## **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise A, Question 1

## **Question:**

Sketch the graphs of

(a) 
$$y = e^x + 1$$

(b) 
$$y = 4e^{-2x}$$

(c) 
$$y = 2e^x - 3$$

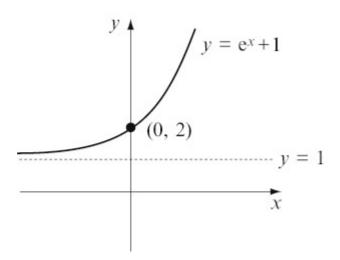
$$(d) y = 4 - e^{x}$$

(e) 
$$y = 6 + 10e^{\frac{1}{2}x}$$

(f) 
$$y = 100e^{-x} + 10$$

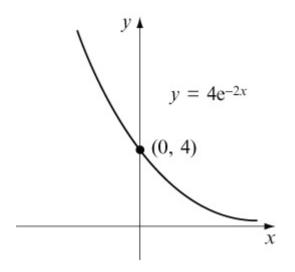
## **Solution:**

(a) 
$$y = e^x + 1$$



This is the normal  $y = e^x$  'moved up' (translated) 1 unit.

(b) 
$$y = 4e^{-2x}$$



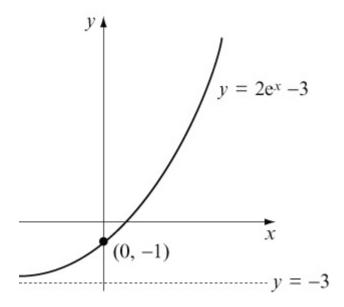
$$x = 0 \Rightarrow y = 4$$

As 
$$x \to -\infty$$
,  $y \to \infty$ 

As 
$$x \to \infty$$
,  $y \to 0$ 

This is an exponential decay type graph.

(c) 
$$y = 2e^x - 3$$

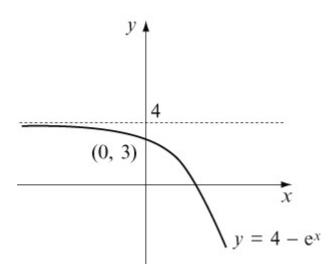


$$x = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad y = 2 \times 1 - 3 = -1$$

As 
$$x \to \infty$$
,  $y \to \infty$ 

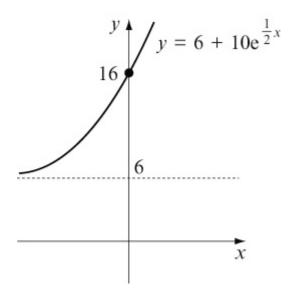
As 
$$x \to \infty$$
,  $y \to \infty$   
As  $x \to -\infty$ ,  $y \to 2 \times 0 - 3 = -3$ 

(d) 
$$y = 4 - e^{x}$$



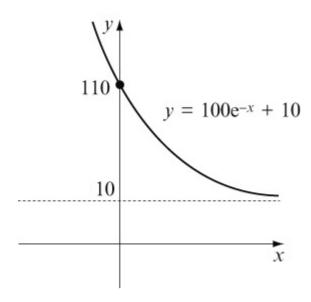
$$x = 0 \Rightarrow y = 4 - 1 = 3$$
  
As  $x \to \infty$ ,  $y \to 4 - \infty$ , i.e.  $y \to -\infty$   
As  $x \to -\infty$ ,  $y \to 4 - 0 = 4$ 

(e) 
$$y = 6 + 10^{\frac{1}{2}x}$$



$$x = 0 \Rightarrow y = 6 + 10 \times 1 = 16$$
  
As  $x \to \infty$ ,  $y \to \infty$   
As  $x \to -\infty$ ,  $y \to 6 + 10 \times 0 = 6$ 

(f) 
$$y = 100e^{-x} + 10$$



$$x = 0 \Rightarrow y = 100 \times 1 + 10 = 110$$
  
As  $x \to \infty$ ,  $y \to 100 \times 0 + 10 = 10$   
As  $x \to -\infty$ ,  $y \to \infty$ 

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## **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise A, Question 2

## **Question:**

The value of a car varies according to the formula

$$V = 20\ 000e^{-\frac{t}{12}}$$

where V is the value in £'s and t is its age in years from new.

- (a) State its value when new.
- (b) Find its value (to the nearest £) after 4 years.
- (c) Sketch the graph of V against t.

#### **Solution:**

$$V = 20\ 000e^{-\frac{t}{12}}$$

(a) The new value is when t = 0.

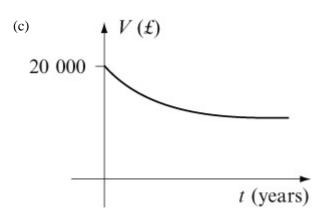
$$\Rightarrow$$
  $V = 20\ 000 \times e^{-\frac{0}{12}} = 20\ 000 \times 1 = 20\ 000$ 

New value = £20000

(b) Value after 4 years is given when t = 4.

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $V = 20\ 000 \times e^{-\frac{4}{12}} = 20\ 000 \times e^{-\frac{1}{3}} = 14\ 330.63$ 

Value after 4 years is £14 331 (to nearest £)



## **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise A, Question 3

### **Question:**

The population of a country is increasing according to the formula

$$P = 20 + 10e^{\frac{t}{50}}$$

where P is the population in thousands and t is the time in years after the year 2000.

- (a) State the population in the year 2000.
- (b) Use the model to predict the population in the year 2020.
- (c) Sketch the graph of *P* against *t* for the years 2000 to 2100.

#### **Solution:**

$$P = 20 + 10e^{\frac{t}{50}}$$

(a) The year 2000 corresponds to t = 0.

Substitute 
$$t = 0$$
 into  $P = 20 + 10e^{\frac{t}{50}}$ 

$$P = 20 + 10 \times e^0 = 20 + 10 \times 1 = 30$$

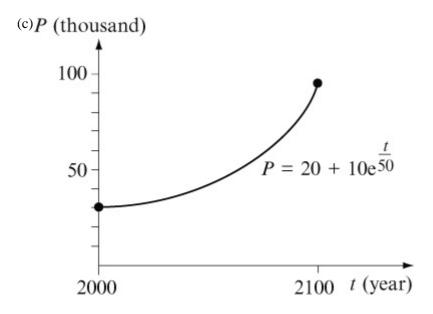
Population = 30 thousand

(b) The year 2020 corresponds to t = 20.

Substitute 
$$t = 20$$
 into  $P = 20 + 10 e^{\frac{t}{50}}$ 

$$P = 20 + 10e^{\frac{20}{50}} = 20 + 14.918 = 34.918$$
 thousand

Population in 2020 will be 34 918



Year 2100 is t = 100

$$P = 20 + 10e^{\frac{100}{50}} = 20 + 10e^2 = 93.891$$
 thousand

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### **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise A, Question 4

### **Question:**

The number of people infected with a disease varies according to the formula  $N = 300 - 100 e^{-0.5t}$ 

where N is the number of people infected with the disease and t is the time in years after detection.

- (a) How many people were first diagnosed with the disease?
- (b) What is the long term prediction of how this disease will spread?
- (c) Graph N against t.

#### **Solution:**

$$N = 300 - 100e^{-0.5t}$$

(a) The number *first* diagnosed means when t = 0.

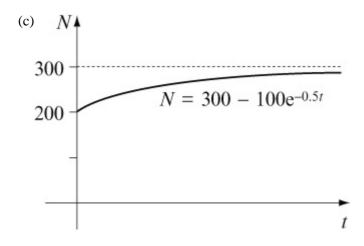
Substitute 
$$t = 0$$
 in  $N = 300 - 100e^{-0.5t}$ 

$$N = 300 - 100 \times e^{-0.5 \times 0} = 300 - 100 \times 1 = 200$$

(b) The long term prediction suggests  $t \to \infty$ .

As 
$$t \to \infty$$
,  $e^{-0.5t} \to 0$ 

So 
$$N \to 300 - 100 \times 0 = 300$$



## **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise A, Question 5

## **Question:**

The value of an investment varies according to the formula

$$V = A e^{\frac{t}{12}}$$

where V is the value of the investment in £'s, A is a constant to be found and t is the time in years after the investment was made.

- (a) If the investment was worth £8000 after 3 years find A to the nearest £.
- (b) Find the value of the investment after 10 years.
- (c) By what factor will the original investment have increased by after 20 years?

#### **Solution:**

$$V = A e^{\frac{t}{12}}$$

(a) We are given that V = 8000 when t = 3.

Substituting gives

$$8000 = Ae^{\frac{3}{12}}$$

$$8000 = A e^{\frac{1}{4}}$$
  $( \div e^{\frac{1}{4}} )$ 

$$A = \frac{8000}{\frac{1}{e^{\frac{1}{4}}}}$$

$$A = 8000 \,\mathrm{e}^{\,-\,\frac{1}{4}}$$

$$A = 6230.41$$

$$A = £6230$$
 (to the nearest £)

(b) Hence 
$$V = (8000 \times e^{-\frac{1}{4}}) e^{\frac{t}{12}}$$
 (use real value)

After 10 years

$$V = 8000 \times e^{-\frac{1}{4}} \times e^{\frac{10}{12}}$$
 (use laws of indices)

$$= 8000 \times e^{\frac{10}{12} - \frac{3}{12}}$$

$$=8000e^{\frac{7}{12}}$$

= £14 336.01

Investment is worth £14 336 (to nearest £) after 10 years.

(c) After 20 years  $V = Ae^{\frac{20}{12}}$ 

This is e  $\frac{20}{12}$  times the original amount *A* = 5.29 times.

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## **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise B, Question 1

## **Question:**

Solve the following equations giving exact solutions:

(a) 
$$e^{x} = 5$$

(b) 
$$\ln x = 4$$

(c) 
$$e^{2x} = 7$$

(d) 
$$\ln \frac{x}{2} = 4$$

(e) 
$$e^{x-1} = 8$$

(f) 
$$\ln (2x + 1) = 5$$

(g) 
$$e^{-x} = 10$$

(h) 
$$\ln (2 - x) = 4$$

(i) 
$$2e^{\text{\ };4x} - 3 = 8$$

(a) 
$$e^x = 5 \implies x = \ln 5$$

(b) 
$$\ln x = 4$$
  $\Rightarrow$   $x = \text{e\ }^4$ 

(c) 
$$e^{2x} = 7 \implies 2x = \ln 7 \implies x = \frac{\ln 7}{2}$$

(d) 
$$\ln \left(\frac{x}{2}\right) = 4 \implies \frac{x}{2} = \text{e\ }^4 \implies x = 2\text{e\ }^4$$

(e) 
$$e^{x-1} = 8 \implies x-1 = \ln 8 \implies x = \ln 8 + 1$$

(f) 
$$\ln (2x + 1) = 5$$
  
 $\Rightarrow 2x + 1 = e^5$ 

$$\Rightarrow 2x = e^5 - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{e^5 - 1}{2}$$

(g) 
$$e^{-x} = 10$$
  
 $\Rightarrow -x = \ln 10$   
 $\Rightarrow x = -\ln 10$   
 $\Rightarrow x = \ln 10^{-1}$   
 $\Rightarrow x = \ln (0.1)$ 

(h) 
$$\ln (2 - x) = 4$$
  
 $\Rightarrow 2 - x = \text{e\ }^4$   
 $\Rightarrow 2 = \text{e\ }^4 + x$   
 $\Rightarrow x = 2 - \text{e\ }^4$ 

(i) 
$$2e^{\& \text{hairsp}; 4x} - 3 = 8$$
  
 $\Rightarrow 2e^{\& \text{hairsp}; 4x} = 11$   
 $\Rightarrow e^{\& \text{hairsp}; 4x} = \frac{11}{2}$   
 $\Rightarrow 4x = \ln\left(\frac{11}{2}\right)$   
 $\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{4}\ln\left(\frac{11}{2}\right)$ 

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### **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise B, Question 2

### **Question:**

Solve the following giving your solution in terms of ln 2:

(a) 
$$e^{3x} = 8$$

(b) 
$$e^{-2x} = 4$$

(c) 
$$e^{2x+1} = 0.5$$

(a) 
$$e^{3x} = 8$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
 3x = ln 8

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $3x = \ln 2^3$ 

$$\Rightarrow$$
 3x = 3 ln 2

$$\Rightarrow x = \ln 2$$

(b) 
$$e^{-2x} = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $-2x = \ln 4$ 

$$\Rightarrow -2x = \ln 2^2$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $-2x = 2 \ln 2$ 

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{2\ln 2}{-2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -1 \ln 2$$

(c) 
$$e^{2x+1} = 0.5$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
 2x + 1 = ln (0.5)

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $2x + 1 = \ln 2^{-1}$ 

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $2x + 1 = -\ln 2$ 

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $2x = -\ln 2 - 1$ 

$$\Rightarrow \quad x = \frac{-\ln 2 - 1}{2}$$

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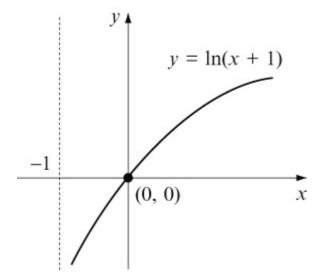
Exercise B, Question 3

## **Question:**

Sketch the following graphs stating any asymptotes and intersections with axes:

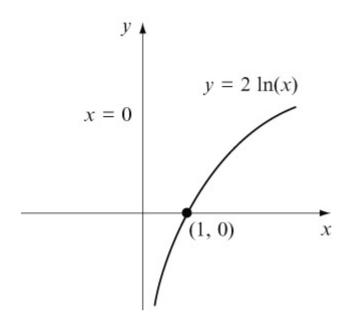
- (a)  $y = \ln (x + 1)$
- (b)  $y = 2 \ln x$
- (c)  $y = \ln (2x)$
- (d)  $y = (\ln x)^2$
- (e)  $y = \ln (4 x)$
- (f)  $y = 3 + \ln (x + 2)$

(a) 
$$y = \ln (x + 1)$$



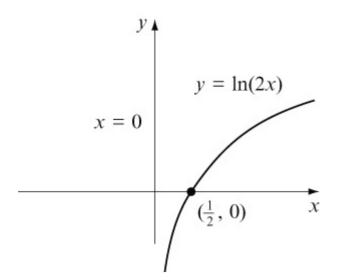
When 
$$x = 0$$
,  $y = \ln (1) = 0$   
When  $x \to -1$ ,  $y \to -\infty$   
 $y$  wouldn't exist for values of  $x < -1$   
When  $x \to \infty$ ,  $y \to \infty$  (slowly)

(b) 
$$y = 2 \ln x$$



When x = 1, y = 2 ln (1) = 0 When  $x \to 0$ ,  $y \to -\infty$ y wouldn't exist for values of x < 0When  $x \to \infty$ ,  $y \to \infty$  (slowly)

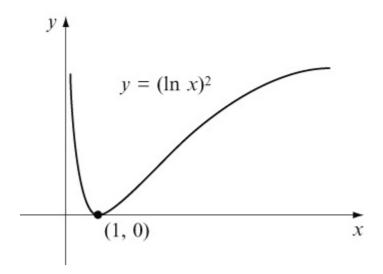
(c) 
$$y = \ln (2x)$$



When  $x = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $y = \ln (1) = 0$ 

When  $x \to 0$ ,  $y \to -\infty$ y wouldn't exist for values of x < 0When  $x \to \infty$ ,  $y \to \infty$  (slowly)

(d) 
$$y = (\ln x)^{2}$$



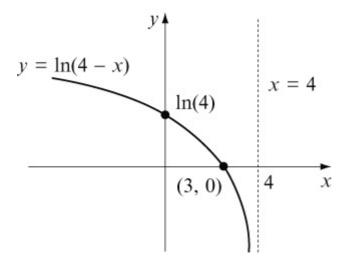
When 
$$x = 1$$
,  $y = (\ln 1)^2 = 0$ 

For 0 < x < 1,  $\ln x$  is negative, but  $(\ln x)^2$  is positive.

When 
$$x \to 0$$
,  $y \to \infty$ 

When  $x \to \infty$ ,  $y \to \infty$ 

(e) 
$$y = \ln (4 - x)$$



When 
$$x = 3$$
,  $y = \ln 1 = 0$ 

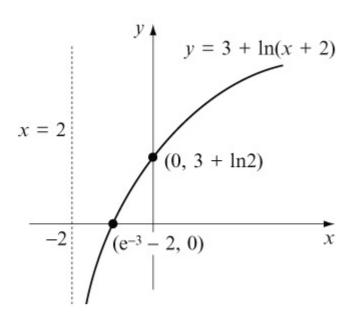
When 
$$x \to 4$$
,  $y \to -\infty$ 

y doesn't exist for values of x > 4

When 
$$x \to -\infty$$
,  $y \to \infty$  (slowly)

When x = 0,  $y = \ln 4$ 

(f) 
$$y = 3 + \ln (x + 2)$$



When 
$$x = -1$$
,  $y = 3 + \ln 1 = 3 + 0 = 3$   
When  $x \to -2$ ,  $y \to -\infty$   
y doesn't exist for values of  $x < -2$   
When  $x \to \infty$ ,  $y \to \infty$  slowly  
When  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 3 + \ln (0 + 2) = 3 + \ln 2$   
When  $y = 0$ ,  
 $0 = 3 + \ln (x + 2)$   
 $-3 = \ln (x + 2)$   
 $e^{-3} = x + 2$   
 $x = e^{-3} - 2$ 

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## **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise B, Question 4

## **Question:**

The price of a new car varies according to the formula

$$P = 15\ 000e^{-\frac{t}{10}}$$

where P is the price in £'s and t is the age in years from new.

- (a) State its new value.
- (b) Calculate its value after 5 years (to the nearest £).
- (c) Find its age when its price falls below £5 000.
- (d) Sketch the graph showing how the price varies over time. Is this a good model?

#### **Solution:**

$$P = 15\ 000e^{-\frac{t}{10}}$$

(a) New value is when  $t = 0 \implies P = 15\ 000 \times e^0 = 15\ 000$ 

The new value is £15 000

(b) Value after 5 years is when t = 5

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $P = 15\,000 \times e^{-\frac{5}{10}} = 15\,000 e^{-0.5} = 9097.96$ 

Value after 5 years is £9 098 (to nearest £)

(c) Find when price is £5 000

Substitute P = 5~000:

$$5\ 000 = 15\ 000e^{-\frac{t}{10}}$$
 ( ÷ 15 000)

$$\frac{5\,000}{15\,000} = e^{-\frac{t}{10}}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} = e^{-\frac{t}{10}}$$

$$\ln \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) = -\frac{t}{10}$$

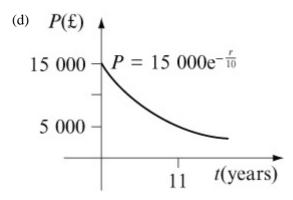
$$t = -10 \ln \left( \frac{1}{3} \right)$$

$$t = 10 \ln \left( \frac{1}{3} \right) - 1$$

 $t = 10 \ln 3$ 

t = 10.99 years

The price falls below £5 000 after 11 years.



A fair model! Perhaps the price should be lower after 11 years.

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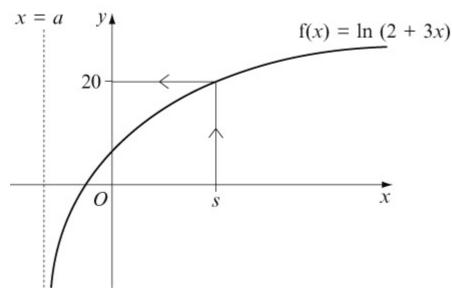
Exercise B, Question 5

## **Question:**

The graph below is of the function

$$f(x) = \ln (2 + 3x) \{ x \in \mathbb{R}, x > a \}$$

- (a) State the value of *a*.
- (b) Find the value of s for which f (s) = 20.
- (c) Find the function  $f^{-1}(x)$  stating its domain.
- (d) Sketch the graphs f(x) and  $f^{-1}(x)$  on the same axes stating the relationship between them.



## **Solution:**

(a) x = a is the asymptote to the curve. It will be where

$$2 + 3x = 0$$

$$3x = -2$$

$$x = -\frac{2}{3}$$

Hence  $a = -\frac{2}{3}$ 

(b) If f (
$$s$$
) = 20 then

$$ln (2 + 3s) = 20$$

$$2 + 3s = e^{20}$$
$$3s = e^{20} - 2$$
$$s = \frac{e^{20} - 2}{3}$$

(c) To find f  $^{-1}$  ( x ) , change the subject of the formula.  $y = \ln (2 + 3x)$ 

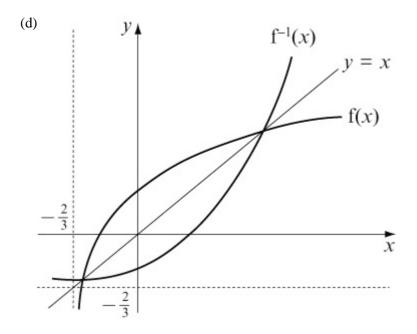
$$e^y = 2 + 3x$$

$$e^y - 2 = 3x$$

$$x = \frac{e^y - 2}{3}$$

Therefore  $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{e^x - 2}{3}$ 

domain of  $f^{-1}(x) = \text{range of } f(x), \text{ so } x \in \mathbb{R}$ 



 $f^{-1}(x)$  is a reflection of f(x) in the line y = x.

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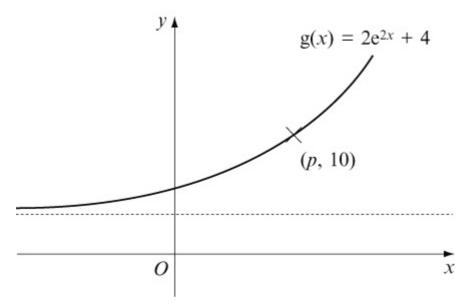
Exercise B, Question 6

## **Question:**

The graph below is of the function

$$g(x) = 2e^{2x} + 4 \{ x \in \mathbb{R} \}$$
.

- (a) Find the range of the function.
- (b) Find the value of *p* to 2 significant figures.
- (c) Find  $g^{-1}(x)$  stating its domain.
- (d) Sketch g(x) and  $g^{-1}(x)$  on the same set of axes stating the relationship between them.



## **Solution:**

(a) g (x) = 
$$2e^{2x} + 4$$

As 
$$x \to -\infty$$
, g  $(x) \to 2 \times 0 + 4 = 4$ 

Therefore the range of g(x) is g(x) > 4

(b) If (p, 10) lies on  $g(x) = 2e^{2x} + 4$ 

$$2e^{2p} + 4 = 10$$

$$2e^{2p}=6$$

$$e^{2p} = 3$$

$$2p = \ln 3$$

$$p = \frac{1}{2} \ln 3$$
  
 $p = 0.55 (2 \text{ s.f.})$ 

(c)  $g^{-1}$  ( x ) is found by changing the subject of the formula.

$$Let y = 2e^{2x} + 4$$

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

$$\frac{y-4}{2} = e^{2x}$$

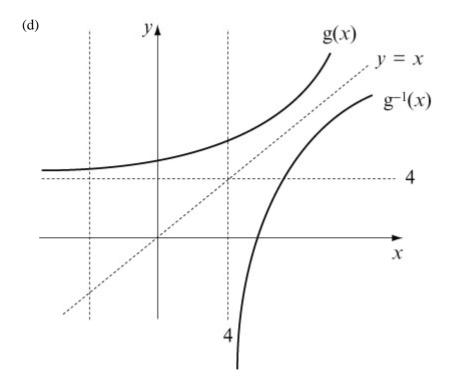
$$\ln \left( \frac{y-4}{2} \right) = 2x$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left( \frac{y-4}{2} \right)$$

Hence 
$$g^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{x-4}{2}\right)$$

Its domain is the same as the range of g(x).

 $g^{-1}(x)$  has a domain of x > 4



 $g^{-1}(x)$  is a reflection of g(x) in the line y = x.

### **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise B, Question 7

## **Question:**

The number of bacteria in a culture grows according to the following equation:

$$N = 100 + 50e^{\frac{t}{30}}$$

where N is the number of bacteria present and t is the time in days from the start of the experiment.

- (a) State the number of bacteria present at the start of the experiment.
- (b) State the number after 10 days.
- (c) State the day on which the number first reaches 1 000 000.
- (d) Sketch the graph showing how N varies with t.

#### **Solution:**

$$N = 100 + 50e^{\frac{t}{30}}$$

(a) At the start t = 0

$$\Rightarrow N = 100 + 50e^{\frac{0}{30}} = 100 + 50 \times 1 = 150$$

There are 150 bacteria present at the start.

(b) After 10 days t = 10

$$\Rightarrow N = 100 + 50e^{\frac{10}{30}} = 100 + 50e^{\frac{1}{3}} = 170$$

There are 170 bacteria present after 10 days.

(c) When N = 1 000 000

$$1\ 000\ 000 = 100 + 50e^{\frac{t}{30}} \qquad (-100)$$

999 900 = 
$$50e^{\frac{t}{30}}$$
 ( ÷ 50 )

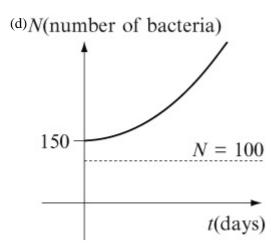
$$19\,998 = e^{\frac{t}{30}}$$

$$\ln (19998) = \frac{t}{30}$$

$$t = 30 \ln (19998)$$

$$t = 297.10$$

The number of bacteria reaches 1 000 000 on the 298th day (to the nearest day).



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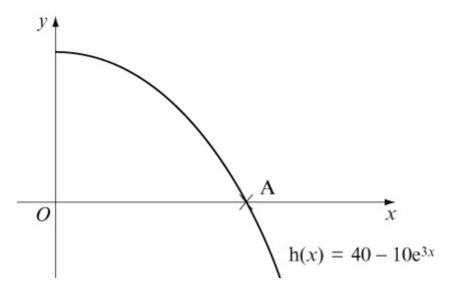
Exercise B, Question 8

### **Question:**

The graph below shows the function

$$h(x) = 40 - 10e^{3x} \{x > 0, x \in \mathbb{R} \}$$
.

- (a) State the range of the function.
- (b) Find the exact coordinates of A in terms of ln 2.
- (c) Find  $h^{-1}(x)$  stating its domain.



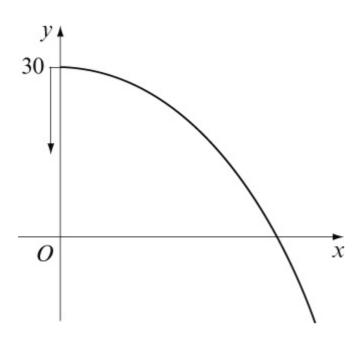
## **Solution:**

(a) h (x) = 
$$40 - 10e^{3x}$$

The range is the set of values that *y* can take.

h (0) = 
$$40 - 10e^0 = 40 - 10 = 30$$

Hence range is h (x) < 30



(b) A is where 
$$y = 0$$

Solve 
$$40 - 10e^{3x} = 0$$

$$40 = 10e^{3x} \qquad ( \div 10 )$$

$$4 = e^{3x}$$

$$ln 4 = 3x$$

$$x = \frac{1}{3} \ln 4$$

$$x = \frac{1}{3} \ln 2^2$$

$$x = \frac{2}{3} \ln 2$$

A is 
$$\left(\frac{2}{3}\ln 2, 0\right)$$

(c) To find  $h^{-1}(x)$  change the subject of the formula.

Let 
$$y = 40 - 10e^{3x}$$

$$10e^{3x} = 40 - y$$

$$e^{3x} = \frac{40 - y}{10}$$

$$3x = \ln \left( \frac{40 - y}{10} \right)$$

$$x = \frac{1}{3} \ln \left( \frac{40 - y}{10} \right)$$

The domain of the inverse function is the same as the range of the function.

Hence h<sup>-1</sup> (x) = 
$$\frac{1}{3}$$
ln  $\left(\frac{40-x}{10}\right)$  {  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x < 30$  {

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### **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise C, Question 1

## **Question:**

Sketch the following functions stating any asymptotes and intersections with axes:

(a) 
$$y = e^x + 3$$

(b) 
$$y = \ln (-x)$$

(c) 
$$y = \ln (x + 2)$$

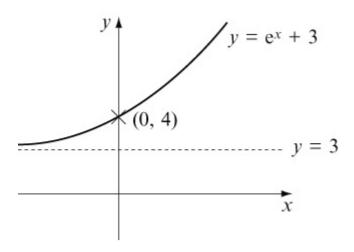
(d) 
$$y = 3e^{-2x} + 4$$

(e) 
$$y = e^{x+2}$$

(f) 
$$y = 4 - \ln x$$

#### **Solution:**

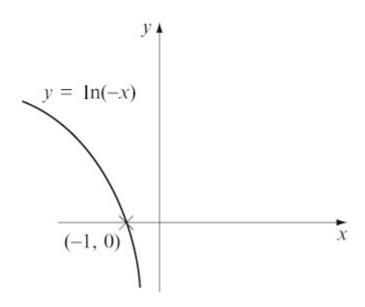
(a) 
$$y = e^x + 3$$



This is the graph of  $y = e^x$  'moved up' 3 units.

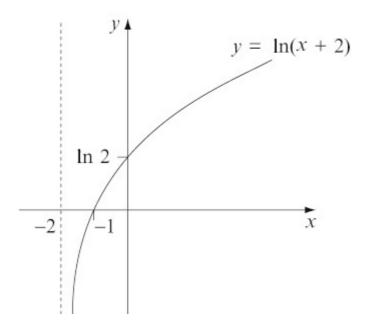
$$x = 0$$
,  $y = e^0 + 3 = 1 + 3 = 4$ 

(b) 
$$y = \ln (-x)$$



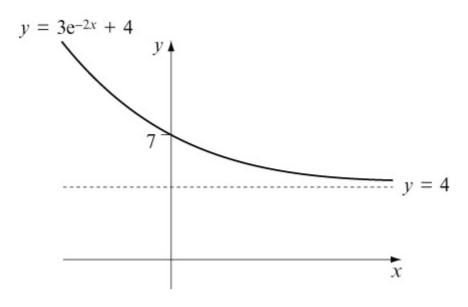
x = -1,  $y = \ln (-1) = \ln (1) = 0$ y will not exist for values of x > 0 $x \to -\infty$ ,  $y \to \infty$  (slowly) The graph will be a reflection of  $y = \ln (x)$  in the y axis.

(c) 
$$y = \ln (x + 2)$$



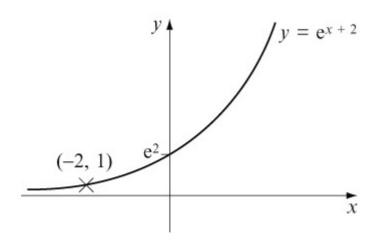
x = -1,  $y = \ln (-1 + 2) = \ln (1) = 0$ y will not exist for values of x < -2 $x \to -2$ ,  $y \to -\infty$  $x \to \infty$ ,  $y \to \infty$  (slowly) x = 0,  $y = \ln (0 + 2) = \ln 2$ 

(d) 
$$y = 3e^{-2x} + 4$$



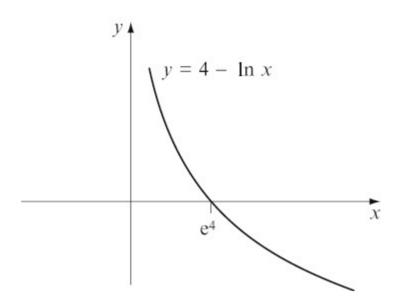
$$x = 0$$
,  $y = 3e^{0} + 4 = 3 + 4 = 7$   
 $x \to \infty$ ,  $y \to 3 \times 0 + 4 = 4$   
 $x \to -\infty$ ,  $y \to \infty$ 

(e) 
$$y = e^{x+2}$$



$$x = -2$$
,  $y = e^{-2+2} = e^0 = 1$   
 $x \to -\infty$ ,  $y \to 0$   
 $x \to \infty$ ,  $y \to \infty$   
 $x = 0$ ,  $y = e^2$ 

$$(f) y = 4 - \ln x$$



$$x = 1$$
,  $y = 4 - \ln(1) = 4$   
 $x \to 0$ ,  $y \to 4 - (-\infty)$ , so  $y \to +\infty$   
 $y$  will not exist for values of  $x < 0$   
 $y = 0 \Rightarrow 4 - \ln x = 0 \Rightarrow \ln x = 4 \Rightarrow x = e$  <sup>4</sup>

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### **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise C, Question 2

### **Question:**

Solve the following equations, giving exact solutions:

(a) 
$$\ln (2x - 5) = 8$$

(b) 
$$e^{\text{\ }4x} = 5$$

(c) 
$$24 - e^{-2x} = 10$$

(d) 
$$\ln x + \ln (x - 3) = 0$$

(e) 
$$e^x + e^{-x} = 2$$

(f) 
$$\ln 2 + \ln x = 4$$

(a) 
$$\ln (2x - 5) = 8$$
 (inverse of  $\ln$ )  
 $2x - 5 = e^8$  ( + 5 )  
 $2x = e^8 + 5$  ( ÷ 2 )  
 $x = \frac{e^8 + 5}{2}$ 

(b) 
$$e^{\text{\ };4x} = 5$$
 (inverse of e)  $4x = \ln 5$  (  $\div 4$  )  $x = \frac{\ln 5}{4}$ 

(c) 
$$24 - e^{-2x} = 10$$
  $( + e^{-2x} )$   
 $24 = 10 + e^{-2x}$   $( -10 )$   
 $14 = e^{-2x}$  (inverse of e)  
 $\ln (14) = -2x$   $( \div -2 )$   
 $-\frac{1}{2} \ln (14) = x$ 

$$x = -\frac{1}{2} \ln (14)$$

(d) 
$$\ln (x) + \ln (x-3) = 0$$
  
 $\ln [x(x-3)] = 0$   
 $x(x-3) = e^0$   
 $x(x-3) = 1$   
 $x^2 - 3x - 1 = 0$   
 $x = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{9+4}}{2}$   
 $x = \frac{3 \pm \sqrt{13}}{2}$   
 $x = \frac{3 + \sqrt{13}}{2}$ 

(x cannot be negative because of initial equation)

(e) 
$$e^{x} + e^{-x} = 2$$
  
 $e^{x} + \frac{1}{e^{x}} = 2$  (  $\times e^{x}$  )  
(  $e^{x}$  )  $^{2} + 1 = 2e^{x}$   
(  $e^{x}$  )  $^{2} - 2e^{x} + 1 = 0$   
(  $e^{x} - 1$  )  $^{2} = 0$   
 $e^{x} = 1$   
 $x = \ln 1 = 0$ 

(f) 
$$\ln 2 + \ln x = 4$$
  
 $\ln 2x = 4$   
 $2x = \text{e\ }^4$   
 $x = \frac{\text{e\ }^4}{2}$ 

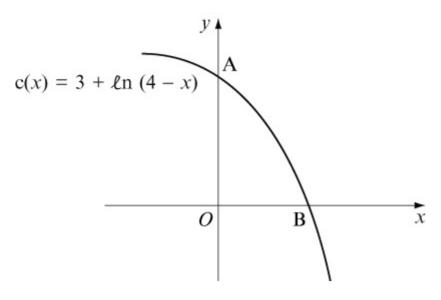
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## **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise C, Question 3

### **Question:**

The function  $c(x) = 3 + \ln(4 - x)$  is shown below.



- (a) State the exact coordinates of point A.
- (b) Calculate the exact coordinates of point B.
- (c) Find the inverse function  $c^{-1}(x)$  stating its domain.
- (d) Sketch c(x) and  $c^{-1}(x)$  on the same set of axes stating the relationship between them.

(a) A is where 
$$x = 0$$
  
Substitute  $x = 0$  into  $y = 3 + \ln (4 - x)$  to give  $y = 3 + \ln 4$   
A =  $(0, 3 + \ln 4)$ 

(b) B is where 
$$y = 0$$
  
Substitute  $y = 0$  into  $y = 3 + \ln (4 - x)$  to give  $0 = 3 + \ln (4 - x)$   
 $-3 = \ln (4 - x)$   
 $e^{-3} = 4 - x$   
 $x = 4 - e^{-3}$   
B =  $(4 - e^{-3}, 0)$ 

(c) To find  $c^{-1}(x)$  change the subject of the formula.

$$y = 3 + \ln (4 - x)$$

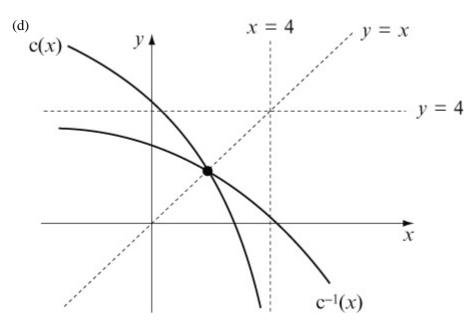
$$y - 3 = \ln (4 - x)$$

$$e^{y-3} = 4 - x$$

$$x = 4 - e^{y - 3}$$

The domain of the inverse function is the range of the function. Looking at graph this is all the real numbers. So

$$c^{-1}(x) = 4 - e^{x-3} \{ x \in \mathbb{R} \{$$



### **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise C, Question 4

## **Question:**

The price of a computer system can be modelled by the formula

$$P = 100 + 850e^{-\frac{t}{2}}$$

where P is the price of the system in £s and t is the age of the computer in years after being purchased.

- (a) Calculate the new price of the system.
- (b) Calculate its price after 3 years.
- (c) When will it be worth less than £200?
- (d) Find its price as  $t \to \infty$ .
- (e) Sketch the graph showing *P* against *t*. Comment on the appropriateness of this model.

#### **Solution:**

$$P = 100 + 850e^{-\frac{t}{2}}$$

(a) New price is when t = 0.

Substitute t = 0 into  $P = 100 + 850e^{-\frac{t}{2}}$  to give

$$P = 100 + 850e^{-\frac{0}{2}}$$
 (  $e^{0} = 1$  )  
=  $100 + 850 = 950$ 

The new price is £950

(b) After 3 years t = 3.

Substitute t = 3 into  $P = 100 + 850e^{-\frac{t}{2}}$  to give

$$P = 100 + 850e^{-\frac{3}{2}} = 289.66$$

Price after 3 years is £290 (to nearest £)

(c) It is worth less than £200 when P < 200

Substitute P = 200 into  $P = 100 + 850e^{-\frac{t}{2}}$  to give

$$200 = 100 + 850e^{-\frac{t}{2}}$$

$$100 = 850e^{-\frac{t}{2}}$$

$$\frac{100}{850} = e^{-\frac{t}{2}}$$

$$\ln\left(\frac{100}{850}\right) = -\frac{t}{2}$$

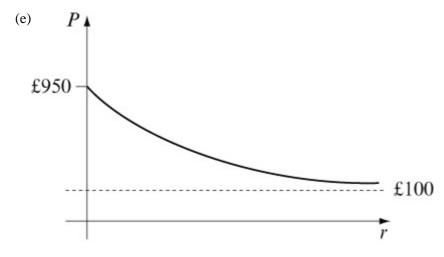
$$t = -2\ln\left(\frac{100}{850}\right)$$

$$t = 4.28$$

It is worth less than £200 after 4.28 years.

(d) As 
$$t \to \infty$$
,  $e^{-\frac{t}{2}} \to 0$   
Hence  $P \to 100 + 850 \times 0 = 100$ 

The computer will be worth £100 eventually.



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### **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise C, Question 5

#### **Question:**

The function f is defined by

$$f: x \to \ln (5x-2)$$
  $\left\{ x \in \mathbb{R}, x > \frac{2}{5} \right\}.$ 

- (a) Find an expression for  $f^{-1}(x)$ .
- (b) Write down the domain of  $f^{-1}(x)$ .
- (c) Solve, giving your answer to 3 decimal places,  $\ln (5x 2) = 2$ .

[E]

#### **Solution:**

(a) Let 
$$y = \ln (5x - 2)$$

$$e^{y} = 5x - 2$$

$$e^y + 2 = 5x$$

$$\frac{e^y + 2}{5} = x$$

The range of  $y = \ln (5x - 2)$  is  $y \in \mathbb{R}$ 

So f<sup>-1</sup> (x) = 
$$\frac{e^x + 2}{5}$$
 {  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  {

(b) Domain is  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ 

(c) 
$$\ln (5x - 2) = 2$$

$$5x - 2 = e^2$$

$$5x = e^2 + 2$$

$$x = \frac{e^2 + 2}{5} = 1.8778 \dots$$

$$x = 1.878$$
 (to 3d.p.)

## **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise C, Question 6

### **Question:**

The functions f and g are given by

$$f: x \to 3x - 1 \quad \{ x \in \mathbb{R} \{$$

$$g: x \to e^{\frac{x}{2}} \{ x \in \mathbb{R} \{$$

- (a) Find the value of fg(4), giving your answer to 2 decimal places.
- (b) Express the inverse function  $f^{-1}(x)$  in the form  $f^{-1}:x\to\ldots$
- (c) Using the same axes, sketch the graphs of the functions f and gf. Write on your sketch the value of each function at x = 0.
- (d) Find the values of x for which  $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{5}{f(x)}$ .

[E]

#### **Solution:**

(a) fg (4) = f (
$$e^{\frac{4}{2}}$$
) = f ( $e^2$ ) = 3 $e^2$  - 1 = 21.17 (2d.p.)

(b) If 
$$f: x \to 3x - 1 \quad \{ x \in \mathbb{R} \}$$

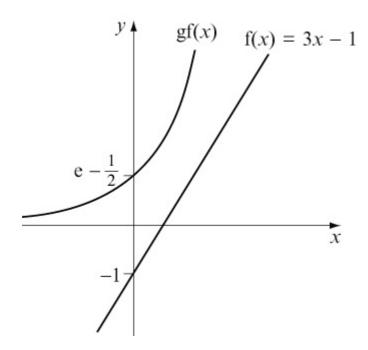
then 
$$f^{-1}: x \to \frac{x+1}{3} \left\{ x \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

by using flow diagram method:

$$\begin{array}{c} \times 3 \\ \times 3 \\ \div 3 \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} -1 \\ 3x - 1 \\ \end{array}$$

(c) gf (x) = g (3x - 1) = 
$$e^{\frac{3x-1}{2}}$$
 f (x) = 3x - 1

At 
$$x = 0$$
, gf  $(x) = e^{\frac{0-1}{2}} = e^{-\frac{1}{2}}$  and f  $(x) = 3 \times 0 - 1 = -1$ 



(d) 
$$f^{-1}(x) = \frac{5}{f(x)}$$

$$\frac{x+1}{3} = \frac{5}{3x-1}$$
 (cross multiply)

$$(x+1)(3x-1) = 5 \times 3$$

$$3x^2 + 2x - 1 = 15$$

$$3x^2 + 2x - 16 = 0$$

$$(3x + 8) (x - 2) = 0$$

$$x = 2, -\frac{8}{3}$$

#### **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise C, Question 7

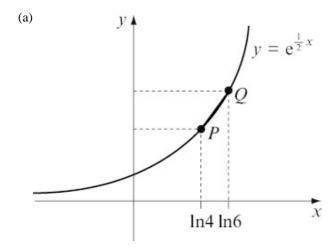
#### **Question:**

The points P and Q lie on the curve with equation  $y = e^{\frac{1}{2}x}$ . The x-coordinates of P and Q are ln 4 and ln 16 respectively.

- (a) Find an equation for the line PQ.
- (b) Show that this line passes through the origin O.
- (c) Calculate the length, to 3 significant figures, of the line segment PQ.

[E]

#### **Solution:**



Q has y coordinate e  $\frac{1}{2} \ln 16 = e^{\ln 16} = \frac{1}{2} = 16 = \frac{1}{2} = 4$ 

P has y coordinate e  $\frac{1}{2} \ln 4 = e^{\ln 4} = \frac{1}{2} = 4 = 2$ 

Gradient of the line PQ = 
$$\frac{\text{change in } y}{\text{change in } x} = \frac{4-2}{\ln 16 - \ln 4} = \frac{2}{\ln \frac{16}{4}} = \frac{2}{\ln 4}$$

Using y = mx + c the equation of the line PQ is

$$y = \frac{2}{\ln 4}x + c$$

(ln 4, 2) lies on line so

$$2 = \frac{2}{\ln 4} \times \ln 4 + c$$

$$2 = 2 + c$$
$$c = 0$$

Equation of PQ is 
$$y = \frac{2x}{\ln 4}$$

- (b) The line passes through the origin as c = 0.
- (c) Length from (ln 4, 2) to (ln 16, 4) is

$$\sqrt{(\ln 16 - \ln 4)^2 + 4 - 2)^2} = \sqrt{(\ln \frac{16}{4})^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{(\ln 4) + 4} = 2.43$$

### **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise C, Question 8

## **Question:**

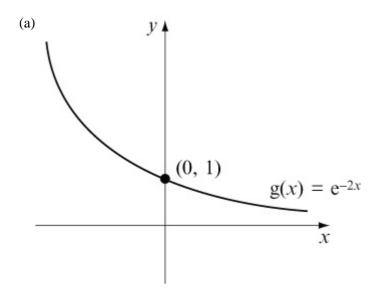
The functions f and g are defined over the set of real numbers by

 $f: x \rightarrow 3x - 5$ 

 $g: x \to e^{-2x}$ 

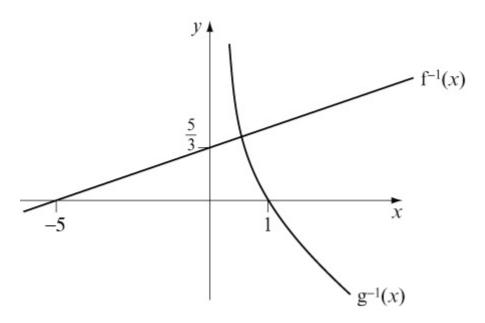
- (a) State the range of g(x).
- (b) Sketch the graphs of the inverse functions  $f^{-1}$  and  $g^{-1}$  and write on your sketches the coordinates of any points at which a graph meets the coordinate axes.
- (c) State, giving a reason, the number of roots of the equation  $f^{-1}(x) = g^{-1}(x)$ .
- (d) Evaluate fg  $\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)$ , giving your answer to 2 decimal places.

#### **Solution:**



(b) 
$$f^{-1}(x) = \frac{x+5}{3}$$

$$g^{-1}(x) = -\frac{1}{2} \ln x$$



(c)  $f^{-1}(x) = g^{-1}(x)$  would have 1 root because there is 1 point of intersection.

(d) fg 
$$\left( -\frac{1}{3} \right) = f \left( e^{-2 \times -\frac{1}{3}} \right) = f \left( e^{\frac{2}{3}} \right) = 3 \times e^{\frac{2}{3}} - 5 = 0.84$$

### **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise C, Question 9

## **Question:**

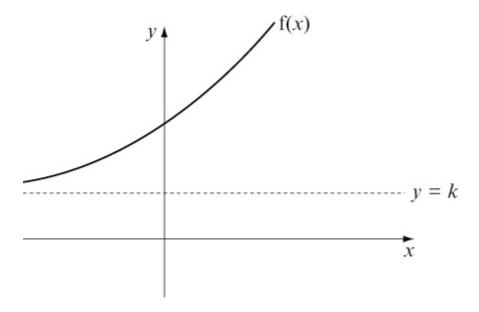
The function f is defined by  $f: x \to e^x + k, x \in \mathbb{R}$  and k is a positive constant.

- (a) State the range of f(x).
- (b) Find  $f(\ln k)$ , simplifying your answer.
- (c) Find  $f^{-1}$ , the inverse function of f, in the form  $f^{-1}: x \to \dots$ , stating its domain.
- (d) On the same axes, sketch the curves with equations y = f(x) and  $y = f^{-1}(x)$ , giving the coordinates of all points where the graphs cut the axes.

[E]

#### **Solution:**

(a) 
$$f: x \to e^x + k$$
  
As  $x \to -\infty$ ,  $f(x) \to 0 + k = k$ 



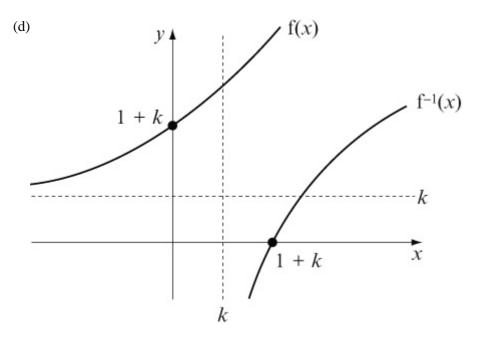
Range of f(x) is f(x) > k

(b) f ( 
$$\ln k$$
 ) =  $e^{\ln k} + k = k + k = 2k$ 

(c) Let 
$$y = e^x + k$$

$$y - k = e^{x}$$

$$\ln (y - k) = x$$
Hence  $f^{-1}: x \to \ln (x - k), x > k$ 



### **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise C, Question 10

## **Question:**

The function f is given by

$$f: x \to \ln (4 - 2x) \quad \{ x \in \mathbb{R}, x < 2 \}$$

- (a) Find an expression for  $f^{-1}(x)$ .
- (b) Sketch the curve with equation  $y = f^{-1}(x)$ , showing the coordinates of the points where the curve meets the axes.
- (c) State the range of  $f^{-1}(x)$ . The function g is given by  $g: x \to e^x \{ x \in \mathbb{R} \}$
- (d) Find the value of gf(0.5).

[E]

### **Solution:**

$$f(x) = \ln (4-2x) \quad \{ x \in \mathbb{R}, x < 2 \}$$

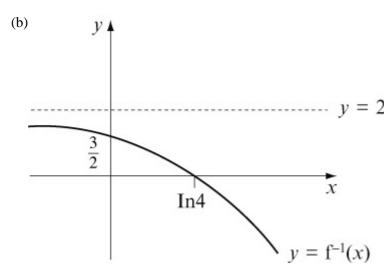
(a) Let  $y = \ln (4 - 2x)$  and change the subject of the formula.

$$e^y = 4 - 2x$$

$$2x = 4 - e^y$$

$$x = \frac{4 - e^y}{2}$$

$$f^{-1}: x \to \frac{4 - e^x}{2} \quad \{ x \in \mathbb{R} \{$$



$$x = 0 \implies f^{-1}(x) = \frac{4-1}{2} = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$y = 0 \implies \frac{4-e^x}{2} = 0 \implies e^x = 4 \implies x = \ln 4$$

$$x \to \infty, y \to -\infty$$

$$x \to -\infty, y \to \frac{4-0}{2} = 2$$

(c) Range of 
$$f^{-1}(x)$$
 is  $f^{-1}(x) < 2$ 

(d) 
$$gf(0.5) = g[\ln(4-2\times0.5)] = g(\ln3) = e^{\ln3} = 3$$

## **Edexcel AS and A Level Modular Mathematics**

Exercise C, Question 11

#### **Question:**

The function f(x) is defined by

$$f(x) = 3x^3 - 4x^2 - 5x + 2$$

- (a) Show that (x + 1) is a factor of f(x).
- (b) Factorise f(x) completely.
- (c) Solve, giving your answers to 2 decimal places, the equation

3 [ ln (2x) ] 
$$^3 - 4$$
 [ ln (2x) ]  $^2 - 5$  ln (2x)  $+ 2 = 0$   $x > 0$ 

[E]

#### **Solution:**

$$f(x) = 3x^3 - 4x^2 - 5x + 2$$

(a) 
$$f(-1) = 3 \times (-1)^3 - 4 \times (-1)^2 - 5 \times (-1)$$
  
+  $2 = -3 - 4 + 5 + 2 = 0$ 

As 
$$f(-1) = 0$$
 then  $(x + 1)$  is a factor.

(b) f (x) = 
$$3x^3 - 4x^2 - 5x + 2$$

$$f(x) = (x+1) (3x^2 - 7x + 2)$$
 (by inspection)  
 $f(x) = (x+1) (3x-1) (x-2)$ 

$$f(x) = (x+1) (3x-1) (x-2)$$

(c) If 3 [ 
$$\ln (2x)$$
 ]  $^3 - 4 [ \ln (2x) ] ^2 - 5 [ \ln (2x) ] + 2 = 0$ 

$$\Rightarrow$$
 [ln (2x) + 1] [3ln (2x) - 1] [ln (2x) - 2] = 0

$$\Rightarrow$$
 ln (2x) = -1,  $\frac{1}{3}$ , 2

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $2x = e^{-1}, e^{\frac{1}{3}}, e^2$ 

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{1}{2}e^{-1}, \frac{1}{2}e^{\frac{1}{3}}, \frac{1}{2}e^{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
  $x = 0.18, 0.70, 3.69$