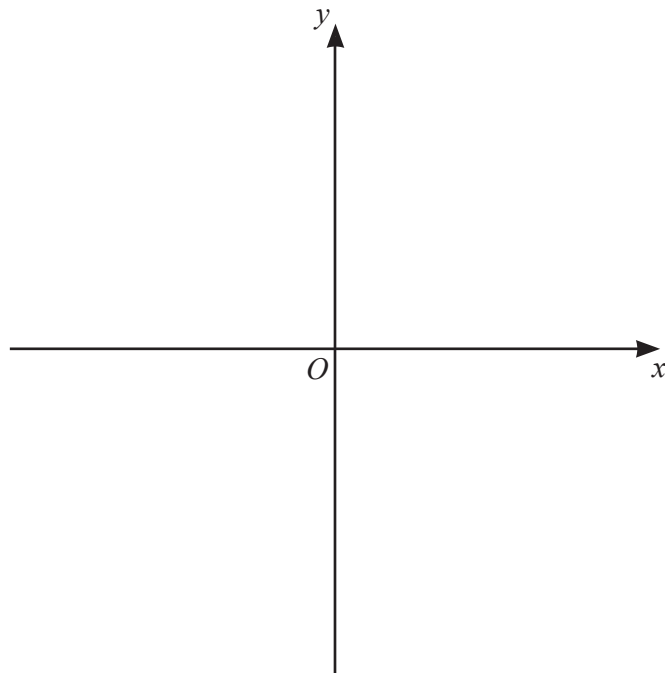


- 9 (a) Sketch the graph of  $y = (x + 1)(3 - x)(3 + x)$ , indicating the coordinates of the points where the graph crosses the  $x$ -axis and the  $y$ -axis.



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- (b) (i) Show that  $y = (x + 1)(3 - x)(3 + x)$  can be written as  $y = 9 + 9x - x^2 - x^3$ .

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- (ii) Calculate the  $x$ -values of the turning points of  $y = 9 + 9x - x^2 - x^3$ .  
Show all your working and give your answers correct to 2 decimal places.

$x = \dots\dots\dots$ ,  $x = \dots\dots\dots$  [7]

- (iii) The equation  $9 + 9x - x^2 - x^3 = k$  has one solution only when  $k < a$  and when  $k > b$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are integers.

Find the maximum value of  $a$  and the minimum value of  $b$ .

$a = \dots\dots\dots$

$b = \dots\dots\dots$  [3]