

# Functions

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## FUNCTIONS [60 Marks]

1 The function  $f$  is defined by

$$f : x \mapsto |\ln(3x) + 1|, x > a.$$

(a) Find the smallest value of  $a$  such that  $f^{-1}$  exists. [1]

(b) Using the domain of  $f$  found in (a), sketch the graph of  $y = f(x)$  and  $y = f^{-1}(x)$  on the same diagram. [4]

2 The function  $f$  is defined by

$$f : x \mapsto \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} + k, 0 < x < a.$$

(a) Given that  $f$  is *self-inverse*, meaning that  $f(x) = f^{-1}(x)$ , state the conditions that must be fulfilled by  $a$  and  $k$ . [2]

(b) Hence, find the exact value of  $x$  such that  $f^{-1}f^{-1}(x) = fff(x)$ . [3]

3 The function  $f$  is defined by

$$f : x \mapsto \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{4 - x^2}, 0 \leq x \leq 2.$$

(a) Find  $f^{-1}(x)$  and state the domain and range of  $f^{-1}$ . [2]

(b) State the domains and ranges of  $ff^{-1}$  and  $f^{-1}f$ . [2]

(c) State the set of values of  $x$  for which  $ff^{-1}(x) = f^{-1}f(x)$ . [1]

(d) Find the exact solution of  $ff^{-1}f(x) = \frac{1}{2}$ . [2]

4 The function  $f$  is defined by

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{1-x}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

(a) Show that  $fff(x) = x$ . [2]

(b) Show that  $f^{-1}f^{-1}(x) = f(x)$ . [2]

(c) Hence, find the exact value(s) of  $a$  such that  $f(fff(a) + ff(a) + f(a)) = f^{-1}(a)$ . [4]

5 The function  $f$  is defined by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{1+x} & \text{for } -1 < x < 1, \\ \frac{1}{2}x - 1 & \text{for } x \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

(a) Sketch the graph of  $f$ . Hence, show that  $f$  is one-one. [3]

(b) Find  $f^{-1}$ . [2]

6 The function  $f$  is defined by

$$f : x \mapsto \frac{x^2 + 1}{x - 1}, \quad x > a.$$

(a) Given that  $f$  is one-one, state the exact value of  $a$ . [2]

(b) Find  $f^{-1}(x)$  and state the domain and range of  $f^{-1}$ . [5]

7 Functions  $f$  and  $g$  are defined as follows:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2}e^{1-x}, \quad x \geq 0,$$

$$g(x) = 1 - \ln(x), \quad 0 < x \leq e.$$

(a) Show that both  $fg$  and  $gf$  exist. [3]

(b) By finding expressions for  $fg$  and  $gf$ , find the exact solution of  $fg(2) = gf(\ln(x))$ . [3]

**8** The functions  $f$  and  $g$  are defined by:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 2\sqrt{x-2} & \text{for } 2 \leq x < 6, \\ 6 - \sqrt{\frac{2x}{3}} & \text{for } x \geq 6. \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = x^2, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

(a) Show that  $gf$  exists. [2]

(b) Find the exact value of  $gf(4)$ . [2]

(c) Find the exact value of  $x$  such that  $gf(x) = 5$ . [2]

**9** The function  $h$  is defined by:

$$h(n) = \begin{cases} n(h(n-1)) & \text{for } n > 1, \\ 1 & \text{for } n = 1. \end{cases}$$

where  $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ .

(a) State the values of  $h(2)$ ,  $h(3)$  and  $h(4)$ . [1]

(b) Deduce the use of function  $h$ . [1]

(c) Evaluate  $\frac{h(40)}{h(10)h(30)}$ . [2]

**10** The function  $f$  has an inverse and is such that

$$f : x^2 + 3 \mapsto x, \quad x > 0.$$

(a) Find  $f(x)$ , and write down its domain and range. [3]

(b) The function  $g$  is such that  $g(3x+2) = f(x)$ .

Find  $g(x)$ . State its domain and range. [4]