

## Revision questions [170 marks]

1. [Maximum mark: 6]

23M.1.AHL.TZ1.7

Consider  $P(z) = 4m - mz + \frac{36}{m}z^2 - z^3$ , where  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $m \in \mathbb{R}^+$ .

Given that  $z - 3i$  is a factor of  $P(z)$ , find the roots of  $P(z) = 0$ .

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### METHOD 1

$3i$  (is a root) **A1**

(other complex root is)  $-3i$  **A1**

**Note:** Award **A1A1** for  $P(3i)$  and  $P(-3i) = 0$  seen in their working.

Award **A1** for each correct root seen in sum or product of their roots.

### EITHER

attempt to find  $P(3i) = 0$  or  $P(-3i) = 0$  **(M1)**

$$4m - 3mi + \frac{36}{m}(3i)^2 - (3i)^3 = 0$$

$$4m - 3mi - \frac{36}{m}(-9) + 27i = 0$$

attempt to equate the real or imaginary parts **(M1)**

$$27 - 3m = 0 \text{ OR } 9 \times \frac{36}{m} = 4m$$

**OR**

attempt to equate sum of three roots to  $\frac{36}{m}$  (M1)

**Note:** Accept sum of three roots set to  $-\frac{36}{m}$ .

Award **M0** for stating sum of roots is  $\pm \frac{36}{m}$ .

$$3i - 3i + r = \frac{36}{m} (\Rightarrow r = \frac{36}{m})$$

substitute their  $r$  into product of roots (M1)

$$(3i)(-3i)\left(\frac{36}{m}\right) = 4m \text{ OR } (z^2 + 9)\left(\frac{36}{m} - z\right)$$

$$9 \times \frac{36}{m} = 4m \text{ OR } \frac{4m}{9} = \frac{36}{m}$$

**OR**

attempt to equate product of three roots to  $4m$  (M1)

**Note:** Accept product of three roots set to  $-4m$ .

Award **M0** for stating product of roots is  $\pm 4m$ .

$$(3i)(-3i) \times r = 4m (\Rightarrow r = \frac{4m}{9})$$

substitute their  $r$  into sum of roots (M1)

$$3i - 3i + \frac{4m}{9} = \frac{36}{m} \text{ OR } (z^2 + 9)\left(\frac{4m}{9} - z\right)$$

$$\frac{4m}{9} = \frac{36}{m}$$

**THEN**

$$m = 9 \quad (A1)$$

third root is 4    **A1**

## **METHOD 2**

$3i$  (is a root)    **A1**

(other complex root is)  $-3i$     **A1**

recognition that the other factor is  $(z + 3i)$  and attempt to write  $P(z)$  as product of three linear factors or as product of a quadratic and a linear factor    **(M1)**

$$P(z) = (z - 3i)(z + 3i)(r - z) \text{ OR}$$
$$(z - 3i)(z + 3i) = z^2 + 9 \Rightarrow P(z) = (z^2 + 9)\left(\frac{4m}{9} - z\right)$$

**Note:** Accept any attempt at long division of  $P(z)$  by  $z^2 + 9$ .

Award **M0** for stating other factor is  $(z + 3i)$  or obtaining  $z^2 + 9$  with no further working.

Attempt to compare their coefficients    **(M1)**

$$-9 = -m \text{ OR } \frac{4m}{9} = \frac{36}{m}$$

$$m = 9 \quad \textbf{(A1)}$$

third root is 4    **A1**

**Note:** Award a maximum of **A0A0(M1)(M1)(A1)A1** for a final answer

$P(z) = (z - 3i)(z + 3i)(4 - z)$  seen or stating all three correct factors with no evidence of roots throughout their working.

[6 marks]

2. [Maximum mark: 7]

22N.1.AHL.TZ0.5

Consider the equation  $z^4 + pz^3 + 54z^2 - 108z + 80 = 0$  where  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $p \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Three of the roots of the equation are  $3 + i$ ,  $\alpha$  and  $\alpha^2$ , where  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ .

- (a) By considering the product of all the roots of the equation, find the value of  $\alpha$ .

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product of roots = 80 (A1)

$3 - i$  is a root (A1)

attempt to set up an equation involving the product of their four roots and  $\pm 80$  (M1)

$$(3 + i)(3 - i)\alpha^3 = 80 \Rightarrow 10\alpha^3 = 80$$

$$\alpha = 2 \quad A1$$

[4 marks]

- (b) Find the value of  $p$ .

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**METHOD 1**

$$\text{sum of roots} = -p \quad (A1)$$

$$-p = 3 + i + 3 - i + 2 + 4 \quad (M1)$$

**Note:** Accept  $p = 3 + i + 3 - i + 2 + 4$  for (M1)

$$p = -12 \quad A1$$

### METHOD 2

$$(z - (3 + i))(z - (3 - i))(z - 2)(z - 4) \quad (M1)$$

$$((z - 3) - i)((z - 3) + i)(z - 2)(z - 4) \quad (A1)$$

$$(z^2 - 6z + 10)(z^2 - 6z + 8) = z^4 - 12z^3 + \dots$$

$$p = -12 \quad A1$$

[3 marks]

3. [Maximum mark: 16]

22N.1.AHL.TZ0.11

Consider a three-digit code  $abc$ , where each of  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  is assigned one of the values 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5.

Find the total number of possible codes

(a.i) assuming that each value can be repeated (for example, 121 or 444).

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$$5^3 \quad (A1)$$

$$= 125 \quad A1$$

[2 marks]

(a.ii) assuming that no value is repeated.

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$${}^5P_3 = 5 \times 4 \times 3 \quad (A1)$$

$$= 60 \quad A1$$

[2 marks]

Let  $P(x) = x^3 + ax^2 + bx + c$ , where each of  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  is assigned one of the values 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5. Assume that no value is repeated.

Consider the case where  $P(x)$  has a factor of  $(x^2 + 3x + 2)$ .

(b.i) Find an expression for  $b$  in terms of  $a$ .

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**METHOD 1**

$$x^2 + 3x + 2 = (x + 1)(x + 2) \quad (A1)$$

correct use of factor theorem for at least one of their factors (M1)

$$P(-1) = 0 \text{ or } P(-2) = 0$$

attempt to find two equations in  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  (M1)

$$(-1)^3 + a(-1)^2 + b(-1) + c = 0 (\Rightarrow -1 + a - b + c = 0)$$

$$(-2)^3 + a(-2)^2 + b(-2) + c = 0$$

$$-8 + 4a - 2b + c = 0 \text{ and } -1 + a - b + c = 0 \quad A1$$

attempt to combine their two equations in  $-8 + 4a - 2b + c = 0$  to eliminate  $c$  (M1)

$$b = 3a - 7 \quad A1$$

**Note:** Award at most **A1M1M1A0M1A0** for  $b = -3a - 7$  from  $P(1) = P(2) = 0$

## METHOD 2

$$P(x) = x^3 + ax^2 + bx + c = (x^2 + 3x + 2)(x + d) \quad (M1)$$

$$= x^3 + (3 + d)x^2 + (2 + 3d)x + 2d \quad (A1)$$

attempt to compare coefficients of  $x^2$  and  $x$  (M1)

$$a = 3 + d \text{ and } b = 2 + 3d \quad A1$$

attempt to eliminate  $d$  (M1)

$$\Rightarrow b = 3a - 7 \quad A1$$

## METHOD 3

attempt to divide  $x^3 + ax^2 + bx + c$  by  $x^2 + 3x + 2$  M1

$$\frac{x^3+ax^2+bx+c}{x^2+3x+2} = (x + a - 3) + \frac{(-3a+b+7)x+(c-2a+6)}{x^2+3x+2}$$

**A1A1A1**

**Note:** Award **A1** for  $x + a - 3$ , **A1** for  $(-3a + b + 7)x$  and **A1** for  $c - 2a + 6$

recognition that, if  $(x^2 + 3x + 2)$  is a factor of  $P(x)$ , then  
 $-3a + b + 7 = 0$  (M1)

leading to  $b = 3a - 7$  **A1**

#### **METHOD 4**

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

attempt to use Vieta's formulae for a cubic with roots  $-1$ ,  $-2$  and " $p$ "  
(M1)

$$(-1) + (-2) + p = -a (\Rightarrow p = 3 - a) \quad \text{A1}$$

$$(-1)(-2) + (-1)p + (-2)p = b \quad \text{A1}$$

Attempt to eliminate " $p$ " (M1)

$$2 - (3 - a) - 2(3 - a) = b$$

$$b = 3a - 7 \quad \text{A1}$$

**Note:** Award at most **A1M1A0A0M1A0** for  $b = -3a - 7$  from roots  $1$ ,  $2$  and " $p$ "

**[6 marks]**



- (b.ii) Hence show that the only way to assign the values is  $a = 4$ ,  $b = 5$  and  $c = 2$ .

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**METHOD 1**

$a = 1, 2, 5$  lead to invalid values for  $b$  **R1**

$a = 3, b = 2 \Rightarrow c = 0$  so not possible **R1**

so  $a = 4, b = 5, c = 2$  is the only solution **AG**

**METHOD 2**

$c = 2a - 6$  **R1**

correctly argues  $a = 4$  is the only possibility **R1**

so  $a = 4, b = 5, c = 2$  is the only solution **AG**

**[2 marks]**

- (b.iii) Express  $P(x)$  as a product of linear factors.

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$$x^3 + 4x^2 + 5x + 2 = (x^2 + 3x + 2)(x + 1)$$

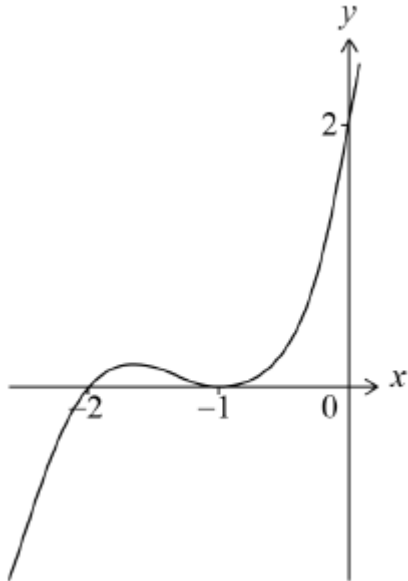
$$= (x + 2)(x + 1)(x + 1) \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

**[1 mark]**

(b.iv) Hence or otherwise, sketch the graph of  $y = P(x)$ , clearly showing the coordinates of any intercepts with the axes.

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Markscheme



positive cubic shape with  $y$ -intercept at  $(0, 2)$  **A1**

$x$ -intercept at  $(-2, 0)$  and local maximum point anywhere between  $x = -2$  and  $x = -1$  **A1**

local minimum point at  $(-1, 0)$  **A1**

**Note:** Accept answers from an approach based on calculus.

**[3 marks]**

The cubic equation  $x^3 - kx^2 + 3k = 0$  where  $k > 0$  has roots  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\alpha + \beta$ .

Given that  $\alpha\beta = -\frac{k^2}{4}$ , find the value of  $k$ .

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$$\alpha + \beta + \alpha + \beta = k \quad (A1)$$

$$\alpha + \beta = \frac{k}{2}$$

$$\alpha\beta(\alpha + \beta) = -3k \quad (A1)$$

$$\left(-\frac{k^2}{4}\right)\left(\frac{k}{2}\right) = -3k \quad \left(-\frac{k^3}{8} = -3k\right) \quad M1$$

attempting to solve  $-\frac{k^3}{8} + 3k = 0$  (or equivalent) for  $k$  (M1)

$$k = 2\sqrt{6} \quad \left(= \sqrt{24}\right) \quad (k > 0) \quad A1$$

**Note:** Award A0 for  $k = \pm 2\sqrt{6} \quad (\pm\sqrt{24})$ .

[5 marks]

5. [Maximum mark: 17]

19M.2.AHL.TZ1.H\_11

Consider the equation  $x^5 - 3x^4 + mx^3 + nx^2 + px + q = 0$ , where  $m, n, p, q \in \mathbb{R}$ .

The equation has three distinct real roots which can be written as  $\log_2 a, \log_2 b$  and  $\log_2 c$ .

The equation also has two imaginary roots, one of which is  $di$  where  $d \in \mathbb{R}$ .

(a) Show that  $abc = 8$ .

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recognition of the other root =  $-di$  (A1)

$$\log_2 a + \log_2 b + \log_2 c + di - di = 3 \quad M1A1$$

**Note:** Award *M1* for sum of the roots, *A1* for 3. Award *A0M1A0* for just  $\log_2 a + \log_2 b + \log_2 c = 3$ .

$$\log_2 abc = 3 \quad (M1)$$

$$\Rightarrow abc = 2^3 \quad A1$$

$$abc = 8 \quad AG$$

[5 marks]

The values  $a, b$ , and  $c$  are consecutive terms in a geometric sequence.

(b) Show that one of the real roots is equal to 1.

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Markscheme

**METHOD 1**

let the geometric series be  $u_1, u_1r, u_1r^2$

$$(u_1r)^3 = 8 \quad M1$$

$$u_1r = 2 \quad A1$$

hence one of the roots is  $\log_2 2 = 1 \quad R1$

**METHOD 2**

$$\frac{b}{a} = \frac{c}{b}$$

$$b^2 = ac \Rightarrow b^3 = abc = 8 \quad M1$$

$$b = 2 \quad A1$$

$$\text{hence one of the roots is } \log_2 2 = 1 \quad R1$$

[3 marks]

(c) Given that  $q = 8d^2$ , find the other two real roots.

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**METHOD 1**

$$\text{product of the roots is } r_1 \times r_2 \times 1 \times di \times -di = -8d^2 \quad (M1)(A1)$$

$$r_1 \times r_2 = -8 \quad A1$$

$$\text{sum of the roots is } r_1 + r_2 + 1 + di + -di = 3 \quad (M1)(A1)$$

$$r_1 + r_2 = 2 \quad A1$$

solving simultaneously (M1)

$$r_1 = -2, r_2 = 4 \quad A1A1$$

**METHOD 2**

$$\text{product of the roots } \log_2 a \times \log_2 b \times \log_2 c \times di \times -di = -8d^2$$

M1A1

$$\log_2 a \times \log_2 b \times \log_2 c = -8 \quad A1$$

**EITHER**

$$a, b, c \text{ can be written as } \frac{2}{r}, 2, 2r \quad M1$$

$$\left(\log_2 \frac{2}{r}\right) (\log_2 2) (\log_2 2r) = -8$$

attempt to solve *M1*

$$(1 - \log_2 r) (1 + \log_2 r) = -8$$

$$\log_2 r = \pm 3$$

$$r = \frac{1}{8}, 8 \quad A1A1$$

**OR**

$$a, b, c \text{ can be written as } a, 2, \frac{4}{a} \quad M1$$

$$(\log_2 a) (\log_2 2) \left(\log_2 \frac{4}{a}\right) = -8$$

attempt to solve *M1*

$$a = \frac{1}{4}, 16 \quad A1A1$$

**THEN**

$$a \text{ and } c \text{ are } \frac{1}{4}, 16 \quad (A1)$$

roots are  $-2, 4$  *A1*

**[9 marks]**

Consider the equation  $z^4 + az^3 + bz^2 + cz + d = 0$ , where  $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ .

Two of the roots of the equation are  $\log_2 6$  and  $i\sqrt{3}$  and the sum of all the roots is  $3 + \log_2 3$ .

Show that  $6a + d + 12 = 0$ .

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$-i\sqrt{3}$  is a root (A1)

$3 + \log_2 3 - \log_2 6$  ( $= 3 + \log_2 \frac{1}{2} = 3 - 1 = 2$ ) is a root (A1)

sum of roots:  $-a = 3 + \log_2 3 \Rightarrow a = -3 - \log_2 3$  M1

**Note:** Award M1 for use of  $-a$  is equal to the sum of the roots, do not award if minus is missing.

**Note:** If expanding the factored form of the equation, award M1 for equating  $a$  to the coefficient of  $z^3$ .

product of roots:  $(-1)^4 d = 2(\log_2 6)(i\sqrt{3})(-i\sqrt{3})$  M1  
 $= 6 \log_2 6$  A1

**Note:** Award M1A0 for  $d = -6 \log_2 6$

$6a + d + 12 = -18 - 6 \log_2 3 + 6 \log_2 6 + 12$

**EITHER**

$$= -6 + 6 \log_2 2 = 0 \quad \mathbf{M1A1AG}$$

**Note:** *M1* is for a correct use of one of the log laws.

**OR**

$$= -6 - 6 \log_2 3 + 6 \log_2 3 + 6 \log_2 2 = 0 \quad \mathbf{M1A1AG}$$

**Note:** *M1* is for a correct use of one of the log laws.

*[7 marks]*

7. [Maximum mark: 5]

18M.1.AHL.TZ1.H\_1

Let  $f(x) = x^4 + px^3 + qx + 5$  where  $p, q$  are constants.

The remainder when  $f(x)$  is divided by  $(x + 1)$  is 7, and the remainder when  $f(x)$  is divided by  $(x - 2)$  is 1. Find the value of  $p$  and the value of  $q$ .

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attempt to substitute  $x = -1$  or  $x = 2$  or to divide polynomials **(M1)**

$$1 - p - q + 5 = 7, 16 + 8p + 2q + 5 = 1 \text{ or equivalent} \quad \mathbf{A1A1}$$

attempt to solve their two equations **M1**

$$p = -3, q = 2 \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

*[5 marks]*



8. [Maximum mark: 5]

18M.2.AHL.TZ2.H\_2

The polynomial  $x^4 + px^3 + qx^2 + rx + 6$  is exactly divisible by each of  $(x - 1)$ ,  $(x - 2)$  and  $(x - 3)$ .

Find the values of  $p$ ,  $q$  and  $r$ .

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Markscheme

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**METHOD 1**

substitute each of  $x = 1, 2$  and  $3$  into the quartic and equate to zero (M1)

$$p + q + r = -7$$

$$4p + 2q + r = -11 \text{ or equivalent (A2)}$$

$$9p + 3q + r = -29$$

**Note:** Award A2 for all three equations correct, A1 for two correct.

attempting to solve the system of equations (M1)

$$p = -7, q = 17, r = -17 \quad \text{A1}$$

**Note:** Only award M1 when some numerical values are found when solving algebraically or using GDC.

**METHOD 2**

attempt to find fourth factor (M1)

$$(x - 1) \quad \text{A1}$$

attempt to expand  $(x - 1)^2 (x - 2) (x - 3)$  M1

$$x^4 - 7x^3 + 17x^2 - 17x + 6 \quad (p = -7, q = 17, r = -17) \quad A2$$

**Note:** Award **A2** for all three values correct, **A1** for two correct.

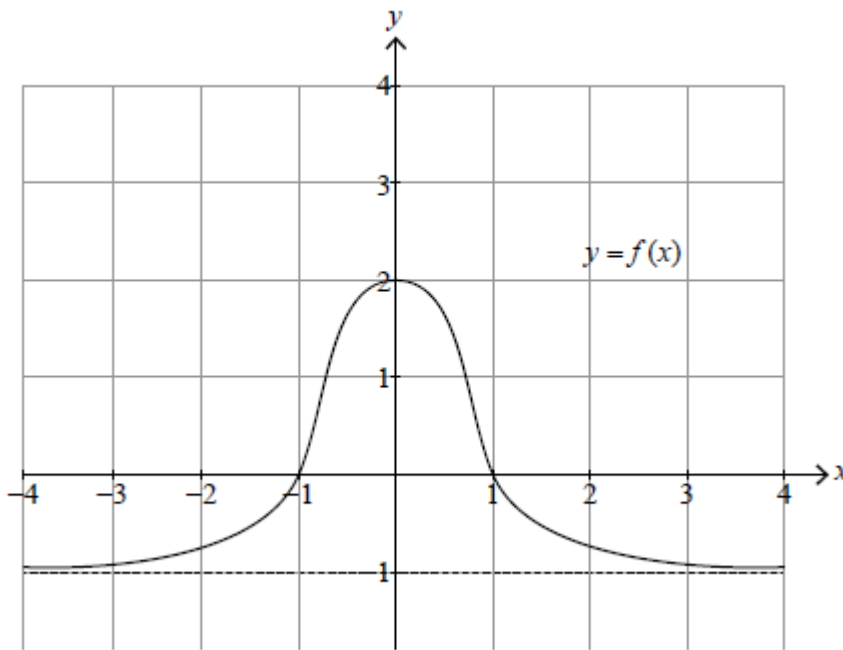
**Note:** Accept long / synthetic division.

[5 marks]

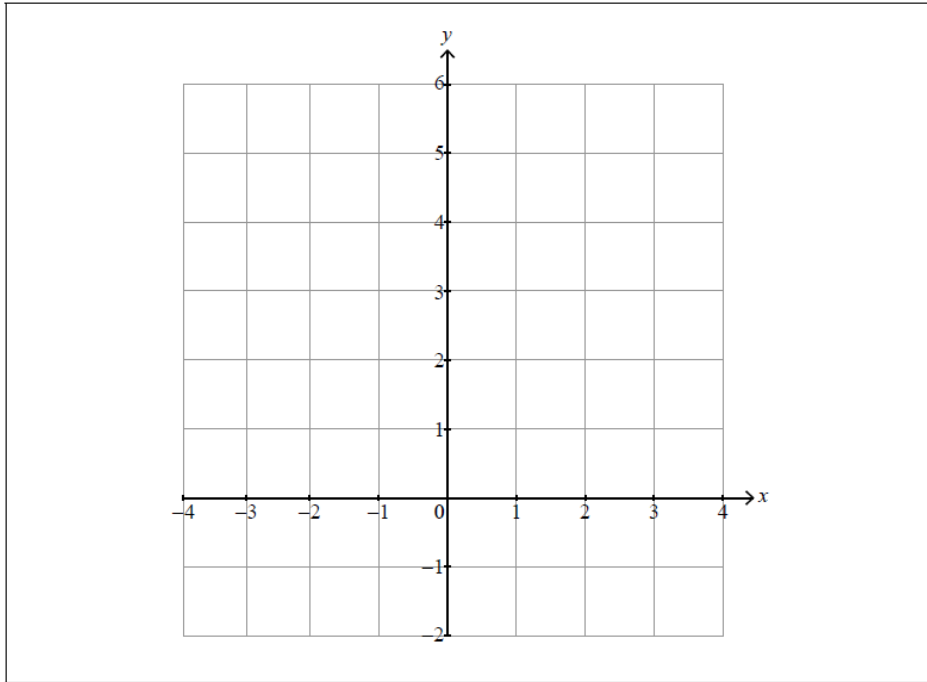
9. [Maximum mark: 5]

SPM.1.AHL.TZ0.4

The following diagram shows the graph of  $y = f(x)$ . The graph has a horizontal asymptote at  $y = -1$ . The graph crosses the  $x$ -axis at  $x = -1$  and  $x = 1$ , and the  $y$ -axis at  $y = 2$ .

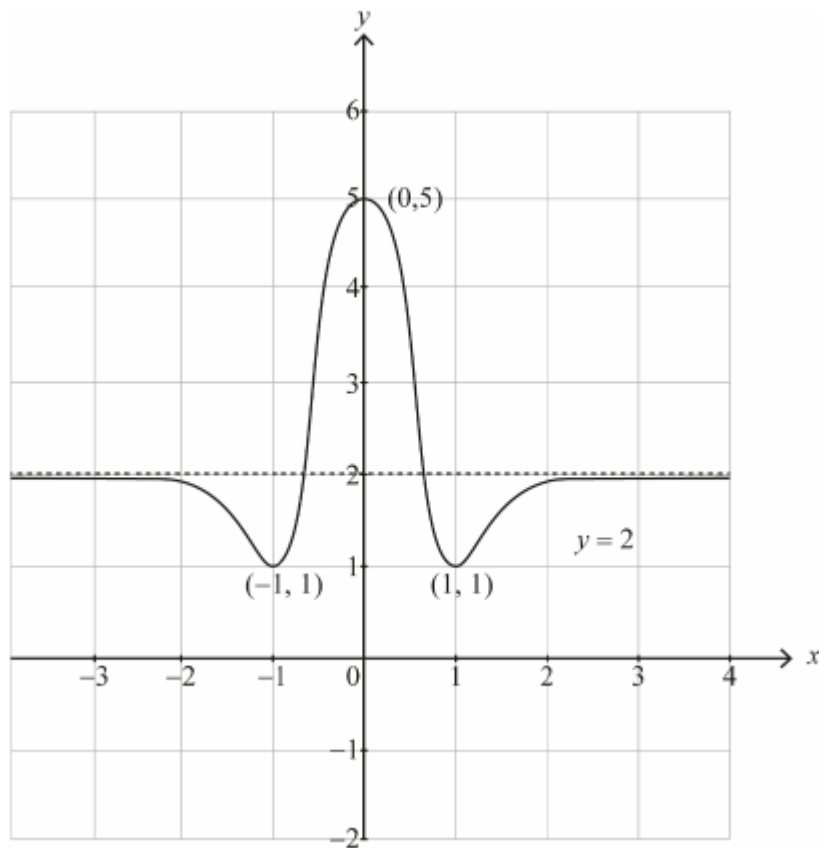


On the following set of axes, sketch the graph of  $y = [f(x)]^2 + 1$ , clearly showing any asymptotes with their equations and the coordinates of any local maxima or minima.



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no  $y$  values below 1 **A1**

horizontal asymptote at  $y = 2$  with curve approaching from below as  $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$  **A1**

$(\pm 1, 1)$  local minima **A1**

$(0, 5)$  local maximum **A1**

smooth curve and smooth stationary points **A1**

**[5 marks]**

**10.** [Maximum mark: 5]

SPM.2.AHL.TZ0.9

Consider the graphs of  $y = \frac{x^2}{x-3}$  and  $y = m(x+3), m \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Find the set of values for  $m$  such that the two graphs have no intersection points.

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**METHOD 1**

sketching the graph of  $y = \frac{x^2}{x-3}$  ( $y = x + 3 + \frac{9}{x-3}$ ) **M1**

the (oblique) asymptote has a gradient equal to 1

and so the maximum value of  $m$  is 1 **R1**

consideration of a straight line steeper than the horizontal line joining  $(-3, 0)$  and  $(0, 0)$  **M1**

so  $m > 0$  **R1**

hence  $0 < m \leq 1$  **A1**

**METHOD 2**

attempting to eliminate  $y$  to form a quadratic equation in  $x$  **M1**

$$x^2 = m(x^2 - 9)$$

$$\Rightarrow (m - 1)x^2 - 9m = 0 \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

**EITHER**

attempting to solve  $-4(m - 1)(-9m) < 0$  for  $m$  **M1**

**OR**

attempting to solve  $x^2 < 0$  ie  $\frac{9m}{m-1} < 0$  ( $m \neq 1$ ) for  $m$  **M1**

**THEN**

$$\Rightarrow 0 < m < 1 \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

a valid reason to explain why  $m = 1$  gives no solutions eg if  $m = 1$ ,

$$(m - 1)x^2 - 9m = 0 \Rightarrow -9 = 0 \text{ and so } 0 < m \leq 1 \quad \mathbf{R1}$$

**[5 marks]**

**11.** [Maximum mark: 9]

EXM.1.AHL.TZ0.5

Let  $f(x) = \frac{2x^2 - 5x - 12}{x + 2}$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x \neq -2$ .

- (a) Find all the intercepts of the graph of  $f(x)$  with both the  $x$  and  $y$  axes.

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$$x = 0 \Rightarrow y = -6 \text{ intercept on the } y \text{ axes is } (0, -6) \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

$$2x^2 - 5x - 12 = 0 \Rightarrow (2x + 3)(x - 4) = 0 \Rightarrow x = \frac{-3}{2} \text{ or } 4$$

**M1**

intercepts on the  $x$  axes are  $(\frac{-3}{2}, 0)$  and  $(4, 0)$  **A1A1**

**[4 marks]**

- (b) Write down the equation of the vertical asymptote.

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$$x = -2 \quad A1$$

[1 mark]

- (c) As  $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$  the graph of  $f(x)$  approaches an oblique straight line asymptote.

Divide  $2x^2 - 5x - 12$  by  $x + 2$  to find the equation of this asymptote.

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$$f(x) = 2x - 9 + \frac{6}{x+2} \quad M1A1$$

So equation of asymptote is  $y = 2x - 9$  **M1A1**

[4 marks]

12. [Maximum mark: 19]

23N.2.AHL.TZ1.11

Consider the function defined by  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 14x + 24}{2x + 6}$ , where  $x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq -3$ .

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

[1]

Markscheme

(vertical asymptote equation)  $x = -3$  **A1**

**Note:** Accept  $2x + 6 = 0$  or equivalent.

[1 mark]

- (b) Find the coordinates of the points where the graph of  $f$  crosses the  $x$ -axis.

[2]

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$(2, 0)$  and  $(12, 0)$       **A1A1**

**Note:** Award **A1** for  $(2, 0)$  and **A1** for  $(12, 0)$ .

Award **A1A0** if only  $x$  values are given.

**[2 marks]**

The graph of  $f$  also has an oblique asymptote of the form  $y = ax + b$ , where  $a, b \in \mathbb{Q}$ .

- (c) Find the value of  $a$  and the value of  $b$ .

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**METHOD 1**

$$a = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{A1}$$

attempt at 'long division' on  $\frac{x^2 - 14x + 24}{2x + 6}$       **(M1)**

$$\frac{x^2 - 14x + 24}{2x + 6}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{17}{2} \left( + \frac{\dots}{2x + 6} \right) \quad \text{A1}$$

$$b = -\frac{17}{2} \quad \text{A1}$$

**Note:** Accept  $y = \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{17}{2}$ .

**METHOD 2**



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

$$\frac{x^2 - 14x + 24}{2x + 6} \equiv \frac{1}{2}x + b + \frac{c}{2x + 6} \quad (A1)$$

$$x^2 - 14x + 24 \equiv \frac{1}{2}x(2x + 6) + b(2x + 6) + c$$

attempt to equate coefficients of  $x$ : (M1)

$$-14 = 3 + 2b$$

$$b = -\frac{17}{2}$$

**Note:** Accept  $y = \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{17}{2}$ .

### METHOD 3

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

$$\frac{x^2 - 14x + 24}{2x + 6} - \frac{1}{2}x \equiv \frac{-17x + 24}{2x + 6} \quad (A1)$$

attempt to find the limit of  $f(x) - ax$  as  $x \rightarrow \infty$  (M1)

$$b = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{-17x + 24}{2x + 6}$$

$$= -\frac{17}{2} \quad A1$$

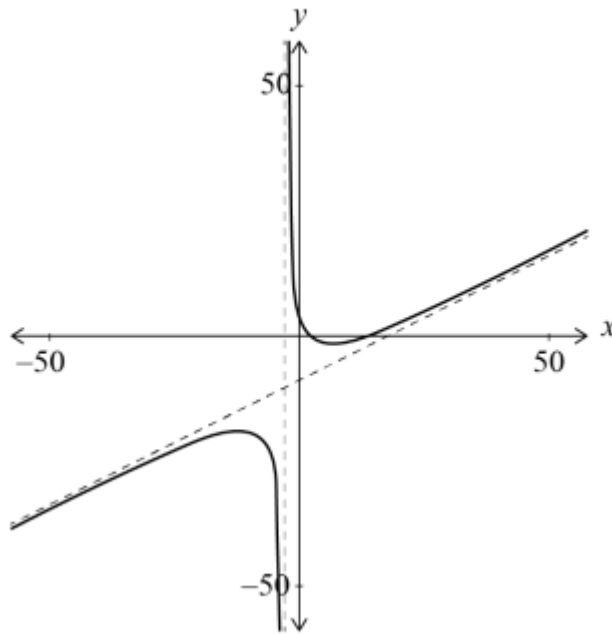
**Note:** Accept  $y = \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{17}{2}$ .

[4 marks]

- (d) Sketch the graph of  $f$  for  $-50 \leq x \leq 50$ , showing clearly the asymptotes and any intersections with the axes.

[4]

Markscheme



two branches with approximately correct shape (for  $-50 \leq x \leq 50$ )

**A1**

**Note:** For this **A1** the graph must be a function.

their vertical and oblique asymptotes in approximately correct positions with both branches showing correct asymptotic behaviour to these asymptotes **A1A1**

**Note:** Award **A1** for vertical asymptote and behaviour and **A1** for oblique asymptote and behaviour. If only top half of the graph seen only award **A1A0** if both asymptotes and behaviour are seen.

their axes intercepts in approximately the correct positions **A1**

**Note:** Points of intersection with the axes and the equations of asymptotes do not need to be labelled. Ignore incorrect labels

**[4 marks]**

(e) Find the range of  $f$ .

[4]

Markscheme

$$\left(-10 - 5\sqrt{3} =\right) - 18.6602\dots \text{OR}$$
$$\left(-10 + 5\sqrt{3} =\right) - 1.33974\dots \text{ seen anywhere} \quad (A1)$$

attempt to write the range using at least one value in an interval or an inequality in  $y$  or  $f(x)$   $(M1)$

$$y \leq -18.7, y \geq -1.34 \quad A1A1$$

**Note:** Award **A1** for each inequality. Award **A1A0** for strict inequalities in both.

Do not award FT from (d).

Accept equivalent set notation.

**[4 marks]**

(f) Solve the inequality  $f(x) > x$ .

[4]

Markscheme

$$\left(-10 - 2\sqrt{31} =\right) - 21.1355\dots \text{OR}$$
$$\left(-10 + 2\sqrt{31} =\right) 1.13522\dots \text{ seen anywhere} \quad (A1)$$

$$x < -21.1, -3 < x < 1.14 \quad A1A1A1$$

**Note:** Award **A1** for  $x < -21.1$ , **A1** for correct endpoints of a single interval  $-3$  and  $1.14$  and for **A1** for  $-3 < x < 1.14$ .

Do not award FT from (d).

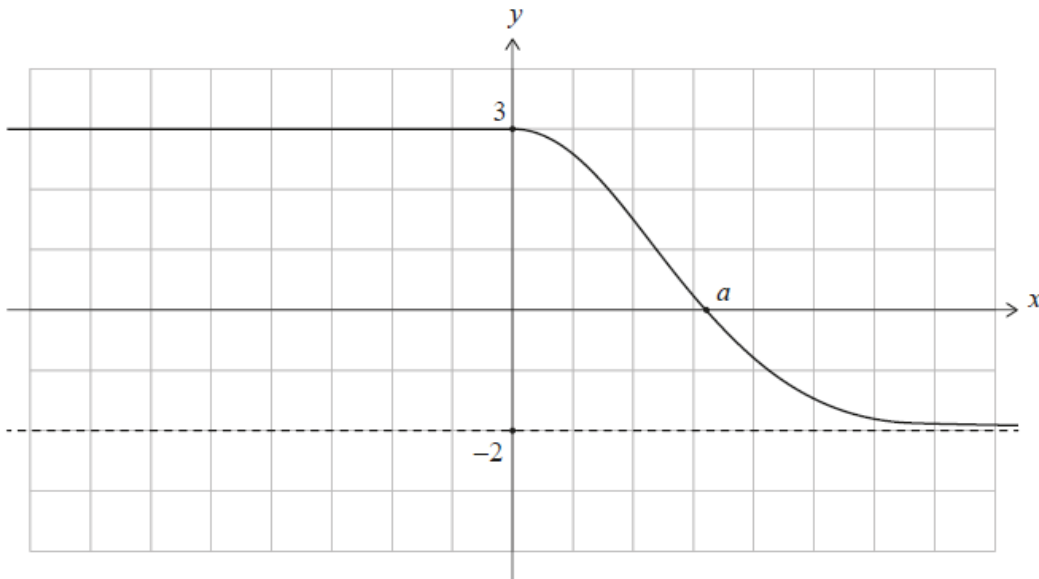
Accept equivalent set notation.

[4 marks]

13. [Maximum mark: 7]

23M.1.AHL.TZ1.8

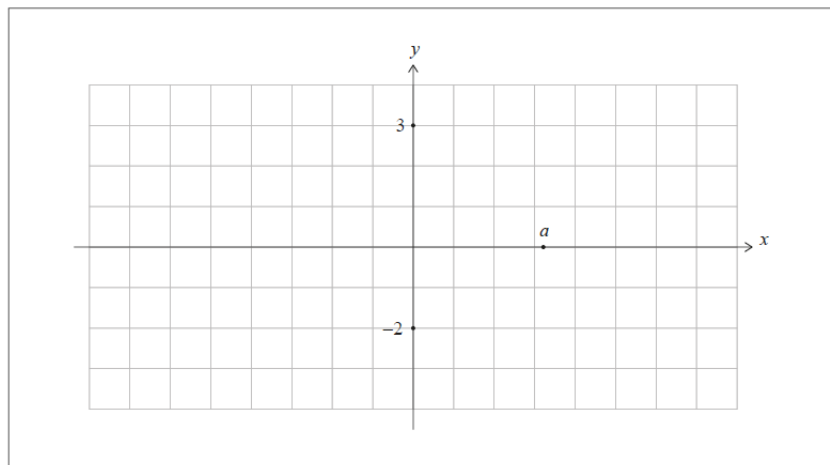
Part of the graph of a function,  $f$ , is shown in the following diagram. The graph of  $y = f(x)$  has a  $y$ -intercept at  $(0, 3)$ , an  $x$ -intercept at  $(a, 0)$  and a horizontal asymptote  $y = -2$ .



Consider the function  $g(x) = |f(|x|)|$ .

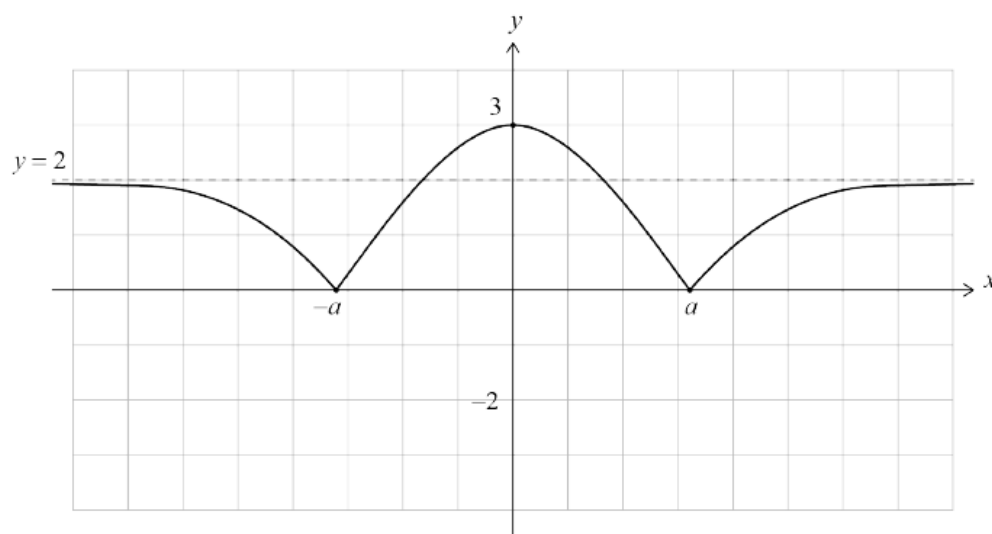
- (a) On the following grid, sketch the graph of  $y = g(x)$ , labelling any axis intercepts and giving the equation of the asymptote.

[4]



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attempt to reflect  $f$  in the  $x$  OR  $y$  axis (M1)



**A1A1A1**

**Note:** For a curve with an approximately correct shaped right-hand branch, award:

**A1** for correct asymptotic behaviour at  $y = 2$  (either side)

**A1** for correctly reflected RHS of the graph in the  $y$ -axis with smooth maximum at  $(0, 3)$ .

**A1** for labelled x-intercept at  $(-a, 0)$  and labelled asymptote at  $y = 2$  with sharp points (cusps) at the  $x$ -intercepts.

**[4 marks]**

- (b) Find the possible values of  $k$  such that  $(g(x))^2 = k$  has exactly two solutions.

[3]

Markscheme

$$k = 0 \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

$$4 \leq k < 9 \quad \mathbf{A2}$$

**Note:** If final answer incorrect, award **A1** for critical values 4 and 9 seen anywhere.

Exception to FT:

Award a maximum of **AOA2FT** if their graph from (a) is not symmetric about the  $y$ -axis.

**[3 marks]**

**14.** [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]

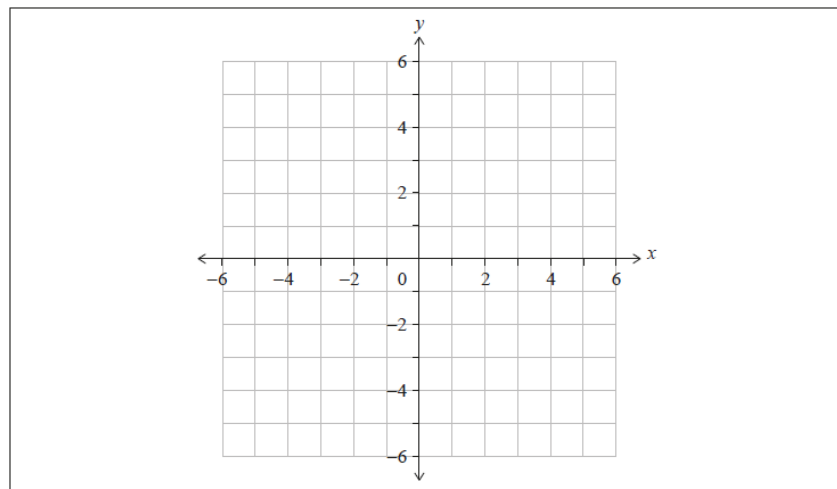
Markscheme

$$y = 2 \quad A1$$

[1 mark]

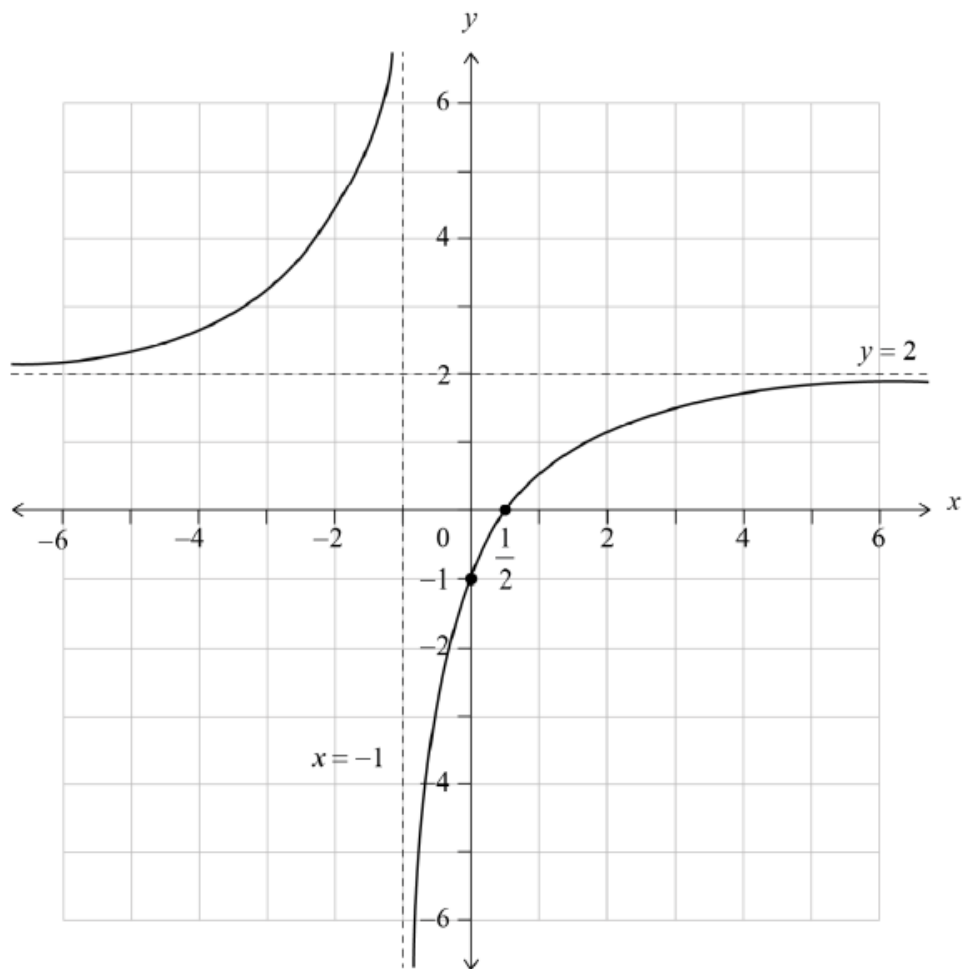
(b) On the set of axes below, sketch the graph of  $y = f(x)$ .

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

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

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

**OR**

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

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

**THEN**

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

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

[2 marks]

15. [Maximum mark: 11]

21N.2.AHL.TZ0.10

Consider the function  $f(x) = \frac{x^2 - x - 12}{2x - 15}$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x \neq \frac{15}{2}$ .

Find the coordinates where the graph of  $f$  crosses the

(a.i)  $x$ -axis.

[2]

Markscheme

**Note:** In part (a), penalise once only, if correct values are given instead of correct coordinates.

attempts to solve  $x^2 - x - 12 = 0$  (M1)

$(-3, 0)$  and  $(4, 0)$  A1

[2 marks]

(a.ii)  $y$ -axis.

[1]

Markscheme

**Note:** In part (a), penalise once only, if correct values are given instead of correct coordinates.

$$\left(0, \frac{4}{5}\right) \quad A1$$

[1 mark]

- (a.iii) Write down the equation of the vertical asymptote of the graph of  $f$ .

[1]

Markscheme

$$x = \frac{15}{2} \quad A1$$

**Note:** Award **A0** for  $x \neq \frac{15}{2}$ .

Award **A1** in part (b), if  $x = \frac{15}{2}$  is seen on their graph in part (d).

[1 mark]

- (a.iii) The oblique asymptote of the graph of  $f$  can be written as  $y = ax + b$  where  $a, b \in \mathbb{Q}$ .

Find the value of  $a$  and the value of  $b$ .

[4]

Markscheme

**METHOD 1**

$$(ax + b)(2x - 15) \equiv x^2 - x - 12$$

attempts to expand  $(ax + b)(2x - 15)$  (M1)

$$2ax^2 - 15ax + 2bx - 15b \equiv x^2 - x - 12$$

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

equates coefficients of  $x$  (M1)

$$-1 = -\frac{15}{2} + 2b$$

$$b = \frac{13}{4} \quad A1$$

$$(y = \frac{x}{2} + \frac{13}{4})$$

### METHOD 2

attempts division on  $\frac{x^2-x-12}{2x-15}$  M1

$$\frac{x}{2} + \frac{13}{4} + \dots \quad M1$$

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

$$b = \frac{13}{4} \quad A1$$

$$(y = \frac{x}{2} + \frac{13}{4})$$

### METHOD 3

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

$$\frac{x^2-x-12}{2x-15} \equiv \frac{x}{2} + b + \frac{c}{2x-15} \quad M1$$

$$x^2 - x - 12 \equiv \frac{(2x-15)x}{2} + (2x-15)b + c$$

equates coefficients of  $x$ : (M1)

$$-1 = -\frac{15}{2} + 2b$$

$$b = \frac{13}{4} \quad A1$$

$$\left(y = \frac{x}{2} + \frac{13}{4}\right)$$

#### METHOD 4

attempts division on  $\frac{x^2-x-12}{2x-15}$  **M1**

$$\frac{x^2-x-12}{2x-15} = \frac{x}{2} + \frac{\frac{13x}{2}-12}{2x-15}$$

$$a = \frac{1}{2} \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

$$\frac{\frac{13x}{2}-12}{2x-15} = \frac{13}{4} + \dots \quad \mathbf{M1}$$

$$b = \frac{13}{4} \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

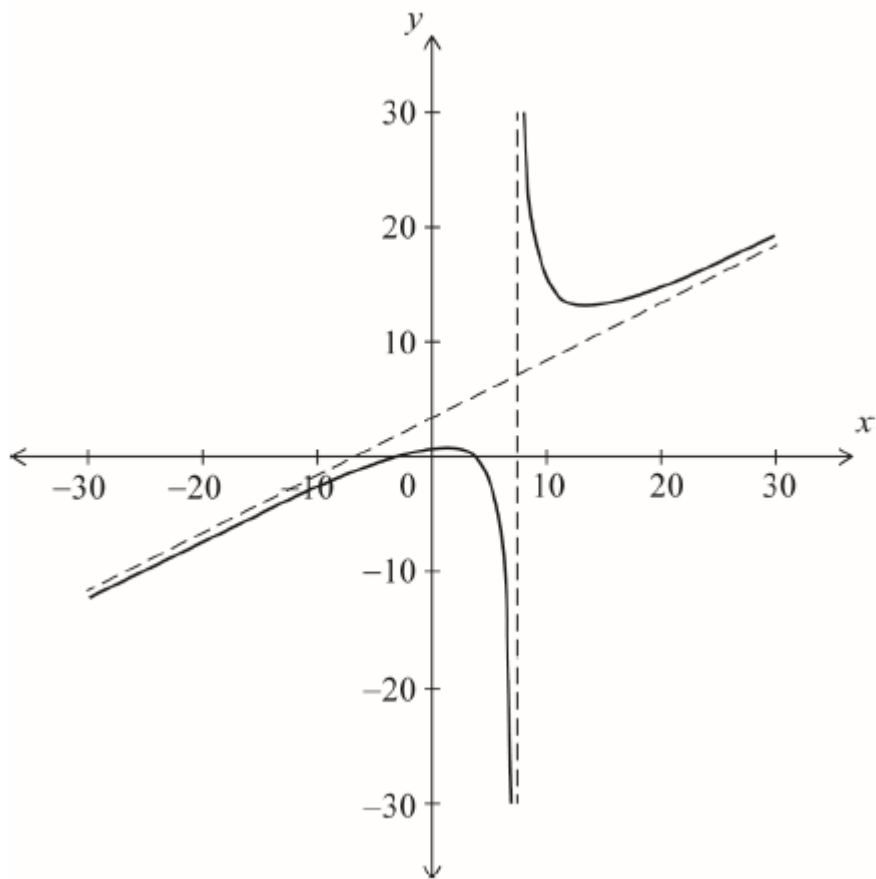
$$\left(y = \frac{x}{2} + \frac{13}{4}\right)$$

**[4 marks]**

(a.iii) Sketch the graph of  $f$  for  $-30 \leq x \leq 30$ , clearly indicating the points of intersection with each axis and any asymptotes.

[3]

Markscheme



two branches with approximately correct shape (for  $-30 \leq x \leq 30$ )

**A1**

their vertical and oblique asymptotes in approximately correct positions with both branches showing correct asymptotic behaviour to these asymptotes **A1**

their axes intercepts in approximately the correct positions **A1**

**Note:** Points of intersection with the axes and the equations of asymptotes are not required to be labelled.

**[3 marks]**

16. [Maximum mark: 7]

SPM.2.AHL.TZ0.8

The complex numbers  $w$  and  $z$  satisfy the equations

$$\frac{w}{z} = 2i$$

$$z^* - 3w = 5 + 5i.$$

Find  $w$  and  $z$  in the form  $a + bi$  where  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

[7]

Markscheme

substituting  $w = 2iz$  into  $z^* - 3w = 5 + 5i$  *M1*

$$z^* - 6iz = 5 + 5i$$
 *A1*

let  $z = x + yi$

comparing real and imaginary parts of  
 $(x - yi) - 6i(x + yi) = 5 + 5i$  *M1*

to obtain  $x + 6y = 5$  and  $-6x - y = 5$  *A1*

attempting to solve for  $x$  and  $y$ ) *M1*

$$x = -1 \text{ and } y = 1 \text{ so } z = -1 + i$$
 *A1*

$$\text{hence } w = -2 - 2i$$
 *A1*

**[7 marks]**

17. [Maximum mark: 5]

23N.1.AHL.TZ1.7

It is given that  $z = 5 + qi$  satisfies the equation

$$z^2 + iz = -p + 25i, \text{ where } p, q \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Find the value of  $p$  and the value of  $q$ .

[5]

Markscheme

**METHOD 1**

attempt to substitute solution into given equation (M1)

$$(5 + qi)^2 + i(5 + qi) = -p + 25i$$

$$25 - q^2 + 10qi - q + 5i + p - 25i = 0 \text{ OR}$$

$$25 - q^2 + 10qi - q + 5i = -p + 25i \quad A1$$

$$25 - q^2 + p - q + (10q - 20)i = 0$$

attempt to equate real or imaginary parts: (M1)

$$10q - 20 = 0 \text{ OR } 25 - q^2 + p - q = 0$$

$$q = 2, p = -19 \quad A1A1$$

**METHOD 2**

$$z^2 + iz + p - 25i = 0$$

sum of roots =  $-i$ , product of roots =  $p - 25i$  M1

one root is  $(5 + qi)$  so other root is  $(-5 - qi - i)$  A1

product

$$(5 + qi)(-5 - qi - i) = -25 - 5qi - 5i - 5qi + q^2 + q = p - 25i$$

equating real and imaginary parts for product of roots (M1)

$$\text{Im: } -25 = 10q - 5 \text{ Re: } p = -25 + q^2 + q$$

$$q = 2, p = -19 \quad A1A1$$

[5 marks]



18. [Maximum mark: 8]

21M.1.AHL.TZ1.7

Consider the quartic equation

$$z^4 + 4z^3 + 8z^2 + 80z + 400 = 0, z \in \mathbb{C}.$$

Two of the roots of this equation are  $a + bi$  and  $b + ai$ , where  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Find the possible values of  $a$ .

[8]

Markscheme

**METHOD 1**

other two roots are  $a - bi$  and  $b - ai$  *A1*

sum of roots =  $-4$  and product of roots =  $400$  *A1*

attempt to set sum of four roots equal to  $-4$  or  $4$  OR  
attempt to set product of four roots equal to  $400$  *M1*

$$a + bi + a - bi + b + ai + b - ai = -4$$

$$2a + 2b = -4 (\Rightarrow a + b = -2) \quad \textit{A1}$$

$$(a + bi)(a - bi)(b + ai)(b - ai) = 400$$

$$(a^2 + b^2)^2 = 400 \quad \textit{A1}$$

$$a^2 + b^2 = 20$$

attempt to solve simultaneous equations *(M1)*

$$a = 2 \text{ or } a = -4 \quad \textit{A1A1}$$

**METHOD 2**

other two roots are  $a - bi$  and  $b - ai$  *A1*

$$(z - (a + bi))(z - (a - bi))(z - (b + ai))(z - (b - ai)) (= 0) \quad A1$$

$$\left( (z - a)^2 + b^2 \right) \left( (z - b)^2 + a^2 \right) (= 0)$$

$$(z^2 - 2az + a^2 + b^2)(z^2 - 2bz + b^2 + a^2) (= 0) \quad A1$$

Attempt to equate coefficient of  $z^3$  and constant with the given quartic equation  $M1$

$$-2a - 2b = 4 \text{ and } (a^2 + b^2)^2 = 400 \quad A1$$

attempt to solve simultaneous equations  $(M1)$

$$a = 2 \text{ or } a = -4 \quad A1A1$$

[8 marks]

19. [Maximum mark: 5]

20N.1.AHL.TZ0.H\_4

Consider the equation  $\frac{2z}{3-z^*} = i$ , where  $z = x + iy$  and  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Find the value of  $x$  and the value of  $y$ .

[5]

Markscheme

\* This question is from an exam for a previous syllabus, and may contain minor differences in marking or structure.

substituting  $z = x + iy$  and  $z^* = x - iy \quad M1$

$$\frac{2(x+iy)}{3-(x-iy)} = i$$

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

equate real and imaginary: **M1**

$$y = -2x \text{ AND } 2y = 3 - x \quad \mathbf{A1}$$

**Note:** If they multiply top and bottom by the conjugate, the equations  $6x - 2x^2 + 2y^2 = 0$  and  $6y - 4xy = (3 - x)^2 + y^2$  may be seen. Allow for **A1**.

solving simultaneously:

$$x = -1, y = 2 \quad (z = -1 + 2i) \quad \mathbf{A1A1}$$

**[5 marks]**

**20.** [Maximum mark: 7]

19N.1.AHL.TZ0.H\_5

Consider the equation  $z^4 = -4$ , where  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ .

- (a) Solve the equation, giving the solutions in the form  $a + ib$ , where  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ .

[5]

Markscheme

**METHOD 1**

$$|z| = \sqrt[4]{4} \quad (= \sqrt{2}) \quad \mathbf{(A1)}$$

$$\arg(z_1) = \frac{\pi}{4} \quad \mathbf{(A1)}$$

first solution is  $1 + i$  **A1**

valid attempt to find all roots (De Moivre or +/- their components) **(M1)**

other solutions are  $-1 + i$ ,  $-1 - i$ ,  $1 - i$  **A1**

### **METHOD 2**

$$z^4 = -4$$

$$(a + ib)^4 = -4$$

attempt to expand and equate **both** reals and imaginaries. **(M1)**

$$a^4 + 4a^3bi - 6a^2b^2 - 4ab^3i + b^4 = -4$$

$$(a^4 - 6a^2b^2 + b^4 = -4 \Rightarrow) a = \pm 1 \text{ and}$$

$$(4a^3b - 4ab^3 = 0 \Rightarrow) a = \pm b \quad \textbf{(A1)}$$

first solution is  $1 + i$  **A1**

valid attempt to find all roots (De Moivre or +/- their components) **(M1)**

other solutions are  $-1 + i$ ,  $-1 - i$ ,  $1 - i$  **A1**

**[5 marks]**

- (b) The solutions form the vertices of a polygon in the complex plane. Find the area of the polygon.

[2]

Markscheme

complete method to find area of 'rectangle' **(M1)**

$$= 4 \quad \textbf{A1}$$

**[2 marks]**

21. [Maximum mark: 6]

19N.2.AHL.TZ0.H\_6

Let  $P(z) = az^3 - 37z^2 + 66z - 10$ , where  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  and  $a \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

One of the roots of  $P(z) = 0$  is  $3 + i$ . Find the value of  $a$ .

[6]

Markscheme

**METHOD 1**

one other root is  $3 - i$  *A1*

let third root be  $\alpha$  *(M1)*

considering sum or product of roots *(M1)*

$$\text{sum of roots} = 6 + \alpha = \frac{37}{a} \quad \textit{A1}$$

$$\text{product of roots} = 10\alpha = \frac{10}{a} \quad \textit{A1}$$

$$\text{hence } a = 6 \quad \textit{A1}$$

**METHOD 2**

one other root is  $3 - i$  *A1*

quadratic factor will be  $z^2 - 6z + 10$  *(M1)A1*

$$P(z) = az^3 - 37z^2 + 66z - 10 = (z^2 - 6z + 10)(az - 1) \quad \textit{M1}$$

comparing coefficients *(M1)*

$$\text{hence } a = 6 \quad \textit{A1}$$

**METHOD 3**

substitute  $3 + i$  into  $P(z)$  *(M1)*

$$a(18 + 26i) - 37(8 + 6i) + 66(3 + i) - 10 = 0 \quad (M1)A1$$

equating real or imaginary parts or dividing *M1*

$$18a - 296 + 198 - 10 = 0 \text{ or } 26a - 222 + 66 = 0 \text{ or}$$

$$\frac{10 - 66(3+i) + 37(8+6i)}{18+26i} \quad A1$$

$$\text{hence } a = 6 \quad A1$$

**[6 marks]**