq x \leq -1 \text{ or } 1 \leq x \leq \sqrt{3}}$$

a) $f(x) = 3 \sin x, \quad -\frac{\pi}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$
 $g(x) = 6 - 3x^2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$

$\Rightarrow y = 3 \sin x$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{y}{3} = \sin x$
 $\Rightarrow x = \arcsin \frac{y}{3}$
 $\therefore f^{-1}(y) = \arcsin \frac{y}{3}$

Now $f^{-1}(g(x)) = f^{-1}(6 - 3x^2)$
 $= \arcsin \left(\frac{6 - 3x^2}{3} \right)$
 $= \arcsin(2 - x^2)$

b) $f(x)$ has domain $[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}]$ and range $[-3, 3]$
 $g(x)$ has domain \mathbb{R} and range $[-\infty, 6]$

$\begin{matrix} \text{IN} & \text{OUT} & \text{OUT} & \text{IN} \\ (x \in \mathbb{R}) & g(x) & f^{-1}(g(x)) & f(x) \end{matrix}$

$\Rightarrow -3 \leq g(x) \leq 3$
 $\Rightarrow -3 \leq 6 - 3x^2 \leq 3$
 $\Rightarrow -9 \leq -3x^2 \leq -3$
 $\Rightarrow 1 \leq x^2 \leq 3$

$x^2 \leq 3 \Rightarrow -\sqrt{3} \leq x \leq \sqrt{3}$
 $x^2 \geq 1 \Rightarrow x > 1 \text{ or } x < -1$

$\therefore -\sqrt{3} \leq x < -1 \text{ or } 1 \leq x \leq \sqrt{3}$

Question 136 (****+)

A function f is defined as

$$y = 3x^4 - 8x^3 - 6x^2 + 24x - 8, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad -2 \leq x \leq 3.$$

Sketch the graph of f , and hence state its range.

The sketch must include the coordinates of any stationary points and any intersections with the coordinate axes.

$$\boxed{}, \quad -27 \leq f(x) \leq 37$$

START WITH THE STATIONARY POINTS

$$f(x) = 3x^4 - 8x^3 - 6x^2 + 24x - 8$$

$$f'(x) = 12x^3 - 24x^2 - 12x + 24$$

SEARCH FOR ZEROES

$$\Rightarrow 12x^3 - 24x^2 - 12x + 24 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x^3 - 6x^2 - 3x + 6 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x^2(x-2) - 3(x-2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-2)(x^2-1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x-2)(x-1)(x+1) = 0$$

$$x = 2, 1, -1 \quad y = 0, 5, -27$$

NOTE AS THE FUNCTION IS STATIONARY ON THE X-AXIS IT MUST HAVE A BRANCH POINT AT $x=2$ (NO INFLECTION AS THERE ARE TWO NEARBY STATIONARY VALUES)

HENCE DIVIDE BY $(x-2)^2$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3x^3 + 6x + 14 \quad \frac{3x^3 + 6x^2 - 6x^2 - 12x + 24 - 6x - 14}{12x^2 - 12x + 10} \\ \underline{-6x^2 + 12x - 10} \\ 18x - 10 \\ \underline{-18x + 36} \\ 46x - 10 \\ \underline{-46x + 92} \\ 82 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore f(x) = (x-2)^2(3x^2+6x+2)$$

$$b^2 - 4ac = 36 - 4(6)(2) = 0$$

SETTING THE BOUNDS OF THE QUADRATIC

$$x = \frac{-6 \pm \sqrt{36 - 4(6)(2)}}{2(3)} = \frac{-6 \pm \sqrt{36 - 48}}{6} = \frac{-6 \pm \sqrt{-12}}{6} = \frac{-6 \pm 2\sqrt{3}i}{6} = -1 \pm \frac{1}{3}\sqrt{3}i$$

FIND THE COORDINATES AND FINAL SEARCH OF THE QUADRATIC FUNCTION

AND FINALLY THE RANGE LOCATED AT THE GRAPH IS

$$-27 \leq f(x) \leq 37$$

Question 137 (****+)

The function f is defined as

$$f(x) \equiv \frac{x+1}{2x-1}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \neq \frac{1}{2}.$$

The function g is suitably defined so that

$$f(g(x)) \equiv \frac{3x+2}{3x-5}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \neq \frac{5}{3}.$$

- a) Determine an expression for $g(x)$.

The function h is suitably defined so that

$$h(f(x)) \equiv \frac{2x-7}{x-2}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \neq 2.$$

- b) Determine an expression for $h(x)$.

, $g(x) = \frac{2x-1}{x+3}$, $h(x) = \frac{4x-3}{x-1}$

$f(x) = \frac{x+1}{2x-1}$ $f(g(x)) = \frac{3x+2}{3x-5}$ $h(f(x)) = \frac{2x-7}{x-2}$
 $x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq \frac{1}{2}$ $x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq \frac{5}{3}$ $x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 2$

a) $f(g(x)) = \frac{3x+2}{3x-5}$
 $\Rightarrow \frac{g(x)+1}{2g(x)-1} = \frac{3x+2}{3x-5}$
 $\Rightarrow (2x-5)g + 3x-5 = 2(3x+2)g - 2x-2$
 $\Rightarrow 6x-3 = (6x+4-3x-5)g$
 $\Rightarrow 6x-3 = (3x+9)g$
 $\Rightarrow g = \frac{6x-3}{3x+9}$
 $\therefore g(x) = \frac{2x-1}{x+3}$ ✓

ALTERNATIVE USING INVERSES
 find the inverse of f first:
 $y = \frac{x+1}{2x-1}$
 $\Rightarrow 2xy - y = x+1$
 $\Rightarrow 2xy - x = y+1$
 $\Rightarrow x(2y-1) = y+1$
 $\Rightarrow x = \frac{y+1}{2y-1}$
 $\therefore f^{-1}(x) = \frac{x+1}{2x-1}$ (SELF INVERSE)

Next we proceed as follows:
 $f(g(x)) = \frac{3x+2}{3x-5}$
 $\Rightarrow f^{-1}\left(\frac{3x+2}{3x-5}\right) = f^{-1}\left(\frac{3x+2}{3x-5}\right)$
 $\Rightarrow g(x) = \frac{\frac{3x+2}{3x-5} + 1}{2\left(\frac{3x+2}{3x-5}\right) - 1}$
 $\Rightarrow g(x) = \frac{3x+2+3x-5}{2(3x+2)-3x+5}$

$\Rightarrow g(x) = \frac{6x-3}{6x-9}$
 $\Rightarrow g(x) = \frac{2x-1}{2x-3}$ // No space

b) $h(f(x)) = \frac{2x-7}{x-2}$
 • Let $f(x) = u$
 $\Rightarrow u = \frac{x+1}{2x-1}$
 $\Rightarrow 2xu - u = x+1$
 $\Rightarrow 2xu - x = u+1$
 $\Rightarrow x(2u-1) = u+1$
 $\Rightarrow x = \frac{u+1}{2u-1}$
 • Then use that
 $h(u) = \frac{2\left(\frac{u+1}{2u-1}\right) - 7}{\frac{u+1}{2u-1} - 2}$
 $\Rightarrow h(u) = \frac{2(u+1) - 7(2u-1)}{u+1 - 2(2u-1)}$
 $\Rightarrow h(u) = \frac{-2u+9}{-3u+3}$
 $\Rightarrow h(u) = \frac{4u-3}{u-1}$ (MULTIPLY NUMERATOR AND DENOMINATOR BY -1)
 $\therefore h(x) = \frac{4x-3}{x-1}$ ✓

Question 138 (****)

$$f(x) = \ln \left[(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} + x \right], \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Show clearly that ...

a) ... $f'(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}}$.

b) ... $f(x)$ is an odd function.

proof

The image shows a handwritten proof for parts (a) and (b) of Question 138. Part (a) shows the differentiation of $f(x) = \ln \left[(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} + x \right]$ using the chain rule. The derivative is found to be $f'(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}}$. Part (b) shows that $f(x)$ is an odd function by evaluating $f(-x)$ and showing it equals $-f(x)$. The steps are as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a)} \quad f(x) &= \ln \left[(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} + x \right] \\ \rightarrow f'(x) &= \frac{1}{(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} + x} \times \left[\frac{1}{2}(x^2 + 1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \cdot 2x + 1 \right] \\ \rightarrow f'(x) &= \frac{x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1}}{(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} + x} \\ \rightarrow f'(x) &= \frac{x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1}}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1} + x} \\ \rightarrow f'(x) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b)} \quad f(-x) &= \ln \left[(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} - x \right] \\ \rightarrow f(-x) &= \ln \left[\frac{(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} - x}{(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} + x} \right] \\ \rightarrow f(-x) &= \ln \left[\frac{(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} - x}{(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} + x} \right] \\ \rightarrow f(-x) &= \ln \left[(x^2 + 1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right] \\ \rightarrow f(-x) &= -\ln \left[(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right] \\ \rightarrow f(-x) &= -f(x) \end{aligned}$$

\therefore odd function

Question 139 (****)

$$f(x) = \frac{4x^2 - 10x + 7}{x^2 - 3x + 2}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \neq 1, \quad x \neq 2.$$

Determine the range of $f(x)$.

SPEC , $f(x) \leq -2\sqrt{3} \cup f(x) \geq 2\sqrt{3}$

$f(x) = \frac{4x^2 - 10x + 7}{x^2 - 3x + 2}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \neq 1, \quad x \neq 2$

- Let $y = f(x)$ & use A DISCRIMINANT METHOD
- $\Rightarrow y = \frac{4x^2 - 10x + 7}{x^2 - 3x + 2}$
- $\Rightarrow yx^2 - 3xy + 2y = 4x^2 - 10x + 7$
- $\Rightarrow (y-4)x^2 + (10-3y)x + (2y-7) = 0$
- NOW FOR REAL ROOTS $b^2 - 4ac \geq 0$
- $(10-3y)^2 - 4(y-4)(2y-7) \geq 0$
- $10y^2 - 60y + 100 - 4(2y^2 - 7y - 8y + 28) \geq 0$
- $10y^2 - 60y + 100 - 8y^2 + 60y - 112 \geq 0$
- $2y^2 - 12 \geq 0$
- $y^2 \geq 6$
- $y \leq -\sqrt{6} \quad \text{or} \quad y \geq \sqrt{6}$
- THEREFORE THE RANGE IS
- $f(x) \leq -2\sqrt{3} \quad \text{or} \quad f(x) \geq 2\sqrt{3}$

Question 140 (*****)

The function f satisfies

$$2f(x) + 3f\left(\frac{2x+3}{x-2}\right) = 3x+1, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Find the value of $f(9)$.

, $f(9) = -\frac{26}{5}$

Handwritten solution for Question 140:

Given: $2f(x) + 3f\left(\frac{2x+3}{x-2}\right) = 3x+1, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$

- SIMPLY BY SUBSTITUTING $x=9$

$$2f(9) + 3f\left(\frac{2(9)+3}{9-2}\right) = 27+1$$

$$2f(9) + 3f(3) = 28$$
- AS THE QUESTION NOW CONTAINS $f(3)$, SUBSTITUTE $x=3$

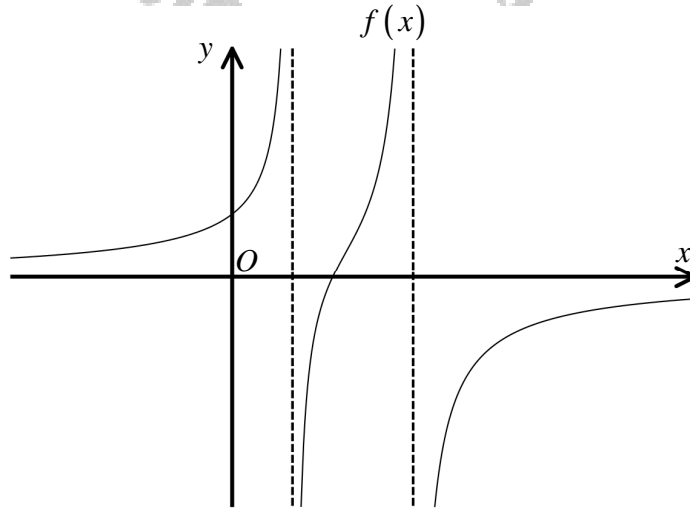
$$2f(3) + 3f\left(\frac{2(3)+3}{3-2}\right) = 10$$

$$2f(3) + 3f(9) = 10$$
- SOLVING SIMULTANEOUSLY

$$\begin{cases} 2f(9) + 3f(3) = 28 & \times 2 \\ 3f(3) + 2f(9) = 10 & \times (-3) \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 4f(9) + 6f(3) = 56 \\ -9f(3) - 6f(9) = -30 \end{cases} \Rightarrow$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{ADDING} \\ & -5f(9) = 26 \\ & f(9) = -\frac{26}{5} \end{aligned}$$

Question 141 (****)



The figure above shows the graph of

$$f(x) = \frac{5-3x}{(x-1)(x-3)}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \neq 1, 3.$$

- a) State the equations of the vertical asymptotes of $f(x)$, which are shown as dotted lines in the figure.

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The function g is defined by as

$$g(x) = \frac{5-3x}{(x-1)(x-3)}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad 0 \leq x < 1.$$

- b) Find an expression for $g^{-1}(x)$.
 c) State the domain and range of $g^{-1}(x)$.

$$g^{-1}(x) = \frac{4x-3-\sqrt{4x^2-4x+9}}{2x}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq \frac{5}{3}, \quad g^{-1}(x) \in \mathbb{R}, \quad 0 \leq g^{-1}(x) < 1$$

(a) $2=1$ & $2=3$

(b) $y = \frac{5-3x}{(x-1)(x-3)}$
 $\Rightarrow y = \frac{5-3x}{x^2-4x+3}$
 $\Rightarrow xy - 4xy + 3y = 5-3x$
 $\Rightarrow 3y + 3x - 4xy + 3y - 5 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow 3y + x(3-4y) + (3y-5) = 0$
 $\Rightarrow x = \frac{-(3-4y) \pm \sqrt{(3-4y)^2 - 4y(3y-5)}}{2y}$
 $\Rightarrow x = \frac{4y-3 \pm \sqrt{4y^2-4y+9}}{2y}$
 $\Rightarrow x = 2 - \frac{3}{2y} \pm \frac{\sqrt{4y^2-4y+9}}{2y}$
 $\therefore x = 2 - \frac{3}{2y} + \frac{\sqrt{4y^2-4y+9}}{2y}$ or $g^{-1}(y) = 2 - \frac{3}{2y} - \frac{\sqrt{4y^2-4y+9}}{2y}$
 But $(\frac{5}{3})$ is as $g^{-1}(y)$
 Check both numbers to see which satisfies the original function
 $\therefore g^{-1}(y) = 2 - \frac{3}{2y} - \frac{\sqrt{4y^2-4y+9}}{2y}$

(c)

D	$0 \leq x < 1$	$2 > \frac{5}{3}$
R	$g(x) \geq \frac{5}{3}$	$0 \leq g^{-1}(x) < 1$

\therefore Domain: $x > \frac{5}{3}$
 Range: $0 \leq g^{-1}(x) < 1$

Question 142 (*****)

The function f is defined below.

$$f(x) \equiv \ln \left[\sin x + \sqrt{2 - \cos^2 x} \right], \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Prove that f is odd.

, proof

Handwritten proof on grid paper:

$f(x) = \ln [\sin x + \sqrt{2 - \cos^2 x}]$

Let us note that $\sin(-x) = -\sin x$
 $\cos(-x) = \cos x$

Now we have

$$\begin{aligned} f(-x) &= \ln [\sin(-x) + \sqrt{2 - \cos^2(-x)}] \\ &= \ln [-\sin x + \sqrt{2 - \cos^2 x}] \\ &= \ln \left[\frac{\sqrt{2 - \cos^2 x} - \sin x}{\sqrt{2 - \cos^2 x} + \sin x} \right] \\ &= \ln \left[\frac{(2 - \cos^2 x) - \sin^2 x}{\sqrt{2 - \cos^2 x} + \sin x} \right] \\ &= \ln \left[\frac{2 - \cos^2 x - \sin^2 x}{\sqrt{2 - \cos^2 x} + \sin x} \right] \\ &= \ln \left[\frac{2 - (\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x)}{\sqrt{2 - \cos^2 x} + \sin x} \right] \\ &= \ln \left[\frac{2 - 1}{\sqrt{2 - \cos^2 x} + \sin x} \right] \\ &= \ln \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2 - \cos^2 x} + \sin x} \right] \\ &= -\ln [\sqrt{2 - \cos^2 x} + \sin x] \\ &= -f(x) \end{aligned}$$

As $f(-x) = -f(x)$, f is odd //

Question 143 (****)

The function f is defined below.

$$f(x) \equiv \frac{e^{\sin x \cos x} + 1}{e^{\sin x \cos x} - 1}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Prove that f is odd.

, proof

$f(x) = \frac{e^{\sin x \cos x} + 1}{e^{\sin x \cos x} - 1}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$

LET US FIRST NOTE THAT
 $\sin(-x) \equiv -\sin x$
 $\cos(-x) \equiv \cos x$

THEN WE NOW HAVE
 $f(-x) = \frac{e^{\sin(-x)\cos(-x)} + 1}{e^{\sin(-x)\cos(-x)} - 1} = \frac{e^{-\sin x \cos x} + 1}{e^{-\sin x \cos x} - 1}$

$= \frac{e^{-\sin x \cos x} \times e^{\sin x \cos x} + 1 \times e^{\sin x \cos x}}{e^{-\sin x \cos x} \times e^{\sin x \cos x} - 1 \times e^{\sin x \cos x}}$

$= \frac{e^0 + e^{\sin x \cos x}}{e^0 - e^{\sin x \cos x}} = \frac{1 + e^{\sin x \cos x}}{1 - e^{\sin x \cos x}}$

$= \frac{1 + e^{\sin x \cos x}}{-(e^{\sin x \cos x} - 1)} = -\frac{e^{\sin x \cos x} + 1}{e^{\sin x \cos x} - 1}$

$= -f(x)$

AS $f(-x) = -f(x)$, f IS ODD

Question 144 (****)

$$f(x) = \frac{e^x - 1}{e^x + 1}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

a) Show clearly that ...

i. ... $f(-x) = -f(x)$.

ii. ... $f'(x) = \frac{2e^x}{(e^x + 1)^2}$.

b) Explain how the results of part (a) show that $f^{-1}(x)$ exists.

c) Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$.

The function $g(x)$ is defined in a suitable domain, so that

$$fg(x) = \frac{x^2 + 6x + 8}{x^2 + 6x + 10}.$$

d) Determine the equation of $g(x)$, in its simplest form.

, $f^{-1}(x) = \ln\left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right)$, $g(x) = 2\ln(x+3)$

(a) (i) $f(-x) = \frac{e^{-x} - 1}{e^{-x} + 1} = \frac{1 - e^x}{1 + e^x} = -\frac{e^x - 1}{e^x + 1} = -f(x)$
 (ii) $f'(x) = \frac{(e^x + 1) \cdot e^x - (e^x - 1) \cdot e^x}{(e^x + 1)^2} = \frac{e^{2x} + e^x - e^{2x} + e^x}{(e^x + 1)^2} = \frac{2e^x}{(e^x + 1)^2}$

(b) THE FUNCTION IS ODD AND HAS NO TURNING POINTS
 \therefore IT IS A ONE TO ONE FUNCTION, SO INVERTIBLE

(c) $y = \frac{e^x - 1}{e^x + 1} \Rightarrow e^x = \frac{y+1}{1-y}$
 $\Rightarrow y^2 + y = e^x - 1 \Rightarrow e^x = \frac{1+y}{1-y}$
 $\Rightarrow y^2 - e^x = y - 1 \Rightarrow x = \ln\left(\frac{1+y}{1-y}\right) \therefore f^{-1}(y) = \ln\left(\frac{1+y}{1-y}\right)$

(d) $f(g(x)) = \frac{x^2 + 6x + 8}{x^2 + 6x + 10} \Rightarrow f^{-1}\left(\frac{x^2 + 6x + 8}{x^2 + 6x + 10}\right) = \ln\left(\frac{1 + \frac{x^2 + 6x + 8}{x^2 + 6x + 10}}{1 - \frac{x^2 + 6x + 8}{x^2 + 6x + 10}}\right)$
 $\Rightarrow g(x) = \ln\left(\frac{x^2 + 6x + 10 + x^2 + 6x + 8}{x^2 + 6x + 10 - x^2 - 6x - 8}\right)$
 $\Rightarrow g(x) = \ln\left(\frac{2x^2 + 12x + 18}{-2}\right)$
 $\Rightarrow g(x) = \ln(x^2 + 6x + 9)$
 $\Rightarrow g(x) = \ln(x+3)^2$
 $\Rightarrow g(x) = 2\ln(x+3)$

Question 145 (****)

The function f satisfies the following three relationships

i. $f(3n-2) \equiv f(3n)-2, n \in \mathbb{N}.$

ii. $f(3n) \equiv f(n), n \in \mathbb{N}.$

iii. $f(1) = 25.$

Determine the value of $f(25).$

, $f(25) = 23$

$f(3n-2) \equiv f(3n)-2$ - I
 $f(3n) \equiv f(n)$ - II
 $f(1) = 25$ - III

$n=9 \Rightarrow f(25) = f(27) - 2$ (By I)
 $= f(9) - 2$ (By II)
 $= f(3) - 2$ (By II)
 $= f(1) - 2$ (By II)
 $= 25 - 2$ (By III)
 $= 23$

Question 146 (*****)

The function f is defined as

$$f(x) = -4 + \sqrt{mx+12}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq -\frac{m}{12},$$

where m is a positive constant.

It is given that the graph of $f(x)$ and the graph of $f^{-1}(x)$ touch each other.

Solve the equation

$$f(x) = f^{-1}(x).$$

$$\boxed{x=2}$$

$f(x) = -4 + \sqrt{mx+12}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq -\frac{m}{12}$

• If $f(x)$ & $f^{-1}(x)$ meet, they must meet on the line $y=x$.
This we will solve

$f(x) = x = f^{-1}(x)$


$\rightarrow -4 + \sqrt{mx+12} = x$

$\Rightarrow \sqrt{mx+12} = x+4$

$\Rightarrow mx+12 = (x+4)^2$

$\Rightarrow mx+12 = x^2+8x+16$

$\Rightarrow 0 = x^2 + (8-m)x + 4$



• IF THE TWO GRAPHS TOUCH EACH OTHER, THEY MUST MEET THE LINE $y=x$

$\Rightarrow b^2 - 4ac = 0$

$\Rightarrow (8-m)^2 - 4(1)(4) = 0$


$\Rightarrow (8-m)^2 - 16 = 0$

$\Rightarrow (8-m)^2 = 16$

$\Rightarrow 8-m = \begin{cases} 4 \\ -4 \end{cases}$

$\Rightarrow -m = \begin{cases} -4 \\ -12 \end{cases}$

$\Rightarrow m = \begin{cases} 4 \\ 12 \end{cases}$



• IF $m=4$

$x^2 + (8-4)x + 4 = 0$

$x^2 + 4x + 4 = 0$

$(x+2)^2 = 0$

$x+2 = 0$

$x = -2$

$x \geq -\frac{m}{12}$

$x \geq -\frac{4}{12}$

$\therefore x \neq -2$

• IF $m=12$

$x^2 + (8-12)x + 4 = 0$

$x^2 - 4x + 4 = 0$

$(x-2)^2 = 0$

$x-2 = 0$

$x = 2$

$x \geq -\frac{m}{12}$

$x \geq -\frac{12}{12}$

$x \geq -1$

\therefore only solution $x=2$

Question 147 (****)

The functions f and g are defined by

$$f(x) \equiv \cos x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad 0 \leq x \leq \pi$$

$$g(x) \equiv 1 - x^2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

a) Solve the equation

$$fg(x) = \frac{1}{2}.$$

b) Determine the values of x for which $f^{-1}g(x)$ is **not** defined.

$$x = \pm \sqrt{1 - \frac{\pi}{6}}, \quad x < -\sqrt{2} \quad \text{or} \quad x > \sqrt{2}$$

$f(x) = \cos x, \quad 0 \leq x \leq \pi$ $g(x) = 1 - x^2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$
 $\rightarrow f(g(x)) = f(1 - x^2) = \cos(1 - x^2)$
 $\rightarrow \cos(1 - x^2) = \frac{1}{2}$
 $\arccos\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{\pi}{3}$
 $\rightarrow (1 - x^2) = \frac{\pi}{3} \pm 2n\pi$
 $\rightarrow (1 - x^2) = \frac{\pi}{3} \pm 2n\pi$
 $\rightarrow x^2 = 1 - \frac{\pi}{3} \pm 2n\pi$
 $x^2 = 1 - \frac{\pi}{3} \pm 2n\pi$

$\xrightarrow{x \in \mathbb{R}} \boxed{g(x)} \xrightarrow{\text{out}} y < 1$ $\xrightarrow{x \in \mathbb{R}} \boxed{f(x)} \xrightarrow{\text{out}}$
 $0 \leq y \leq \pi$
 $0 \leq 1 - x^2 \leq \pi$
 $-1 \leq -x^2 \leq \pi - 1$
 $1 - \pi \leq x^2 \leq 1$
 $0 \leq x^2 \leq 1$
 $-1 \leq x \leq 1$

$x^2 = (1 - \frac{\pi}{3}) \pm 2n\pi$ GIVE A SOLUTION IF POS, $x^2 = (1 - \frac{\pi}{3})$
 $x = \pm \sqrt{1 - \frac{\pi}{3}}$
 $x^2 = (1 - \frac{\pi}{3}) \pm 2n\pi$ GIVE NO SOLUTION IN POS/Neg YES: $x^2 < 0$
 $\therefore x = \pm \sqrt{1 - \frac{\pi}{3}}$

FIRSTLY IF $f(x) = \cos x$ $0 \leq x \leq \pi$
 THEN $f(x) = \arccos x$ $-1 \leq x \leq 1$
 [WE DO NOT REALLY NEED TO WORRY OUT $f(g(x))$]

$\xrightarrow{x \in \mathbb{R}} \boxed{g(x)} \xrightarrow{\text{out}} y < 1$ $\xrightarrow{x \in \mathbb{R}} \boxed{f(x)} \xrightarrow{\text{out}}$
 $-1 \leq x \leq 1$ $0 \leq x \leq \pi$

COMBINATIONS WILL BE VALID IF
 $-1 \leq g(x) < 1$
 $-1 \leq 1 - x^2 < 1$
 $-2 \leq -x^2 < 0$
 $0 \leq x^2 < 2$
 $-\sqrt{2} \leq x < \sqrt{2}$

\therefore IT WILL NOT BE DEFINED IF
 $x < -\sqrt{2}$ OR $x > \sqrt{2}$

Question 148 (****)

The function f is defined

$$f(x) = \sqrt{4-x}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \leq 4.$$

It is further given that

$$fg(x) = \sqrt{4+2x}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq -2,$$

$$hf(x) = x-4, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \leq 4.$$

for some functions $g(x)$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$ and $h(x)$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

Find simplified expressions for ...

a) ... $g(x)$.

b) ... $h(x)$.

, $g(x) = -2x$, $h(x) = -x^2$

4) $f(x) = \sqrt{4-x}$ $f(g(x)) = \sqrt{4+2x}$

$\Rightarrow f(g(x)) = \sqrt{4+2x}$
 $\Rightarrow \sqrt{4-g(x)} = \sqrt{4+2x}$
 $\Rightarrow 4-g(x) = 4+2x$
 $\Rightarrow -g(x) = 2x$
 $\Rightarrow g(x) = -2x$ ✓

ALTERNATIVE
BY INSPECTION
 $f(x) = 4-x^2$
THUS
 $f(g(x)) = \sqrt{4+2x}$
 $g(x) = 4 - (\sqrt{4+2x})^2$
 $g(x) = 4 - (4+2x)$
 $g(x) = -2x$ ✓

6) $f(x) = \sqrt{4-x}$ $h(f(x)) = x-4$

$\Rightarrow h(f(x)) = x-4$
 $\Rightarrow h(\sqrt{4-x}) = x-4$
Let $u = \sqrt{4-x}$
 $u^2 = 4-x$
 $x = 4-u^2$
 $\Rightarrow h(u) = (4-u^2)-4$
 $\Rightarrow h(u) = -u^2$
 $\therefore h(x) = -x^2$ ✓

Question 149 (****)

The functions f and g are defined by

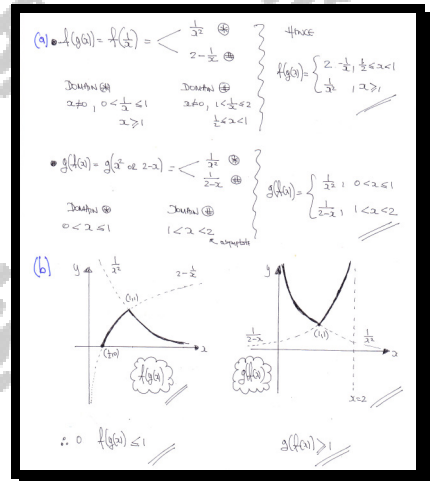
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2, & x \in \mathbb{R}, 0 < x \leq 1 \\ 2-x, & x \in \mathbb{R}, 1 < x \leq 2 \end{cases}$$

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{x}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 0.$$

- a) Find expressions for the function compositions $fg(x)$ and $gf(x)$, giving full descriptions of their domains.
- b) Sketch the graphs of the function compositions $fg(x)$ and $gf(x)$, and hence state the ranges of $fg(x)$ and $gf(x)$.

, $fg(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x^2}, & x \in \mathbb{R}, \frac{1}{2} \leq x < 1 \\ \frac{1}{x^2}, & x \in \mathbb{R}, x \geq 1 \end{cases}$, $gf(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x^2}, & x \in \mathbb{R}, 0 < x \leq 1 \\ \frac{1}{2-x}, & x \in \mathbb{R}, 1 < x < 2 \end{cases}$

$fg(x) \in \mathbb{R}, 0 \leq fg(x) \leq 1$
 $gf(x) \in \mathbb{R}, gf(x) \geq 1$



Question 150 (*****)

$$f(x) = x \ln \left[(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} + x \right] - (x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Show clearly that ...

a) ... $f'(x) = \ln \left[(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} + x \right].$

b) ... $f'(x)$ is an odd function.

, proof

(a) $f(x) = x \ln \left[(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} + x \right] - (x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}}$
 $f'(x) = x \ln \left[(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} + x \right] + x \cdot \frac{1}{(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \cdot [x(x^2 + 1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} + 1] - x(x^2 + 1)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$
 $f'(x) = x \ln \left[(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} + x \right] + \frac{x^2(x^2 + 1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} + x}{(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} + x} - x(x^2 + 1)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$
 $f'(x) = x \ln \left[(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} + x \right] + \frac{x^2(x^2 + 1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} + x(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} + x} - \frac{x}{(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}}}$
 $f'(x) = x \ln \left[(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} + x \right] + \frac{x(x^2 + 1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} + x(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} + x} - \frac{x}{(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}}}$
 $f'(x) = x \ln \left[(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} + x \right] + \frac{x(x^2 + 1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} + x(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} + x} - \frac{x}{(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}}}$
 $f'(x) = x \ln \left[(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} + x \right]$

(b) $f'(-x) = \ln \left[(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} - x \right] - \ln \left[(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} + x \right]$
 $= \ln \left[\frac{(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} - x}{(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} + x} \right]$
 $= \ln \left[\frac{(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} - x}{(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} + x} \right] = \ln \left[\frac{1}{(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} + x} \right]$
 $= \ln \left[(x^2 + 1)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \right] = -\ln \left[(x^2 + 1)^{\frac{1}{2}} + x \right]$
 $= -f'(x) \quad \therefore f'(x) \text{ is odd}$

Question 151 (****)

The piecewise continuous function f is given below.

$$f(x) \equiv \begin{cases} 2x-2 & x \leq 5 \\ x+3 & x > 5 \end{cases}$$

- a) Determine an expression, in similar form to that of $f(x)$ above, for the inverse function, $f^{-1}(x)$.
- b) Sketch a detailed graph for the composition $ff(x)$.

, $f^{-1}(x) \equiv \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}x+1 & x \leq 8 \\ x-3 & x > 8 \end{cases}$

a) $f(x) = \begin{cases} 2x-2 & x \leq 5 \\ x+3 & x > 5 \end{cases}$

SWAP WITH A SKETCH OF f

$y = x+3, y > 8$
 $x = y-3$
 $\therefore f^{-1}(y) = y-3, y > 8$

$y = 2x-2, y \leq 8$
 $y+2 = 2x$
 $x = \frac{y+2}{2}$
 $\therefore f^{-1}(y) = \frac{y+2}{2}, y \leq 8$

$\therefore f^{-1}(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x+2}{2} & x \leq 8 \\ x-3 & x > 8 \end{cases}$

b) THREE ARE 3 CASES TO CONSIDER

If $x > 5 \rightarrow f_2 \rightarrow f_2 \therefore f(f(x)) = f_2(f_2(x))$
 If $\frac{5}{2} < x \leq 5 \rightarrow f_1 \rightarrow f_2 \therefore f(f(x)) = f_2(f_1(x))$
 If $x \leq \frac{5}{2} \rightarrow f_1 \rightarrow f_1 \therefore f(f(x)) = f_1(f_1(x))$

\bullet If $x > 5$ \bullet If $\frac{5}{2} < x \leq 5$ \bullet If $x \leq \frac{5}{2}$

$f(f(x)) = f_2(f_2(x)) = (2x-2)+3 = 2x+1$
 $f(f(x)) = f_2(f_1(x)) = (x+3)+3 = x+6$
 $f(f(x)) = f_1(f_1(x)) = \frac{1}{2}(2x-2)+1 = x$

SKETCHING THE COMPOSITION FOR ITS GRAPH (DOMAIN)

Question 152 (****)

The function f is defined as

$$f(x) \equiv 4x^3 - 12x^2 + 8x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 3.$$

Find the range of f , and hence sketch its graph, showing clearly the coordinates of any relevant points.

$$\boxed{}, \quad \boxed{-\frac{8}{9}\sqrt{3} \leq f(x) \leq 24}$$

$f(x) = 4x^3 - 12x^2 + 8x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 3$

- FIRSTLY LOOK FOR LOCAL MINIMA/MAXIMA
 - $\Rightarrow f'(x) = 12x^2 - 24x + 8$
 - $\Rightarrow 0 = 12x^2 - 24x + 8$
 - $\Rightarrow 0 = 3x^2 - 6x + 2$
 - $\therefore x = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{(-6)^2 - 4 \times 3 \times 2}}{2 \times 3} = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{36 - 24}}{6} = \frac{6 \pm \sqrt{12}}{6}$
 - $= \frac{6 \pm 2\sqrt{3}}{6} = 1 \pm \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}$ (BOTH ARE IN THE DOMAIN)
- CHECK THESE POINTS FIRST
 - $f(2) = 4(2)^3 - 12(2)^2 + 8(2)$
 - $f(2) = 4x(x^2 - 3x + 2)$
 - $f(2) = 4x(x-2)(x-1)$
 - $f(1 + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}) = 4(1 + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3})(1 + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} - 2)(1 + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} - 1)$
 - $= 4(1 + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3})(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} - 1)(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}) = 4 \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} (\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} - 1)(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3})$
 - $= 4 \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} (\frac{3}{3} - 1) = 4 \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} \times (-\frac{2}{3}) = -\frac{8}{9}\sqrt{3}$
 - $f(1 - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}) = 4(1 - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3})(1 - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} - 2)(1 - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} - 1)$
 - $= 4(1 - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3})(-1 - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3})(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}) = 4(1 - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3})(1 + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3})(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3})$
 - $= 4 \times (1 - \frac{3}{3}) \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} = 4 \times \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} = \frac{8}{9}\sqrt{3}$

• FINALLY CHECK THE END POINTS

- $f(0) = 0$
- $f(3) = 4 \times 3 \times (3-2) \times (3-1) = 4 \times 3 \times 1 \times 2 = 24$

\therefore RANGE $-\frac{8}{9}\sqrt{3} \leq f(x) \leq 24$

Question 154 (*****)

$$f(x) \equiv \frac{1}{x^{100} + 100^{100}} \sum_{r=1}^{100} (x+r)^{100}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq 0.$$

Use a formal method to find the equations of any asymptotes of $f(x)$.

, $y = 100$

$f(x) = \frac{\sum_{r=1}^{100} (x+r)^{100}}{x^{100} + 100^{100}}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad x \geq 0$
 $f(x) = \frac{(x+1)^{100} + (x+2)^{100} + \dots + (x+100)^{100}}{x^{100} + 100^{100}}$
 $f(x) = \frac{x^{100} \left[\left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^{100} + \left(1 + \frac{2}{x}\right)^{100} + \dots + \left(1 + \frac{100}{x}\right)^{100} \right]}{x^{100} + 100^{100}}$
 $f(x) = \frac{\left(1 + \frac{1}{x}\right)^{100} + \left(1 + \frac{2}{x}\right)^{100} + \dots + \left(1 + \frac{100}{x}\right)^{100}}{1 + \frac{100^{100}}{x^{100}}}$

- As the denominator cannot be zero, there are no vertical asymptotes.
- As $x \rightarrow \infty$, $\frac{1}{x} \rightarrow 0$ Re AL A
- $\frac{2}{x} \rightarrow 0$ Re AL A
- \dots
- $\rightarrow f(x) \rightarrow \frac{1+1+\dots+1}{1} = 100$
- \therefore Horizontal Asymptote at $y = 100$

Question 155 (****)

The functions f and g are defined in the largest possible real domain and their equations are given in terms of a constant k by

$$f(x) = \frac{(3k^2 + 1)x - k + 1}{x - k + 3} \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = \frac{7x + 4k}{4x + 10}$$

Given that f and g are identical, determine the possible value or values of k .

, $k = \frac{1}{2}$

$f(x) = \frac{(3k^2+1)x - k + 1}{x - k + 3}$ $g(x) = \frac{7x + 4k}{4x + 10}$

METHOD A

- LOOKING AT THE ASYMPTOTE (VERTICAL) OF THE $g(x)$ WE OBTAIN $x = -\frac{5}{2}$
 - $x - k + 3 = 0$
 - $-\frac{5}{2} - k + 3 = 0$
 - $\frac{1}{2} = k$
- WHY THIS VALUE FOR EACH OF THE TWO FUNCTIONS
 - $f(x) = \frac{(3(\frac{1}{2})^2 + 1)x - \frac{1}{2} + 1}{x - \frac{1}{2} + 3} = \frac{\frac{7}{2}x + \frac{1}{2}}{x + \frac{5}{2}} = \frac{7x + 1}{2x + 5}$
 - $g(x) = \frac{7x + 4(\frac{1}{2})}{4x + 10} = \frac{7x + 2}{4x + 10}$
- THE FUNCTIONS ARE IDENTICAL IF $k = \frac{1}{2}$, WITH DOMAIN $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $x \neq -\frac{5}{2}$

METHOD B

- SET THE TWO FUNCTIONS EQUAL TO ONE ANOTHER & SIMPLIFY THE NUMERATORS OF x
 - $\frac{(3k^2+1)x + (-k+1)}{x - k + 3} = \frac{7x + 4k}{4x + 10}$
 - $[(3k^2+1)x + (-k+1)][4x + 10] = [x - k + 3][7x + 4k]$
 - $4(3k^2+1)x^2 + [10(3k^2+1) + 4(-k+1)]x + 10(-k+1) = 7x^2 + [4k + 7(-k+3)]x + 4k(-k+3)$

- EQUATING $[x^2]$
 - $4(3k^2+1) = 7$
 - $3k^2 + 1 = \frac{7}{4}$
 - $3k^2 = \frac{3}{4}$
 - $k^2 = \frac{1}{4}$
 - $k = \pm \frac{1}{2}$
- EQUATING $[x]$
 - $10(3k^2+1) + 4(-k+1) = 4k + 7(-k+3)$
 - $30k^2 + 10 - 4k + 4 = 4k + 21 - 7k$
 - $30k^2 - k - 7 = 0$
 - $(15k+7)(2k-1) = 0$
 - $k = -\frac{7}{15}$ or $k = \frac{1}{2}$
- EQUATING $[c]$
 - $10(-k+1) = 4k(-k+3)$
 - $10 - 10k = 12k - 4k^2$
 - $4k^2 - 22k + 10 = 0$
 - $2k^2 - 11k + 5 = 0$
 - $(2k-1)(k-5) = 0$
 - $k = \frac{1}{2}$ or $k = 5$

\therefore functions are identical if $k = \frac{1}{2}$, with domain $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $x \neq -\frac{5}{2}$

Question 156 (*****)

The function f is defined by

$$f(x) = 2 - \frac{1}{x}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 0.$$

a) Prove that

$$f^n(x) = \frac{(n+1)x - n}{nx - (n-1)}, \quad n \geq 1,$$

where $f^n(x)$ denotes the n^{th} composition of $f(x)$ by itself.

b) State an expression for the domain of $f^n(x)$.

, $x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq \frac{n-1}{n}$

(a) $f^1(x) = \frac{(1+1)x - 1}{1x - (1-1)} = \frac{2x-1}{x} = 2 - \frac{1}{x} = f(x)$
 $f^2(x) = f(f(x)) = f\left(2 - \frac{1}{x}\right) = 2 - \frac{1}{2 - \frac{1}{x}} = 2 - \frac{x}{2x-1} = \frac{2(2x-1) - x}{2x-1} = \frac{3x-2}{2x-1}$
 Also $f^3(x) = \frac{(3+1)x - 2}{2x - (2-1)} = \frac{4x-2}{2x-1}$ ✓ Better than for $n=1,2$
 SURPOSE THE RESULT HAS FOR $n=k \in \mathbb{N}$
 $f^k(x) = \frac{(k+1)x - k}{kx - (k-1)}$
 $f^{k+1}(x) = f\left(\frac{(k+1)x - k}{kx - (k-1)}\right) = 2 - \frac{1}{\frac{(k+1)x - k}{kx - (k-1)}} = 2 - \frac{kx - (k-1)}{(k+1)x - k}$
 $= \frac{2(k+1)x - 2k - (kx - (k-1))}{(k+1)x - k} = \frac{(2k+2)x - 2k - kx + (k-1)}{(k+1)x - k} = \frac{(k+2)x - k - 1}{(k+1)x - k}$
 THIS IS THE RESULT FOR $n=k+1 \Rightarrow$ THE RESULT ALSO HOLDS FOR $n \in \mathbb{N}$
 SINCE THE RESULT HOLDS FOR $n=1,2 \Rightarrow$ THE RESULT MUST HOLD $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$
 (b) DEDUCTION IN DOMAIN OF $f(x)$ IS 'N/A'
 $\therefore nx - (n-1) \neq 0$
 $x \neq \frac{n-1}{n} \quad \therefore x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq \frac{n-1}{n}$

Question 157 (****)

The real functions f and g have a common domain $0 \leq x \leq 4$, and defined as

$$f(x) \equiv (x-1)(x-2)(x-3) \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) \equiv \int_0^x f(t) dt.$$

Use a detailed algebraic method to determine the range of g .

, $-\frac{9}{4} \leq g(x) \leq 0$

$f(x) = (x-1)(x-2)(x-3) \quad 0 \leq x \leq 4$
 $g(x) = \int_0^x f(t) dt \quad 0 \leq x \leq 4$

- FINEST TIDY $f(x)$
 $f(x) = (x-1)(x^2 - 5x + 6) = \frac{x^3 - 5x^2 + 6x}{x^2 - 5x + 6}$
- NEXT FIND THE VALUE OF THE FUNCTION AT ITS ENDPOINTS
 $g(x) = \int_0^x f(t) dt = 0$
 $g(4) = \int_0^4 f(t) dt = \int_0^4 (t^3 - 5t^2 + 6t) dt$
 $= \left[\frac{1}{4}t^4 - 2t^3 + \frac{3}{2}t^2 - 6t \right]_0^4$
 $= \left(\frac{1}{4} \times 4^4 - 2 \times 4^3 + \frac{3}{2} \times 4^2 - 6 \times 4 \right) - 0$
 $= 4^3 - 2 \times 4^3 + 6 \times 4 - 24$
 $= -4^3 + 6 \times 4 - 24$
 $= -64 + 24 - 24$
 $= -64$
 $\therefore g(0) = g(4) = 0$

- NEXT LOOK FOR STATIONARY POINTS
 $g'(x) = f(x) \quad \therefore \text{STATIONARY AT } x = \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}$
- $\therefore g(x) = \left[\frac{1}{4}t^4 - 2t^3 + \frac{3}{2}t^2 - 6t \right]_0^{\frac{1}{3}}$
 $= \left(\frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{81} - 2 \times \frac{1}{27} + \frac{3}{2} \times \frac{1}{9} - 6 \times \frac{1}{3} \right) - 0 = \frac{1-8+27-216}{4} = -\frac{196}{4}$
 $g(x) = \left[\frac{1}{4}t^4 - 2t^3 + \frac{3}{2}t^2 - 6t \right]_0^{\frac{2}{3}}$
 $= \left(\frac{1}{4} \times \frac{16}{81} - 2 \times \frac{8}{27} + \frac{3}{2} \times \frac{4}{9} - 6 \times \frac{2}{3} \right) - 0 = -2$
 $g(x) = \left[\frac{1}{4}t^4 - 2t^3 + \frac{3}{2}t^2 - 6t \right]_0^1$
 $= \left(\frac{1}{4} - 2 + \frac{3}{2} - 6 \right) - 0 = \frac{1-8+9-24}{4} = -\frac{12}{4} = -3$
- AS $g(x)$ IS CONTINUOUS THE VALUES OF g ARE SUFFICIENT TO BE DETERMINE THE RANGE
 $\therefore -\frac{9}{4} \leq g(x) \leq 0$
- ALTERNATIVELY DETERMINE THE NATURE VIA CRITERIA
 $g''(x) = f'(x) = (x-2)(x-3) + (x-1)(x-2)$
 $g''(1) = (-1)(-2) = 2 > 0 \Rightarrow \cup$
 $g''(2) = (0)(-1) = 0 \Rightarrow \text{?}$
 $g''(3) = (1)(0) = 0 \Rightarrow \text{?}$
 $g''(4) = (2)(1) = 2 > 0 \Rightarrow \cup$


Question 158 (**)**


The functions f and g are each defined in the largest possible real number domain and given by

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x - \sqrt{x^2 - x - 2}} \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = \sqrt{x - \sqrt{x + 6}}$$

By considering the domains of f and g , show that $fg(x)$ cannot be formed.

, proof

• FIRSTLY INVESTIGATE THE LARGEST POSSIBLE REAL DOMAIN OF EACH OF THE TWO FUNCTIONS SEPARATELY
 $y = f(x) = \sqrt{x - \sqrt{x^2 - x - 2}}$
 • FIRSTLY $x^2 - x - 2 \geq 0$
 $(x-2)(x+1) \geq 0$

 $x < -1$ OR $x > 2$
 • ALSO $x - \sqrt{x^2 - x - 2} \geq 0$
 SOLVE THE CORRESPONDING EQUATION INSTANTLY
 $x = \sqrt{x^2 - x - 2}$
 $x^2 = x^2 - x - 2$
 $x = -2$ DOES NOT SATISFY ORIGINAL SO NO EXTRA CRITICAL VALUES
 • CHECKING THE INTERVALS $x < -1$ OR $x > 2$, WITH $x - \sqrt{x^2 - x - 2}$ WE DECIDE THAT THE SOLUTION SET IS $x > 2$
 • NEXT CHECK THE LARGEST POSSIBLE DOMAIN OF $g(x)$
 $y = g(x) = \sqrt{x - \sqrt{x + 6}}$
 • FIRSTLY $x + 6 \geq 0$
 $x \geq -6$
 • ALSO $x - \sqrt{x + 6} \geq 0$
 SOLVE THE CORRESPONDING EQUATION INSTANTLY

$x = \sqrt{x + 6}$
 $x^2 = x + 6$
 $x^2 - x - 6 = 0$
 $(x+2)(x-3) = 0$
 $x = -2$ ← ONLY SOLUTION OF THE ORIGINAL EQUATION
 • CHECKING - BOTH THE INTERVALS THE ABOVE CRITICAL VALUES WE OBTAIN $x > 3$
 • WE NEED TO SATISFY THE PREVIOUS CONDITION $x > -6$ THE NEW CONDITION, THE DOMAIN IS $x > 3$
 • NEXT TRY TO FORM $f \cdot g(x)$

 • WE REQUIRE $\sqrt{x - \sqrt{x^2 - x - 2}} \geq 3$ AND $x > 2$
 • SOLVE THE CORRESPONDING EQUATION
 $\sqrt{x - \sqrt{x^2 - x - 2}} = 3$
 $x - \sqrt{x^2 - x - 2} = 9$
 $x - 9 = \sqrt{x^2 - x - 2}$
 $x^2 - 18x + 81 = x^2 - x - 2$
 $-17x = -83$
 $x = \frac{83}{17}$ ← DOES NOT SATISFY THE ORIGINAL

• GOING FURTHER TO CHECK WHETHER IT WORKS FOR THE INTERVAL $x^2 - x - 2 > 0$ WHICH YIELDS $x \leq -1$ OR $x > 2$
 • CHECKING THE $x = -1$ $\sqrt{-1 - \sqrt{-1}}$ NOT EVEN POSSIBLE
 • CHECKING THE $x = 2$ $\sqrt{2 - \sqrt{2^2 - 2}}$ NOT SATISFIED
 $\therefore \sqrt{x - \sqrt{x^2 - x - 2}} \geq 3$ CANNOT BE SATISFIED
 $\therefore f \cdot g(x)$ CANNOT BE FORMED

Question 159 (*****)

The function f , defined for all real numbers, satisfies the following relationship

$$f(x) + 4f(-x) \equiv 1 + x^2 \int_{-1}^1 f(u) \, du.$$

Determine as an exact fraction the value of


$$\int_{-1}^1 f(x) \, dx.$$

, $\frac{6}{13}$

$f(x) + 4f(-x) = 1 + x^2 \int_{-1}^1 f(u) \, du$

• INTEGRATE THE EQUATION WITH RESPECT TO x , BETWEEN -1 & 1

$\Rightarrow \int_{-1}^1 f(x) \, dx + 4 \int_{-1}^1 f(-x) \, dx = \int_{-1}^1 1 \, dx + \int_{-1}^1 x^2 \left[\int_{-1}^1 f(u) \, du \right] \, dx$



THIS IS 4 TIMES THE AREA
ONCE SQUARE

SAME AS THE AREA $\int_{-1}^1 f(x) \, dx$

$\Rightarrow \int_{-1}^1 f(x) \, dx + 4 \int_{-1}^1 f(x) \, dx = [x]_{-1}^1 + \left[\int_{-1}^1 f(u) \, du \right] \int_{-1}^1 x^2 \, dx$

$\Rightarrow 5 \int_{-1}^1 f(x) \, dx = (1 - (-1)) + \left[\int_{-1}^1 f(u) \, du \right] \left[\frac{1}{3} x^3 \right]_{-1}^1$

$\Rightarrow 5 \int_{-1}^1 f(x) \, dx = 2 + \left[\int_{-1}^1 f(u) \, du \right] \left(\frac{1}{3} - (-\frac{1}{3}) \right)$

$\Rightarrow 5 \int_{-1}^1 f(x) \, dx = 2 + \frac{2}{3} \int_{-1}^1 f(u) \, du$

• OR $\int_{-1}^1 f(x) \, dx = \int_{-1}^1 f(x) \, dx = \int_{-1}^1 f(x) \, dx = \int_{-1}^1 f(x) \, dx = \dots$

$\Rightarrow \frac{10}{3} \int_{-1}^1 f(x) \, dx = 2$

$\Rightarrow \int_{-1}^1 f(x) \, dx = \frac{6}{13}$

Question 160 (*****)

The function $y = f(t)$ is defined by the integral

$$f(t) \equiv \int_0^1 (x-t)^2 + t^2 \, dx, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}, \quad t \geq 0.$$

Determine the range of y .

, $f(t) \geq \frac{5}{24}$

$f(t) = \int_0^1 (x-t)^2 + t^2 \, dx \quad t \in \mathbb{R}, t \geq 0$

- EVALUATE THE INTEGRAL**
 - $\rightarrow f(t) = \int_0^1 x^2 - 2tx + t^2 + t^2 \, dx$
 - $\rightarrow f(t) = \int_0^1 x^2 - 2tx + 2t^2 \, dx$
 - $\rightarrow f(t) = \left[\frac{1}{3}x^3 - tx^2 + 2t^2x \right]_0^1$
 - $\rightarrow f(t) = \left(\frac{1}{3} - t + 2t^2 \right) - (0)$
 - $\rightarrow f(t) = 2t^2 - t + \frac{1}{3}$
- BY COMPLETING THE SQUARE OR CALCULUS**
 - $f'(t) = 4t - 1$
 - $0 = 4t - 1$
 - $t = \frac{1}{4}$
 - $f\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) = 2\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{3}$
 - $= \frac{1}{8} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{3}$
 - $= \frac{3 - 6 + 8}{24}$
 - $= \frac{5}{24}$
- HENCE THE MINIMUM IS $f(t) \geq \frac{5}{24}$**

Question 161 (****)

The function $y = f(x)$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$ satisfies

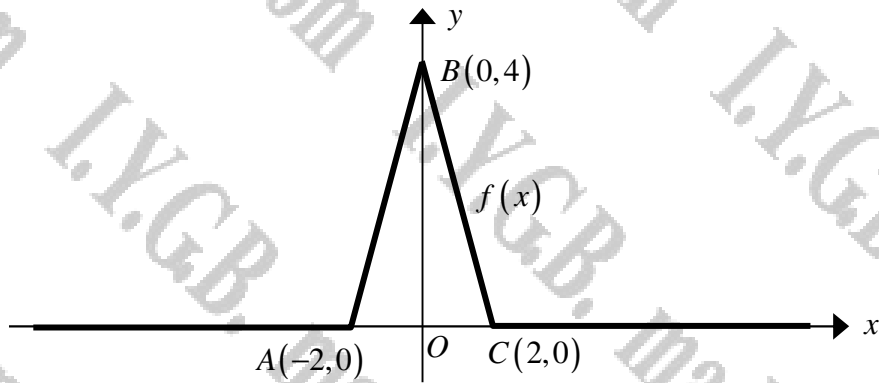
$$f(x) + 2f(2-x) = x^2, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}, \quad t \geq 0.$$

Determine a simplified expression for $y = f(x)$.

$$\boxed{}, \quad \boxed{f(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^2 - \frac{8}{3}x + \frac{8}{3}}$$

$f(x) + 2f(2-x) = x^2$
 • LET $x = 2-y \Rightarrow y = 2-x$
 $f(2-y) + 2f(y) = (2-y)^2$
 • DOUBLE BOTH, IN 4 (COMMON) VARIABLES SAY u
 $f(u) + 2f(2-u) = u^2$
 $f(2-u) + 2f(u) = (2-u)^2 \Rightarrow f(2-u) = (2-u)^2 - 2f(u)$
 • BY SUBSTITUTION
 $\Rightarrow f(u) + 2[(2-u)^2 - 2f(u)] = u^2$
 $\Rightarrow f(u) + 2(4-4u+u^2) - 4f(u) = u^2$
 $\Rightarrow 2(4-4u+u^2) - u^2 = 3f(u)$
 $\Rightarrow 4^2 - 8u + 2u^2 = 3f(u)$
 $\Rightarrow f(u) = \frac{1}{3}u^2 - \frac{8}{3}u + \frac{8}{3}$
 i.e. $f(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^2 - \frac{8}{3}x + \frac{8}{3}$

Question 162 (*****)



The figure above shows the graph of the function $f(x)$, consisting entirely of straight line sections. The coordinates of the joints of these straight line sections which make up the graph of $f(x)$ are also marked in the figure.

Given further that

$$\int_{-2}^2 k + f(x^2 - 4) dx = 0,$$

determine as an exact fraction the value of the constant k .

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• FORMULATE AN EQUATION FOR $f(x)$
 • GRADIENT OF STRAIGHT LINES IS $\neq 2$
 $f(x) = 4 - 2|x|$ $-2 \leq x \leq 2$
 • SKETCHES
 $2x^2 - 4$ $|2x^2 - 4|$ $-|2x^2 - 4|$ $4 - |2x^2 - 4|$
 • SO FOR $-2 \leq x \leq 2$
 $4 - |2x^2 - 4| \equiv 2x^2 - 4$
 $f(x^2 - 4) \equiv 2x^2 - 4$

• NOW CONSIDERING THE INTEGRAL
 $\Rightarrow \int_{-2}^2 k + f(x^2 - 4) dx = 0$
 $\Rightarrow \int_{-2}^2 k + 2x^2 - 4 dx = 0$
 • AS THE INTEGRAND IS EVEN
 $\Rightarrow 2 \int_0^2 (k - 4) + 2x^2 dx = 0$
 $\Rightarrow [(k - 4)x + \frac{2}{3}x^3]_0^2 = 0$
 $\Rightarrow 2(k - 4) + \frac{16}{3} = 0$
 $\Rightarrow k - 4 + \frac{8}{3} = 0$
 $\Rightarrow k = 4 - \frac{8}{3}$
 $\Rightarrow k = \frac{4}{3}$

Question 163 (****)

$$f(x) \equiv \frac{1}{k}(x^2 - 1)(x^2 - 9), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, k \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Determine the solution interval (n, k) , $n \in \mathbb{N}$, so that the equation

$$|f(x)| = n,$$

has exactly n distinct real roots.

, $(n, k) = (8, 1) = (6, 2) = (4, 4) = (5, 2) = (6, 2) = (7, 2)$

Handwritten Solution:

$f(x) = \frac{1}{k}(x^2-1)(x^2-9) \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$

• START WITH A QUICK SKETCH OF THE CURVE, WHICH TELLS YOU IT IS \pm SHAPED.

• NEXT WORK THE LOCAL MINIMA BY DIFFERENTIATION, SETTING $\frac{df}{dx} = 0$.

$f(x) = \frac{1}{k}(x^2)(x^2-9) + \frac{1}{k}(x^2-1)(x)$
 $f'(x) = \frac{2x}{k} [(x^2-9) + (x^2-1)]$
 $f'(x) = \frac{2x}{k} [2x^2-10]$
 $f'(x) = \frac{4x}{k} (x^2-5)$

• HENCE WE HAVE MINIMA AT $x = \pm\sqrt{5}$, WITH $f(\pm\sqrt{5}) = \frac{1}{k}(5-1)(5-9) = -\frac{16}{k}$.

• NOW DRAW THE GRAPH OF $y = |f(x)|$.

Table for n:

n	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Number of roots	8	6	4	2	2	2	2									

• THEREFORE WE HAVE $(n, k) = (8, 1), (6, 2), (4, 4), (5, 2), (6, 2), (7, 2)$.