

A Level H2 Math

Functions Test 5

Q1

The function f is defined as follows.

$$f : x \mapsto \sqrt{3} \sin x + \cos x, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad 0 < x < \pi.$$

- (i) Write $f(x)$ as $R \sin(x + \alpha)$, where R and α are constants with exact values to be found. [2]
- (ii) Sketch the graph of $y = f(x)$, stating the axial intercepts, and find the range of f . [3]
- (iii) Hence, solve $f(x) \leq 1$ exactly. [2]

The function g is defined as follows:

$$g : x \mapsto 2 \cos \left(x + \frac{\pi}{6} \right), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad -\frac{\pi}{6} \leq x \leq b.$$

- (iv) Write down the largest exact value of b , for g^{-1} to exist. [1]
- (v) Taking the value of b found in part (iv), show that the composite function $g^{-1}f$ exists and solve $g^{-1}f(x) = x$ exactly. [3]

Q2

It is given that

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} b\sqrt{1 - \frac{x^2}{a^2}} & \text{for } -a < x \leq a \\ -a\sqrt{1 - \frac{(x-2a)^2}{a^2}} & \text{for } a < x \leq 3a \end{cases}$$

and that $f(x+4a) = f(x)$ for all real values of x , where a and b are real constants and $0 < a < b$.

- (i) Sketch the graph of $y = f(x)$ for $-a \leq x \leq 8a$. [3]
- (ii) Use the substitution $x = a \cos \theta$ to find the exact value of $\int_{3a}^{4a} f(x) dx$ in terms of a and π . [5]

Q3

The function f is defined by $f: x \mapsto \frac{1}{x^2 - 1}$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $x > 1$.

- (i) Find $f^{-1}(x)$ and write down the domain of f^{-1} . [3]
- (ii) On the same diagram, sketch the graphs of $y = f(x)$, $y = f^{-1}(x)$ and $y = f^{-1}f(x)$ stating the equations of any asymptotes and showing the relationships between the graphs clearly. [4]
- (iii) State the set of values of x such that $ff^{-1}(x) = f^{-1}f(x)$. [1]

Answers

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Q1

(i) $f(x) = R \sin(x + \alpha) = R \sin x \cos \alpha + R \cos x \sin \alpha$

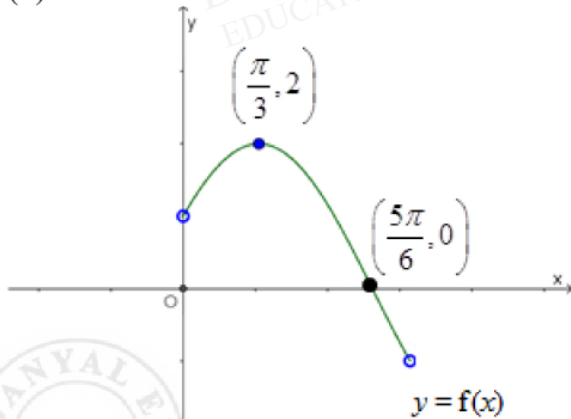
compare with $f(x) = \sqrt{3} \sin x + \cos x$

$\Rightarrow R \cos \alpha = \sqrt{3}, R \sin \alpha = 1$

$\Rightarrow R = \sqrt{1^2 + \sqrt{3}^2} = 2, \alpha = \tan^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{\pi}{6}$

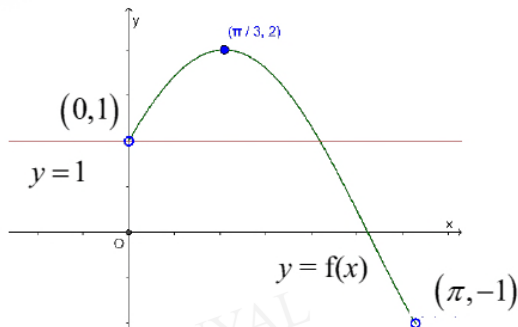
$f(x) = 2 \sin\left(x + \frac{\pi}{6}\right)$

(ii)



The range of f is $(-1, 2]$.

(iii)



$f(x) = 2 \sin\left(x + \frac{\pi}{6}\right) = 1$

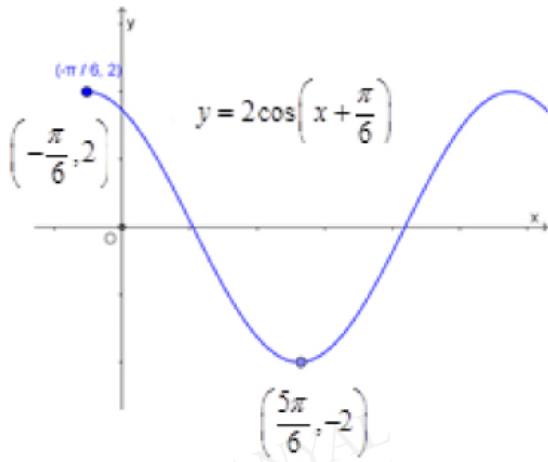
$\Rightarrow x + \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{\pi}{6} \text{ or } \pi - \frac{\pi}{6}$

$\Rightarrow x = 0 \text{ or } \frac{2\pi}{3}$

The set of values of x is $\left[\frac{2\pi}{3}, \pi\right)$

(iv)

$g(x) = 2 \cos\left(x + \frac{\pi}{6}\right), -\frac{\pi}{6} \leq x \leq b.$



For g^{-1} to exist, g has to be a 1-1 function.

The largest exact value of b , is $\pi - \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{5\pi}{6}$.

(v)

The domain of g^{-1} = the range of g = $[-2, 2]$.

Range of f = $(-1, 2] \subseteq$ Domain of g^{-1} = $[-2, 2]$, therefore $g^{-1} f$ exists.

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 $g^{-1} f(x) = x, \quad 0 < x < \pi$

$$g(x) = f(x)$$

$$2 \cos\left(x + \frac{\pi}{6}\right) = 2 \sin\left(x + \frac{\pi}{6}\right)$$

$$\tan\left(x + \frac{\pi}{6}\right) = 1$$

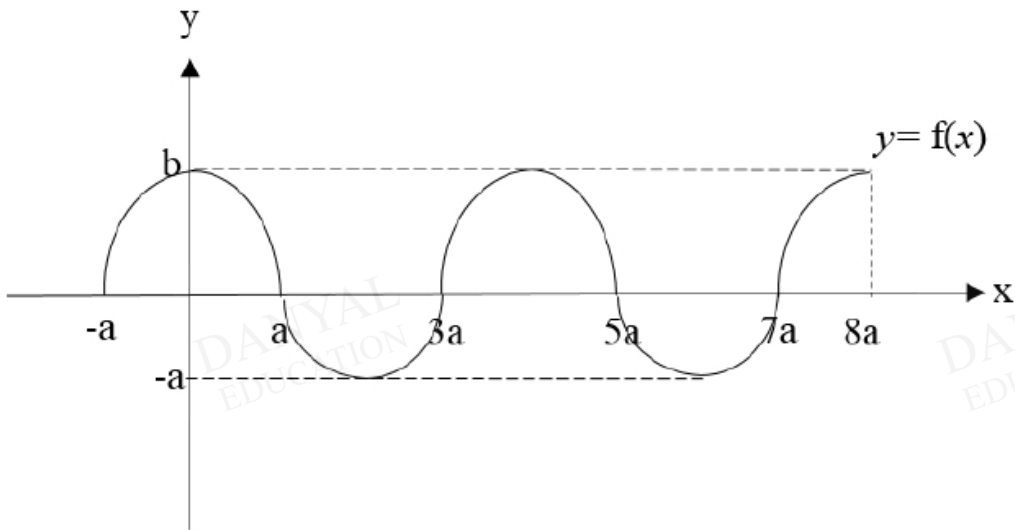
$$x + \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$x = \frac{\pi}{12}$$

(Note: $0 < x \leq \frac{5\pi}{6}$ considering domain of f and g)

Q2

(i)



(ii)

$$\int_{3a}^{4a} f(x) dx$$

$$= \int_{-a}^0 b \sqrt{1 - \frac{x^2}{a^2}} dx$$

$$= b \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\pi} \sqrt{1 - \frac{a^2 \cos^2 \theta}{a^2}} (-a \sin \theta) d\theta$$

$$= ab \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\pi} \sin^2 \theta d\theta$$

$$= ab \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\pi} \frac{1 - \cos 2\theta}{2} d\theta$$

$$= \frac{ab}{2} \left[\theta - \frac{\sin 2\theta}{2} \right]_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\pi}$$

$$= \frac{ab}{2} \left[\pi - \frac{\pi}{2} \right]$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{4} ab$$

Q3

(i)

$$f: x \mapsto \frac{1}{x^2 - 1}$$

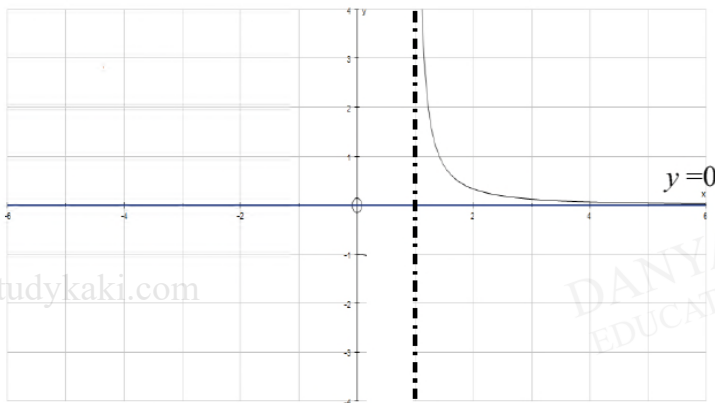
$$\text{Let } y = \frac{1}{x^2 - 1}$$

$$x^2 = \frac{1}{y} + 1$$

$$x = \pm \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{y}}$$

$$\text{Since } x > 1, x = \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{y}}$$

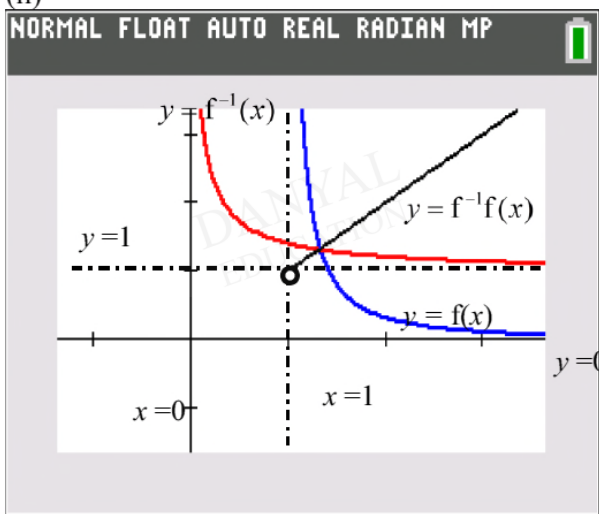
$$f^{-1}(x) = \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{x}} = \sqrt{\frac{1+x}{x}}$$



From graph of f , $R_f = (0, \infty)$ $x=1$

$$\therefore D_{f^{-1}}(x) = (0, \infty).$$

(ii)



(iii)

Since $ff^{-1}(x) = f^{-1}f(x) = x$ have the same rule, we investigate the domain

$$D_{f^{-1}f} = (1, \infty) \quad D_{ff^{-1}} = (0, \infty)$$

Taking the intersection of these domains,

Range of values is $x > 1$.