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EXAMINERS :

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This paper consists of 5 pages.

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Answer all the questions.

All calculations must be shown

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QUESTION 1

The functions f , g and h are defined by

$$f(x) = x + \sqrt{x+1} \quad g(x) = |2x+1| \quad \text{and} \quad h(x) = \log_3 x - 2 \log_x 3$$

respectively

(1.1) Write down the sets D_f , D_g and D_h that represent the domains of f , g and h respectively (3)

(1.2) Solve the equation $f(x) = 5$ (8)

(1.3) Solve the inequality $g(x) \geq 1$ (4)

(1.4) Solve the equation $h(x) = 1$ (9)

Hint: Use the Change of Base Formula

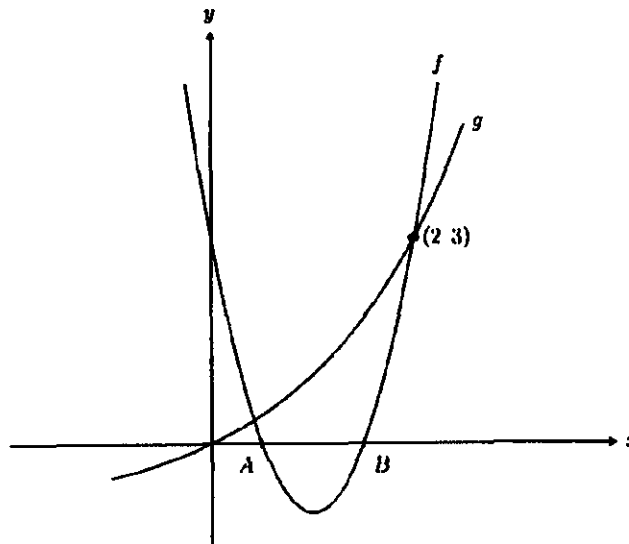
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QUESTION 2

In summer the day temperatures of a certain town in South Africa range between 25 degrees Celsius and 40 degrees Celsius. What range of temperatures does this correspond to on the Fahrenheit scale? The relationship between a degrees Celsius ($a^\circ\text{C}$) and b degrees Fahrenheit ($b^\circ\text{F}$) is given by the equation $a = \frac{5}{9}(b - 32)$

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QUESTION 3



The sketch shows the graphs of the functions f and g defined by

$$y = f(x) = a(x-1)^2 + k$$

and

$$y = g(x) = b^x + c, \quad \text{where } b > 0, b \neq 1$$

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The graph of f passes through the point $(-1, 15)$ and the graph of g passes through the origin. The two graphs cut each other (intersect) at the point $(2, 3)$.

- (3.1) Determine the values of a and k and thus the equation of f (6)
- (3.2) Determine the coordinates of the points A and B (3)
- (3.3) Determine the values of b and c and thus the equation of g (6)
- (3.4) Describe the transformation that you need to apply to the graph of f to obtain the graph of the function h where $h(x) = ar^2 + k$. Explain why the graph of h is symmetric with respect to the y -axis. (2)
- (3.5) Use the graphs (not the algebraic expressions) of f and g to solve the inequality $f(x) \cdot g(x) \geq 0$. (4)
- (3.6)
- (a) Determine an equation for the inverse function g^{-1} . (2)
- (b) Write down the set $D_{g^{-1}}$ (the domain of g^{-1}). (2)
- (c) Show that $(g \circ g^{-1})(x) = x$ for $x \in D_{g^{-1}}$. (3)
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QUESTION 4

- (4.1) The function l is defined by (3)
- $$y = l(x) = 2x^2 + 4x + 3$$
- Write this equation in the form
- $$y = l(x) = a(x - h)^2 + k$$
- (4.2) Restrict the domain of l such that the function l_r defined by (1)
- $$l_r(x) = l(x) \quad \text{for all } x \in D_{l_r}$$
- is a one-to-one function. Write down the set D_{l_r} .
- (4.3) Determine the equation that defines the inverse function l_r^{-1} and write down the set $D_{l_r^{-1}}$. (5)
- (4.4) Show that $(l_r^{-1} \circ l_r)(x) = x$ for all $x \in D_{l_r}$. (3)
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QUESTION 5

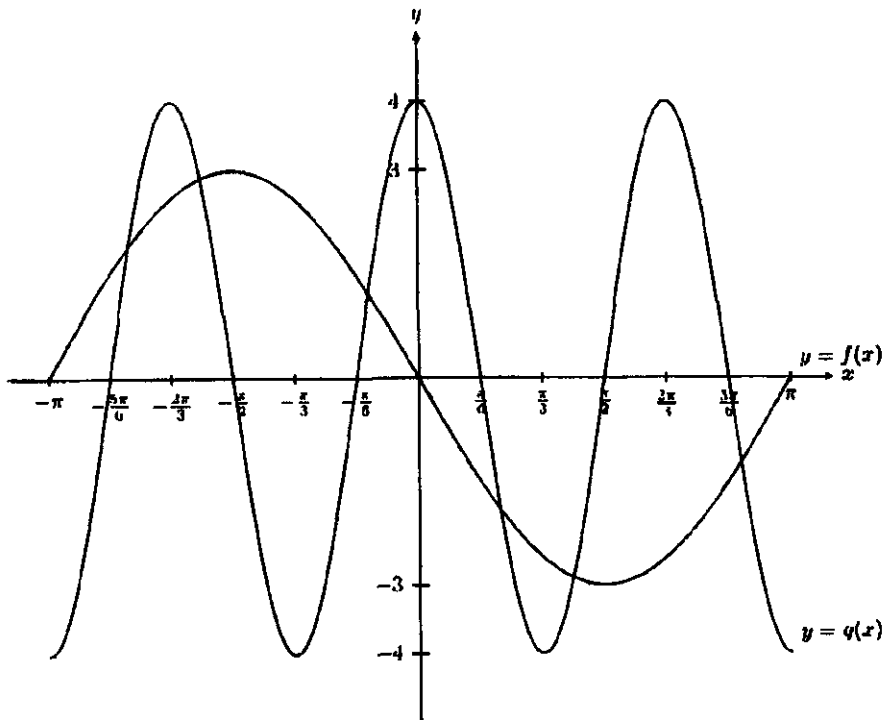
Solve the equation

$$2 \sin \frac{t}{2} = -\sin \frac{t}{2} \sec t \quad \text{for } t \in [-2\pi, 2\pi]$$

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QUESTION 6



The sketch shows the graphs of the functions f and g . The function f is defined by

$$y = a \sin k(x - b), \quad k > 0$$

and the function g is defined by

$$y = p \cos c(x - q), \quad c > 0$$

Use the graphs of f and g to answer the following

(6.1) For the function f determine

- (a) The amplitude $|a|$ and hence a (1)
- (b) The period of the function (1)
- (c) The value of k (1)
- (d) The phase shift b , and then (1)
- (e) Write down the equation of f (1)

(6.2) For the function g determine

- (a) The amplitude $|p|$, and hence p (1)
- (b) The period of the function (1)
- (c) The value of c (1)
- (d) The phase shift q , and then (1)
- (e) Write down the equation of g (1)

(6.3) The graph of the function h can be determined by (2)

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- reflecting the graph of f around the x -axis and then
- shifting the resulting graph horizontally $\frac{\pi}{6}$ units to the right

Write down the equation of h as

$$y = h(x) =$$

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QUESTION 7

A jogger runs north for $1\frac{1}{2}$ hour along a straight road. She then turns 60° to the right to run in a north-easterly direction, along another straight road, for two hours. The jogger runs the complete distance at a constant speed of 10 km/h.

- (7.1) Give a diagram to represent this information. (3)
- (7.2) How far is the jogger from her starting position after $3\frac{1}{2}$ hours? Use the Law of Cosines to calculate the distance. Leave your answer in surd form if necessary. (7)

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