- 11. [Maximum mark: 17]
  - (a) (i) Express  $x^2 + 3x + 2$  in the form  $(x + h)^2 + k$ .

(ii) Factorize 
$$x^2 + 3x + 2$$
. [2]

Consider the function  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2 + 3x + 2}$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x \neq -2$ ,  $x \neq -1$ .

- (b) Sketch the graph of f(x), indicating on it the equations of the asymptotes, the coordinates of the y-intercept and the local maximum. [5]
- (e) Sketch the graph of y = f(|x|). [2]
- 9. [Maximum mark: 14]

A quadratic function f can be written in the form f(x) = a(x-p)(x-3). The graph of f has axis of symmetry x = 2.5 and y-intercept at (0, -6).

(a) Find the value of 
$$p$$
. [3]

- (b) Find the value of a. [3]
- (c) The line y = kx 5 is a tangent to the curve of f. Find the values of k. [8]

Hint: Tangent – there is exactly one point of intersection.

9. [Maximum mark: 17]

Consider the function f defined by  $f(x) = x^2 - a^2$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  where a is a positive constant.

- (a) Showing any x and y intercepts, any maximum or minimum points and any asymptotes, sketch the following curves on separate axes.
  - (i) y = f(x);

(ii) 
$$y = \frac{1}{f(x)};$$

(iii) 
$$y = \left| \frac{1}{f(x)} \right|$$
. [8]

## 10. [Maximum mark: 15]

Let 
$$f(x) = \ln x$$
 and  $g(x) = 3 + \ln \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)$ , for  $x > 0$ .

The graph of g can be obtained from the graph of f by two transformations:

a horizontal stretch of scale factor  $\,q\,$  followed by

[3]

a translation of  $\begin{pmatrix} h \\ k \end{pmatrix}$ .

- (a) Write down the value of
  - (i) q;
  - (ii) h;
  - (iii) k.