



WESLEY COLLEGE
By daring & by doing

YEAR 12 MATHEMATICS SPECIALIST
SEMESTER ONE 2019
TEST 2: Functions

Name: SOLUTIONS

Friday 5th April

Time: 45 minutes

Total marks: $\frac{19}{19} + \frac{26}{26} = \frac{45}{45}$

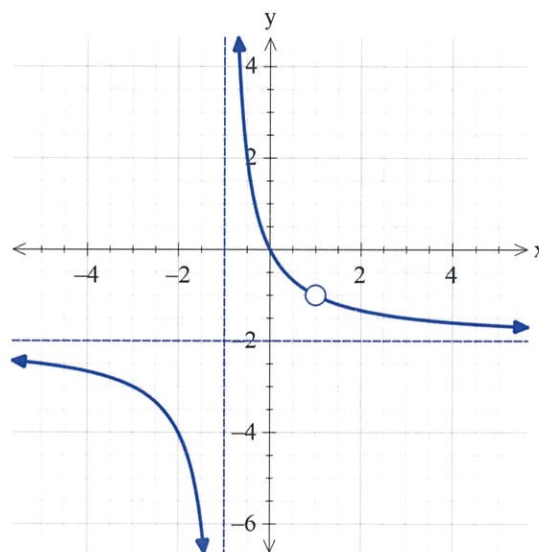
Calculator free section – maximum 19 minutes

1. [4 marks – 1 each]

This graph is of a function $y = f(x)$ which has a point discontinuity at $(1, -1)$, with asymptotes and intercept as shown.

If $f(x) = \frac{a(x-b)(x-c)}{(x-c)(x-d)}$, evaluate a , b , c and d .

$$\begin{aligned} a &= -2 \\ b &= 0 \\ c &= 1 \\ d &= -1 \end{aligned}$$



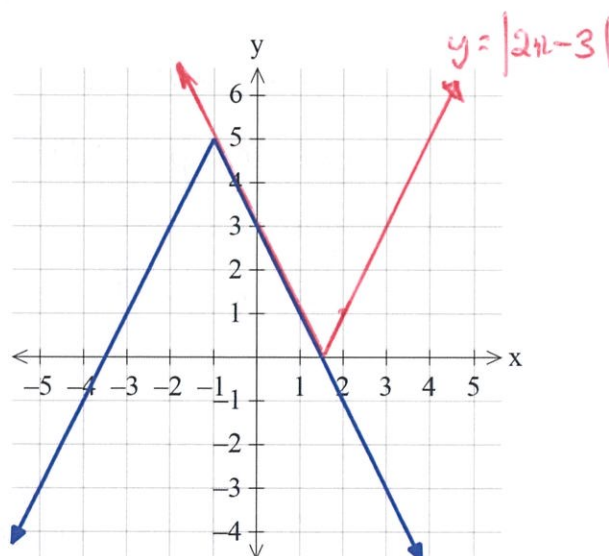
2. [5 marks – 3 and 2]

This graph can be represented by

$$y = f(x) = a + b|x + c|$$

(a) Evaluate a , b and c

$$\begin{aligned} a &= 5 \\ b &= -2 \\ c &= +1 \end{aligned}$$



(b) Add $y = |2x - 3|$ to the graph and determine the values of x for which $|2x - 3| = f(x)$

$$-1 \leq x \leq 1.5$$

3. [10 marks – 1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 1 and 2]

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x+3} \text{ and } g(x) = 4 - x^2$$

Determine:

(a) the domain of $f(x)$

$$x \in \mathbb{R}, x \geq -3$$

(b) the range of $g(x)$

$$y \in \mathbb{R}, y \leq 4$$

(c) $f \circ g(-1)$

$$= f(3) = \sqrt{6}$$

(d) x if $f \circ f(x) = 2$

$$\sqrt{f(x)+3} = 2$$

$$f(x) + 3 = 4$$

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x+3} = 1$$

$$x = -2$$

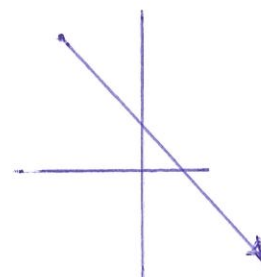
(e) the domain of $g \circ f(x) = 4 - (x+3) = 1 - x$

with $x \geq -3$

~~range is \mathbb{R}~~ , Domain is $\mathbb{R}, x \geq -3$

(f) the range of $g \circ f(x)$

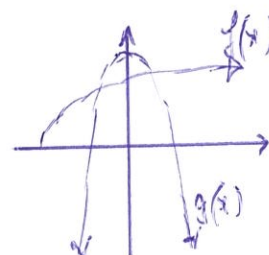
Range is $\mathbb{R}, y \leq 4$



(g) which, if any, of these functions has a properly defined inverse. Justify your choice.

$f(x)$ has an inverse, it is 1-1

$g(x)$ is not 1-1 and does not have an inverse



Year 12 Specialist Test 2: Functions

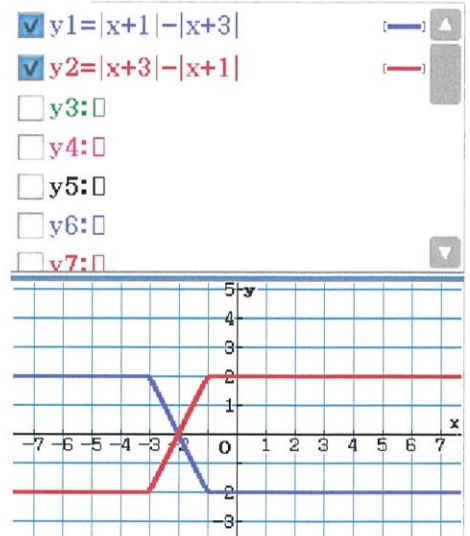
Name: _____
26 marks

Time: 26 minutes

Calculator assumed section

4. [7 marks -2, 2 and 3]

This screenshot shows the graphs of $y_1 = |x+1| - |x+3|$ and $y_2 = |x+3| - |x+1|$

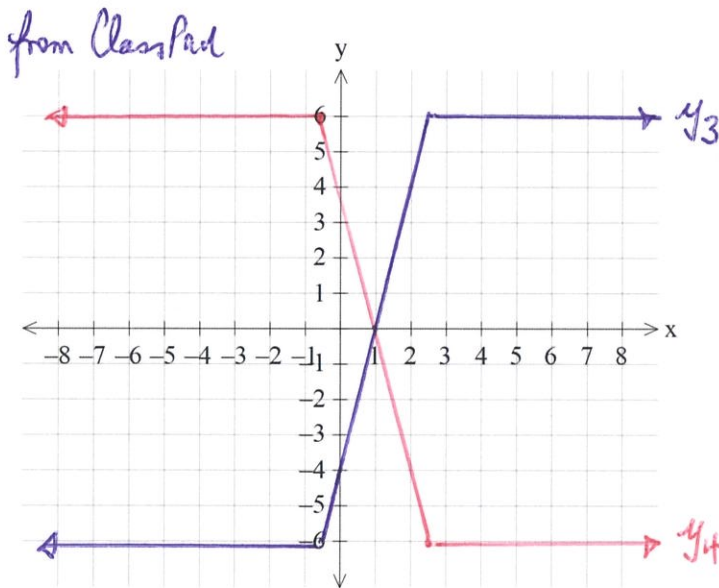


(a) Write a piecewise (algebraic) definition of y_1

blue:

$$y_1 = \begin{cases} 2 & x < -3 \\ -2x - 4 & -3 \leq x \leq -1 \\ -2 & x > -1 \end{cases}$$

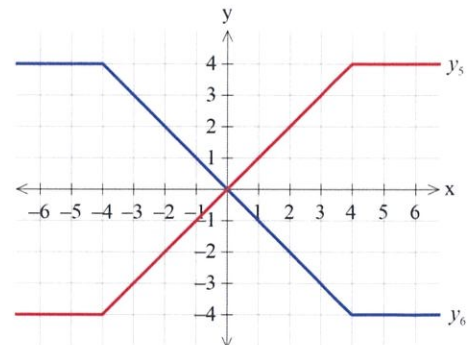
(b) Graph $y_3 = |2x+1| - |2x-5|$ and $y_4 = |2x-5| - |2x+1|$ on these axes:



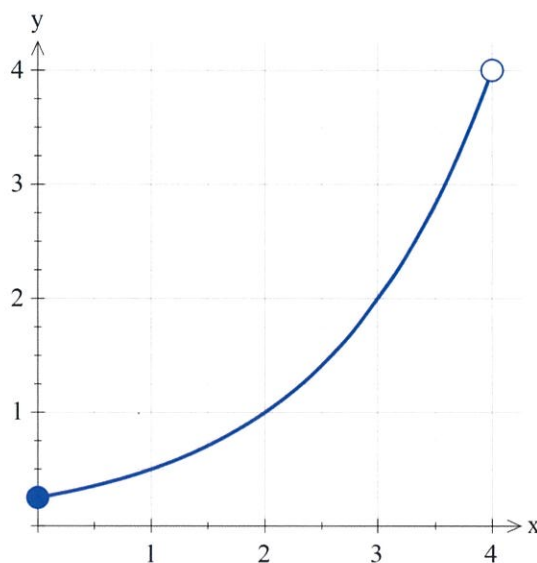
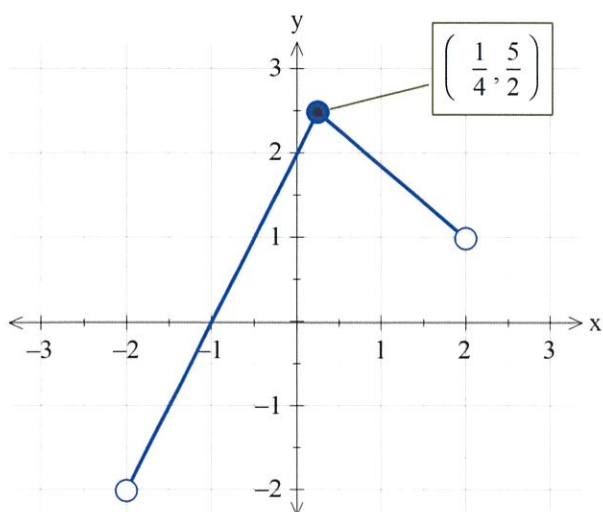
(c) Use differences of absolute values to write the equations of y_5 and y_6 for:

$$y_5 = \left| \frac{x}{2} + 2 \right| - \left| \frac{x}{2} - 2 \right|$$

$$y_6 = \left| \frac{x}{2} - 2 \right| - \left| \frac{x}{2} + 2 \right|$$



5. [13 marks – 3, 2, 2, 1, 2 and 3]



Graphs of $y = f(x)$ and $y = g(x) = 2^{x-2}$ are given over the restricted domains shown.

Determine:

(a) the domain and range of $f \circ g(x)$

Domain of $f \circ g$ is $0 \leq x < 3$

Range is $1 < y \leq \frac{5}{2}$

Note: f undefined $x \geq 2$ corresponding to $x \geq 3$ on $g(x)$

(b) the domain and range of $g \circ f(x)$

g exists for $f(x) \geq 0$

i.e. for $-1 \leq x < 2$

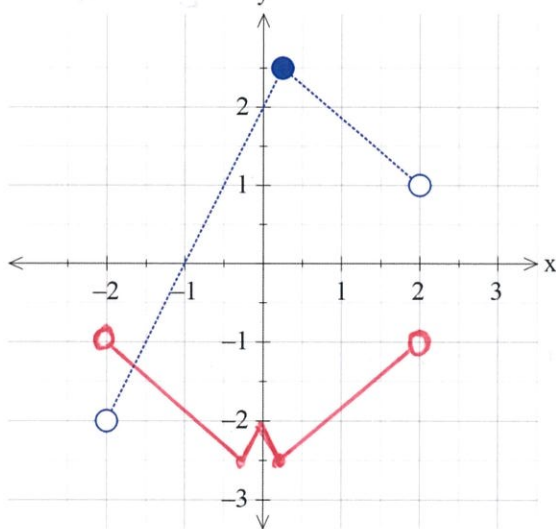
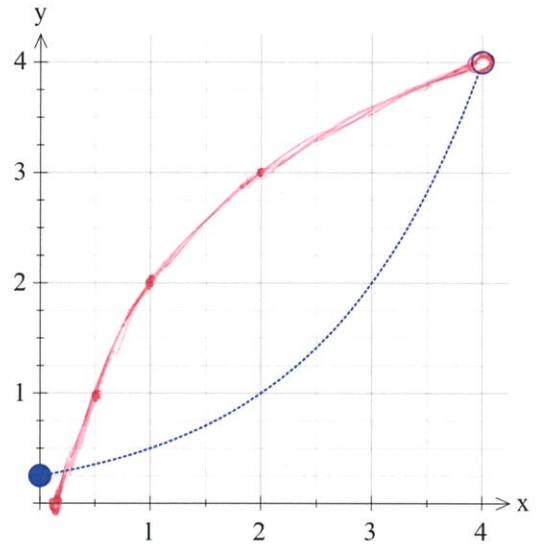
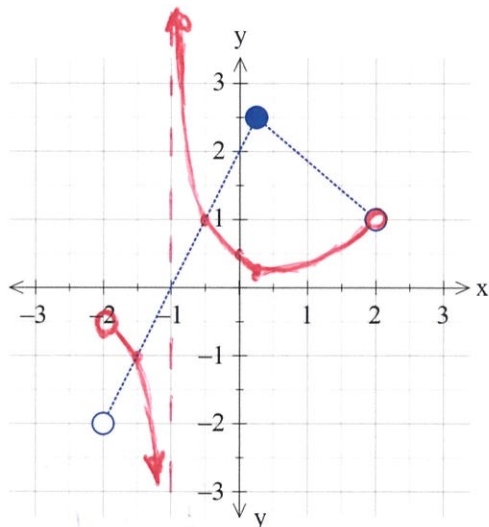
range is $\frac{1}{4} \leq y \leq \sqrt{2}$ $(2^{2.5-2})$

On these separate axes, sketch:

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

(d) $y = g^{-1}(x)$

(e) $y = -f(|x|)$



Calculate:

(f) a simplified algebraic expression for $g^{-1}(x)$ over a specified domain.

Interchange: $x = 2^{y-2}$

$\log_2 x = y - 2$

$y = \log_2 x + 2$ for $\frac{1}{4} \leq x < 4$

6. [6 marks -2, 1 and 3]

(a) For $f(x) = \frac{2x+3}{3x+2}$, show that $f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = \frac{1}{f(x)}$

$$f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = \frac{\frac{2}{x} + 3}{\frac{3}{x} + 2} \times \frac{x}{x} = \frac{2 + 3x}{3 + 2x} = \frac{1}{f(x)}$$

(b) Give a further example of a function with $f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = \frac{1}{f(x)}$

Any function of the form x^n , $|x^n|$ or $\frac{ax+b}{bx+a}$

(c) Is $f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = \frac{1}{f(x)}$ universally true? Explain and/or justify your conclusion, with

reference to at least two further functions.

No; there are many counter-examples.

$$f(x) = x^2 + 1 \text{ has } f\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = \frac{1}{x^2} + 1 \neq \frac{1}{x^2 + 1}$$

$$g(x) = e^x \text{ has } g\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = e^{x^{-1}} \neq \frac{1}{e^x}$$

Only true for some special cases.