

Functions - review (TL) [170 marks]

1. [Maximum mark: 5]

SPM.1.SL.TZ0.5

The functions f and g are defined such that $f(x) = \frac{x+3}{4}$ and $g(x) = 8x + 5$.

(a) Show that $(g \circ f)(x) = 2x + 11$. [2]

Markscheme

attempt to form composition **M1**

correct substitution $g\left(\frac{x+3}{4}\right) = 8\left(\frac{x+3}{4}\right) + 5$ **A1**

$(g \circ f)(x) = 2x + 11$ **AG**

[2 marks]

(b) Given that $(g \circ f)^{-1}(a) = 4$, find the value of a . [3]

Markscheme

attempt to substitute 4 (seen anywhere) **(M1)**

correct equation $a = 2 \times 4 + 11$ **(A1)**

$a = 19$ **A1**

[3 marks]

2. [Maximum mark: 6]

EXN.1.SL.TZ0.5

The functions f and g are defined for $x \in \mathbb{R}$ by $f(x) = x - 2$ and $g(x) = ax + b$, where $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$.

Given that $(f \circ g)(2) = -3$ and $(g \circ f)(1) = 5$, find the value of a and the value of b .

[6]

Markscheme

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$$(f \circ g)(x) = ax + b - 2 \quad \text{(M1)}$$

$$(f \circ g)(2) = -3 \Rightarrow 2a + b - 2 = -3 \quad (2a + b = -1) \quad \text{A1}$$

$$(g \circ f)(x) = a(x - 2) + b \quad \text{(M1)}$$

$$(g \circ f)(1) = 5 \Rightarrow -a + b = 5 \quad \text{A1}$$

a valid attempt to solve their two linear equations for a and b **M1**

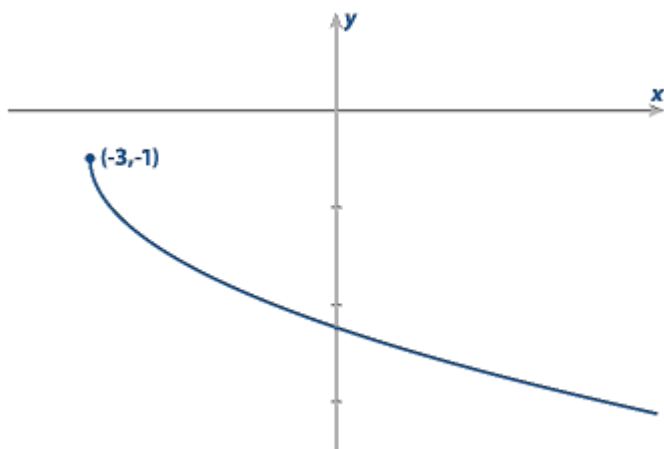
$$\text{so } a = -2 \text{ and } b = 3 \quad \text{A1}$$

[6 marks]

3. [Maximum mark: 14]

EXN.1.SL.TZ0.8

The following diagram shows the graph of $y = -1 - \sqrt{x + 3}$ for $x \geq -3$.



- (a) Describe a sequence of transformations that transforms the graph of $y = \sqrt{x}$ for $x \geq 0$ to the graph of $y = -1 - \sqrt{x + 3}$ for $x \geq -3$.

[3]

Markscheme

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for example,

a reflection in the x -axis (in the line $y = 0$) **A1**

a horizontal translation (shift) 3 units to the left **A1**

a vertical translation (shift) down by 1 unit **A1**

Note: Award **A1** for each correct transformation applied in a correct position in the sequence. Do not accept use of the “move” for a translation.

Note: Award **A1A1A1** for a correct alternative sequence of transformations. For example,

a vertical translation (shift) down by **1** unit, followed by a horizontal translation (shift) **3** units to the left and then a reflection in the line $y = -1$.

[3 marks]

A function f is defined by $f(x) = -1 - \sqrt{x + 3}$ for $x \geq -3$.

(b) State the range of f .

[1]

Markscheme

range is $f(x) \leq -1$ **A1**

Note: Correct alternative notations include $] - \infty, -1]$, $(-\infty, -1]$ or $y \leq -1$.

[1 mark]

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

[5]

Markscheme

$-1 - \sqrt{y + 3} = x$ **M1**

Note: Award **M1** for interchanging x and y (can be done at a later stage).

$$\sqrt{y+3} = -x-1 (= -(x+1)) \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

$$y+3 = (x+1)^2 \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

$$\text{so } f^{-1}(x) = (x+1)^2 - 3 \quad (f^{-1}(x) = x^2 + 2x - 2) \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

$$\text{domain is } x \leq -1 \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

Note: Correct alternative notations include $] -\infty, -1]$ or $(-\infty, -1]$.

[5 marks]

- (d) Find the coordinates of the point(s) where the graphs of $y = f(x)$ and $y = f^{-1}(x)$ intersect.

[5]

Markscheme

the point of intersection lies on the line $y = x$

EITHER

$$(x+1)^2 - 3 = x \quad \mathbf{M1}$$

attempts to solve their quadratic equation $\mathbf{M1}$

for example, $(x+2)(x-1) = 0$ or

$$x = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1^2 - 4(1)(-2)}}{2} \quad \left(x = \frac{-1 \pm 3}{2}\right)$$

OR

$$-1 - \sqrt{x+3} = x \quad \mathbf{M1}$$

$$\left(-1 - \sqrt{x+3}\right)^2 = x^2 \Rightarrow 2\sqrt{x+3} + x + 4 = x^2$$

substitutes $2\sqrt{x+3} = -2(x+1)$ to obtain
 $-2(x+1) + x + 4 = x^2$

attempts to solve their quadratic equation **M1**

for example, $(x+2)(x-1) = 0$ or
 $x = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1^2 - 4(1)(-2)}}{2} \quad \left(x = \frac{-1 \pm 3}{2}\right)$

THEN

$$x = -2, 1 \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

as $x \leq -1$, the only solution is $x = -2$ **R1**

so the coordinates of the point of intersection are $(-2, -2)$ **A1**

Note: Award **ROA1** if $(-2, -2)$ is stated without a valid reason given for rejecting $(1, 1)$.

[5 marks]

4. [Maximum mark: 17]

EXN.2.SL.TZ0.9

The temperature T °C of water t minutes after being poured into a cup can be modelled by $T = T_0 e^{-kt}$ where $t \geq 0$ and T_0, k are positive constants.

The water is initially boiling at 100 °C. When $t = 10$, the temperature of the water is 70 °C.

(a) Show that $T_0 = 100$.

[1]

Markscheme

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$$\text{when } t = 0, T = 100 \Rightarrow 100 = T_0 e^0 \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

$$\text{so } T_0 = 100 \quad \mathbf{AG}$$

[1 mark]

(b) Show that $k = \frac{1}{10} \ln \frac{10}{7}$.

[3]

Markscheme

correct substitution of $t = 10, T = 70 \quad \mathbf{M1}$

$$70 = 100e^{-10k} \text{ or } e^{-10k} = \frac{7}{10}$$

EITHER

$$-10k = \ln \frac{7}{10} \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

$$\ln \frac{7}{10} = -\ln \frac{10}{7} \text{ or } -\ln \frac{7}{10} = \ln \frac{10}{7} \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

OR

$$e^{10k} = \frac{10}{7} \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

$$10k = \ln \frac{10}{7} \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

THEN

$$k = \frac{1}{10} \ln \frac{10}{7} \quad \mathbf{AG}$$

[3 marks]

- (c) Find the temperature of the water when $t = 15$.

[2]

Markscheme

substitutes $t = 15$ into T (M1)

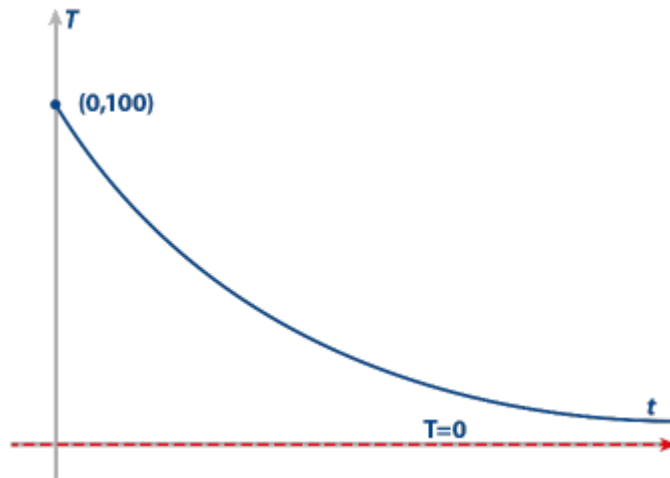
$$T = 58.6(^{\circ}\text{C}) \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

[2 marks]

- (d) Sketch the graph of T versus t , clearly indicating any asymptotes with their equations and stating the coordinates of any points of intersection with the axes.

[4]

Markscheme



a decreasing exponential **A1**

starting at $(0, 100)$ labelled on the graph or stated **A1**

$T \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$ **A1**

horizontal asymptote $T = 0$ labelled on the graph or stated **A1**

Note: Award **A0** for stating $y = 0$ as the horizontal asymptote.

[4 marks]

- (e) Find the time taken for the water to have a temperature of 50°C . Give your answer correct to the nearest second.

[4]

Markscheme

$$100e^{-kt} = 50 \text{ where } k = \frac{1}{10} \ln \frac{10}{7} \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

EITHER

uses an appropriate graph to attempt to solve for t (M1)

OR

manipulates logs to attempt to solve for t e.g. $\ln \frac{1}{2} = \left(-\frac{1}{10} \ln \frac{10}{7}\right)t$
(M1)

$$t = \frac{\ln 2}{\frac{1}{10} \ln \frac{10}{7}} = 19.433\dots \quad \text{A1}$$

THEN

temperature will be 50°C after 19 minutes and 26 seconds A1

[4 marks]

- (f) The model for the temperature of the water can also be expressed in the form $T = T_0 a^{\frac{t}{10}}$ for $t \geq 0$ and a is a positive constant.

Find the exact value of a .

[3]

Markscheme

METHOD 1

substitutes $T_0 = 100, t = 10$ and $T = 70$ into $T = T_0 a^{\frac{t}{10}}$ (M1)

$$70 = 100a^{\frac{10}{10}} \quad \text{A1}$$

$$a = \frac{7}{10} \quad \text{A1}$$

METHOD 2

$$100a^{\frac{t}{10}} = 100e^{-kt} \text{ where } k = \frac{1}{10} \ln \frac{10}{7}$$

EITHER

$$e^{-k} = a^{\frac{1}{10}} \Rightarrow a = e^{-10k} \quad (\text{M1})$$

OR

$$a = \left(e^{(-\frac{1}{10} \ln \frac{10}{7})t} \right)^{\frac{10}{t}} \quad (\text{M1})$$

THEN

$$a = e^{-\ln \frac{10}{7}} \left(= e^{\ln \frac{7}{10}} \right) \quad \text{A1}$$

$$a = \frac{7}{10} \quad \text{A1}$$

[3 marks]

5. [Maximum mark: 7]

23M.1.SL.TZ1.2

The function f is defined by $f(x) = \frac{7x+7}{2x-4}$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 2$.

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

[2]

Markscheme

recognizing $f(x) = 0$ (M1)

$x = -1$ A1

[2 marks]

(b) For the graph of $y = f(x)$, write down the equation of

(b.i) the vertical asymptote;

[1]

Markscheme

$x = 2$ (must be an equation with x) A1

[1 mark]

(b.ii) the horizontal asymptote.

[1]

Markscheme

$y = \frac{7}{2}$ (must be an equation with y) A1

[1 mark]

(c) Find $f^{-1}(x)$, the inverse function of $f(x)$.

[3]

Markscheme

EITHER

interchanging x and y (M1)

$$2xy - 4x = 7y + 7$$

correct working with y terms on the same side: $2xy - 7y = 4x + 7$
(A1)

OR

$$2yx - 4y = 7x + 7$$

correct working with x terms on the same side: $2yx - 7x = 4y + 7$
(A1)

interchanging x and y OR making x the subject $x = \frac{4y+7}{2y-7}$ (M1)

THEN

$$f^{-1}(x) = \frac{4x+7}{2x-7} \text{ (or equivalent) } (x \neq \frac{7}{2}) \quad \text{A1}$$

[3 marks]

6. [Maximum mark: 5]

23M.1.SL.TZ2.3

A function f is defined by $f(x) = 1 - \frac{1}{x-2}$, where $x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 2$.

- (a) The graph of $y = f(x)$ has a vertical asymptote and a horizontal asymptote.

Write down the equation of

- (a.i) the vertical asymptote;

[1]

Markscheme

$$x = 2 \quad A1$$

[1 mark]

- (a.ii) the horizontal asymptote.

[1]

Markscheme

$$y = 1 \quad A1$$

[1 mark]

- (b) Find the coordinates of the point where the graph of $y = f(x)$ intersects

- (b.i) the y -axis;

[1]

Markscheme

$$\left(0, \frac{3}{2}\right) \quad A1$$

[1 mark]

(b.ii) the x -axis.

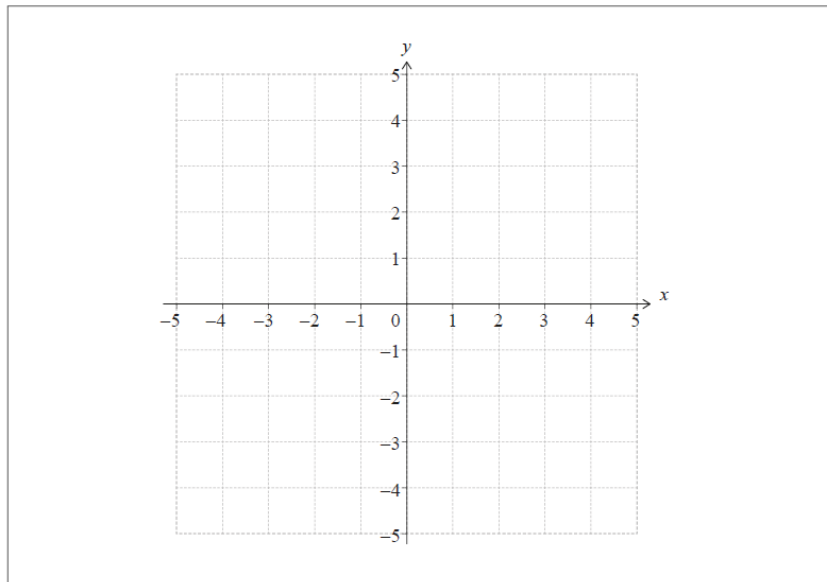
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Markscheme

(3, 0) A1

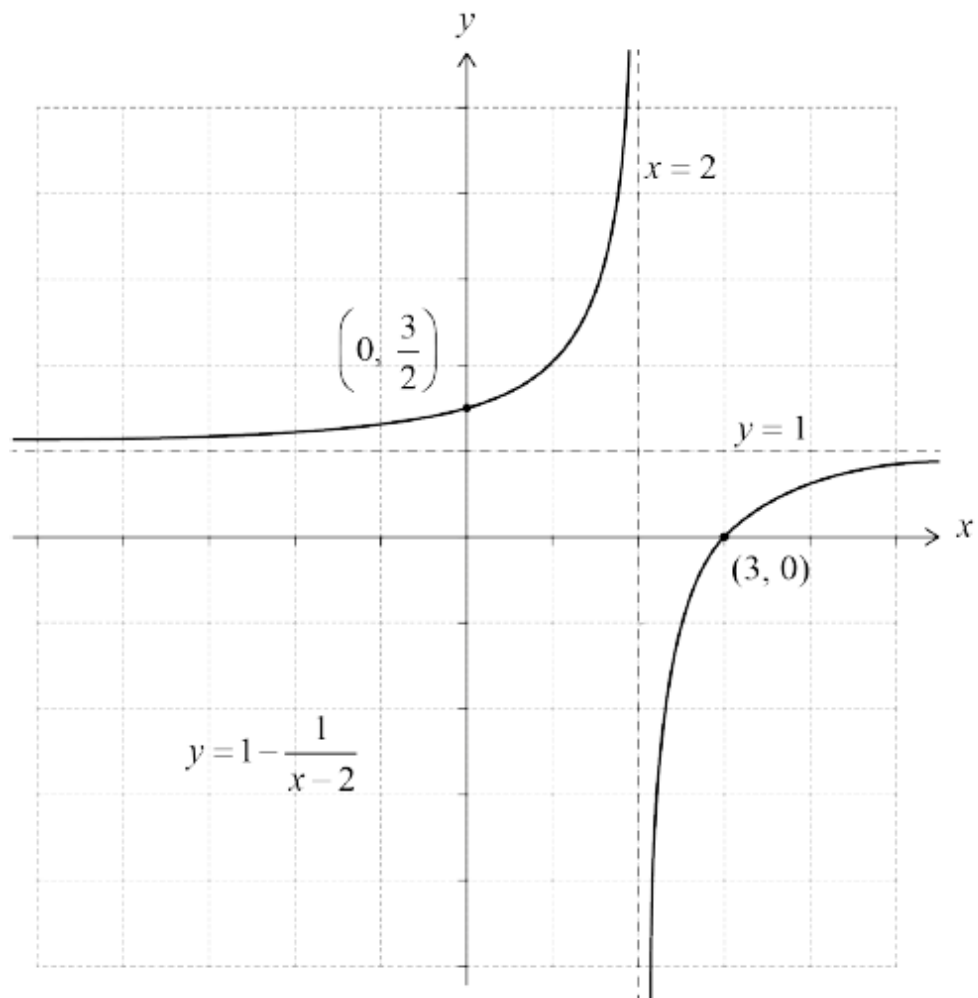
[1 mark]

(c) On the following set of axes, sketch the graph of $y = f(x)$, showing all the features found in parts (a) and (b).



[1]

Markscheme



two correct branches with correct asymptotic behaviour and intercepts clearly shown **A1**

[1 mark]

7. [Maximum mark: 7]

23M.2.SL.TZ1.7

The temperature of a cup of tea, t minutes after it is poured, can be modelled by $H(t) = 21 + 75e^{-0.08t}$, $t \geq 0$. The temperature is measured in degrees Celsius ($^{\circ}\text{C}$).

(a.i) Find the initial temperature of the tea.

[1]

Markscheme

96 ($^{\circ}$) (exact) **A1**

[1 mark]

(a.ii) Find the temperature of the tea three minutes after it is poured.

[1]

Markscheme

79.9970...

80.0 ($^{\circ}$) (accept 80) **A1**

[1 mark]

(b) After k minutes, the tea will be below 67°C and cool enough to drink.

Find the least possible value of k , where $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$.

[3]

Markscheme

METHOD 1

valid attempt to solve $H(t) = 67$ (accept an inequality) (M1)

eg intersection of graphs, use of logarithms.

6.11058... (A1)

7 (min) A1

METHOD 2

valid attempt to find crossover values (M1)

(6, 67.4087...) and (7, 63.8406...) (A1)

7 (min) A1

[3 marks]

As the tea cools, $H(t)$ approaches the temperature of the room, which is constant.

(c) Find the temperature of the room.

[2]

Markscheme

recognition that $t \rightarrow \infty$ (M1)

21 ($^{\circ}\text{C}$) A1

[2 marks]

8. [Maximum mark: 7]

22N.2.SL.TZ0.5

The population of a town t years after 1 January 2014 can be modelled by the function

$$P(t) = 15000e^{kt}, \text{ where } k < 0 \text{ and } t \geq 0.$$

It is known that between 1 January 2014 and 1 January 2022 the population decreased by 11%.

Use this model to estimate the population of this town on 1 January 2041.

[7]

Markscheme

recognition that initial population is 15000 (seen anywhere) (A1)

$$P(0) = 15000 \text{ OR } 0.11 \times 15000 \text{ OR } 0.89 \times 15000$$

population after 11% decrease is $15000 \times 0.89 (= 13350)$
(A1)

recognizing that $t = 8$ on 1 January 2022 (seen anywhere) (A1)

substitution of their value of t for 1 January 2022 and their value of $P(8)$ into the model (M1)

$$15000 \times 0.89 = 15000e^{8k} \text{ OR } 13350 = 15000e^{8k}$$

$$k = \frac{\ln 0.89}{8} (-0.014566) \quad (A1)$$

substitution of $t = 2041 - 2014 (= 27)$ and their value for k into the model (M1)

$$P(27) = 15000e^{-0.0145\dots \times 27}$$

10122.3...

$$P(27) = 10100 (10122) \quad A1$$

[7 marks]

9. [Maximum mark: 5]

22M.1.SL.TZ2.1

The following table shows values of $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ for different values of x .

Both f and g are one-to-one functions.

x	-2	0	3	4
$f(x)$	8	4	0	-3
$g(x)$	-5	-2	4	0

(a) Find $g(0)$.

[1]

Markscheme

$$g(0) = -2 \quad A1$$

[1 mark]

(b) Find $(f \circ g)(0)$.

[2]

Markscheme

evidence of using composite function (M1)

$$f(g(0)) \text{ OR } f(-2)$$

$$(f \circ g)(0) = 8 \quad A1$$

[2 marks]

(c) Find the value of x such that $f(x) = 0$.

[2]

Markscheme

$$x = 3 \quad A2$$

[2 marks]

10. [Maximum mark: 8]

22M.1.AHL.TZ2.3

A function f is defined by $f(x) = \frac{2x-1}{x+1}$, where $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $x \neq -1$.

The graph of $y = f(x)$ has a vertical asymptote and a horizontal asymptote.

(a.i) Write down the equation of the vertical asymptote.

[1]

Markscheme

$$x = -1 \quad A1$$

[1 mark]

(a.ii) Write down the equation of the horizontal asymptote.

[1]

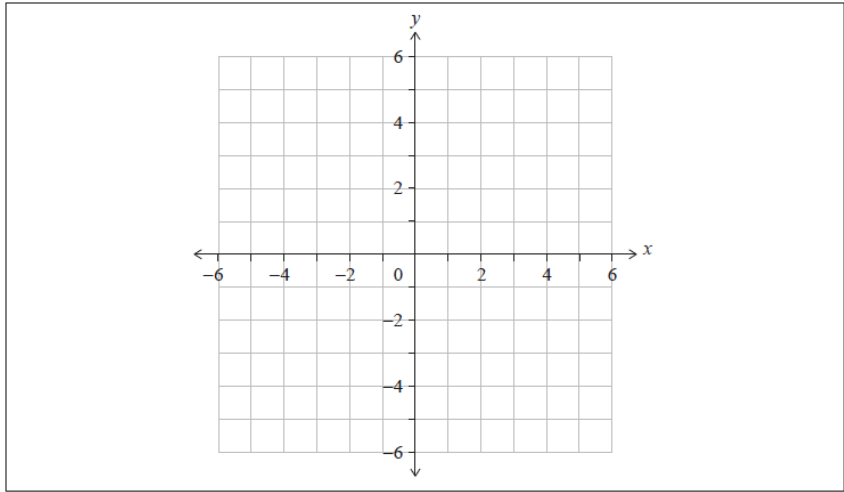
Markscheme

$$y = 2 \quad A1$$

[1 mark]

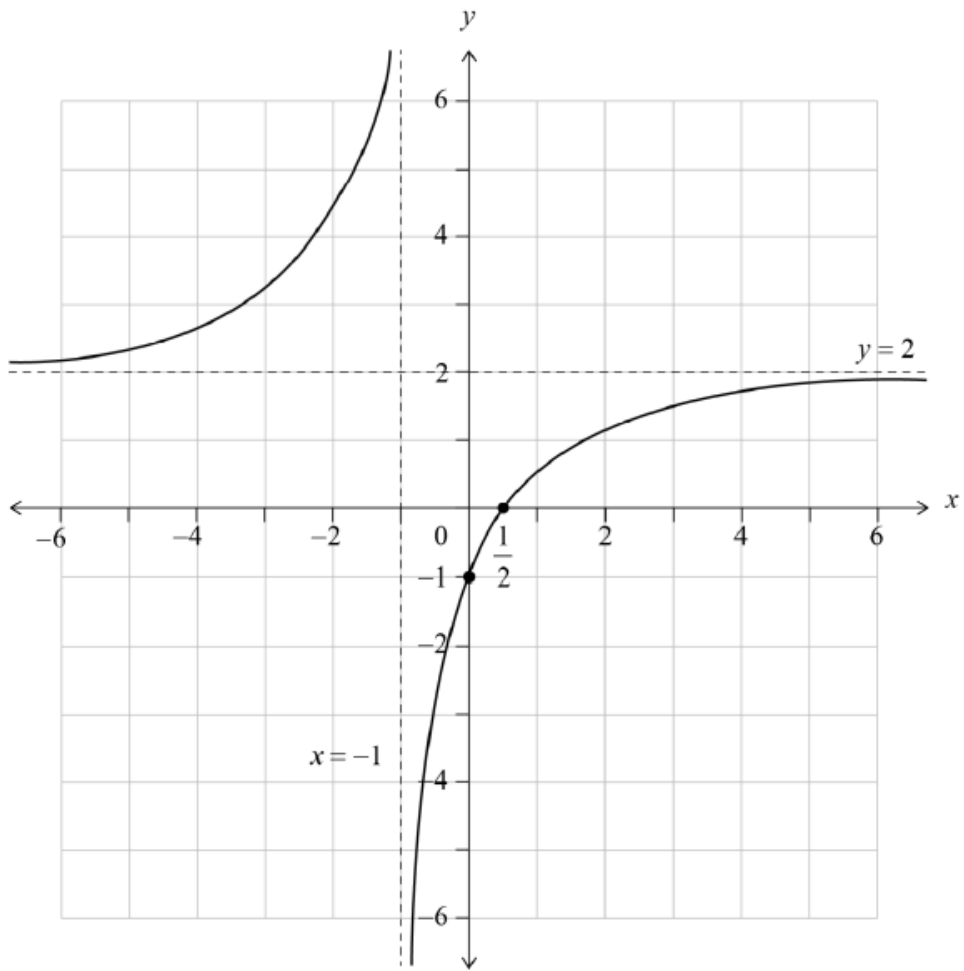
(b) On the set of axes below, sketch the graph of $y = f(x)$.

On your sketch, clearly indicate the asymptotes and the position of any points of intersection with the axes.



[3]

Markscheme



rational function shape with two branches in opposite quadrants, with two correctly positioned asymptotes and asymptotic behaviour shown

A1

axes intercepts clearly shown at $x = \frac{1}{2}$ and $y = -1$ **A1A1**

[3 marks]

(c) Hence, solve the inequality $0 < \frac{2x-1}{x+1} < 2$.

[1]

Markscheme

$$x > \frac{1}{2} \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

Note: Accept correct alternative correct notation, such as $(\frac{1}{2}, \infty)$ and $]\frac{1}{2}, \infty[$.

[1 mark]

(d) Solve the inequality $0 < \frac{2|x|-1}{|x|+1} < 2$.

[2]

Markscheme

EITHER

attempts to sketch $y = \frac{2|x|-1}{|x|+1}$ **(M1)**

OR

attempts to solve $2|x| - 1 = 0$ **(M1)**

Note: Award the *(M1)* if $x = \frac{1}{2}$ and $x = -\frac{1}{2}$ are identified.

THEN

$$x < -\frac{1}{2} \text{ or } x > \frac{1}{2} \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

Note: Accept the use of a comma. Condone the use of 'and'. Accept correct alternative notation.

[2 marks]

11. [Maximum mark: 15]

21N.1.SL.TZ0.8

Consider the function $f(x) = a^x$ where $x, a \in \mathbb{R}$ and $x > 0, a > 1$.

The graph of f contains the point $(\frac{2}{3}, 4)$.

(a) Show that $a = 8$.

[2]

Markscheme

$$f\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) = 4 \text{ OR } a^{\frac{2}{3}} = 4 \quad (M1)$$

$$a = 4^{\frac{3}{2}} \text{ OR } a = (2^2)^{\frac{3}{2}} \text{ OR } a^2 = 64 \text{ OR } \sqrt[3]{a} = 2 \quad A1$$

$$a = 8 \quad AG$$

[2 marks]

(b) Write down an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$.

[1]

Markscheme

$$f^{-1}(x) = \log_8 x \quad A1$$

Note: Accept $f^{-1}(x) = \log_a x$.

Accept any equivalent expression for f^{-1} e.g. $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{\ln x}{\ln 8}$.

[1 mark]

(c) Find the value of $f^{-1}(\sqrt{32})$.

[3]

Markscheme

correct substitution (A1)

$$\log_8 \sqrt{32} \text{ OR } 8^x = 32^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

correct working involving log/index law (A1)

$$\frac{1}{2} \log_8 32 \text{ OR } \frac{5}{2} \log_8 2 \text{ OR } \log_8 2 = \frac{1}{3} \text{ OR } \log_2 2^{\frac{5}{2}} \text{ OR}$$
$$\log_2 8 = 3 \text{ OR } \frac{\ln 2^{\frac{5}{2}}}{\ln 2^3} \text{ OR } 2^{3x} = 2^{\frac{5}{2}}$$

$$f^{-1}(\sqrt{32}) = \frac{5}{6} \quad A1$$

[3 marks]

Consider the arithmetic sequence

$\log_8 27$, $\log_8 p$, $\log_8 q$, $\log_8 125$, where $p > 1$ and $q > 1$.

(d.i) Show that 27 , p , q and 125 are four consecutive terms in a geometric sequence.

[4]

Markscheme

METHOD 1

equating a pair of differences (M1)

$$u_2 - u_1 = u_4 - u_3 (= u_3 - u_2)$$

$$\log_8 p - \log_8 27 = \log_8 125 - \log_8 q$$

$$\log_8 125 - \log_8 q = \log_8 q - \log_8 p$$

$$\log_8 \left(\frac{p}{27} \right) = \log_8 \left(\frac{125}{q} \right), \quad \log_8 \left(\frac{125}{q} \right) = \log_8 \left(\frac{q}{p} \right) \quad A1A1$$

$$\frac{p}{27} = \frac{125}{q} \text{ and } \frac{125}{q} = \frac{q}{p} \quad A1$$

27, p , q and 125 are in geometric sequence **AG**

Note: If candidate assumes the sequence is geometric, award no marks for part (i). If $r = \frac{5}{3}$ has been found, this will be awarded marks in part (ii).

METHOD 2

expressing a pair of consecutive terms, in terms of d **(M1)**

$$p = 8^d \times 27 \text{ and } q = 8^{2d} \times 27 \text{ OR } q = 8^{2d} \times 27 \text{ and } 125 = 8^{3d} \times 27$$

two correct pairs of consecutive terms, in terms of d **A1**

$$\frac{8^d \times 27}{27} = \frac{8^{2d} \times 27}{8^d \times 27} = \frac{8^{3d} \times 27}{8^{2d} \times 27} \text{ (must include 3 ratios)} \quad A1$$

all simplify to 8^d **A1**

27, p , q and 125 are in geometric sequence **AG**

[4 marks]

(d.ii) Find the value of p and the value of q .

[5]

Markscheme

METHOD 1 (geometric, finding r)

$$u_4 = u_1 r^3 \text{ OR } 125 = 27(r)^3 \quad (M1)$$

$$r = \frac{5}{3} \text{ (seen anywhere)} \quad A1$$

$$p = 27r \text{ OR } \frac{125}{q} = \frac{5}{3} \quad (M1)$$

$$p = 45, q = 75 \quad A1A1$$

METHOD 2 (arithmetic)

$$u_4 = u_1 + 3d \text{ OR } \log_8 125 = \log_8 27 + 3d \quad (M1)$$

$$d = \log_8 \left(\frac{5}{3} \right) \text{ (seen anywhere)} \quad A1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \log_8 p &= \log_8 27 + \log_8 \left(\frac{5}{3} \right) \text{ OR} \\ \log_8 q &= \log_8 27 + 2 \log_8 \left(\frac{5}{3} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (M1)$$

$$p = 45, q = 75 \quad A1A1$$

METHOD 3 (geometric using proportion)

recognizing proportion $(M1)$

$$pq = 125 \times 27 \text{ OR } q^2 = 125p \text{ OR } p^2 = 27q$$

two correct proportion equations $A1$

attempt to eliminate either p or q $(M1)$

$$q^2 = 125 \times \frac{125 \times 27}{q} \text{ OR } p^2 = 27 \times \frac{125 \times 27}{p}$$

$$p = 45, q = 75 \quad A1A1$$

[5 marks]

12. [Maximum mark: 9]

21N.1.AHL.TZ0.2

The function f is defined by $f(x) = \frac{2x+4}{3-x}$, where $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $x \neq 3$.

Write down the equation of

(a.i) the vertical asymptote of the graph of f .

[1]

Markscheme

$$x = 3 \quad A1$$

[1 mark]

(a.ii) the horizontal asymptote of the graph of f .

[1]

Markscheme

$$y = -2 \quad A1$$

[1 mark]

Find the coordinates where the graph of f crosses

(b.i) the x -axis.

[1]

Markscheme

$$(-2, 0) \text{ (accept } x = -2) \quad A1$$

[1 mark]

(b.ii) the y -axis.

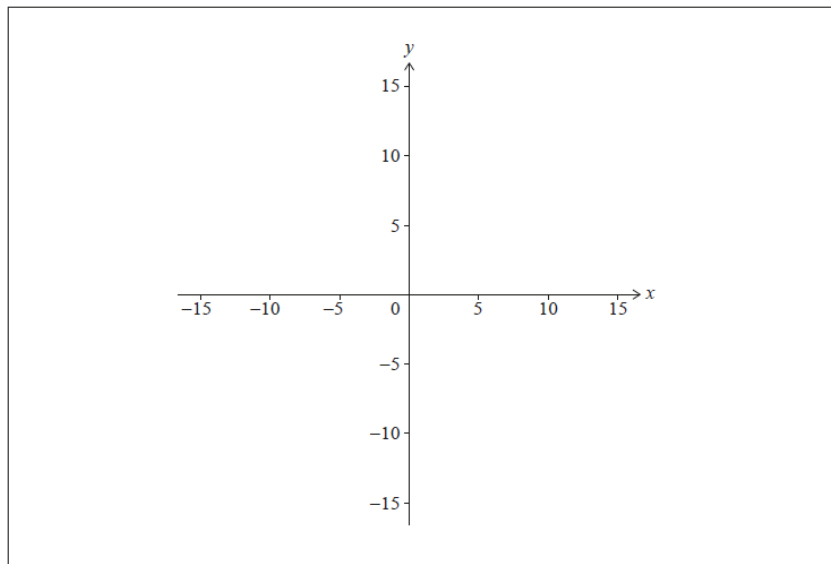
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Markscheme

$(0, \frac{4}{3})$ (accept $y = \frac{4}{3}$ and $f(0) = \frac{4}{3}$) **A1**

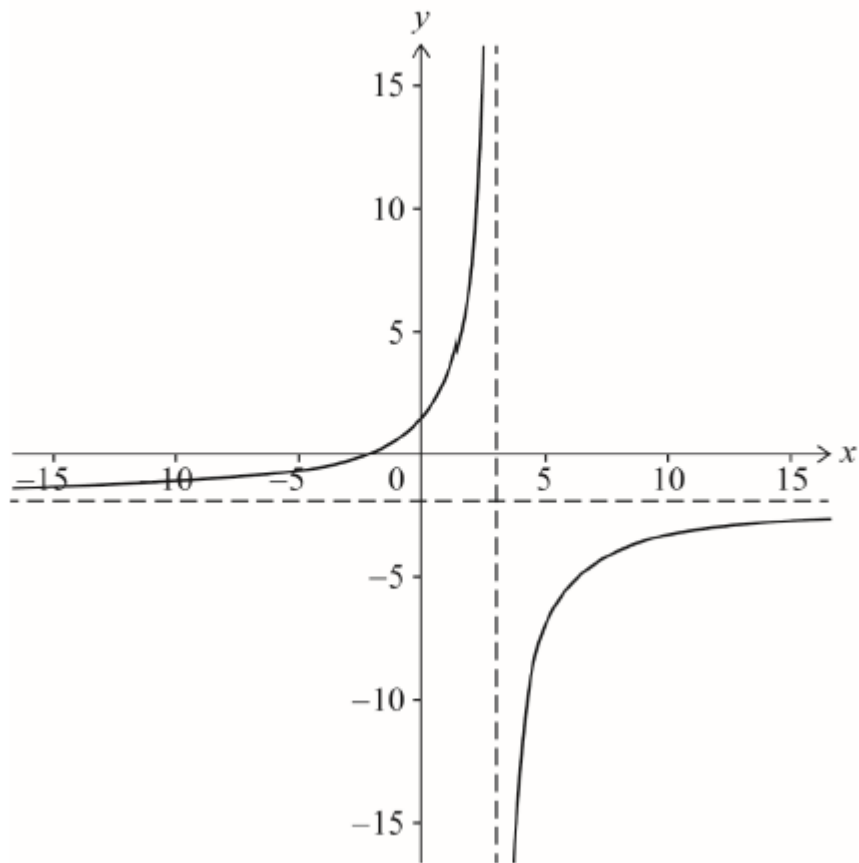
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(c) Sketch the graph of f on the axes below.



[1]

Markscheme



A1

Note: Award **A1** for completely correct shape: two branches in correct quadrants with asymptotic behaviour.

[1 mark]

- (d) The function g is defined by $g(x) = \frac{ax+4}{3-x}$, where $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $x \neq 3$ and $a \in \mathbb{R}$.

Given that $g(x) = g^{-1}(x)$, determine the value of a .

[4]

Markscheme

METHOD 1

$$(g(x) =)y = \frac{ax+4}{3-x}$$

attempt to find x in terms of y (M1)

OR exchange x and y and attempt to find y in terms of x

$$3y - xy = ax + 4 \quad A1$$

$$ax + xy = 3y - 4$$

$$x(a + y) = 3y - 4$$

$$x = \frac{3y-4}{y+a}$$

$$g^{-1}(x) = \frac{3x-4}{x+a} \quad A1$$

Note: Condone use of $y =$

$$g(x) \equiv g^{-1}(x)$$

$$\frac{ax+4}{3-x} \equiv \frac{3x-4}{x+a}$$

$$\Rightarrow a = -3 \quad A1$$

METHOD 2

$$g(x) = \frac{ax+4}{3-x}$$

attempt to find an expression for $g(g(x))$ and equate to x (M1)

$$gg(x) = \frac{a\left(\frac{ax+4}{3-x}\right)+4}{3-\left(\frac{ax+4}{3-x}\right)} = x \quad A1$$

$$\frac{a(ax+4)+4(3-x)}{(9-3x)-(ax+4)} = x$$

$$\frac{a(ax+4)+4(3-x)}{5-(3+a)x} = x$$

$$a(ax + 4) + 4(3 - x) = x(5 - (3 + a)x) \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

equating coefficients of x^2 (or similar)

$$a = -3 \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

[4 marks]

13. [Maximum mark: 5]

21N.1.AHL.TZ0.3

Solve the equation $\log_3 \sqrt{x} = \frac{1}{2 \log_2 3} + \log_3(4x^3)$, where $x > 0$.

[5]

Markscheme

attempt to use change the base (M1)

$$\log_3 \sqrt{x} = \frac{\log_3 2}{2} + \log_3(4x^3)$$

attempt to use the power rule (M1)

$$\log_3 \sqrt{x} = \log_3 \sqrt{2} + \log_3(4x^3)$$

attempt to use product or quotient rule for logs, $\ln a + \ln b = \ln ab$
(M1)

$$\log_3 \sqrt{x} = \log_3 (4\sqrt{2}x^3)$$

Note: The *M* marks are for attempting to use the relevant log rule and may be applied in any order and at any time during the attempt seen.

$$\sqrt{x} = 4\sqrt{2}x^3$$

$$x = 32x^6$$

$$x^5 = \frac{1}{32} \quad (A1)$$

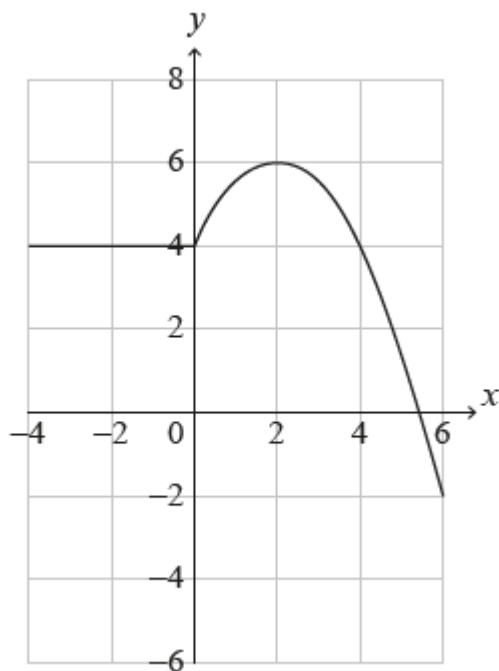
$$x = \frac{1}{2} \quad A1$$

[5 marks]

14. [Maximum mark: 5]

21M.1.SL.TZ1.1

The graph of $y = f(x)$ for $-4 \leq x \leq 6$ is shown in the following diagram.



(a.i) Write down the value of $f(2)$.

[1]

Markscheme

$$f(2) = 6 \quad A1$$

[1 mark]

(a.ii) Write down the value of $(f \circ f)(2)$.

[1]

Markscheme

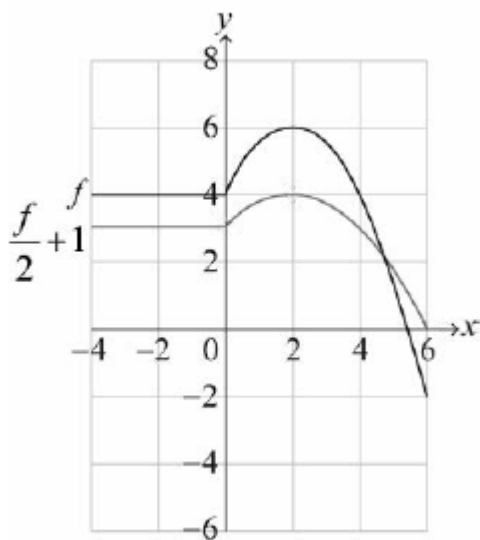
$$(f \circ f)(2) = -2 \quad A1$$

[1 mark]

- (b) Let $g(x) = \frac{1}{2}f(x) + 1$ for $-4 \leq x \leq 6$. On the axes above, sketch the graph of g .

[3]

Markscheme



M1A1A1

Note: Award **M1** for an attempt to apply any vertical stretch or vertical translation, **A1** for a correct horizontal line segment between -4 and 0 (located roughly at $y = 3$),

A1 for a correct concave down parabola including max point at $(2, 4)$ and for correct end points at $(0, 3)$ and $(6, 0)$ (within circles). Points do not need to be labelled.

[3 marks]

15. [Maximum mark: 7]

21M.2.SL.TZ2.6

All living plants contain an isotope of carbon called carbon-14. When a plant dies, the isotope decays so that the amount of carbon-14 present in the remains of the plant decreases. The time since the death of a plant can be determined by measuring the amount of carbon-14 still present in the remains.

The amount, A , of carbon-14 present in a plant t years after its death can be modelled by $A = A_0e^{-kt}$ where $t \geq 0$ and A_0 , k are positive constants.

At the time of death, a plant is defined to have 100 units of carbon-14.

(a) Show that $A_0 = 100$.

[1]

Markscheme

$$100 = A_0e^0 \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

$$A_0 = 100 \quad \mathbf{AG}$$

[1 mark]

The time taken for half the original amount of carbon-14 to decay is known to be 5730 years.

(b) Show that $k = \frac{\ln 2}{5730}$.

[3]

Markscheme

correct substitution of values into exponential equation **(M1)**

$$50 = 100e^{-5730k} \text{ OR } e^{-5730k} = \frac{1}{2}$$

EITHER

$$-5730k = \ln \frac{1}{2} \quad A1$$

$$\ln \frac{1}{2} = -\ln 2 \text{ OR } -\ln \frac{1}{2} = \ln 2 \quad A1$$

OR

$$e^{5730k} = 2 \quad A1$$

$$5730k = \ln 2 \quad A1$$

THEN

$$k = \frac{\ln 2}{5730} \quad AG$$

Note: There are many different ways of showing that $k = \frac{\ln 2}{5730}$ which involve showing different steps. Award full marks for at least two correct algebraic steps seen.

[3 marks]

- (c) Find, correct to the nearest 10 years, the time taken after the plant's death for 25% of the carbon-14 to decay.

[3]

Markscheme

if 25% of the carbon-14 has decayed, 75% remains ie, 75 units remain
(A1)

$$75 = 100e^{-\frac{\ln 2}{5730}t}$$

EITHER

using an appropriate graph to attempt to solve for t (M1)

OR

manipulating logs to attempt to solve for t (M1)

$$\ln 0.75 = -\frac{\ln 2}{5730}t$$

$$t = 2378.164\dots$$

THEN

$t = 2380$ (years) (correct to the nearest 10 years) A1

[3 marks]

16. [Maximum mark: 6]

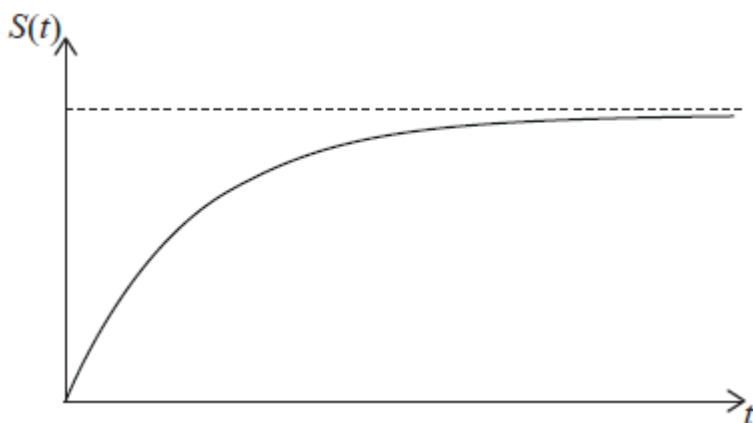
20N.1.SL.TZ0.T_12

Jean-Pierre jumps out of an airplane that is flying at constant altitude. Before opening his parachute, he goes through a period of freefall.

Jean-Pierre's vertical speed during the time of freefall, S , in m s^{-1} , is modelled by the following function.

$$S(t) = K - 60(1.2^{-t}), \quad t \geq 0$$

where t , is the number of seconds after he jumps out of the airplane, and K is a constant. A sketch of Jean-Pierre's vertical speed against time is shown below.



Jean-Pierre's initial vertical speed is 0 m s^{-1} .

(a) Find the value of K .

[2]

Markscheme

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$$0 = K - 60(1.2^0) \quad (M1)$$

Note: Award (M1) for correctly substituted function equated to zero.

$$(K =) 60 \quad (A1) \quad (C2)$$

[2 marks]

- (b) In the context of the model, state what the horizontal asymptote represents.

[1]

Markscheme

the (vertical) speed that Jean-Pierre is approaching (as t increases) (A1)
(C1)

OR

the limit of the (vertical) speed of Jean-Pierre (A1) (C1)

Note: Accept "maximum speed" or "terminal speed".

[1 mark]

- (c) Find Jean-Pierre's vertical speed after 10 seconds. Give your answer in km h^{-1} .

[3]

Markscheme

$$(S =) 60 - 60(1.2^{-10}) \quad (M1)$$

Note: Award (M1) for correctly substituted function.

$$(S =) 50.3096 \dots \text{ (ms}^{-1}\text{)} \quad (A1)(ft)$$

Note: Follow through from part (a).

181 (km h^{-1}) (181.114... (km h^{-1})) (A1)(ft) (C3)

Note: Award the final (A1)(ft) for correct conversion of their speed to km h^{-1} .

[3 marks]

17. [Maximum mark: 6]

20N.1.SL.TZ0.S_4

Let $f(x) = a \log_3(x - 4)$, for $x > 4$, where $a > 0$.

Point A(13, 7) lies on the graph of f .

(a) Find the value of a .

[3]

Markscheme

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attempt to substitute coordinates (in any order) into f (M1)

eg $a \log_3(13 - 4) = 7$, $a \log_3(7 - 4) = 13$, $a \log 9 = 7$

finding $\log_3 9 = 2$ (seen anywhere) (A1)

eg $\log_3 9 = 2$, $2a = 7$

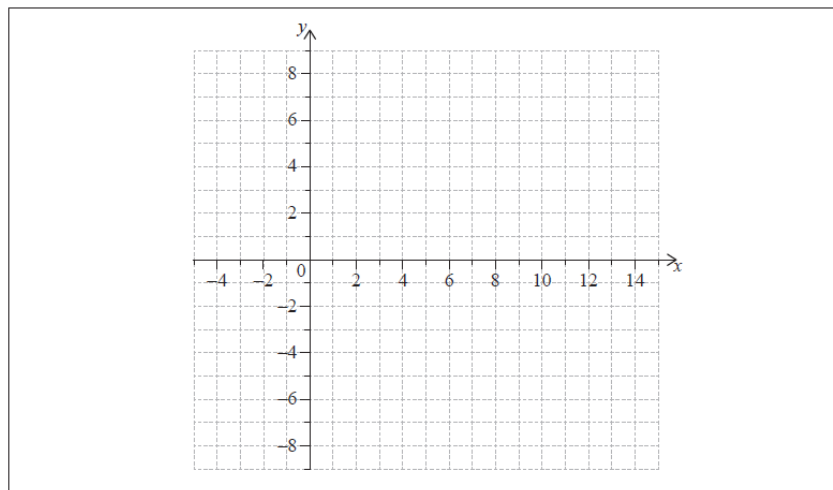
$a = \frac{7}{2}$ A1 N2

[3 marks]

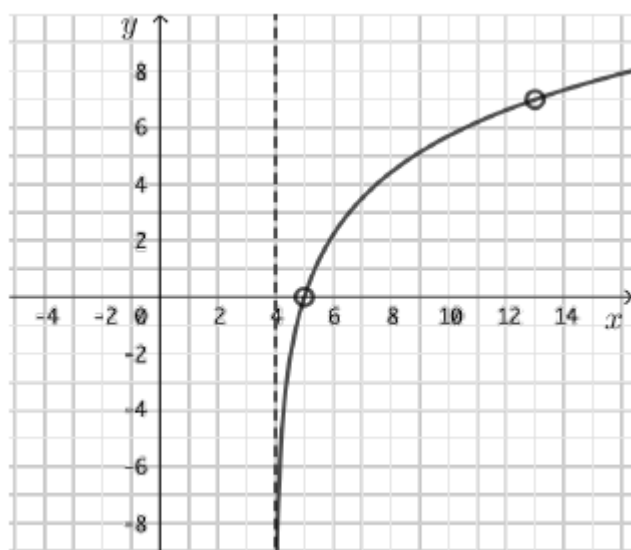
(b) The x -intercept of the graph of f is (5, 0).

On the following grid, sketch the graph of f .

[3]



Markscheme



A1A1A1 N3

Note: Award **A1** for correct shape of logarithmic function (must be increasing and concave down).

Only if the shape is correct, award the following:

A1 for being asymptotic to $x = 4$

A1 for curve including both points in circles.

[3 marks]

18. [Maximum mark: 15]

20N.1.AHL.TZ0.H_12

Consider the function defined by $f(x) = \frac{kx-5}{x-k}$, where $x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{k\}$ and $k^2 \neq 5$.

- (a) State the equation of the vertical asymptote on the graph of $y = f(x)$.

[1]

Markscheme

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$$x = k \quad A1$$

[1 mark]

- (b) State the equation of the horizontal asymptote on the graph of $y = f(x)$.

[1]

Markscheme

$$y = k \quad A1$$

[1 mark]

- (c) Use an algebraic method to determine whether f is a self-inverse function.

[4]

Markscheme

METHOD 1

$$(f \circ f)(x) = \frac{k\left(\frac{kx-5}{x-k}\right)-5}{\left(\frac{kx-5}{x-k}\right)-k} \quad M1$$

$$= \frac{k(kx-5)-5(x-k)}{kx-5-k(x-k)} \quad A1$$

$$= \frac{k^2x-5k-5x+5k}{kx-5-kx+k^2}$$

$$= \frac{k^2x-5x}{k^2-5} \quad A1$$

$$= \frac{x(k^2-5)}{k^2-5}$$

$$= x$$

$$(f \circ f)(x) = x, \text{ (hence } f \text{ is self-inverse)} \quad R1$$

Note: The statement $f(f(x)) = x$ could be seen anywhere in the candidate's working to award **R1**.

METHOD 2

$$f(x) = \frac{kx-5}{x-k}$$

$$x = \frac{ky-5}{y-k} \quad M1$$

Note: Interchanging x and y can be done at any stage.

$$x(y-k) = ky-5 \quad A1$$

$$xy - xk = ky - 5$$

$$xy - ky = xk - 5$$

$$y(x-k) = kx-5 \quad A1$$

$$y = f^{-1}(x) = \frac{kx-5}{x-k} \text{ (hence } f \text{ is self-inverse)} \quad R1$$

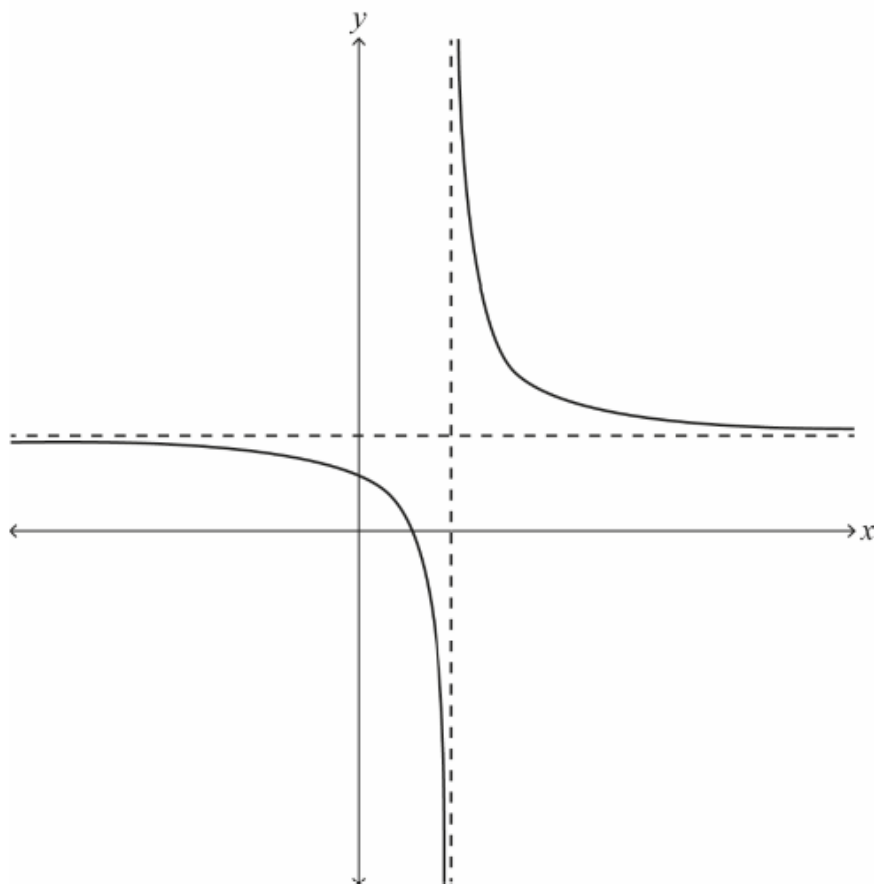
[4 marks]

Consider the case where $k = 3$.

- (d) Sketch the graph of $y = f(x)$, stating clearly the equations of any asymptotes and the coordinates of any points of intersections with the coordinate axes.

[3]

Markscheme



attempt to draw both branches of a rectangular hyperbola $M1$

$x = 3$ and $y = 3$ $A1$

$$\left(0, \frac{5}{3}\right) \text{ and } \left(\frac{5}{3}, 0\right) \quad A1$$

[3 marks]

- (e) The region bounded by the x -axis, the curve $y = f(x)$, and the lines $x = 5$ and $x = 7$ is rotated through 2π about the x -axis. Find the volume of the solid generated, giving your answer in the form $\pi(a + b \ln 2)$, where $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$.

[6]

Markscheme

METHOD 1

$$\text{volume} = \pi \int_5^7 \left(\frac{3x-5}{x-3}\right)^2 dx \quad M1$$

EITHER

attempt to express $\frac{3x-5}{x-3}$ in the form $p + \frac{q}{x-3}$ **M1**

$$\frac{3x-5}{x-3} = 3 + \frac{4}{x-3} \quad A1$$

OR

attempt to expand $\left(\frac{3x-5}{x-3}\right)^2$ or $(3x-5)^2$ and divide out **M1**

$$\left(\frac{3x-5}{x-3}\right)^2 = 9 + \frac{24x-56}{(x-3)^2} \quad A1$$

THEN

$$\left(\frac{3x-5}{x-3}\right)^2 = 9 + \frac{24}{x-3} + \frac{16}{(x-3)^2} \quad A1$$

$$\text{volume} = \pi \int_5^7 \left(9 + \frac{24}{x-3} + \frac{16}{(x-3)^2}\right) dx$$

$$= \pi \left[9x + 24 \ln(x-3) - \frac{16}{x-3}\right]_5^7 \quad A1$$

$$= \pi[(63 + 24 \ln 4 - 4) - (45 + 24 \ln 2 - 8)]$$

$$= \pi(22 + 24 \ln 2) \quad A1$$

METHOD 2

$$\text{volume} = \pi \int_5^7 \left(\frac{3x-5}{x-3} \right)^2 dx \quad (M1)$$

$$\text{substituting } u = x - 3 \Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = 1 \quad A1$$

$$3x - 5 = 3(u + 3) - 5 = 3u + 4$$

$$\text{volume} = \pi \int_2^4 \left(\frac{3u+4}{u} \right)^2 du \quad M1$$

$$= \pi \int_2^4 9 + \frac{16}{u^2} + \frac{24}{u} du \quad A1$$

$$= \pi \left[9u - \frac{16}{u} + 24 \ln u \right]_2^4 \quad A1$$

Note: Ignore absence of or incorrect limits seen up to this point.

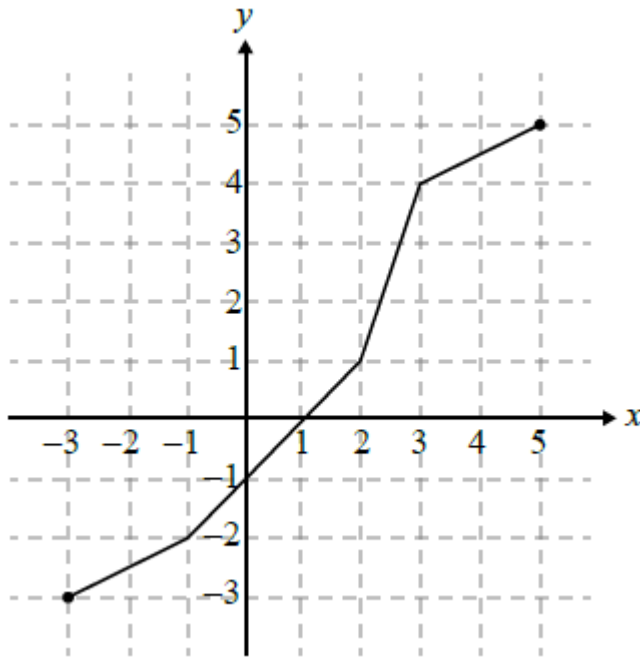
$$= \pi(22 + 24 \ln 2) \quad A1$$

[6 marks]

19. [Maximum mark: 6]

19N.2.AHL.TZ0.H_3

The following diagram shows the graph of $y = f(x)$, $-3 \leq x \leq 5$.



(a) Find the value of $(f \circ f)(1)$.

[2]

Markscheme

$$f(1) = 0 \quad (A1)$$

$$f(0) = -1 \quad A1$$

[2 marks]

(b) Given that $f^{-1}(a) = 3$, determine the value of a .

[2]

Markscheme

$$a = f(3) \quad (M1)$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 4 \quad A1$$

[2 marks]

- (c) Given that $g(x) = 2f(x - 1)$, find the domain and range of g .

[2]

Markscheme

domain is $-2 \leq x \leq 6$ **A1**

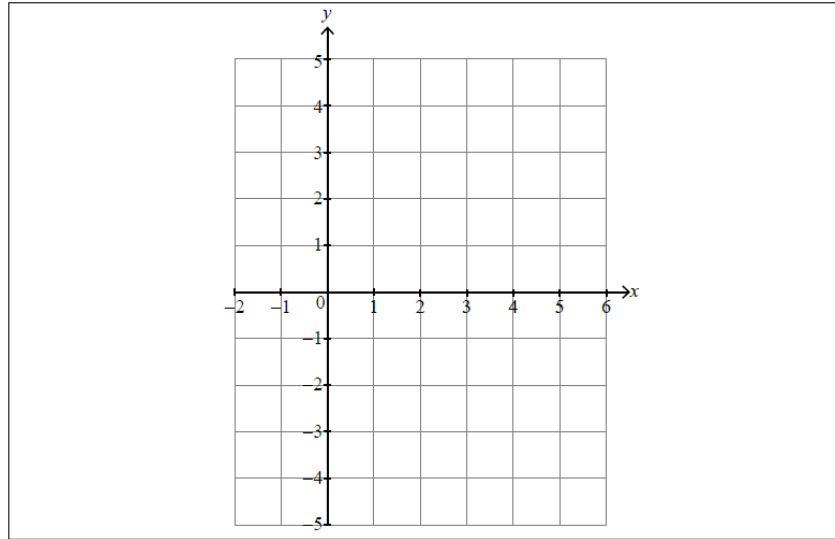
range is $-6 \leq y \leq 10$ **A1**

[2 marks]

20. [Maximum mark: 5]

19M.1.AHL.TZ2.H_5

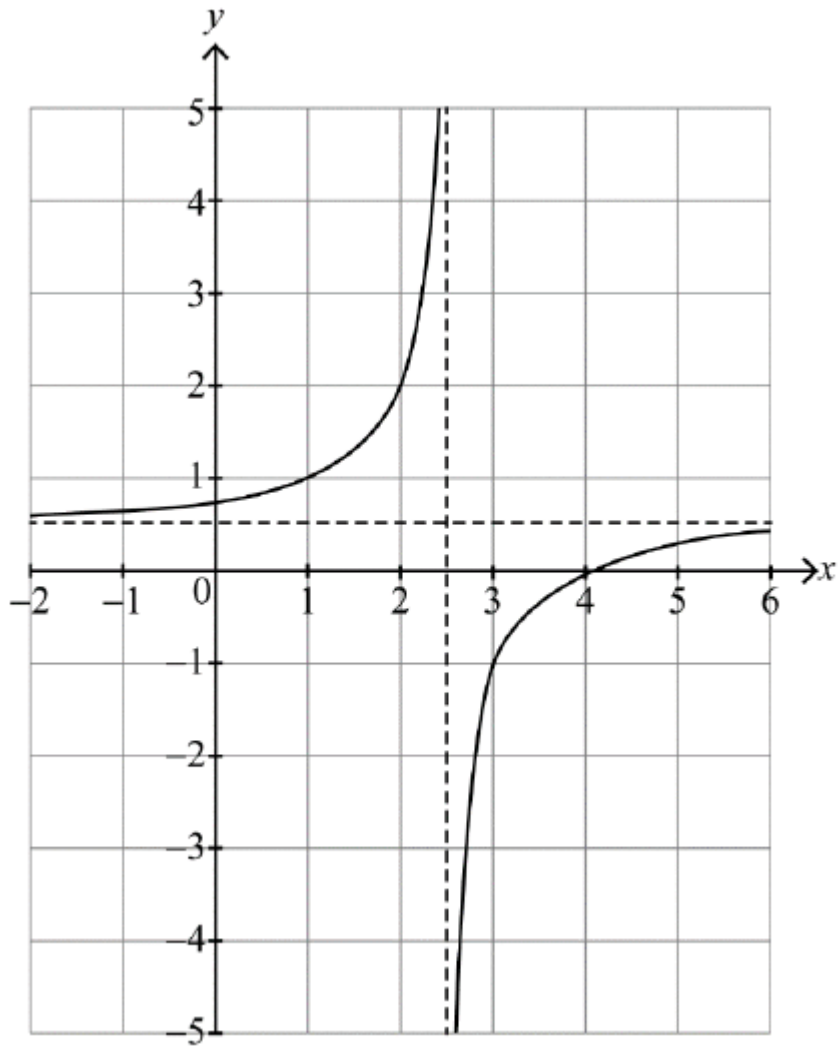
- (a) Sketch the graph of $y = \frac{x-4}{2x-5}$, stating the equations of any asymptotes and the coordinates of any points of intersection with the axes.



[5]

Markscheme

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correct shape: two branches in correct quadrants with asymptotic behaviour **A1**

crosses at $(4, 0)$ and $(0, \frac{4}{5})$ **A1A1**

asymptotes at $x = \frac{5}{2}$ and $y = \frac{1}{2}$ **A1A1**

[5 marks]

21. [Maximum mark: 10]

19M.1.AHL.TZ2.H_11

Consider the functions f and g defined by $f(x) = \ln|x|, x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$, and $g(x) = \ln|x+k|, x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{-k\}$, where $k \in \mathbb{R}, k > 2$.

- (a) Describe the transformation by which $f(x)$ is transformed to $g(x)$.

[1]

Markscheme

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translation k units to the left (or equivalent) **A1**

[1 mark]

- (b) State the range of g .

[1]

Markscheme

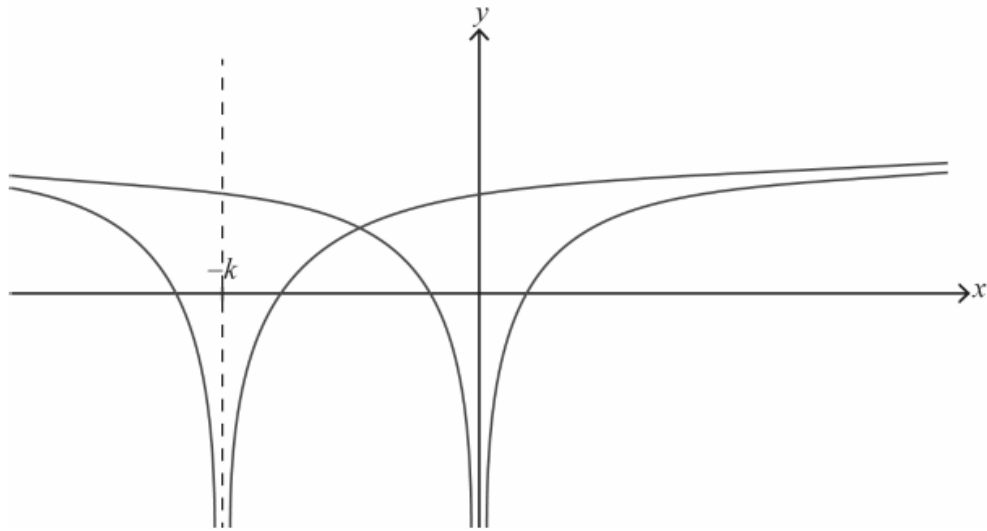
range is $(g(x) \in) \mathbb{R}$ **A1**

[1 mark]

- (c) Sketch the graphs of $y = f(x)$ and $y = g(x)$ on the same axes, clearly stating the points of intersection with any axes.

[6]

Markscheme



correct shape of $y = f(x)$ **A1**

their $f(x)$ translated k units to left (possibly shown by $x = -k$ marked on x -axis) **A1**

asymptote included and marked as $x = -k$ **A1**

$f(x)$ intersects x -axis at $x = -1, x = 1$ **A1**

$g(x)$ intersects x -axis at $x = -k - 1, x = -k + 1$ **A1**

$g(x)$ intersects y -axis at $y = \ln k$ **A1**

Note: Do not penalise candidates if their graphs “cross” as $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$.

Note: Do not award **FT** marks from the candidate’s part (a) to part (c).

[6 marks]

The graphs of f and g intersect at the point P.

(d) Find the coordinates of P.

[2]

Markscheme

$$\text{at P } \ln(x + k) = \ln(-x)$$

attempt to solve $x + k = -x$ (or equivalent) **(M1)**

$$x = -\frac{k}{2} \Rightarrow y = \ln\left(\frac{k}{2}\right) \quad (\text{or } y = \ln\left|\frac{k}{2}\right|) \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

$$\text{P}\left(-\frac{k}{2}, \ln\frac{k}{2}\right) \quad (\text{or } \text{P}\left(-\frac{k}{2}, \ln\left|\frac{k}{2}\right|\right))$$

[2 marks]