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Worksheet 7 Memorandum: Functions and Graphs

(Parabolas, Hyperbolas and Exponential Graphs)

Grade 11 Technical Maths

1. Give the standard formula for each of these graphs:

- a) parabola $\rightarrow y = ax^2 + bx + c$ b) exponential graph $\rightarrow y = a \cdot b^x + q$
c) hyperbola $\rightarrow y = \frac{a}{x} + q$ d) straight line $\rightarrow y = mx + c$

2. a) $a(x) = (x - 1)^2 + 5$

i) y-intercept

$$y = (0 - 1)^2 + 5$$

$$y = 6$$

$$\therefore (0; 6)$$

ii) x-intercept(s)

$$0 = (x - 1)^2 + 5$$

$$0 = x^2 - 2x + 1 + 5$$

$$0 = x^2 - 2x + 6$$

Not possible to solve. No x-intercepts.

iii) turning point

$$x = -\frac{b}{2a}$$

$$x = \frac{2}{2(1)} = 1$$

$$y = (1 - 1)^2 + 5 = 5$$

$$\text{TP} = (1; 5)$$

iv) axes of symmetry

N/A

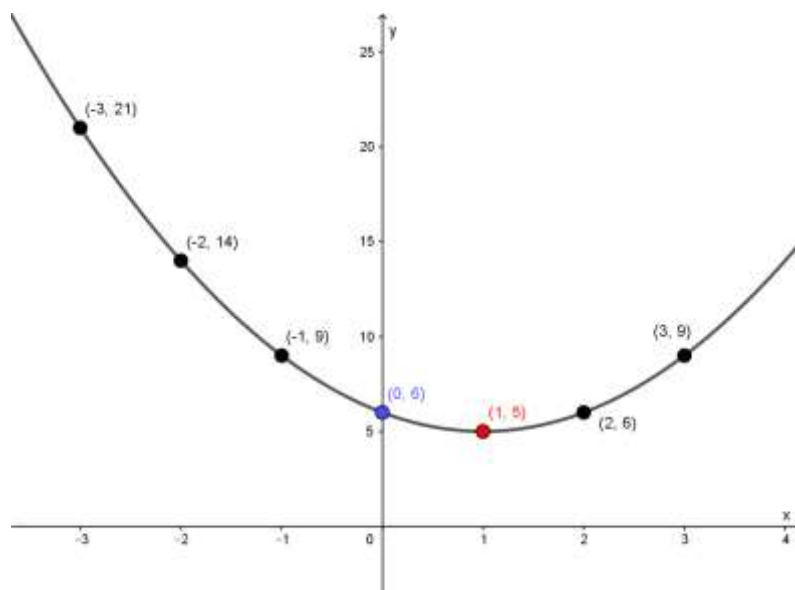
v) domain $\rightarrow -\infty < x < \infty$

range $\rightarrow 5 < y < \infty$

vi) a table with points for $-3 \leq x \leq 3$

x	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3
y	21	14	9	6	5	6	9

vii) asymptotes N/A



viii)

b) $b(x) = -2(x - 2)^2 + 3$

i) y-intercept

$$y = -2(0 - 2)^2 + 3$$

$$y = -5$$

ii) x-intercept(s)

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

$$0 = -2(x^2 - 4x + 4) + 3$$

$$0 = -2x^2 + 8x - 8 + 3$$

$$0 = -2x^2 + 8x - 5$$

iii) turning point

$$x = -\frac{b}{2a}$$

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

$$x = 2$$

$$y = -2(2 - 2)^2 + 3$$

$$y = 3$$

$$\text{TP} = (2; 3)$$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$x = \frac{-8 \pm \sqrt{(8)^2 - 4(-2)(-5)}}{2(-2)}$$

$$x = \frac{4 \mp \sqrt{6}}{2}$$

$$x = 0.78 \quad \text{OR} \quad x = 3.22$$

$$(0.78; 0) \text{ and } (3.22; 0)$$

iv) axes of symmetry – N/A

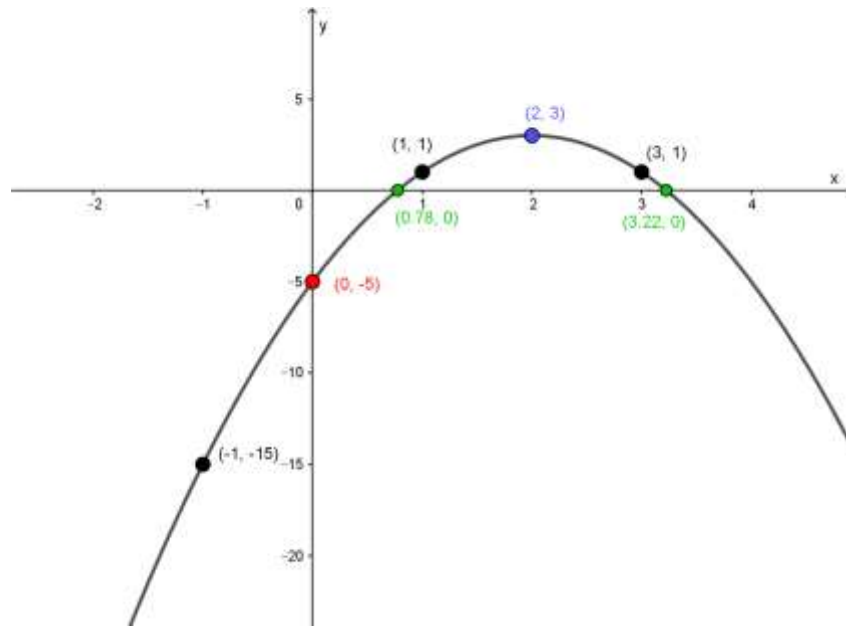
v) domain $\rightarrow -\infty < x < \infty$

vii) asymptotes – N/A

range $\rightarrow -\infty < y < 3$

vi) a table with points for $-3 \leq x \leq 3$

x	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3
y	-47	-29	-15	-5	1	3	1



viii)

c) $c(x) = 2x^2 - 12x + 9$

i) y-intercept

$$y = 2(0)^2 - 12(0) + 9$$

$$y = 9$$

$$(0; 9)$$

ii) x-intercept(s)

$$0 = 2x^2 - 12x + 9$$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$x = \frac{12 \pm \sqrt{(-12)^2 - 4(2)(9)}}{2(2)}$$

$$x = \frac{6 \pm 3\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$x = 5.12 \quad \text{OR} \quad x = 0.88$$

$$(5.12; 0) \text{ and } (0.88; 0)$$

iii) turning point

$$x = -\frac{b}{2a}$$

$$x = -\frac{-12}{2(2)} = 3$$

$$y = 2(3)^2 - 12(3) + 9$$

iv) axes of symmetry – N/A

$$y = -9$$

v) domain $\rightarrow -\infty < x < \infty$

$$(3; -9)$$

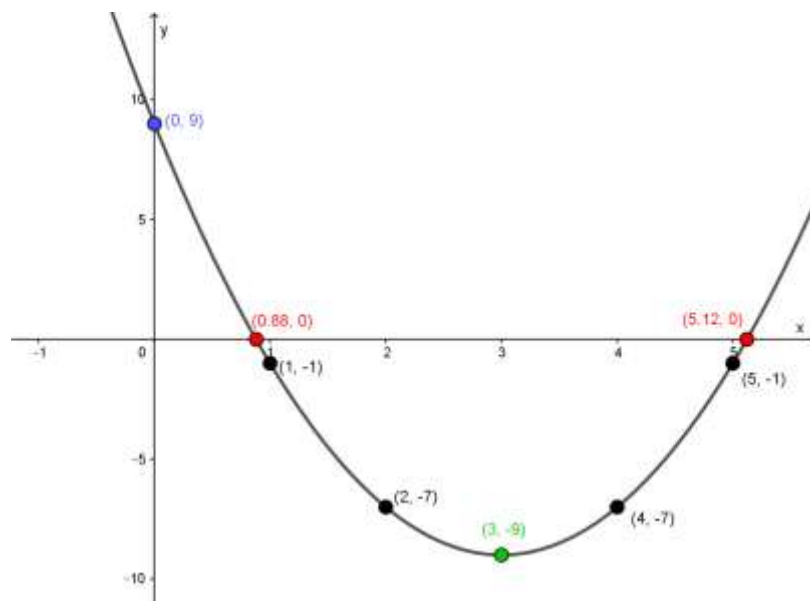
range $\rightarrow -9 < y < \infty$

vi)

x	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3	4*	5*
y	63	41	23	9	-1	-7	-9	-7	-1

* additional points added to show the symmetry of the graph

vii) asymptotes – N/A



viii)

d) $d(x) = -x^2 + 7x - 6$

i) y-intercept

$$y = -(0)^2 + 7(0) - 6$$

$$y = -6$$

$$\therefore (0; 6)$$

ii) x-intercept(s)

$$0 = -x^2 + 7x - 6$$

$$0 = x^2 - 7x + 6x$$

$$0 = (x - 1)(x - 6)$$

$$x = 1 \quad \text{OR} \quad x = 6$$

$$(1; 0) \text{ and } (6; 0)$$

iii) turning points

$$x = -\frac{b}{2a}$$

$$x = -\frac{7}{2(-1)}$$

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

$$y = -\left(3\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + 7\left(3\frac{1}{2}\right) - 6$$

$$y = 6\frac{1}{4}$$

iv) axes of symmetry – N/A

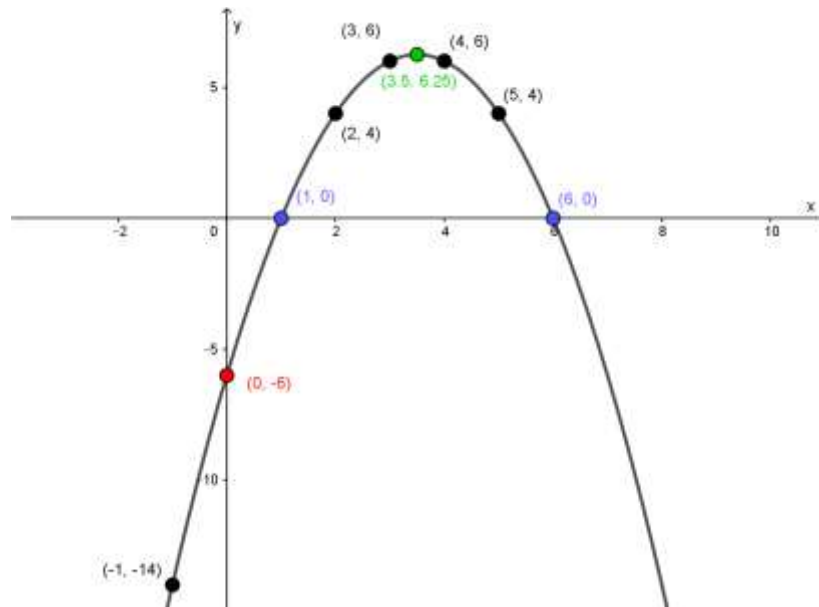
v) domain $\rightarrow -\infty < x < \infty$

range \rightarrow

vii) asymptotes – N/A

vi)

X	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3	4*	5*
y	-36	-24	-14	-6	0	4	6	6	4



viii)

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

i) y-intercept

$$y = -\frac{3}{0} + 4$$

Not possible, $x = 0$ is an

Asymptote

ii) x-intercept(s)

$$0 = -\frac{3}{x} + 4$$

$$-4 = -\frac{3}{x}$$

$$-4x = -3 \quad \therefore x = \frac{3}{4} \quad \left(\frac{3}{4}; 0\right)$$

iii) turning points

N/A

iv) axes of symmetry

$$m = + \text{or} - 1$$

Subs in (0; 4)

$$4 = +(0) + c \quad \text{OR} \quad 4 = -(0) + c$$

v) domain $\rightarrow x < 0$ and $x > 0$

$$c = 4$$

$$c = 4$$

range $\rightarrow y < 4$ and $y > 4$

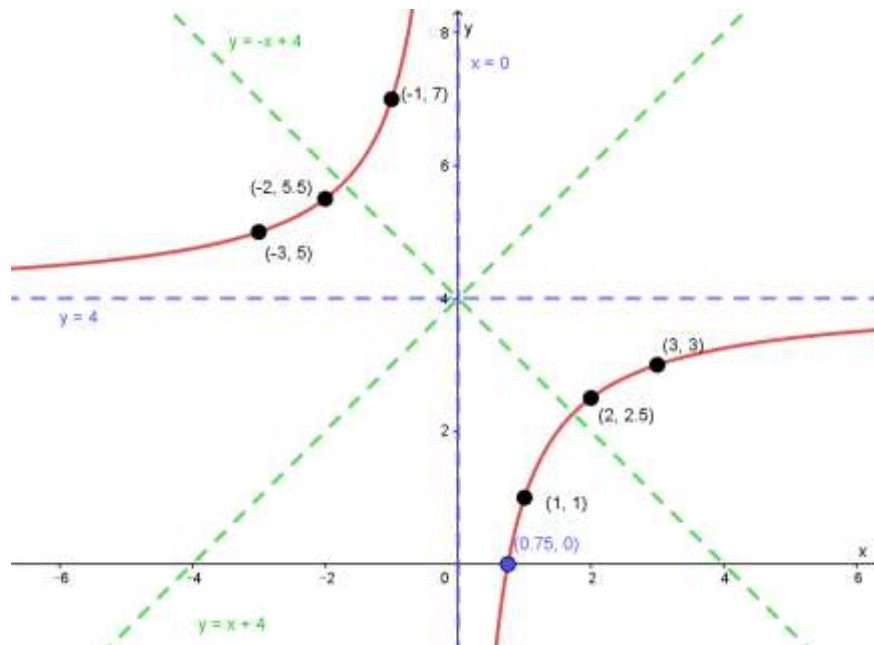
$$\therefore y = x + 4$$

$$\therefore y = -x + 4$$

vi)

x	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3
y	5	5.5	7	asymptote	1	2.5	3

vii) asymptotes $\rightarrow x = 0$, and $y = 4$



viii)

f) $f(x) = \frac{5}{x} - 9$

i) y-intercept

$$y = \frac{5}{0} - 9$$

No y-intercept

$X = 0$ is an asymptote

ii) x-intercept(s)

$$0 = \frac{5}{x} - 9$$

$$9 = \frac{5}{x}$$

$$9x = 5$$

$$x = \frac{5}{9}$$

iii) turning points

N/A

iv) axes of symmetry

$$m = + \text{or} - 1$$

Subs in (0; -9)

$$-9 = +(0) + c$$

$$-9 = -(0) + c$$

v) domain $\rightarrow x < 0, \text{ and } x > 0$

$$c = -9$$

$$c = -9$$

range $\rightarrow y < -9 \text{ and } y > -9$

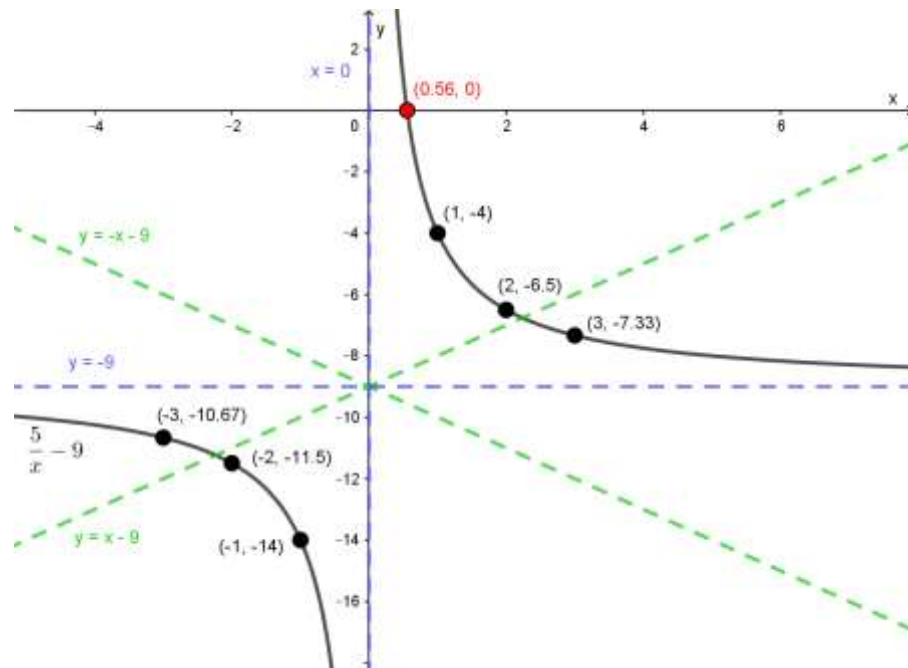
$$\therefore y = x - 9$$

$$\therefore y = -x - 9$$

vi)

x	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3
y	$-10\frac{2}{3}$	$-11\frac{1}{2}$	-14	Asymptote	-4	$-6\frac{1}{2}$	$-7\frac{1}{3}$

vii) asymptotes $\rightarrow x = 0 \text{ and } y = -9$



viii)

g) $g(x) = \frac{1}{x} + 2$

i) y-intercept

$$y = \frac{1}{0} + 2$$

No y-intercept

$x = 0$ is an asymptote

ii) x-intercept(s)

$$0 = \frac{1}{x} + 2$$

$$-2 = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$-2x = 1$$

$$x = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\left(-\frac{1}{2}; 0\right)$$

iii) turning points

N/A

iv) axes of symmetry

$$m = + \text{or} - 1$$

Subs in (0; 2)

$$2 = +(0) + c$$

$$2 = -(0) + c$$

v) domain $\rightarrow x < 0$ and $x > 0$

$$c = 2$$

$$c = 2$$

range $\rightarrow y < 2$ and $y > 2$

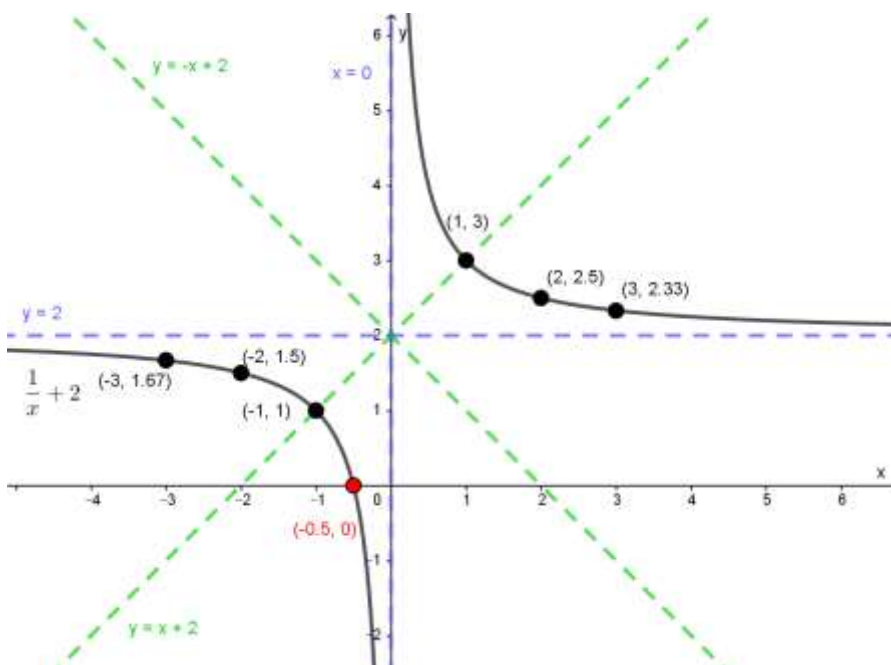
$$\therefore y = x + 2$$

$$\therefore y = -x + 2$$

vi)

x	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3
y	$1\frac{2}{3}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	1	asymptote	3	$2\frac{1}{2}$	$2\frac{1}{3}$

vii) asymptotes $\rightarrow x = 0$ and $y = 2$



viii)

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

i) y-intercept

$$y = \frac{-4}{0} - 3$$

No y-intercept

$x = 0$ is an asymptote

(can't divide by zero)

ii) x-intercept(s)

$$0 = \frac{-4}{x} - 3$$

$$3 = \frac{-4}{x}$$

$$3x = -4$$

$$x = \frac{-4}{3}$$

$$\left(\frac{-4}{3}, 0\right)$$

iii) turning points

N/A

iv) axes of symmetry

$$m = + \text{or} - 1$$

Subs in (0; -3)

$$-3 = +(0) + c$$

$$-3 = -(0) + c$$

v) domain $\rightarrow x < 0$ and $x > 0$

$$c = -3$$

$$c = -3$$

range $\rightarrow y < -3$ and $y > -3$

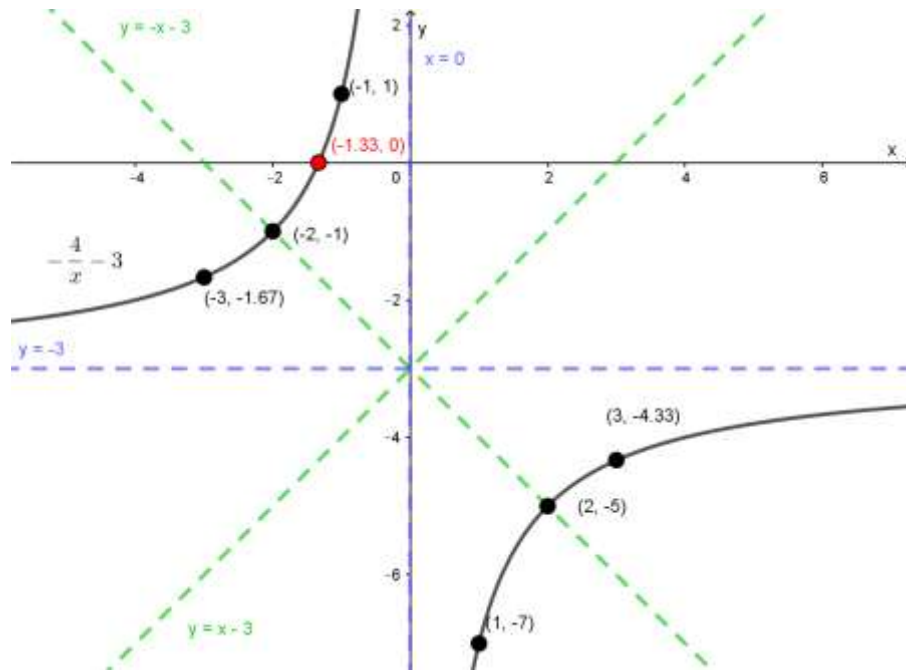
$$\therefore y = x - 3$$

$$\therefore y = -x - 3$$

vi)

x	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3
y	$-1\frac{2}{3}$	-1	1	asymptote	-7	-5	$-4\frac{1}{3}$

vii) asymptotes $x = 0$ and $y = -3$



viii)

i) $i(x) = 3.2^x + 4$

i) y-intercept

$$y = 3.2^0 + 4$$

$$y = 7$$

ii) x-intercept(s)

$$0 = 3.2^x + 4$$

$$-4 = 3.2^x$$

A positive base cannot have a negative answer, therefore there is no x-intercept.

iii) turning points

N/A

iv) axes of symmetry

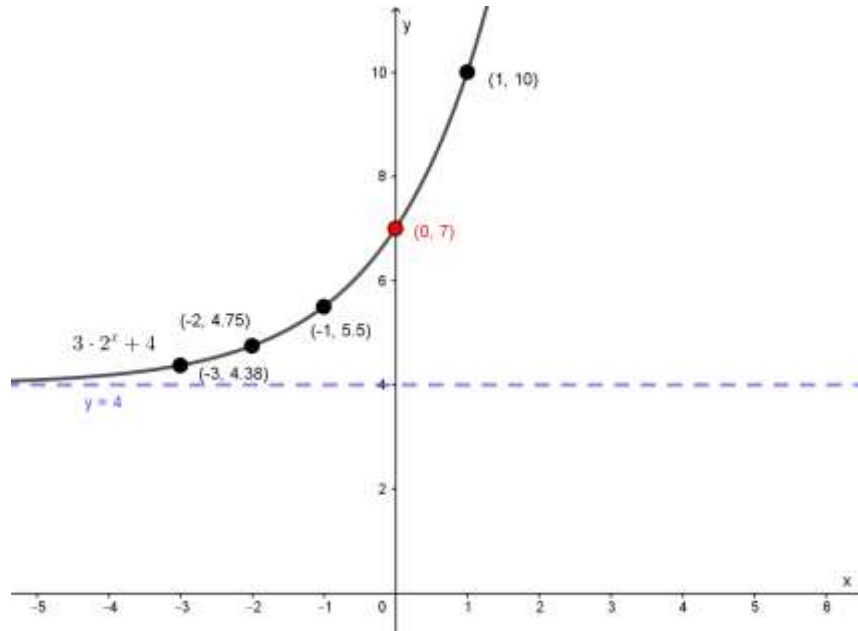
N/A

v) domain $\rightarrow -\infty < x < \infty$ range $\rightarrow y > 4$

vi)

x	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3
y	4.375	4.75	5.5	7	10	16	28

vii) asymptotes $\rightarrow y = 4$



viii)

j) $j(x) = -2.5^x - 1$

i) y-intercept

$$y = -2.5^0 - 1$$

$$y = -3$$

(0; -3)

ii) x-intercept(s)

$$0 = -2.5^x - 1$$

$$1 = -2.5^x$$

No x-intercept (as in i) above).

iii) turning points

N/A

iv) axes of symmetry

N/A

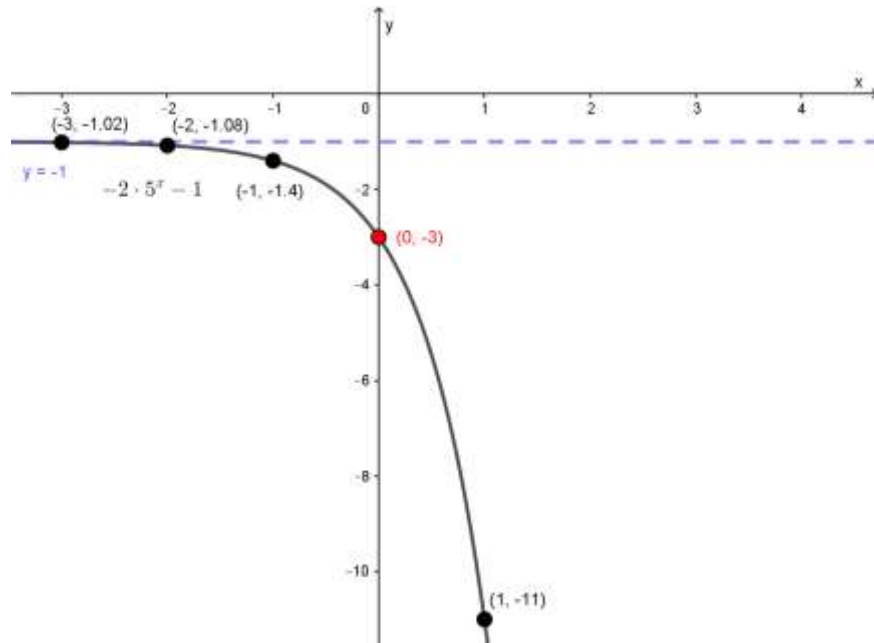
v) domain $\rightarrow -\infty < x < \infty$

range $\rightarrow y < -1$

vi)

x	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3
y	-1.016	-1.08	-1.4	-3	-11	-51	-251

vii) asymptotes $\rightarrow y = -1$



viii)

3. a) A parabola with turning point (1; 5) and intersecting the origin.

$$(1; 5) = (p; q) \text{ in } y = a(x - p)^2 + q$$

$$\therefore y = a(x - 1)^2 + 5$$

Subs in the second point (0; 0)

$$\therefore 0 = a(0 - 1)^2 + 5$$

$$\therefore -5 = a$$

$$\therefore \text{The equation is: } y = -5(x - 1)^2 + 5$$

b) A parabola with x-intercepts at $x = 3$ and $x = -4$ and y-intercept at $y = 5$.

$$x_1 = 3 \text{ and } x_2 = -4 \text{ in } y = a(x - x_1)(x - x_2)$$

$$\therefore y = a(x - 3)(x + 4) \quad \text{Subs in the second point (0; 5)}$$

$$\therefore 5 = a(0 - 3)(0 + 4)$$

$$\therefore 5 = -12a$$

$$\therefore a = -\frac{5}{12}$$

$$\therefore \text{The equation is: } y = -\frac{5}{12}(x - 3)(x + 4) = -\frac{5}{12}(x^2 + x - 12) = -\frac{5}{12}x^2 - \frac{5}{12}x + 5$$

- c) A hyperbola with an asymptote at $y = 2$ and point $(-1; 3)$ on the graph

$$y = 2 \text{ means that } q = 2 \text{ in } y = \frac{a}{x} + q$$

$$\therefore y = \frac{a}{x} + 2 \quad \text{Subs in } (-1; 3)$$

$$\therefore 3 = \frac{a}{-1} + 2$$

$$\therefore 1 = \frac{a}{-1}$$

$$\therefore a = -1$$

$$\therefore \text{The equation is: } y = \frac{-1}{x} + 2$$

- d) An exponential graph with the points $(1; 13)$, $(3; 685)$ and $(4; 4801)$

Subs in the various points:

$$13 = ab^1 + q$$

$$685 = ab^3 + q$$

$$4801 = ab^4 + q$$

$$q = 13 - ab$$

$$685 - 13 = ab^3 - ab$$

$$4801 - 685 = ab^4 - ab^3$$

$$672 = ab(b^2 - 1) \quad \dots(1)$$

$$4116 = ab^3(b - 1) \quad \dots(2)$$

Divide (2) by (1)

$$\therefore \frac{4116}{672} = \frac{ab^3(b-1)}{ab(b-1)(b+1)}$$

$$\therefore \frac{49}{8} = \frac{b^2}{b+1}$$

$$\therefore 49(b+1) = 8b^2$$

$$\therefore 8b^2 - 49b - 49 = 0$$

$$\therefore (8b+7)(b-7) = 0$$

$$\therefore b = -\frac{7}{8} \quad \text{or } b = 7$$

Since an exponential graph cannot have a negative base $b = -\frac{7}{8}$ is N/A

$$\text{Now } q = 13 - a(7) \quad \text{and} \quad 685 = a(7)^3 + q$$

$$\therefore q = 685 - 343a$$

Let $q = q$ then

$$13 - 7a = 685 - 343a$$

$$336a = 672$$

$$\therefore a = 2$$

And finally, $q = 13 - (2)(7) = -1$

The final equation is $\therefore y = 2 \cdot 7^x - 1$

- e) We have the two x-intercepts: (-4; 0) and (2; 0) and we substitute these into

$$y = a(x - x_1)(x - x_2)$$

$$\therefore y = a(x + 4)(x - 2) \quad \text{Subs in the other point (1; -10)}$$

$$\therefore -10 = a(1 + 4)(1 - 2)$$

$$\therefore -10 = -5a$$

$$\therefore a = 2$$

Subs back in:

$$\therefore y = 2(x + 4)(x - 2)$$

$$\therefore y = 2(x^2 + 2x - 8)$$

$$\therefore y = 2x^2 + 4x - 16$$

- f) We have a parabola with the y-intercept (0; 9) and the two points (-2; 5) and (1; 2)

Substitute in the y-intercept:

$$y = ax^2 + bx + c \quad c = 9$$

$$y = ax^2 + bx + 9$$

Subs in (-2; 5)

$$5 = a(-2)^2 + b(-2) + 9$$

$$\therefore -4 = 4a - 2b$$

$$\therefore -2 = 2a - b$$

$$\therefore b = 2a + 2 \quad \dots (1)$$

Subs in (1;2)

$$\therefore 2 = a(1)^2 + b(1) + 9$$

$$\therefore -7 = a + b \quad \dots (2)$$

Subs (1) into (2)

$$\therefore -7 = a + 2a + 2$$

$$\therefore -9 = 3a$$

$$\therefore a = -3$$

Subs back into (1)

$$\therefore b = 2(-3) + 2$$

$$\therefore b = -4$$

$$\therefore \text{The equation is: } y = -3x^2 - 4x + 9$$

- g) The graph is a hyperbola with an asymptote at $y = -3$ and the point $(2; -2)$

This means $q = -3$

Subs into the formula $y = \frac{a}{x} + q$

$$\therefore y = \frac{a}{x} - 3$$

Subs in the point $(2; -2)$

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

$$\therefore 1 = \frac{a}{2}$$

$$\therefore a = 2$$

$$\therefore \text{The equation is: } y = \frac{2}{x} - 3$$

h) The turning point is (3; 8) and one of the x-intercepts is (1; 0)

Subs into the turning point parabola formula: $y = a(x - p)^2 + q$

$$\therefore y = a(x - 3)^2 + 8$$

Subs in the second point (1; 0)

$$\therefore 0 = a(1 - 3)^2 + 8$$

$$\therefore -8 = 4a$$

$$\therefore a = -2$$

Subs back in:

$$\therefore y = -2(x - 3)^2 + 8 \quad \text{And simplify}$$

$$\therefore y = -2(x^2 - 6x + 9) + 8$$

$$\therefore y = -2x^2 + 12x - 18 + 8$$

$$\therefore \text{The equation is: } y = -2x^2 + 12x - 10$$

i) The graph is a hyperbola with asymptote at $y = 2$ and a point (-1; 4)

This means $q = 2$

Subs into the formula $y = \frac{a}{x} + q$

$$\therefore y = \frac{a}{x} + 2$$

Subs in the point (-1; 4)

$$\therefore 4 = \frac{a}{-1} + 2$$

$$\therefore 2 = \frac{a}{-1}$$

$$\therefore a = -2$$

$$\therefore \text{The equation is: } y = \frac{-2}{x} + 2$$

- j) The graph is an exponential graph with asymptote at $y = -1$, y-intercept at $(0; -3)$ and a second point at $(-1; -1.4)$

This means that $q = -1$

Subs into the formula $y = a \cdot b^x + q$

$$\therefore y = a \cdot b^x - 1$$

Subs in the y-intercept:

$$\therefore -3 = a \cdot b^0 - 1$$

$$\therefore -2 = a(1)$$

$$\therefore a = -2$$

$$\therefore y = -2 \cdot b^x - 1$$

Subs in the second point $(-1; -1.4)$:

$$\therefore -1.4 = -2b^{-1} - 1$$

$$\therefore -0.4 = \frac{-2}{b} = -\frac{2}{b}$$

$$\therefore b = 5$$

$$\therefore \text{The equation is: } y = -2.5^x - 1$$

4. a) Straight Line:

$$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} \quad \text{Subs in } (-1; 0) \text{ and } (2; -6)$$

$$\therefore m = \frac{0 - (-6)}{-1 - 2}$$

$$\therefore m = -2$$

Now we subs back into: $y = mx + c$

$$\therefore y = -2x + c \quad \text{Subs in point } (-1; 0)$$

$$\therefore 0 = -2(-1) + c$$

$$\therefore c = -2$$

$$\therefore y = -2x - 2$$

For the parabola $f(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$ we have the y-intercept at (0; -8)

$$\text{So } y = ax^2 + bx - 8$$

Subs in (-1; 0)

$$\therefore 0 = a(-1)^2 + b(-1) - 8$$

$$\therefore 8 = a - b$$

$$\therefore a = 8 + b \quad \dots (1)$$

Subs in (2; -6)

$$\therefore -6 = a(2)^2 + b(2) - 8$$

$$\therefore 2 = 4a + 2b \quad \dots (2)$$

Subs (1) into (2)

$$\therefore 2 = 4(8 + b) + 2b$$

$$\therefore 2 = 32 + 4b + 2b$$

$$\therefore -30 = 6b$$

$$\therefore b = -5$$

Subs back into (1)

$$\therefore a = 8 + (-5)$$

$$\therefore a = 3$$

$$\therefore \text{The equation for the parabola is: } y = 3x^2 - 5x - 8$$

b) $y = 3x^2 - 5x - 8$ Let $y = 0$

$$\therefore 0 = 3x^2 - 5x - 8$$

$$\therefore 0 = (3x - 8)(x + 1)$$

$$\therefore 3x - 8 = 0 \quad \text{OR} \quad x + 1 = 0$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{8}{3} = 2\frac{2}{3} \quad \text{OR} \quad x = -1 \quad \therefore \left(2\frac{2}{3}; 0\right) \text{ is the second x-intercept}$$

c) The y-intercept of the straight line is (0; -2)

The y-intercept of the parabola is (0; -8)

\therefore the distance between the two is 6 units. $(8 - 2)$

d) Find the turning point of the parabola.

$$x = -\frac{b}{2a}$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{-(-5)}{2(3)}$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{5}{6}$$

Subs back in to find y:

$$\therefore y = 3\left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^2 - 5\left(\frac{5}{6}\right) - 8$$

$$\therefore y = -10\frac{1}{12}$$

The turning point is $\therefore \left(\frac{5}{6}; -10\frac{1}{12}\right)$

e) If a second straight line is drawn from the point (0; -8) and the point (2; -6), determine the equation of this straight line, $h(x)$.

$$m = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} \quad \text{Subs in (0; -8) and (2; -6)}$$

$$\therefore m = \frac{-8 - (-6)}{0 - 2}$$

$$\therefore m = 1$$

Subs back into the equation $y = mx + c$:

$$\therefore y = 1x + c$$

$$c = -8 \quad (\text{the y-intercept})$$

\therefore The equation of the line is: $y = x - 8$

5. a) $f(x) = \frac{a}{x} + q$ and $y = 2$ is an asymptote so that $q = 2$

$$\therefore y = \frac{a}{x} + 2 \quad \text{Subs in the point A (-1; -1)}$$

$$\therefore -1 = \frac{a}{-1} + 2$$

$$\therefore -3 = \frac{a}{-1}$$

$$\therefore a = 3$$

The equation for f is $\therefore f(x) = \frac{3}{x} + 2$

For $h(x) = b^x + q$

Subs in C (0; 2)

$$\therefore 2 = b^0 + q$$

$$\therefore 2 = 1 + q$$

$$\therefore q = 1$$

$$\therefore y = b^x + 1 \quad \text{Subs in F (1; 4)}$$

$$\therefore 4 = b^1 + 1$$

$$\therefore 3 = b \quad \therefore \text{The equation of } h(x) \text{ is given by } h(x) = 3^x + 1$$

b) $\therefore m = + \text{ or } - 1 \quad \text{Subs in (0; 2)}$

$$\therefore 2 = +1(0) + c \quad \text{OR} \quad \therefore 2 = -1(0) + c$$

$$\therefore c = 2 \quad \therefore c = 2$$

The equations for the axes of symmetry are: $\therefore y = x + 2$ and $y = -x + 2$

c) $f(x)$ domain: $x < 0$ and $x > 0$

range: $y < 2$ and $y > 2$

$h(x)$ domain: $-\infty < x < \infty$

range: $y > 1$