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Quadratics

Exercise (June 2017 to March 2019)
(With marking scheme)

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1. (i) Express $x^2 - 4x + 7$ in the form $(x+a)^2 + b$... [2]

The function f is defined,

$$f(x) = x^2 - 4x + 7 \text{ for } x < k, \text{ where } k \text{ is a constant.}$$

(ii) State the largest value of k for which f is a decreasing function. ... [1]

The value of k is now given to be 1.

(iii) Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$ and state the domain of f^{-1} [3]

(iv) The function g is defined by $g(x) = \frac{2}{x-1}$ for $x > 1$,
Find an expression for $gf(x)$ and state the range of gf . [M-19/12/Q8] ... [4]

2. The equation of the curve is $y = x^2 - 6x + k$, where k is a constant.

(i) Find the set of values of k for which the whole of the curve lies above the x -axis. ... [2]

(ii) Find the value of k for which the line $y = 2x + 7$ is tangent to the curve. [5-18/12/Q2] ... [3]

3. Express $3x^2 - 12x + 7$ in the form $a(x+b)^2 + c$, where a , b and c are constants. [5-18/13/Q1] ... [3]

4. Showing all necessary working, solve the equation,
 $4x - 11x^{1/2} + 6 = 0$ [W-18/11/Q1] ... [3]

5. A line has equation $y = x + 1$ and a curve has equation $y = x^2 + bx + 5$. Find the set of values of the constant b for which the line meets the curve. [W-18/11/Q2] ... [4]

6. A curve has equation $y = 2x^2 - 3x + 1$ and a line has equation $y = kx + k^2$, where k is a constant.

(i) Show that for all values of k , the curve and line meet. ... [4]

(ii) State the value of k for which the line is a tangent to the curve and find the coordinates of the point where the line touches the curve. [W-18/13/Q9] ... [4]

7. Find the set of values of a for which the curve $y = -\frac{2}{x}$ and the straight line $y = ax + 3a$ meet at two distinct points, [W-17/13/Q2] -- [4]

Answers

1. (i) $(x-2)^2 + 3$
 (ii) Largest k is 2 ($k \leq 2$)
 (iii) $f(x) = (x-2)^2 + 3$
 $\Rightarrow x-2 = \pm\sqrt{y-3}$
 $\Rightarrow f^{-1}(x) = 2 - \sqrt{x-3}$ for $x \geq 4$
 (iv) $gf(x) = \frac{2}{x^2 - 4x + 7 - 1} = \frac{2}{(x-2)^2 + 2}$
 since $f(x) > 4 \Rightarrow gf(x) < \frac{2}{3}$ (since $x < 1$)
Range of $gf(x)$ is $0 < gf(x) < \frac{2}{3}$

2. (i) $(x-3)^2 + k - 9 > 0, k - 9 > 0$
 or $2x - 6 = 0 \rightarrow (3, k-9), k-9 > 0$
 or $b^2 - 4ac < 0 \rightarrow 36 < 4k$
 $\rightarrow k > 9 \checkmark$

(ii) $x^2 - 6x + k = 7 - 2x$
 $\rightarrow x^2 - 4x + k - 7 = 0$
 $\rightarrow 16 - 4(k-7) = 0$ [$b^2 - 4ac = 0$]
 $\rightarrow k = 11$

3. $3(x-2)^2 - 5$
 4. $(4x^2 - 3)(x^2 - 2) = 0$
 $x^2 = \frac{3}{4}$ or 2
 $x = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ or 4

5. $x^2 + bx + 5 = x + 1$
 $\rightarrow x^2 + (b-1)x + 4 = 0$
 $(b-1)^2 - 16 \geq 0$ [$b^2 - 4ac \geq 0$]
 $\rightarrow b \leq -3, b \geq 5$

6. (i) $2x^2 - 3x + 1 = kx + k^2$ ①
 $\therefore 2x^2 - (3+k)x + (1-k^2) = 0$
 $b^2 - 4ac = (3+k)^2 - 4 \times 2(1-k^2)$
 $\rightarrow 9k^2 + 6k + 1$
 $= (3k+1)^2 \geq 0$ for all k .
 \therefore Intersect. \checkmark

(ii) for tangent
 $(3k+1)^2 = 0$ ($b^2 - 4ac = 0$)
 $\rightarrow k = -\frac{1}{3} \checkmark$
 for $k = -\frac{1}{3}$ in ① $2x^2 - \frac{8}{3}x + \frac{8}{9} = 0$
 $\rightarrow x^2 - \frac{4}{3}x + \frac{4}{9} = 0$
 $(x - \frac{2}{3})^2 = 0 \rightarrow x = \frac{2}{3}, y = -\frac{1}{9}$
 $(\frac{2}{3}, -\frac{1}{9}) \checkmark$

7. $ax + 3a = -\frac{2}{x}$
 $ax^2 + 3ax + 2 = 0$
 $[b^2 - 4ac > 0]$
 $b^2 - 4ac = 9a^2 - 4a \times 2 > 0$
 $a(9a - 8) > 0$
 $\rightarrow a < 0$ or $a > \frac{8}{9} \checkmark$

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