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YEAR 12 MATHEMATICS SPECIALIST  
SEMESTER ONE 2018  
TEST 2: **SOLUTIONS** Functions and Graphs

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Monday 26 March

Time: 55 minutes

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- Answer all questions neatly in the spaces provided. **Show all working.**
- You are permitted to use the Formula Sheet in **both** sections of the test.
- You are permitted one A4 page (one side) of notes in the calculator assumed section.

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Question 1 (6 marks)

The function  $f$  is given by  $f(x) = \ln(3x - 6)$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x > 2$

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

$$\begin{aligned}y &= \ln(3x - 6) \\x &= \ln(3y - 6) \\e^x &= 3y - 6 \\ \Rightarrow y &= \frac{1}{3}(e^x + 6)\end{aligned}$$
$$f^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{3}(e^x + 6)$$

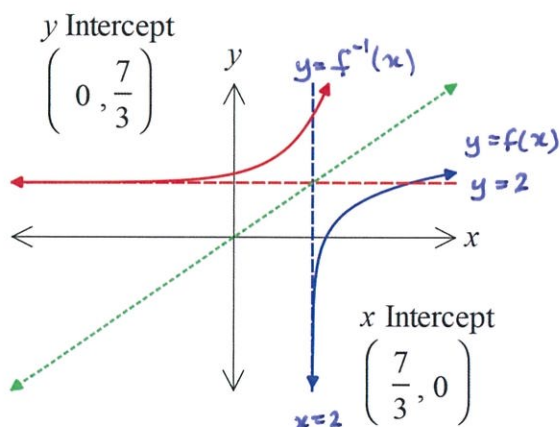
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b) State the domain and range of  $f^{-1}(x)$ .

$$x \in \mathbb{R} \quad y > 2$$

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c) Sketch the graphs of  $f(x)$  and  $f^{-1}(x)$ , noting where the graphs intersect the axes. Clearly mark any asymptotes.



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**Question 2 (10 marks)**

$$h(x) = 4 - x^2, \quad k(x) = \sqrt{1 - x^2} \quad \text{and} \quad l(x) = \frac{1}{x}.$$

a) Evaluate  $h \circ l\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$

$$h\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = h(2) = 4 - 2^2 = 0$$

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b) State the domain of  $y = k(x)$

$$-1 \leq x \leq 1$$

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c) Determine the domain and range of

i.  $h \circ k(x)$

$$\begin{aligned} h \circ k(x) &= 4 - (\sqrt{1 - x^2})^2 \\ &= 3 + x^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Domain } -1 \leq x \leq 1$$

$$\text{Range } 3 \leq h \circ k(x) \leq 4$$

$h(x)$	$k(x)$
$x \in \mathbb{R}$	$-1 \leq x \leq 1$
$y \leq 4$	$0 \leq y \leq 1$

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ii.  $l \circ h(x)$

$$l \circ h(x) = \frac{1}{4 - x^2}$$

$$\text{Domain } x \neq \pm 2$$

$$\text{Range } y < 0 \quad y \geq \frac{1}{4}$$

$h(x)$	$l(x)$
$x \in \mathbb{R}$	$x \neq 0$
$y \leq 4$	$y \neq 0$

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d) Does  $h(x)$  have an inverse? Justify your reasoning, mathematically.

$h(x)$  does not have an inverse

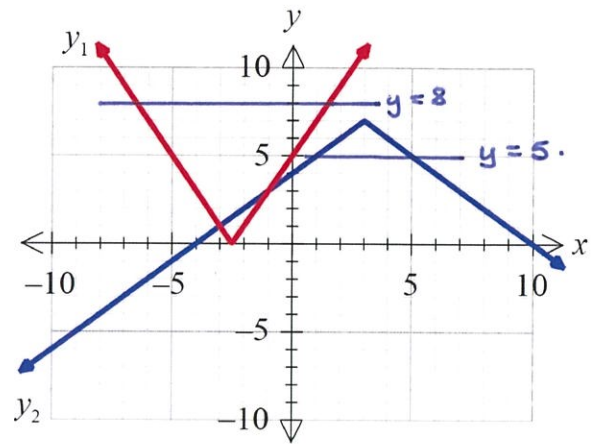
It is a many-to-one function & does not pass the horizontal line test.

(For it to have an inverse, the natural domain of  $h(x)$  would have to be restricted.)

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**Question 3 (5 marks)**

The graphs of  $y_1$  and  $y_2$  are shown in the diagram.



a) Use the graphs to solve the following equations.

i.  $y_1 = 8$        $x = -\frac{13}{2}, x = \frac{3}{2}$ .

ii.  $y_2 \leq 5$        $x \leq -1$  or  $x \geq 5$

iii.  $y_1 = y_2$        $x = -3, x = -1$ .

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b) State the equation for the graph of:

i.  $y_1 = |2x + 5|$

ii.  $y_2 = 7 - |3 - x|$ .

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**Question 4 (4 marks)**

Given the functions  $f(x) = (2x - 1)(x + 3)$  and  $g(x) = 6x^2 + 19x - 36$ , determine the following, justifying your answers:

a) the domain of  $h(x)$  where  $h(x) = \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$

Consider the denominator in factored form

$$6x^2 + 19x - 36$$

$$= (3x - 4)(2x + 9) \quad \therefore x \in \mathbb{R} : x \neq \frac{4}{3} \quad x \neq -\frac{9}{2}$$

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b) the behaviour of  $h(x)$  as  $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$

Consider the dominant powers.

$$h(x) = \frac{2x^2 + \dots}{6x^2 + \dots} \quad \therefore h(x) \rightarrow \frac{1}{3}$$

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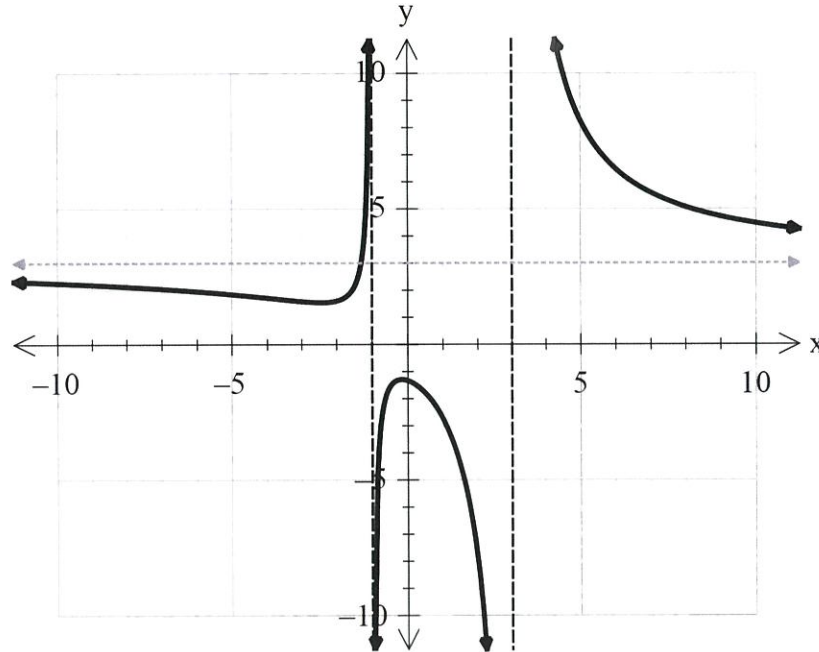
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## Question 5 (5 marks)

The graph of the rational function  $f(x) = \frac{ax^2+bx+c}{x^2+dx+e}$  is drawn below.



Given  $f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{-9}{5}$  and the  $y$ -intercept is  $\frac{-4}{3}$ ,

find, with reasoning, the values of  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$ ,  $d$  and  $e$ .

vertical asymptotes @  $x = -1$   $x = 3$   $(x+1)(x-3) = x^2 - 2x - 3$

$$d = -2$$

$$e = -3$$

Horizontal asymptote @  $y = 3$

$$\frac{ax^2 + \dots}{x^2 + \dots} \Rightarrow a = 3$$

$y$ -intercept at  $(0, -\frac{4}{3})$   $-\frac{4}{3} = \frac{c}{e} = \frac{c}{-3} \Rightarrow c = 4$

Substitute  $(\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{9}{5})$  into  $f(x)$

$$f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{3x^2 + bx + 4}{x^2 - 2x - 3} = -\frac{9}{5} \Rightarrow b = 4.$$

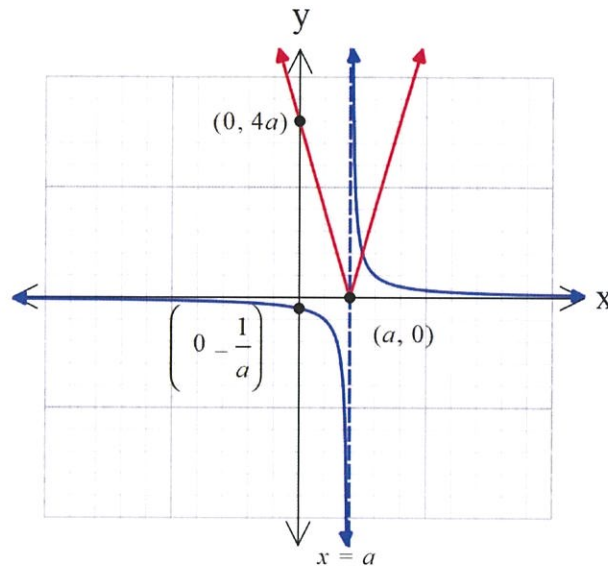
**Question 6 (7 marks)**

a) On the same diagram sketch the graphs of

$$y = \frac{1}{x-a} \text{ and } y = 4|x-a|$$

where  $a$  is a positive constant.

Show clearly the coordinates of any points of intersection with the axes.



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$(a, 0)$   $(0, 4a)$  ✓

$x = a$   $(0, -\frac{1}{a})$  ✓

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b) Hence, or otherwise, find the set of values of  $x$  for which  $\frac{1}{x-a} < 4|x-a|$ .

From graph: observe when  $x < a$  ✓

Point of intersection:

$$\frac{1}{x-a} = 4(x-a)$$

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

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

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

$$x > a + \frac{1}{2} \quad \checkmark\checkmark$$

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**Question 7 (5 marks)**

Given  $g(x) = ax + b, a > 0, g^2(4) = 12, g^{-1}(3) = 3$ , determine the values of  $a$  and  $b$ .

$$g^2(x) = a(ax + b) + b = a^2x + ab + b \quad \checkmark$$

$$\Rightarrow g(3) = 3 \quad \therefore 3 = 3a + b \quad \checkmark$$

$$g^2(4) = 4a^2 + ab + b = 12 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\text{Solve } \begin{cases} 4a^2 + ab + b = 12 \\ 3 = 3a + b \end{cases}$$

$$a = 3 \quad (a > 0) \quad \checkmark \\ b = -6.$$

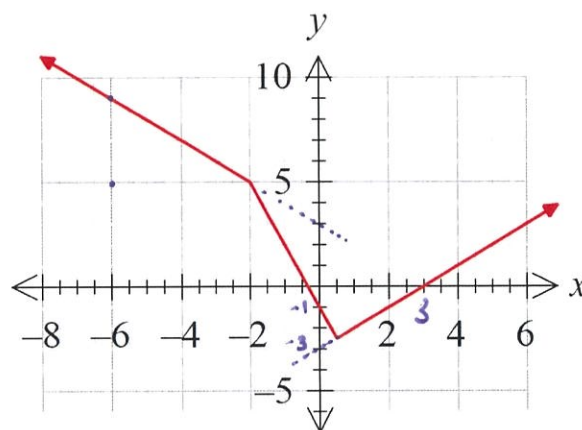
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**Question 8 (5 marks)**

$f(x) = |2x - 1|$  and  $g(x) = |x + 2|$

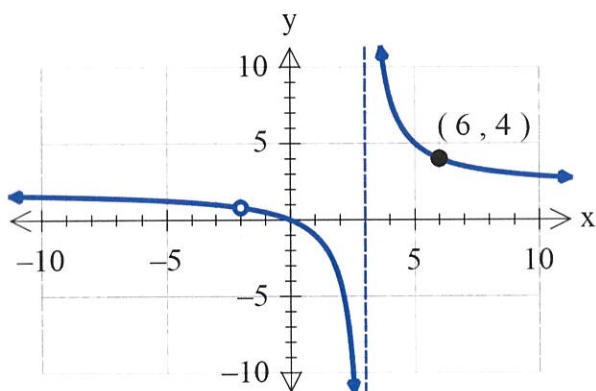
Determine a piecewise defined expression for  $h(x) = f(x) - g(x)$  and sketch  $h(x)$  on these axes.

$$h(x) = \begin{cases} 3 - x & x < -2 \\ -3x - 1 & -2 \leq x < 0.5 \\ x - 3 & x \geq 0.5 \end{cases}$$



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**Question 9 (3 marks)**



This graph represents a function of the form

$$f(x) = \frac{kx(x+a)}{(x+a)(x+b)}$$

Determine the values of  $a, b$  and  $k$  referring to properties of the graph to justify your reasoning.

Point discontinuity at  $x = -2 \Rightarrow a = 2$

Vertical asymptote at  $x = 3 \Rightarrow b = -3$

using either  $(6, 4)$  or horizontal asymptote  $y = 2$  (behaviour as  $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$ )

$$k = 2. \quad [3]$$