

1. (a) 
$$\frac{(x+5)(2x-1)}{(x+5)(x-3)} = \frac{(2x-1)}{(x-3)}$$
 M1 B1 A1 aef 3

**Note**

M1: An attempt to factorise the numerator.

B1: Correct factorisation of denominator to give  $(x+5)(x-3)$ .

Can be seen anywhere.

(b) 
$$\ln\left(\frac{2x^2 + 9x - 5}{x^2 + 2x - 15}\right) = 1$$
 M1

$$\frac{2x^2 + 9x - 5}{x^2 + 2x - 15} = e$$
 dM1
 
$$\frac{2x - 1}{x - 3} = e \Rightarrow 3e - 1 = x(e - 2)$$
 M1
 
$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{3e - 1}{e - 2}$$
 A1 aef cso 4

**Note**

M1: Uses a correct law of logarithms to combine at least two terms.

This usually is achieved by the subtraction law of logarithms to give

$$\ln\left(\frac{2x^2 + 9x - 5}{x^2 + 2x - 15}\right) = 1$$

The product law of logarithms can be used to achieve

$$\ln(2x^2 + 9x - 5) = \ln(e(x^2 + 2x - 15)).$$

The product and quotient law could also be used to achieve

$$\ln\left(\frac{2x^2 + 9x - 5}{e(x^2 + 2x - 15)}\right) = 0$$

dM1: Removing ln's correctly by the realisation that the anti-ln of 1 is e.

Note that this mark is dependent on the previous method mark being awarded.

M1: Collect x terms together and factorise.

Note that this is not a dependent method mark.

$$A1: \frac{3e-1}{e-2} \text{ or } \frac{3e^1-1}{e^1-2} \text{ or } \frac{1-3e}{2-e}. \text{ aef}$$

Note that the answer needs to be in terms of e. The decimal answer is 9.9610559...

Note that the solution must be correct in order for you to award this final accuracy mark.

2.  $\frac{x+1}{3x^2 - 3} - \frac{1}{3x+1}$

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

$$x^2 - 1 \rightarrow (x+1)(x-1) \text{ or}$$

$$3x^2 - 3 \rightarrow (x+1)(3x-3) \text{ or}$$

**Award**

$$\frac{x+1}{3(x+1)(x-1)} - \frac{1}{3x+1}$$

$$3x^2 - 3 \rightarrow (3x+3)(x-1)$$

**below**

seen or implied anywhere in candidate's working.

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

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

Attempt to combine.

**M1**

$$\text{or } \frac{3x+1}{3(x-1)(3x+1)} - \frac{3(x-1)}{3(x-1)(3x+1)}$$

Correct result.

**A1**

*Decide to award M1 here!!*

**M1**

Either  $\frac{4}{3(x-1)(3x+1)}$

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

$$\text{or } \frac{\frac{4}{3}}{(x-1)(3x+1)} \text{ or } \frac{4}{(3x-3)(3x+1)}$$

**A1 aef**

$$\text{or } \frac{4}{9x^2 - 6x - 3}$$

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3. (a)  $f(x) = 1 - \frac{2}{(x+4)} + \frac{x-8}{(x-2)(x+4)}$

$x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq -4, x \neq 2.$

$$f(x) = \frac{(x-2)(x+4) - 2(x-2) + x-8}{(x-2)(x+4)} \quad \text{An attempt to combine} \quad \text{M1}$$

to one fraction  
Correct result of combining all  
three fractions

$$= \frac{x^2 + 2x - 8 - 2x + 4 + x - 8}{(x-2)(x+4)}$$

$$= \frac{x^2 + x - 12}{[(x+4)(x-2)]} \quad \text{Simplifies to give the correct}$$

numerator. Ignore omission of denominator

$$= \frac{(x+4)(x-3)}{[(x+4)(x-2)]} \quad \text{An attempt to factorise the} \quad \text{dM1}$$

numerator.

$$= \frac{(x-3)}{(x-2)} \quad \text{Correct result} \quad \text{A1 cso AG} \quad 5$$

(b)  $g(x) = \frac{e^x - 3}{e^x - 2} \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq \ln 2.$

Apply quotient rule:  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} u = e^x - 3 \quad v = e^x - 2 \\ \frac{du}{dx} = e^x \quad \frac{dv}{dx} = e^x \end{array} \right\}$

$$g'(x) = \frac{e^x(e^x - 2) - e^x(e^x - 3)}{(e^x - 2)^2} \quad \text{Applying } \frac{vu' - uv'}{v^2} \quad \text{M1}$$

Correct differentiation

$$= \frac{e^{2x} - 2e^x - e^{2x} + 3e^x}{(e^x - 2)^2} \quad \text{Correct result} \quad \text{A1 AG}$$

$$= \frac{e^x}{(e^x - 2)^2} \quad \text{cso} \quad 3$$

$$(c) \quad g'(x) = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{e^x}{(e^x - 2)^2} = 1$$

$e^x = (e^x - 2)^2$  Puts their differentiated numerator equal to their denominator. M1

$$e^x = e^{2x} - 2e^x - 2e^x + 4$$

$$\underline{e^{2x} - 5e^x + 4 = 0} \qquad \underline{e^{2x} - 5e^x + 4} \quad A1$$

$$(e^x - 4)(e^x - 1) = 0 \quad \begin{matrix} \text{Attempt to factorise} \\ \text{or solve quadratic in } e^x \end{matrix} \quad M1$$

$$e^x = 4 \text{ or } e^x = 1$$

$$x = \ln 4 \text{ or } x = 0 \quad \text{both } x = 0, \ln 4 \quad A1 \quad 4$$

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$$4. \quad (a) \quad \frac{2x+2}{x^2-2x-3} - \frac{x+1}{x-3} = \frac{2x+2}{(x-3)(x+1)} - \frac{x+1}{x-3}$$

$$= \frac{2x+2-(x+1)(x+1)}{(x-3)(x+1)} \quad M1 \quad A1$$

$$= \frac{(x+1)(1-x)}{(x-3)(x+1)} \quad M1$$

$$\frac{1-x}{x-3} \quad \text{Accept} - \frac{x-1}{x-3}, \frac{x-1}{3-x} \quad A1 \quad 4$$

*Alternative*

$$\frac{2x+2}{x^2-2x-3} = \frac{2(x+1)}{(x-3)(x+1)} = \frac{2}{x-3} \quad M1 \quad A1$$

$$\frac{2}{x-3} - \frac{x+1}{x-3} = \frac{2-(x+1)}{x-3} \quad M1$$

$$\frac{1-x}{x-3} \quad A1 \quad 4$$

$$(b) \quad \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{1-x}{x-3} \right) = \frac{(x-3)(-1)-(1-x)1}{(x-3)^2} \quad M1 \quad A1$$

$$= \frac{-x+3-1+x}{(x-3)^2} = \frac{2}{(x-3)^2} \quad * \quad \text{cso} \quad A1 \quad 3$$

*Alternatives*

$$\textcircled{1} \quad f(x) = \frac{1-x}{x-3} = -1 - \frac{2}{x-3} = -1 - 2(x-3)^{-1}$$

$$f'(x) = (-1)(-2)(x-3)^{-2} \quad \text{M1 A1}$$

$$= \frac{2}{(x-3)^2} * \quad \text{cso} \quad \text{A1} \quad 3$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad f(x) = (1-x)(x-3)^{-1}$$

$$f'(x) = (-1)(x-3)^{-1} + (1-x)(-1)(x-3)^{-2} \quad \text{M1}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{x-3} - \frac{1-x}{(x-3)^2} = \frac{-(x-3)-(1-x)}{(x-3)^2} \quad \text{A1}$$

$$= \frac{2}{(x-3)^2} * \quad \text{A1} \quad 3$$

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5.

$$\begin{array}{r} & 2x^2 & -1 \\ x^2 - 1 & \overline{)2x^4 & -3x^2 + x + 1} \\ & 2x^4 & -2x^2 \\ \hline & -x^2 & +1 \\ & -x^2 & +1 \\ \hline & x & \end{array}$$

M1

$a = 2$  stated or implied

A1

$c = -1$  stated or implied

A1

$$2x^2 - 1 + \frac{x}{x^2 - 1}$$

$a = 2, b = 0, c = -1, d = 1, e = 0$

A1

$d = 1$  and  $b = 0, e = 0$  stated or implied

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6. (a)  $2x^2 + 3x - 2 = (2x - 1)(x + 2)$  at any stage B1

$f(x) = \frac{(2x+3)(2x-1)-(9+2x)}{(2x-1)(x+2)}$  f.t. on error in denominator factors M1, A1ft

(need not be single fraction)

Simplifying numerator to quadratic form

M1

Correct numerator  $= \frac{4x^2 + 2x - 12}{[(2x-1)(x+2)]}$  A1

Factorising numerator, with a denominator  $= \frac{2(2x-3)(x+2)}{(2x-1)(x+2)}$  o.e. M1

$$= \frac{4x-6}{2x-1} (*) \quad \text{A1cso} \quad 7$$

Alt. (a)  $2x^2 + 3x - 2 = (2x - 1)(x + 2)$  at any stage B1

$f(x) = \frac{(2x+3)(2x^2 + 3x - 2) - (9+2x)(x+2)}{(x+2)(2x^2 + 3x - 2)}$  M1A1ft

$$= \frac{4x^3 + 10x^2 - 8x - 24}{(x+2)(2x^2 + 3x - 2)}$$

$$= \frac{2(x+2)(2x^2 + x - 6)}{(x+2)(2x^2 + 3x - 2)}$$

$$= \frac{2(x+2)(2x^2 + x - 6)}{(x+2)(2x^2 + 3x - 2)} \text{ or } \frac{2(2x-3)(x^2 + 4x + 4)}{(x+2)(2x^2 + 3x - 2)} \text{ o.e.}$$

Any one linear factor  $\times$  quadratic factor in numerator M1, A1

$$= \frac{2(x+2)(x+2)(2x-3)}{(x+2)(2x^2 + 3x - 2)} \text{ o.e.} \quad \text{M1}$$

$$= \frac{2(2x-3)}{2x-1} \quad \frac{4x-6}{2x-1} (*) \quad \text{A1}$$

1<sup>st</sup> M1 in either version is for correct method

1<sup>st</sup> A1 Allow  $\frac{2x+3(2x-1)-(9+2x)}{(2x-1)(x+2)}$  or  $\frac{(2x+3)(2x-1)-9+2x}{(2x-1)(x+2)}$

or  $\frac{2x+3(2x-1)-9+2x}{(2x-1)(x+2)}$  (fractions)

2<sup>nd</sup> M1 in (main a) is for forming 3 term quadratic in numerator

3<sup>rd</sup> M1 is for factorising their quadratic (usual rules); factor of 2 need not be extracted

(\*) A1 is given answer so is cso

Alt: (a) 3<sup>rd</sup> M1 is for factorising resulting quadratic

(b) Complete method for  $f'(x)$ ; e.g.  $f'(x) = \frac{(2x-1)\times 4 - (4x-6)\times 2}{(2x-1)^2}$  o.e. M1A1

$$= \frac{8}{(2x-1)^2} \text{ or } 8(2x-1)^{-2} \quad \text{A1} \quad 3$$

Not treating  $f^{-1}$  (for  $f'$ ) as misread

SC: For M allow  $\pm$  given expression or one error in product rule

Alt: Attempt at  $f(x) = 2 - 4(2x-1)^{-1}$  and diff. M1:  $k(2x-1)^{-2}$  A1;

A1 as above

Accept  $8(4x^2 - 4x + 1)^{-1}$ .

Differentiating original function – mark as scheme.

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7. (a)  $f(x) = \frac{(x+2)^2, -3(x+2)+3}{(x+2)^2}$  M1A1, A1

$$= \frac{x^2 + 4x + 4 - 3x - 6 + 3}{(x+2)^2} = \frac{x^2 + x + 1}{(x+2)^2} * \quad \text{cso} \quad \text{A1} \quad 4$$

(b)  $x^2 + x + 1 = \left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{3}{4}, > 0$  for all values of  $x$ . M1A1, A1 3

Alternative

$$\frac{d}{dx}(x^2 + x + 1) = 2x + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow x = -\frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow x^2 + x + 1 = \frac{3}{4} \quad \text{M1A1}$$

A parabola with positive coefficient of  $x^2$  has a minimum

$$\Rightarrow x^2 + x + 1 > 0$$

Accept equivalent arguments A1 3

(c)  $f(x) = \frac{\left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{3}{4}}{(x+2)^2}$

Numerator is positive from (b)

$x \neq -2 \Rightarrow (x+2)^2 > 0$  (Denominator is positive)

Hence  $f(x) > 0$

B1 1

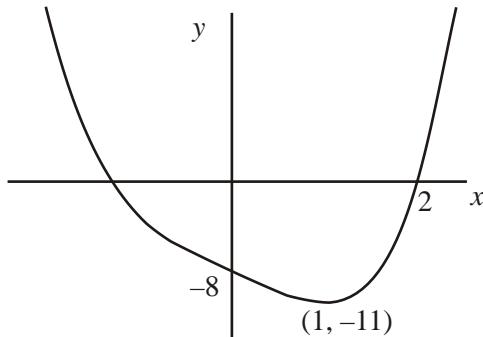
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8. (a)  $f(-2) = 16 + 8 - 8 (= 16) > 0$  B1  
 $f(-1) = 1 + 4 - 8 (= -3) < 0$  B1  
 Change of sign (and continuity)  $\Rightarrow$  root in interval  $(-2, -1)$  B1ft 3  
 ft their calculation as long as there is a sign change

(b)  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 4x^3 - 4 = 0 \Rightarrow x = 1$  M1 A1  
 Turning point is  $(1, -11)$  A1 3

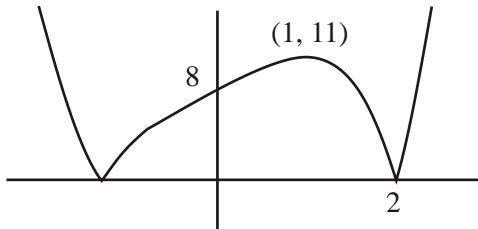
(c)  $a = 2, b = 4, c = 4$  B1 B1 B1 3

(d)



Shape B1  
 ft their turning point in correct quadrant only B1 ft  
 2 and -8 B1 3

(e)



Shape B1 1

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9. (a)  $\frac{(3x-2)(x-1)}{(x+1)(x-1)}, \frac{3x+2}{x+1}$  M1B1, A1 3  
*M1 attempt to factorise numerator, usual rules*  
*B1 factorising denominator seen anywhere in (a),*  
*A1 given answer*  
*If factorisation of denom. not seen, correct answer implies B1*

(b) Expressing over common denominator

$$\frac{3x+2}{x+1} - \frac{1}{x(x+1)} = \frac{x(3x+2)-1}{x(x+1)} \quad \text{M1}$$

$$[\text{Or "Otherwise": } \frac{(3x^2-x-2)x-(x-1)}{x(x^2-1)}]$$

Multiplying out numerator and attempt to factorise

M1

$$[3x^2 + 2x - 1 \equiv (3x - 1)(x + 1)]$$

$$\frac{3x-1}{x} \quad \text{A1} \quad 3$$

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10.  $\frac{x(2x+3)}{(2x+3)(x-2)} - \frac{6}{(x-2)(x+1)}$  B1, B1

$$= \frac{x(x-1)-6}{(x-2)(x+1)} \quad \text{M1 A1ft}$$

$$= \frac{(x+3)(x-2)}{(x-2)(x+1)} \quad \text{M1 A1}$$

$$= \frac{x+3}{x+1} \quad \text{A1} \quad 7$$

Alternative 1:

$$\frac{2x^2+3x}{(2x+3)(x-2)} - \frac{6}{(x-2)(x+1)} \quad \text{B1}$$

$$= \frac{(2x^2+3x)(x+1)-6(2x+3)}{(2x+3)(x-2)(x+1)} \quad \text{M1 A1ft}$$

$$= \frac{(2x^3+5x^2-9x-18)}{(2x+3)(x-2)(x+1)} \quad \text{A1}$$

$$= \frac{(x-2)(2x^2+9x+9)}{(2x+3)(x-2)(x+1)} \quad \text{M1}$$

$$= \frac{(x-2)(2x+3)(x+3)}{(2x+3)(x-2)(x+1)}, = \frac{x+3}{x+1} \quad \text{A1, A1}$$

Alternative 2:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{2x^2 + 3x}{(2x+3)(x-2)} - \frac{6}{(x^2 - x - 2)} \\
 &= \frac{x(2x+3x)}{(2x+3)(x-2)} - \frac{6}{x^2 - x - 2} && \text{B1} \\
 &= \frac{x(x^2 - x - 2) - 6(x-2)}{(x-2)(x^2 - x - 2)}, = \frac{x^3 - x^2 - 2x - 6x + 12}{(x-2)(x^2 - x - 2)} && \text{M1 A1ft} \\
 &= \frac{x^3 - x^2 - 8x + 12}{(x-2)(x^2 - x - 2)} && \text{A1} \\
 &= \frac{(x-2)(x^2 + x - 6)}{(x-2)(x^2 - x - 2)} && \text{M1} \\
 &= \frac{(x+3)(x-2)}{(x-2)(x+1)}, = \frac{x+3}{x+1} && \text{A1, A1}
 \end{aligned}$$

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11. (a)  $f(x) = \frac{5x+1}{(x+2)(x-1)} - \frac{3}{x+2}$  B1

*factors of quadratic denominator*

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{5x+1 - 3(x-1)}{(x+2)(x-1)} \\
 &\quad \begin{matrix} \text{common denominator} \\ \text{simplifying to linear numerator} \end{matrix} && \text{M1} \\
 &= \frac{2x+4}{(x+2)(x-1)} = \frac{2(x+2)}{(x+2)(x-1)} = \frac{2}{x-1} \quad \text{AG} && \text{A1cso} \quad 4
 \end{aligned}$$

(b)  $y = \frac{2}{x-1} \Rightarrow xy - y = 2 \Rightarrow$  M1

$$\begin{aligned}
 xy = 2 + y \quad \text{or} \quad x - 1 = \frac{2}{y} && \text{A1} \\
 f^{-1}(x) = \frac{2+x}{x} \quad \text{or equiv.} && \text{A1} \quad 3
 \end{aligned}$$

(c)  $fg(x) = \frac{2}{x^2 + 4}$  (attempt) [  $\frac{2}{g-1}$  ] M1

Setting  $\frac{2}{x^2 + 4} = \frac{1}{4}$  and finding  $x^2 = \dots; x = \pm 2$  DM1; A1 3

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12. (a)  $\frac{(x-3)(x+2)}{x(x-3)} ; = \frac{(x+2)}{x}$  or  $1 + \frac{2}{x}$  B1,B1,B1 3

B1 numerator, B1 denominator;  
B1 either form of answer

(b)  $\frac{(x+2)}{x} = x+1 \Rightarrow x^2 = 2$  M1 A1ft

M1 for equating  $f(x)$  to  $x + 1$  and forming quadratic.  
A1 candidate's correct quadratic

$x = \pm\sqrt{2}$  A1 3

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13. (a)  $\frac{2x+5}{x+3} - \frac{1}{(x+3)(x+2)} = \frac{(2x+5)(x+2)-1}{(x+3)(x+2)}$  M1

$$= \frac{2x^2 + 9x + 9}{(x+3)(x+2)} \quad \text{A1}$$

$$= \frac{(2x+3)(x+3)}{(x+3)(x+2)} \quad \text{M1 A1}$$

$$= \frac{2x+3}{x+2} \quad \text{A1} \quad 5$$

(b)  $2 - \frac{1}{x+2} = \frac{2(x+2)-1}{x+2} = \frac{2x+3}{x+2}$  or the reverse M1 A1 2

(c)  $T_1$ : Translation of  $-2$  in  $x$  direction B1

$T_2$ : Reflection in the  $x$ -axis B1

$T_3$ : Translation of  $(+2)$  in  $y$  direction B1

All three fully correct B1 4

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One alternative is

$T_1$ : Translation of  $-2$  in  $x$  direction

$T_2$ : Rotation of  $90^\circ$  clockwise about  $O$

$T_3$ : Translation of  $-2$  in  $x$  direction

14. 
$$\frac{(x-3)(x-5)}{(x-3)(x+3)} \times \frac{2x(x+3)}{(x-5)^2} \quad (3 \times \text{factorising}) \quad \text{B1 B1 B1}$$

$$= \frac{2x}{x-5} \quad \text{B1}$$

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15. (a)  $2 + \frac{3}{x+2} \left( = \frac{2(x+2)+3}{x+2} \right) \quad \therefore \underline{\underline{\frac{2x+7}{x+2}}} \quad \text{B1} \quad 1$

(b)  $y = 2 + \frac{3}{x+2} \quad \text{OR} \quad y = \frac{2x+7}{x+2}$

$$y - 2 = \frac{3}{x+2} \quad y(x+2) = 2x + 7 \quad \text{M1}$$
$$yx - 2x = 7 - 2y$$
$$x + 2 = \frac{3}{y-2} \quad x(y-2) = 7 - 2y \quad \text{M1}$$
$$x = \frac{3}{y-2} - 2 \quad x = \frac{7-2y}{y-2}$$
$$\therefore f^{-1}(x) = \underline{\underline{\frac{3}{x-2} - 2}} \quad f^{-1}(x) = \underline{\underline{\frac{7-2x}{x-2}}} \quad \text{o.e A1} \quad 3$$

### Notes

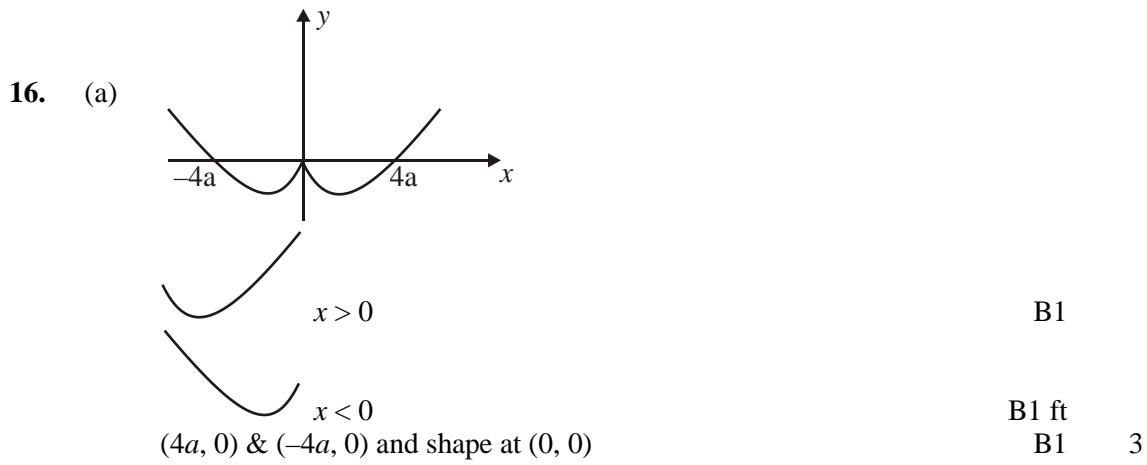
M1  $y = f(x)$  and 1<sup>st</sup> step towards  $x =$  .

M1 One step from  $x =$  .

A1  $y$  or  $f^{-1}(x) =$  in terms of  $x$ .

(c) Domain of  $f^{-1}(x)$  is  $x \in \mathbb{R}, x \neq 2$  B1 1  
[NB  $x \neq +2$ ]

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(b)  $f(2a) = (2a)^2 - 4a(2a) = 4a^2 - 8a^2 = \underline{-4a^2}$  B1  
 $f(-2a) [= f(2a) (\because \text{even function})] = \underline{-4a^2}$  B1 ft      2  
*B1 ft their  $f(2a)$*

(c)  $a = 3$  and  $f(x) = 45 \Rightarrow 45 = x^2 - 12x \quad (x > 0)$  M1  
 $0 = x^2 - 12x - 45$   
 $0 = (x - 15)(x + 3)$  M1  
 $x = 15$  (or  $-3$ ) A1  
 $\therefore$  Solutions are  $\underline{x = \pm 15}$  only A1      4  
*M1 Attempt 3TQ in x*  
*M1 Attempt to solve*  
*A1 At least  $x = 15$  can ignore  $x = -3$*   
*A1 To get final A1 must make clear only answers are  $\pm 15$ .*

[9]

17. (a) 
$$\frac{2}{x-3} + \frac{13}{(x-3)(x+7)}$$
 M1  

$$= \frac{2(x+7) + 13}{(x-3)(x+7)} = \frac{2x+27}{(x-3)(x+7)}$$
 M1 A1      3

(b)  $2x + 27 = x^2 + 4x - 21$  M1  
 $x^2 + 2x - 48 = (x+8)(x-6) = 0$   
 $x = -8, 6$  M1 A1      3

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18. (a) 
$$\frac{x^2 + 4x + 3}{x^2 + x} = \frac{(x+3)(x+1)}{x(x+1)}$$
 M1

*Attempt to factorise numerator or denominator*

$$= \underline{\frac{x+3}{x}} \text{ or } 1 + \frac{3}{x} \text{ or } (x+3)x^{-1} \quad \text{A1} \quad 2$$

(b) LHS =  $\log_2 \left( \frac{x^2 + 4x + 3}{x^2 + x} \right)$  M1 (\*)

*Use of  $\log a - \log b$*

$$\text{RHS} = 2^4 \text{ or } 16 \quad \text{B1}$$

$$x+3 = 16x \quad \text{M1 (*)}$$

*Linear or quadratic equation in x*

*(\*) dep*

$$x = \underline{\frac{3}{15}} \text{ or } \underline{\frac{1}{5}} \text{ or } 0.2 \quad \text{A1} \quad 4$$

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19.  $x^2 - 9 = (x-3)(x+3)$  seen B1

Attempt at forming single fraction

$$\frac{x(x-3) + (x+12)(x+1)}{(x+1)(x+3)(x-3)}; = \frac{2x^2 + 10x + 12}{(x+1)(x+3)(x-3)} \quad \text{M1; A1}$$

$$\text{Factorising numerator} = \frac{2(x+2)(x+3)}{(x+1)(x+3)(x-3)}$$

$$\text{or equivalent} = \frac{2(x+2)}{(x+1)(x-3)} \quad \text{M1 M1 A1}$$

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20.  $2x^2 + 7x + 6 = (x+2)(2x+3)$  M1 A1

$$\frac{3x^2}{(2+x)(3+2x)} \times \frac{7(3+2x)}{3x^5}$$

$$= \frac{7}{(2+x)x^3}$$

*some correct algebraic cancelling*

M1 A14

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