

Subject - Math AA(Higher Level)
Topic - Functions
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Paper -1
Answers

Question 1

(a) attempt to form composition

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

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

M1

A1

AG

[2 marks]

(b) attempt to substitute 4 (seen anywhere)

correct equation $a = 2 \times 4 + 11$

$a = 19$

(M1)

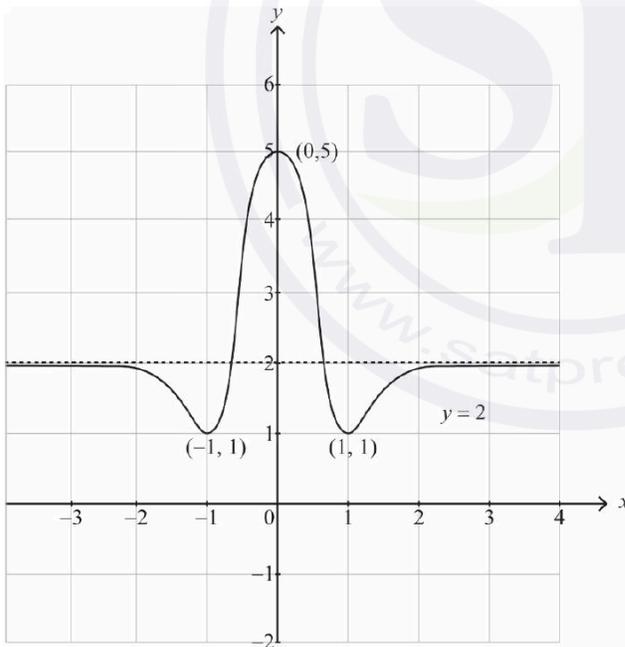
(A1)

A1

[3 marks]

Total [5 marks]

Question 2



no y values below 1

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

$(\pm 1, 1)$ local minima

$(0, 5)$ local maximum

smooth curve and smooth stationary points

A1

A1

A1

A1

A1

Total [5 marks]

Question 3

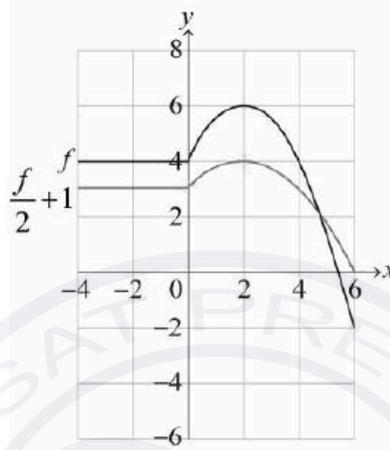
- (a) (i) $f(2) = 6$
(ii) $(f \circ f)(2) = -2$

A1

A1

[2 marks]

(b)



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]

Total [5 marks]

Question 4

(a) **EITHER**

horizontal stretch/scaling with scale factor $\frac{1}{2}$

Note: Do not allow 'shrink' or 'compression'

followed by a horizontal translation/shift $\frac{1}{2}$ units to the left

A2

Note: Do not allow 'move'

OR

horizontal translation/shift 1 unit to the left

followed by horizontal stretch/scaling with scale factor $\frac{1}{2}$

A2

THEN

vertical translation/shift up by $\frac{\pi}{4}$ (or translation through $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{\pi}{4} \end{pmatrix}$)

A1

(may be seen anywhere)

[3 marks]

Question 5

(a) (i) $x = 3$

A1

(ii) $y = -2$

A1

[2 marks]

(b) (i) $(-2, 0)$ (accept $x = -2$)

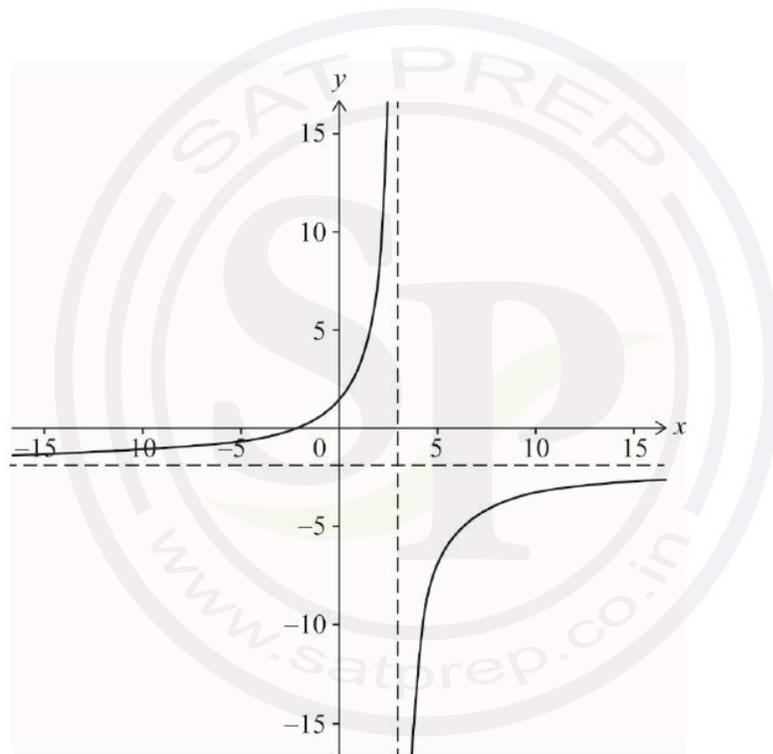
A1

(ii) $\left(0, \frac{4}{3}\right)$ (accept $y = \frac{4}{3}$ and $f(0) = \frac{4}{3}$)

A1

[2 marks]

(c)



A1

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

[1 mark]

(d) **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

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

A1

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

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

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

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

A1

Note: Condone use of $y =$

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

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

$$\Rightarrow a = -3$$

A1

[4 marks]

METHOD 2

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

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

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

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

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

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

equating coefficients of x^2 (or similar)

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

[4 marks]

Total [9 marks]

Question 6

(a) translation (shift) by $\frac{3\pi}{2}$ to the right OR positive horizontal direction by $\frac{3\pi}{2}$ A1

translation (shift) by q upwards OR positive vertical direction by q A1

Note: accept translation by $\begin{pmatrix} \frac{3\pi}{2} \\ q \end{pmatrix}$

Do not accept 'move' for translation/shift.

[2 marks]

(b) **METHOD 1**

minimum of $4\sin\left(x - \frac{3\pi}{2}\right)$ is -4 (may be seen in sketch) (M1)

$$-4 + 2.5 + q \geq 7$$

$$q \geq 8.5 \text{ (accept } q = 8.5) \quad \text{A1}$$

substituting $x=0$ and their $q(=8.5)$ to find r (M1)

$$(r =) \quad 4\sin\left(\frac{-3\pi}{2}\right) + 2.5 + 8.5$$

$$4 + 2.5 + 8.5 \quad \text{A1}$$

smallest value of r is 15 A1

METHOD 2

substituting $x=0$ to find an expression (for r) in terms of q (M1)

$$(g(0) = r =) \quad 4\sin\left(\frac{-3\pi}{2}\right) + 2.5 + q$$

$$(r =) \quad 6.5 + q \quad \text{A1}$$

minimum of $4\sin\left(x - \frac{3\pi}{2}\right)$ is -4 (M1)

$$-4 + 2.5 + q \geq 7$$

$$-4 + 2.5 + (r - 6.5) \geq 7 \text{ (accept =)} \quad \text{A1}$$

smallest value of r is 15 A1

METHOD 3

$$4\sin\left(x - \frac{3\pi}{2}\right) + 2.5 + q = 4\cos x + 2.5 + q \quad \text{A1}$$

y-intercept of $4\cos x + 2.5 + q$ is a maximum (M1)

amplitude of $g(x)$ is 4 (A1)

attempt to find least maximum (M1)

$$r = 2 \times 4 + 7$$

smallest value of r is 15 A1

[5 marks]

Total [7 marks]

Question 7

(a) $(f \circ g)(x) = f(2x)$ (A1)

$$f(2x) = \sqrt{3}\sin 2x + \cos 2x \quad \text{A1}$$

[2 marks]

(b) $\sqrt{3}\sin 2x + \cos 2x = 2\cos 2x$

$$\sqrt{3}\sin 2x = \cos 2x$$

recognizing to use \tan or \cot M1

$$\tan 2x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \text{ OR } \cot 2x = \sqrt{3} \text{ (values may be seen in right triangle)} \quad \text{(A1)}$$

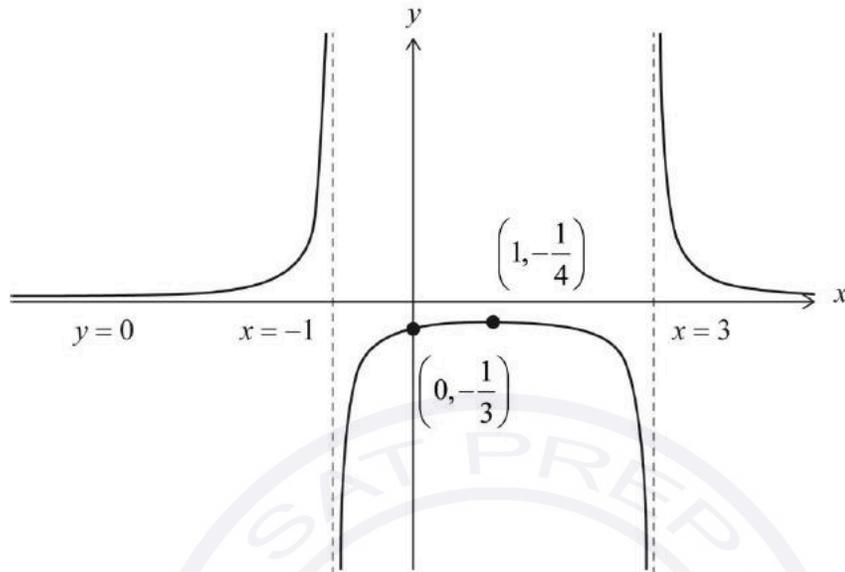
$$\left(\arctan\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)\right) = \frac{\pi}{6} \text{ (seen anywhere) (accept degrees)} \quad \text{(A1)}$$

$$2x = \frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{7\pi}{6}$$

$$x = \frac{\pi}{12}, \frac{7\pi}{12} \quad \text{A1A1}$$

Question 8

(a)



y- intercept $\left(0, -\frac{1}{3}\right)$

A1

Note: Accept an indication of $-\frac{1}{3}$ on the y -axis.

vertical asymptotes $x = -1$ and $x = 3$

A1

horizontal asymptote $y = 0$

A1

uses a valid method to find the x - coordinate of the local maximum point

(M1)

Note: For example, uses the axis of symmetry or attempts to solve $f'(x) = 0$.

local maximum point $\left(1, -\frac{1}{4}\right)$

A1

Note: Award **(M1)A0** for a local maximum point at $x = 1$ and coordinates not given.

three correct branches with correct asymptotic behaviour and the key features in approximately correct relative positions to each other

A1

[6 marks]

(b) (i) $x = \frac{1}{y^2 - 2y - 3}$

M1

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

EITHER

attempts to complete the square

M1

$$y^2 - 2y - 3 = (y-1)^2 - 4$$

A1

$$x = \frac{1}{(y-1)^2 - 4}$$

$$(y-1)^2 - 4 = \frac{1}{x} \left((y-1)^2 = 4 + \frac{1}{x} \right)$$

A1

$$y-1 = \pm \sqrt{4 + \frac{1}{x}} \left(= \pm \sqrt{\frac{4x+1}{x}} \right)$$

OR

attempts to solve $xy^2 - 2xy - 3x - 1 = 0$ for y

M1

$$y = \frac{-(-2x) \pm \sqrt{(-2x)^2 + 4x(3x+1)}}{2x}$$

A1

Note: Award **A1** even if $-$ (in \pm) is missing

$$= \frac{2x \pm \sqrt{16x^2 + 4x}}{2x}$$

A1

THEN

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

A1

$y > 3$ and hence $y = 1 - \frac{\sqrt{4x^2 + x}}{x}$ is rejected

R1

Note: Award **R1** for concluding that the expression for y must have the '+' sign.
The **R1** may be awarded earlier for using the condition $x > 3$.

$$y = 1 + \frac{\sqrt{4x^2 + x}}{x}$$

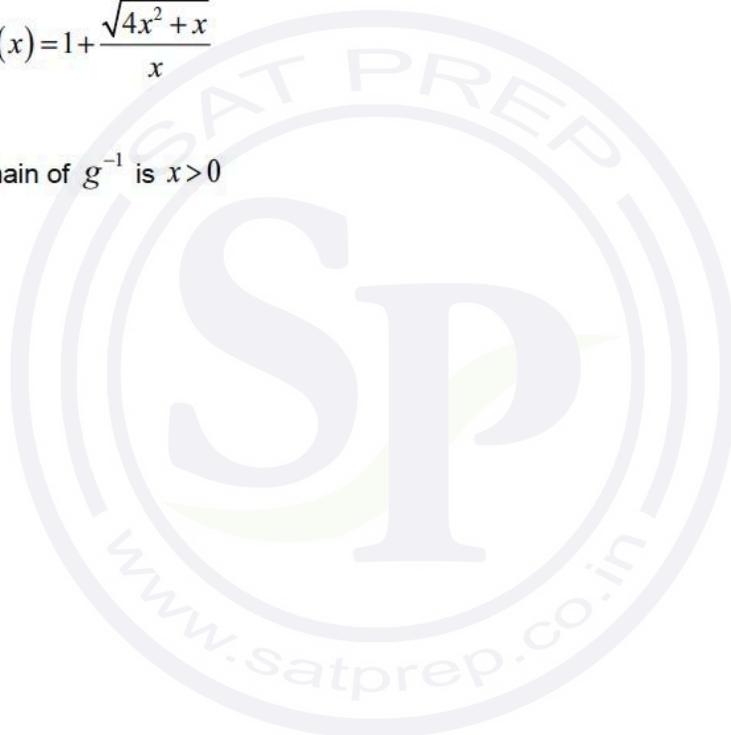
$$g^{-1}(x) = 1 + \frac{\sqrt{4x^2 + x}}{x}$$

AG

(ii) domain of g^{-1} is $x > 0$

A1

[7 marks]



(c) attempts to find $(h \circ g)(a)$ (M1)

$$(h \circ g)(a) = \arctan\left(\frac{g(a)}{2}\right) \quad \left((h \circ g)(a) = \arctan\left(\frac{1}{2(a^2 - 2a - 3)}\right) \right) \quad \text{(A1)}$$

$$\arctan\left(\frac{g(a)}{2}\right) = \frac{\pi}{4} \quad \left(\arctan\left(\frac{1}{2(a^2 - 2a - 3)}\right) = \frac{\pi}{4} \right)$$

attempts to solve for $g(a)$ M1

$$\Rightarrow g(a) = 2 \left(\frac{1}{(a^2 - 2a - 3)} = 2 \right)$$

EITHER

$$\Rightarrow a = g^{-1}(2) \quad \text{A1}$$

attempts to find their $g^{-1}(2)$ M1

$$a = 1 + \frac{\sqrt{4(2)^2 + 2}}{2} \quad \text{A1}$$

Note: Award all available marks to this stage if x is used instead of a .

OR

$$\Rightarrow 2a^2 - 4a - 7 = 0 \quad \text{A1}$$

attempts to solve their quadratic equation M1

$$a = \frac{-(-4) \pm \sqrt{(-4)^2 + 4(2)(7)}}{4} \quad \left(= \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{72}}{4} \right) \quad \text{A1}$$

Note: Award all available marks to this stage if x is used instead of a .

THEN

$$a = 1 + \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{2} \quad (\text{as } a > 3) \quad \text{A1}$$

$$(p = 1, q = 3, r = 2)$$

Note: Award **A1** for $a = 1 + \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{18}$ ($p = 1, q = 1, r = 18$).

[7 marks]
Total [20 marks]

Question 9

(a) (i) $x = -1$

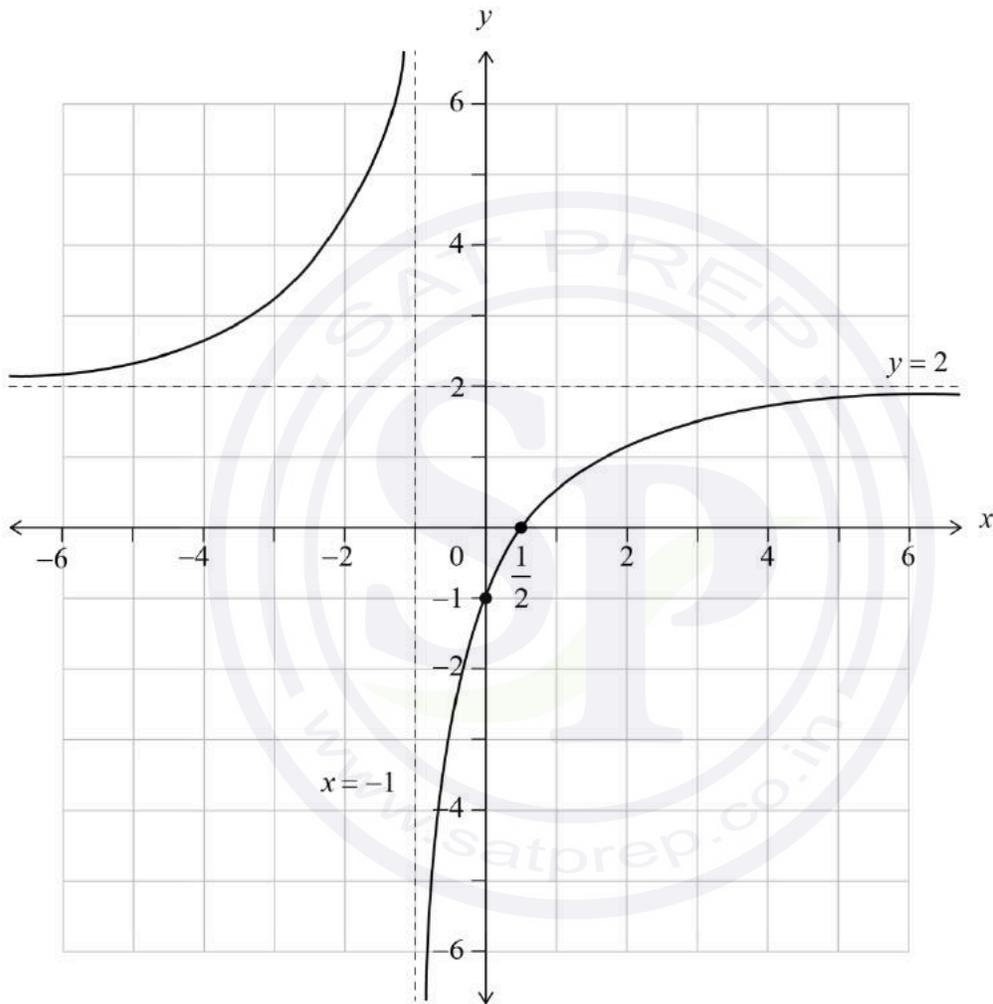
A1

(ii) $y = 2$

A1

[2 marks]

(b)



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) $x > \frac{1}{2}$

A1

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

[1 mark]

(d) **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

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

A1

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

[2 marks]

Total [8 marks]

Question 10

(a)

$$a = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

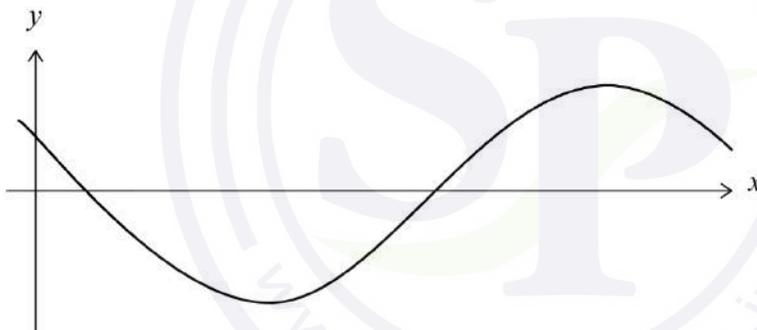
A2

Note: For sinusoidal graph through the origin seen with incorrect a , or use of horizontal line test with incorrect a , award **A1A0**

(b) $a = \pi$

A1

(c)



sketch showing sinusoidal shape decreasing as it crosses the y-axis
(below or above the origin)

(A1)

$$a = k - \pi$$

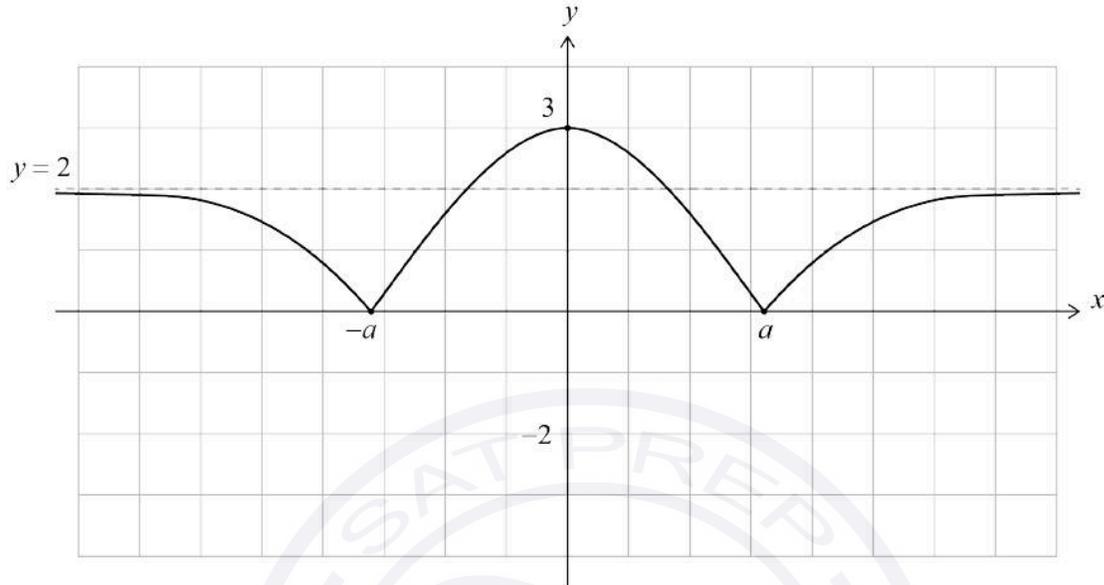
A1

[5 marks]

Question 11

(a) 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) $k = 0$

A1

$4 \leq k < 9$

A2

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

Exception to FT:

Award a maximum of **A0A2FT** if their graph from (a) is not symmetric about the y -axis.

[3 marks]

Total [7 marks]

Question 12

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

(M1)

$$x = -1$$

A1

[2 marks]

(b) (i) $x = 2$ (must be an equation with x)

A1

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

A1

[2 marks]

(c) **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

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

A1

[3 marks]

Total [7 marks]

Question 13

(a) $\cos k = \frac{\sin k}{\cos k}$

A1

$\cos^2 k = \sin k$

AG

[1 mark]

(b) $f'(k) = -\sin k$ and $g'(k) = \sec^2 k$

A1

Note: Award **A1** for $f'(x) = -\sin x$ and $g'(x) = \sec^2 x$.

EITHER

$f'(k)g'(k) = -\frac{\sin k}{\cos^2 k}$

M1

$\cos^2 k = \sin k \Rightarrow f'(k)g'(k) \left(= -\frac{\sin k}{\sin k} \right) = -1$

R1

OR

$g'(k) = \frac{1}{\cos^2 k}$

M1

$\cos^2 k = \sin k \Rightarrow g'(k) = \frac{1}{\sin k} = -\frac{1}{f'(k)}$

R1

Note: Accept showing that $f'(k) = -\frac{1}{g'(k)}$.

Note: Allow 'backwards methods' such as starting with $f'(k) = -\frac{1}{g'(k)}$ leading to

$\cos^2 k = \sin k$

THEN

\Rightarrow the two tangents intersect at right angles at P

AG

Note: To obtain the final **R1**, all of the previous marks must have been awarded.

[3 marks]

(c) $1 - \sin^2 k = \sin k$ (from part (a)) A1

$$\sin^2 k + \sin k - 1 = 0$$

attempts to solve for $\sin k$ (M1)

$$\sin k = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1^2 - 4(1)(-1)}}{2}$$

(for $0 < k < \frac{\pi}{2}$, $\sin k > 0$) $\Rightarrow \sin k = \frac{-1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$ A1

($a = -1, b = 5, c = 2$)

Note: Award **A0** if more than one solution is given

[3 marks]

Total [7 marks]

Question 14

attempts to form $(g \circ f)(x)$ (M1)

$$[f(x)]^2 + f(x) + 3 \quad \text{OR} \quad (ax + b)^2 + ax + b + 3$$

$$a^2x^2 + 2abx + b^2 + ax + b + 3 (= 4x^2 - 14x + 15)$$
 (A1)

equates their corresponding terms to form at least one equation (M1)

$$a^2x^2 = 4x^2 \quad \text{OR} \quad a^2 = 4 \quad \text{OR} \quad 2abx + ax = -14x \quad \text{OR} \quad 2ab + a = -14 \quad \text{OR} \quad b^2 + b + 3 = 15$$

$a = \pm 2$ (seen anywhere) A1

attempt to use $2ab + a = -14$ to pair the correct values (seen anywhere) (M1)

$f(x) = 2x - 4$ (accept $a = 2$ with $b = -4$), $f(x) = -2x + 3$ (accept $a = -2$ with $b = 3$) A1A1

[7 marks]

Question 15

(b) (i) $\left(0, \frac{3}{2}\right)$

A1

(ii) $(3, 0)$

A1

[2 marks]

(a) (i) $x = 2$

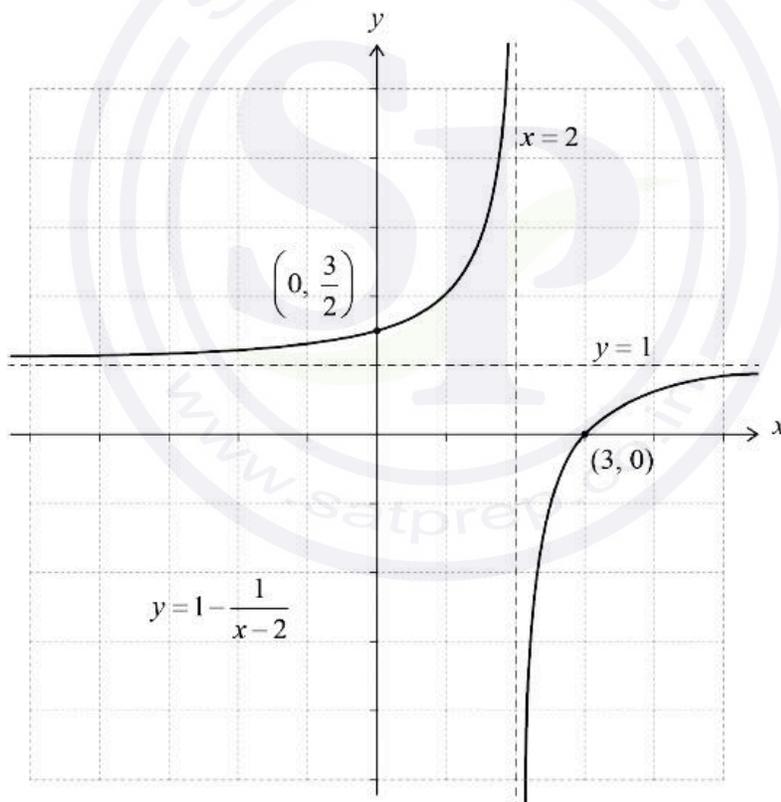
A1

(ii) $y = 1$

A1

[2 marks]

(c)



two correct branches with correct asymptotic behaviour and intercepts clearly shown

A1

[1 mark]

Total [5 marks]

Question 16

(a) $x = 0$

A1

[1 mark]

(b) (i) setting $\ln(2x-9) = 2\ln x - \ln d$

M1

attempt to use power rule

(M1)

$$2\ln x = \ln x^2 \text{ (seen anywhere)}$$

attempt to use product/quotient rule for logs

(M1)

$$\ln(2x-9) = \ln \frac{x^2}{d} \text{ OR } \ln \frac{x^2}{2x-9} = \ln d \text{ OR } \ln(2x-9)d = \ln x^2$$

$$\frac{x^2}{d} = 2x-9 \text{ OR } \frac{x^2}{2x-9} = d \text{ OR } (2x-9)d = x^2$$

A1

$$x^2 - 2dx + 9d = 0$$

AG

(ii) discriminant = $(-2d)^2 - 4 \times 1 \times 9d$

(A1)

recognizing discriminant > 0

(M1)

$$(-2d)^2 - 4 \times 1 \times 9d > 0 \text{ OR } (2d)^2 - 4 \times 9d > 0 \text{ OR } 4d^2 - 36d > 0$$

A1

$$d^2 - 9d > 0$$

AG

(iii) setting $d(d-9) > 0$ OR $d(d-9) = 0$ OR sketch graph

OR sign test OR $d^2 > 9d$

(M1)

$$d < 0 \text{ or } d > 9, \text{ but } d \in \mathbb{R}^+$$

$$d > 9 \text{ (or }]9, \infty[)$$

A1

[9 marks]

(c) $x^2 - 20x + 90 (= 0)$

A1

attempting to solve their 3 term quadratic equation

(M1)

$$\left((x-10)^2 - 10 = 0 \right) \text{ or } \left(x = \frac{20 \pm \sqrt{(-20)^2 - 4 \times 1 \times 90}}{2} \right)$$

$$x = 10 - \sqrt{10} (= p) \text{ or } x = 10 + \sqrt{10} (= q)$$

(A1)

subtracting their values of x

(M1)

$$\text{distance} = 2\sqrt{10}$$

A1

$$(a = 2, b = 10)$$

Note: Accept $1\sqrt{40}$ OR $\sqrt{40}$.

[5 marks]

Total [15 marks]

Question 17

(a) $f(-x) = \frac{\sin^2(-kx)}{(-x)^2}$

M1

$$= \frac{(-\sin(kx))^2}{(-x)^2}$$

A1

$$= \frac{\sin^2(kx)}{x^2} (= f(x))$$

hence $f(x)$ is even

AG

[2 marks]

(b) **METHOD 1**

Noting that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (f(x)) = \frac{0}{0}$ (M1)

attempt to differentiate numerator and denominator: M1

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (f(x)) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{2k \sin kx \cos kx}{2x} \right) \left(= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{k \sin 2kx}{2x} \right) \right)$$
 A1

(evaluates to $\frac{0}{0}$) and attempts to differentiate a second time: M1

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{2k^2 (\cos^2 kx - \sin^2 kx)}{2} \right) \left(= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{2k^2 \cos 2kx}{2} \right) \right) = k^2$$
 A1

$$(k^2 = 16 \Rightarrow) k = 4$$
 A1

Note: Award relevant marks, even if ' $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0}$ ' is not explicitly seen.

METHOD 2

attempt to express $\sin(kx)$ as a Maclaurin series M1

$$\sin(kx) = kx (+ \dots)$$

$$\sin^2(kx) = k^2 x^2 (+ \dots)$$
 A1

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\sin^2(kx)}{x^2} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{k^2 x^2 (+ \dots)}{x^2} \right)$$
 M1

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (k^2 + \text{terms in } x)$$
 R1

Note: This **R1** is awarded independently of any other marks.

$$= k^2$$
 A1

$$(k^2 = 16 \Rightarrow) k = 4$$
 A1

METHOD 3

splitting function into $\left(\frac{\sin kx}{x}\right)\left(\frac{\sin kx}{x}\right)$ and using limit of product = product of limits (M1)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\sin^2(kx)}{x^2} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\sin kx}{x} \right) \times \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\sin kx}{x} \right) \quad \text{A1}$$

EITHER

using L' Hôpital's rule (M1)

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\sin kx}{x} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{k \cos kx}{1} \right) = k \quad \text{(A1)}$$

OR

using Maclaurin expansion for $\sin kx$ (M1)

$$\sin(kx) = kx(+\dots)$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\sin kx}{x} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{kx + \dots}{x} \right) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} (k + \text{terms in } x) = k \quad \text{(A1)}$$

THEN

$$\text{hence } \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\sin^2(kx)}{x^2} \right) = k \times k = k^2 \quad \text{A1}$$

$$k^2 = 16 \Rightarrow k = 4 (k > 0) \quad \text{A1}$$

ote: Award relevant marks, even if ' $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0}$ ' is not explicitly seen.

[6 marks]
Total [8 marks]

Question 18

(a) attempt to form $(g \circ f)(x)$ (M1)

$$((g \circ f)(x)) = (x-3)^2 + k^2 \quad (= x^2 - 6x + 9 + k^2) \quad \text{A1}$$

[2 marks]

(b) substituting $x=2$ into their $(g \circ f)(x)$ and setting their expression =10 (M1)

$$(2-3)^2 + k^2 = 10 \quad \text{OR} \quad 2^2 - 6(2) + 9 + k^2 = 10$$

$$k^2 = 9 \quad \text{(A1)}$$

$$k = \pm 3 \quad \text{A1}$$

[3 marks]

Total [5 marks]

Question 19

(a) $y = \frac{2}{3}$ (must be written as equation with $y =$) (A1)

[1 mark]

(b) (i) 2 (A1)

(ii) EITHER

$$\frac{2(x+3)}{3(x+2)} = mx + 1$$

attempt to expand to obtain a quadratic equation (M1)

$$2x + 6 = 3mx^2 + 6mx + 3x + 6$$

$$3mx^2 + (6m+1)x = 0 \quad \text{OR} \quad 3mx^2 + 6mx + x = 0 \quad \text{A1}$$

recognition that discriminant $\Delta = 0$ for one solution (M1)

$$(6m+1)^2 = 0$$

OR

$$\frac{2(x+3)}{3(x+2)} = mx + 1$$

attempt to expand to obtain a quadratic equation **(M1)**

$$2x + 6 = 3mx^2 + 6mx + 3x + 6$$

$$3mx^2 + (6m+1)x = 0 \quad \text{OR} \quad 3mx^2 + 6mx + x = 0 \quad \text{A1}$$

attempt to solve their quadratic for x and equating their solutions **(M1)**

$$x(3mx + 6m + 1) = 0$$

$$x = 0 \quad \text{OR} \quad x = -\frac{6m+1}{3m} (= 0)$$

$$-\frac{6m+1}{3m} = 0$$

OR

attempt to find $f'(x)$ using the quotient rule **(M1)**

$$f'(x) = \frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{(x+2) - (x+3)}{(x+2)^2} \right) = \left(\frac{-2}{3(x+2)^2} \right) \quad \text{OR} \quad \frac{2(3x+6) - 3(2x+6)}{(3x+6)^2} \quad \text{or}$$

equivalent **A1**

recognition that m is the derivative of $f(x)$ at $x = 0$ **(M1)**

THEN

$$\Rightarrow m = -\frac{1}{6} \quad \text{A1}$$

(iii)

Note: In this part, FT may be awarded only for values of m between -1 and 0 .

$$-\frac{1}{6} < m < 0$$

A2

Note: Award **A1** for only $m > -\frac{1}{6}$. Award **A1** for only $m < 0$.

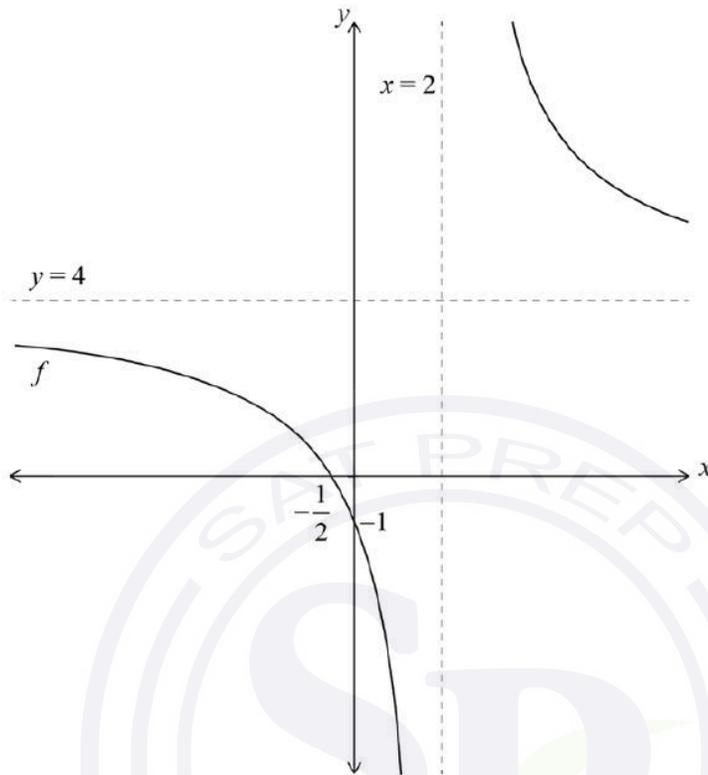
[7 marks]

Total [8 marks]



Question 20

(a)



vertical asymptote $x = 2$ sketched and labelled with correct equation **A1**

horizontal asymptote $y = 4$ sketched and labelled with correct equation **A1**

For an approximate rational function shape:

labelled intercepts $-\frac{1}{2}$ on x -axis, -1 on y -axis **A1A1**

two branches in correct opposite quadrants with correct asymptotic behaviour **A1**

Note: These marks may be awarded independently.

[5 marks]

(b) $y \neq 4$ (or equivalent)

A1

[1 mark]

(c) $2 + \frac{5}{2}$ OR $\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) + 2 \times \frac{5}{2}$ OR $\frac{-\frac{1}{2} + p}{2} = 2$ OR $-4 = -p + \frac{1}{2}$

A1

$$p = \frac{9}{2}$$

AG

[1 mark]

(d) **METHOD 1**

attempt to substitute both roots to form a quadratic

(M1)

EITHER

$$\left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right)\left(x - \frac{9}{2}\right) \text{ OR } x^2 - \left(-\frac{1}{2} + \frac{9}{2}\right)x + \left(-\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{9}{2}\right)$$

$$= x^2 - 4x - \frac{9}{4}$$

A1A1

$$\left(b = -4, c = -\frac{9}{4}\right)$$

Note: Award **A1** for each correct value. They may be embedded or stated explicitly.

OR

$$(2x+1)(2x-9) = 4\left(x^2 - 4x - \frac{9}{4}\right)$$

$$b = -4, c = -\frac{9}{4}$$

A1A1

Note: Award **A1** for each correct value. They must be stated explicitly.

METHOD 2

$$-\frac{b}{2}=2 \text{ OR } 4+b=0 \Rightarrow b=-4$$

A1attempt to form a valid equation to find c using their b **(M1)**

$$\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + -4\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) + c = 0 \text{ OR } \left(\frac{9}{2}\right)^2 + -4\left(\frac{9}{2}\right) + c = 0$$

$$c = -\frac{9}{4}$$

A1**METHOD 3**attempt to form two valid equations in b and c **(M1)**

$$\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + b\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) + c = 0, \left(\frac{9}{2}\right)^2 + b\left(\frac{9}{2}\right) + c = 0$$

$$b = -4, c = -\frac{9}{4}$$

A1A1**METHOD 4**attempt to write $g(x)$ in the form $(x-h)^2 + k$ and substitute for x, h and $g(x)$ **(M1)**

$$\left(-\frac{1}{2}-2\right)^2 + k = 0 \Rightarrow k = -\frac{25}{4}$$

$$(x-2)^2 - \frac{25}{4}$$

$$= x^2 - 4x - \frac{9}{4}$$

A1A1

$$\left(b = -4, c = -\frac{9}{4}\right)$$

Note: Award A1 for each correct value. They may be embedded or stated explicitly.

[3 marks]

(e) attempt to substitute $x = 2$ into their $g(x)$ OR

complete the square on their $g(x)$ (may be seen in part (d))

(M1)

$$y = -\frac{25}{4}$$

A1

[2 marks]

(f) $\frac{4x+2}{x-2} = \left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right)\left(x - \frac{9}{2}\right)$ OR $\frac{4x+2}{x-2} = x^2 - 4x - \frac{9}{4}$

attempt to form a cubic equation

(M1)

EITHER

$$4x+2 = (x-2)\left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right)\left(x - \frac{9}{2}\right) \text{ OR } 4x+2 = \left(x^2 - 4x - \frac{9}{4}\right)(x-2) \text{ OR}$$

$$(x-2)\left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right)\left(x - \frac{9}{2}\right) - 4x - 2 \text{ OR } (x-2)\left(x^2 - 4x - \frac{9}{4}\right) - 4x - 2$$

$$x^3 + \dots + \frac{5}{2} (=0) \text{ OR } 4x^3 + \dots + 10 (=0)$$

(A1)(A1)

Note: Award (A1) for each of the terms x^3 and $\frac{5}{2}$ or $4x^3$ and 10. Ignore extra terms.

$$\text{product of roots} = \left(\frac{(-1)^3 \times \frac{5}{2}}{1}\right) \text{ OR } \left(\frac{(-1)^3 \times 10}{4}\right)$$

$$= -\frac{5}{2}$$

A1

OR

$$4\left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right) = (x - 2)\left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right)\left(x - \frac{9}{2}\right)$$

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

(A1)

$$\text{or } 4 = x^2 + \dots + 9 \Rightarrow x^2 + \dots + 5 = 0$$

product of roots of quadratic is 5

(A1)

product is therefore $-\frac{1}{2} \times 5$

$$= -\frac{5}{2}$$

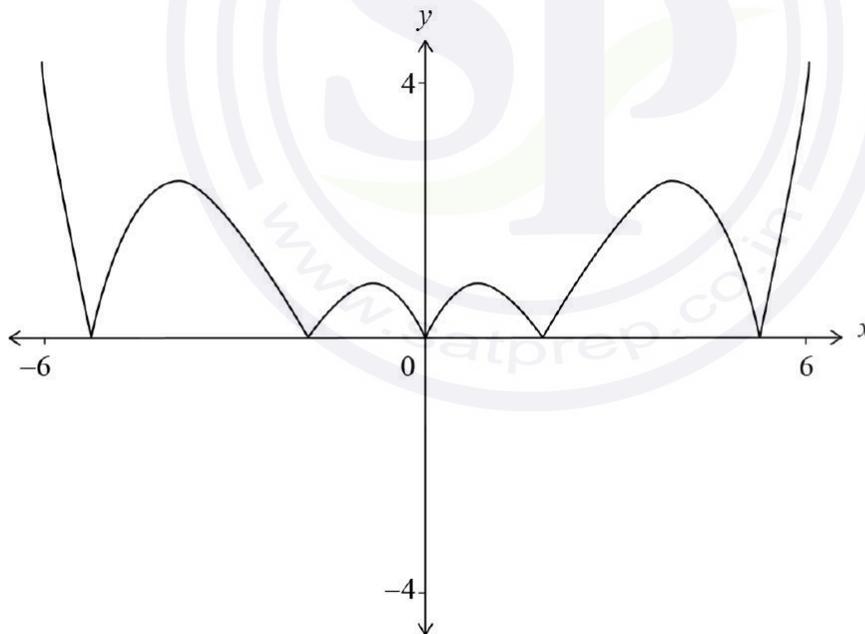
A1

[4 marks]

Total [16 marks]

Question 21

(a)



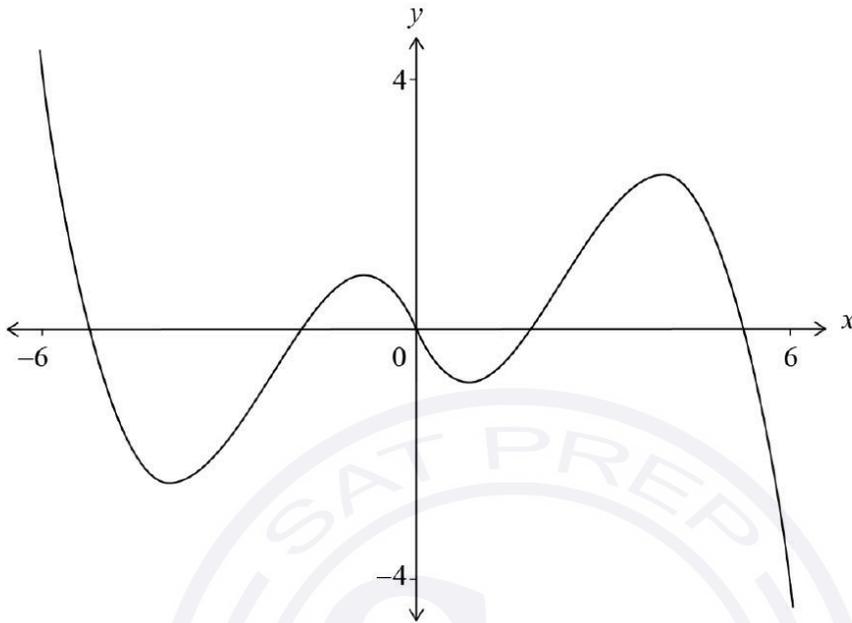
reflection of all negative sections in x -axis

(M1)

approximately correct graph with sharp points (cusps) at x -intercepts

A1

(b)



A1A1

Note: Award **A1** for right hand side unchanged and **A1** for rotation 180° about the origin.

[2 marks]

(c) (i) -1.6

A1

(ii) 3.2

A1

[2 marks]

Total [6 marks]

Question 22

- (a) attempt to find $f(0) = \sqrt{2}$, $f\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) = 1$ or $f\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = \sqrt{2}$ or sketch of graph (M1)

$$1 \leq f(x) \leq \sqrt{2}$$

A1A1

Note: Award **A1A0** for strong inequality seen. Allow equivalent, and/or interval notation.

[3 marks]

- (b) consider $\pi \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sec^2\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) dx$

M1

Note: For the **M1**, condone incorrect or missing limits and omission of π .

$$= \pi \left[\tan\left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}}$$

A1

$$= \pi \left[\tan \frac{\pi}{4} - \tan\left(-\frac{\pi}{4}\right) \right]$$

(A1)

$$= \pi(1 - (-1))$$

$$= 2\pi$$

A1**[4 marks]****Total [7 marks]**

Question 23

(a) attempt to find critical values

(M1)

$$x = \frac{3}{2}, x = 6$$

(A1)

$$\frac{3}{2} < x < 6$$

A1

Note: Allow equivalent, and/or interval notation.

[3 marks]

(b) $k = \frac{3}{2}$

A1

since we require $2x^2 - 15x + 18 \geq 0$ (and f must be one to one)

R1

OR

Does not obey horizontal line test for $x \geq \frac{3}{2}$

R1

[2 marks]

Total [5 marks]

