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VCE Mathematical Methods ½
Functions & Relations II [0.8]
Workshop

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Section A: Recap

Set Operators

- Intersection: "AND".

$$A \cap B = \text{What values are in set } A \text{ AND in set } B.$$

- Union: "OR".

$$A \cup B = \text{What values are in set } A \text{ OR in set } B.$$

- Set difference: "Except".

$$A \setminus B = \text{What values are in set } A \text{ except those also in set } B.$$

Interval Notation

- Parentheses (non-inclusive):

$$x \in (a, b) \Rightarrow a < x < b$$

- Square brackets [inclusive]:

$$x \in [a, b] \Rightarrow a \leq x \leq b$$

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Maximal Domain

- The maximal domain is the biggest possible domain for a rule without committing a mathematical crime.
- In Methods, we need to consider 3 important rules:

$$\sqrt{z}, \quad z \geq 0$$

$$\log(z), \quad z > 0$$

$$\frac{1}{z}, \quad z \neq 0$$



Range

- The range is the possible value for the output of a function.



Functional Notation

$$f: \text{Domain} \rightarrow \text{Codomain}, f(x) = \text{Rule}$$

- Codomain is simply all the values the function works within.
- Codomain is **not** the same as range.



Piecewise (Hybrid) Functions

- Series of functions.

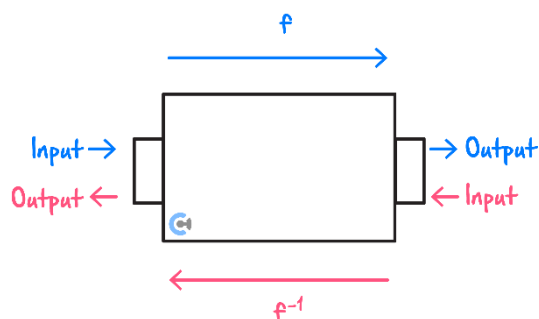
$$h(x) = \begin{cases} f(x), & \text{Domain}_1 \\ g(x), & \text{Domain}_2 \end{cases}$$

- Domain_1 and Domain_2 represent the x -values for which the two functions are defined.
- The two domains do not have to join!



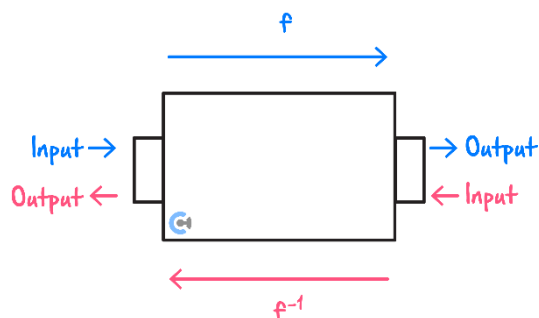
Inverse Relation

➤ **Definition:** Inverse is a relation that does the opposite.

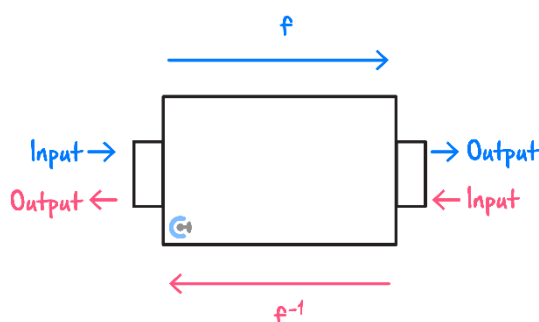


Solving for an Inverse Relation

➤ Swap x and y .



Domain and Range of Inverse Functions

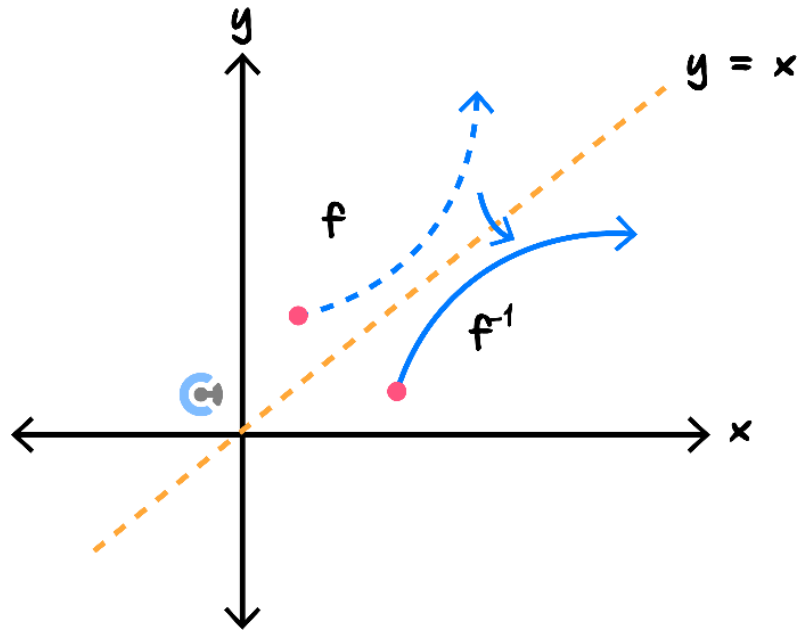


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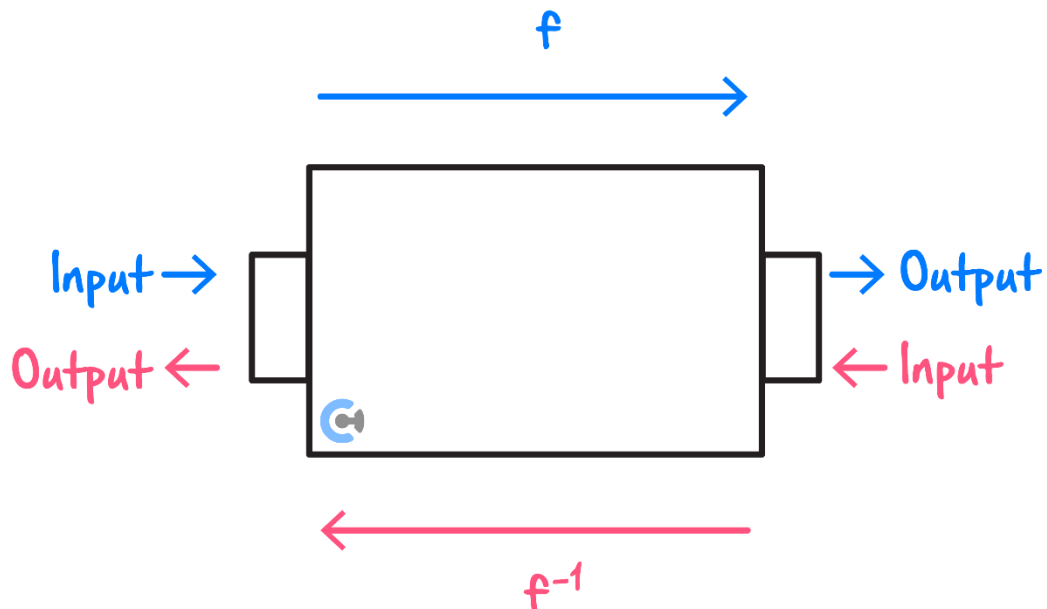
Symmetry of Inverse Functions



- Inverse functions are always symmetrical around $y = x$.



Validity of Inverse Functions

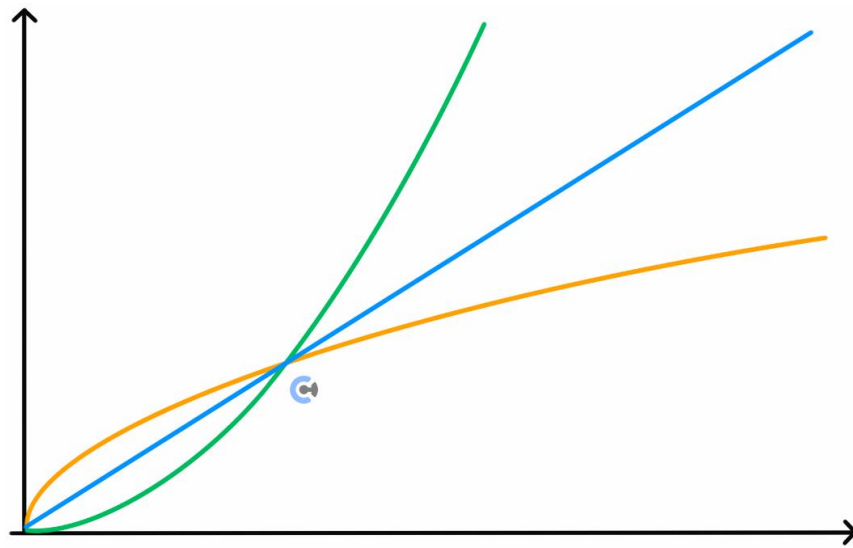


- Requirement for Inverse Function:

f needs to be 1:1.



Intersection between a Function and its Inverse



$$f(x) = x \quad \text{OR} \quad f^{-1}(x) = x$$

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Section B: Warm Up**Question 1**

For the sets $A = [-3, 5]$ and $B = (-6, 2]$, expressing the following in interval notation:

a. $A \cap B$.

b. $A \cup B$.

c. $A \setminus B$.

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Question 2

- a. Find the maximal domain of $f(x) = \sqrt{(x-3)(x+1)}$ expressing your answer in interval notation.

- b. Find the range of the function $f: [-2, 3) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = x^2 - 4$.

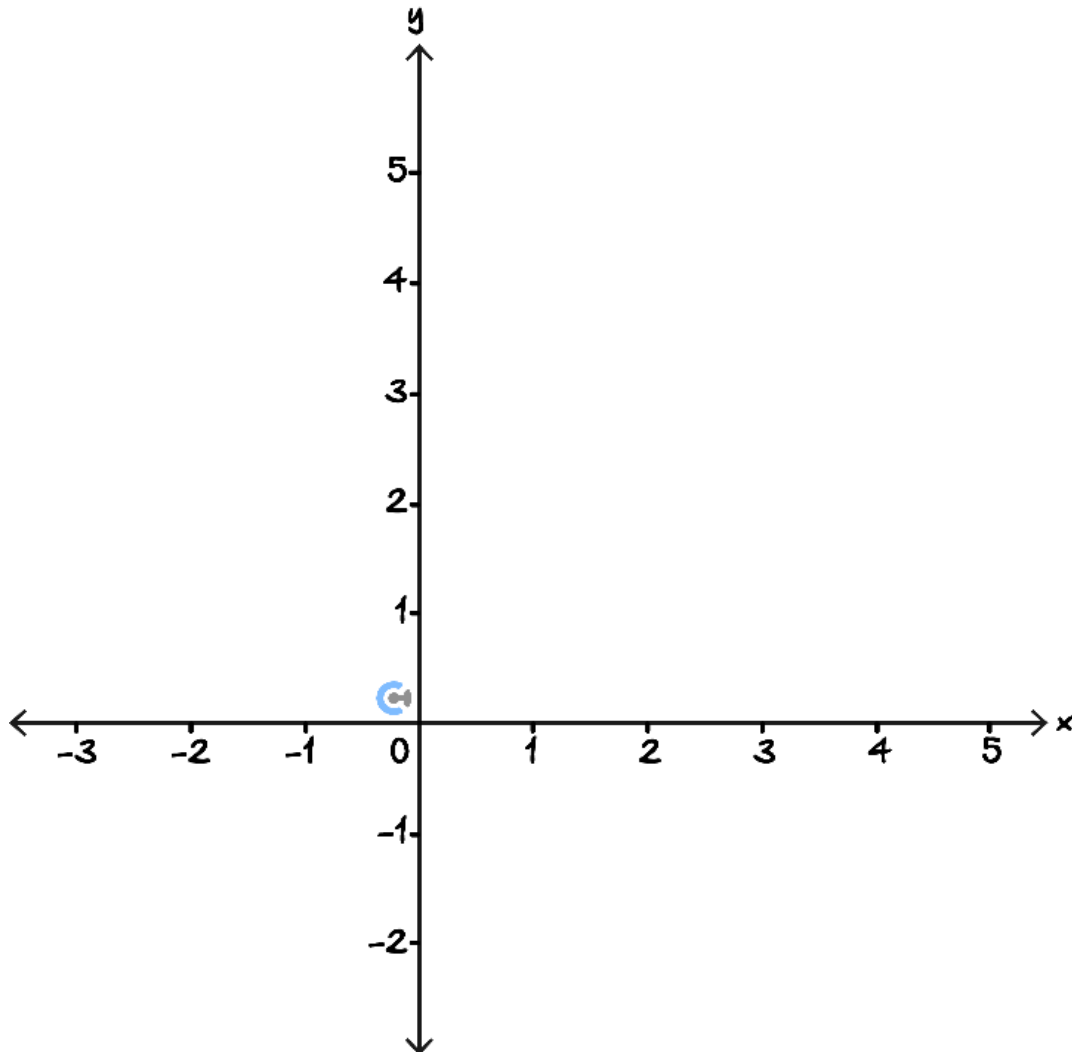
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Question 3

Consider the hybrid function f , where:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} (x-1)^2, & -1 \leq x \leq 1 \\ x-1, & 1 < x < 4 \end{cases}$$

- a. Sketch the graph of $y = f(x)$ on the axes below. Label endpoints and axes intercept with coordinates.



- b. Hence, state the range of f .

- c. State how many solutions $f(x) = 3$ has.

Question 4

Consider the function $f: [-2, 4] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = 2x - 2$.

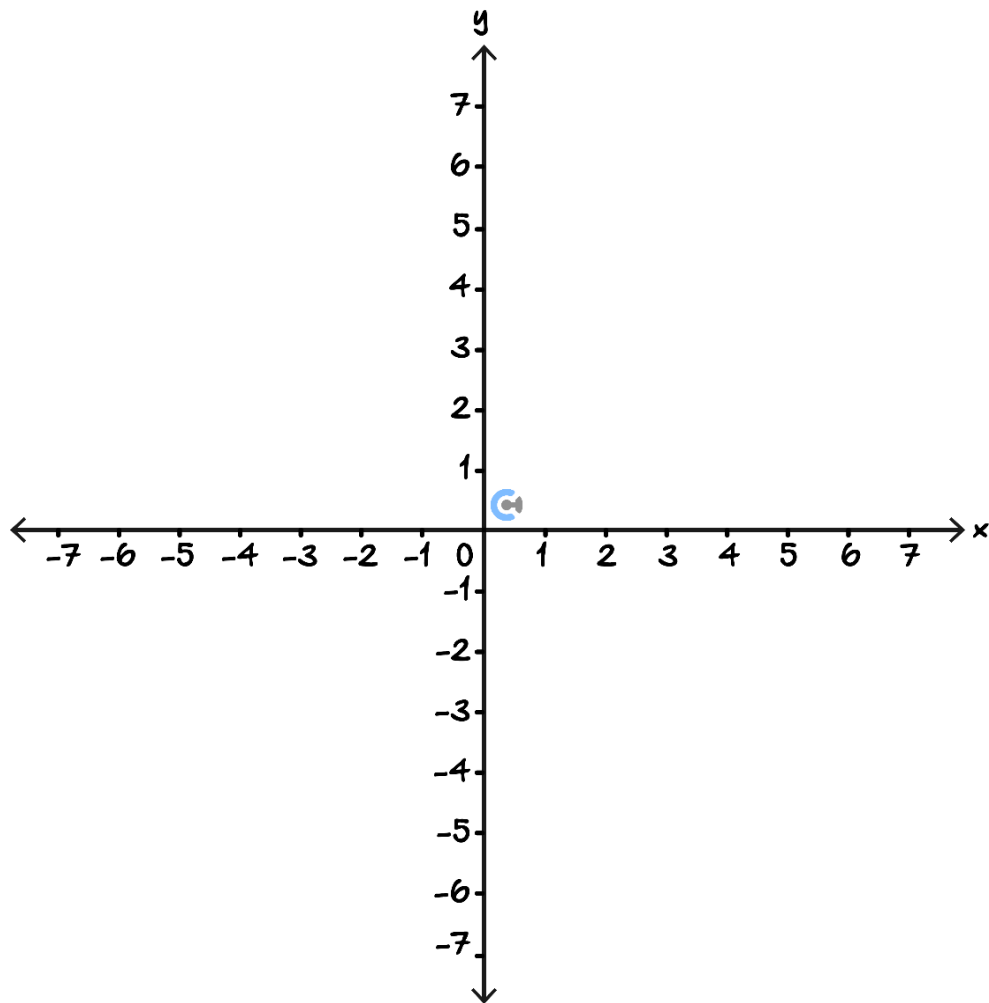
- a. Find the rule for the inverse function, f^{-1} .

- b. State the domain and range of f^{-1} .

- c. Hence, fully define the inverse function using functional notation.

- d. Find the point of intersection between f and f^{-1} .

e. Sketch the graphs of f and f^{-1} on the axes below.



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Section C: Exam 1 Questions (21 Marks)

INSTRUCTION: 21 Marks. 27 Minutes Writing.



Question 5 (2 marks)

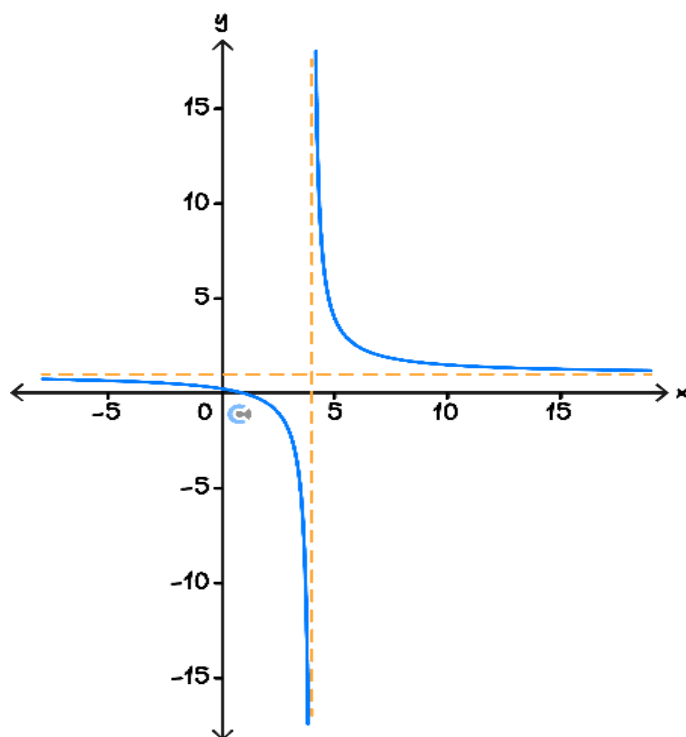
Consider the function $f: (-\infty, a] \cup [b, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 - 3}$.

Find all possible values of a and b such that $f(x)$ is defined.

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Question 6 (4 marks)

The figure below shows a graph of $y = \frac{3}{x-4} + 1, x \neq 4$.



- a.** State the equations for the horizontal and vertical asymptotes of the curve, marked as dotted lines in the figure. (1 mark)

The function f is defined as $f: (1, \infty) \setminus \{4\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = \frac{3}{x-4} + 1$.

- b.** State the range of $f(x)$. (1 mark)

- c.** Obtain an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$. (1 mark)

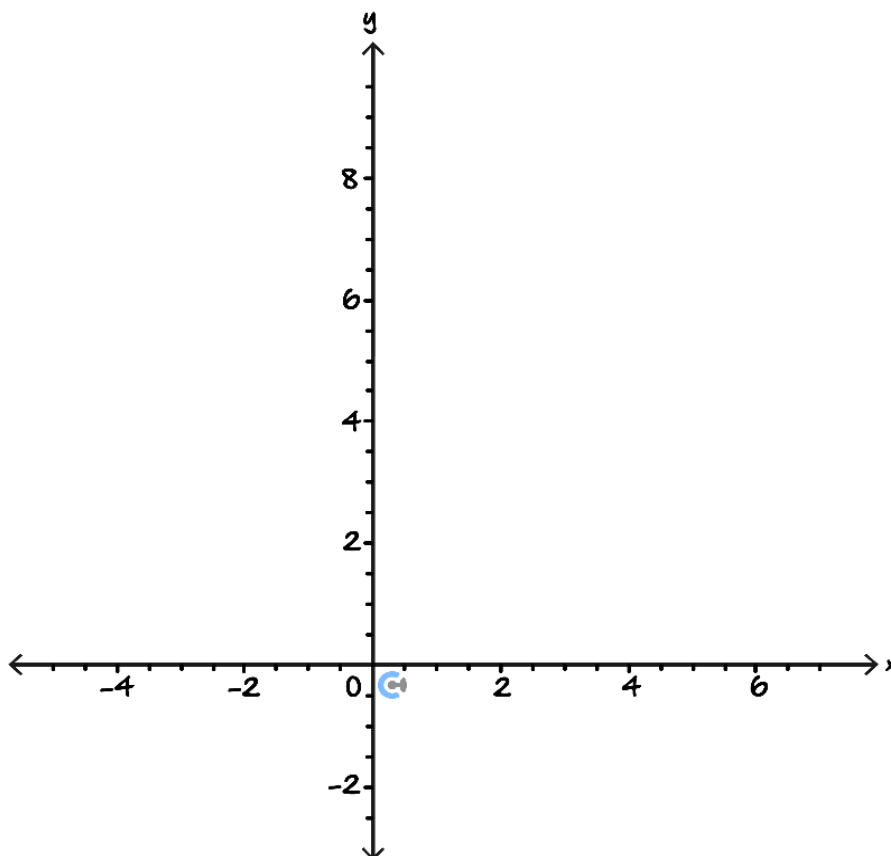
d. State the domain and range of $f^{-1}(x)$. (1 mark)

Question 7 (8 marks)

A function f has the definition:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} -2x + 1, & -4 < x < 0 \\ x^2 + 1, & 0 \leq x < 2 \\ 11 - 3x, & 2 \leq x \leq 4 \end{cases}$$

a. Draw the graph of $y = f(x)$ on the axes below. (3 marks)



b. Explain why f does not have an inverse function. (1 mark)

c. How many solutions are there to $f(x) = 0$? (1 mark)

d. State the range of $f(x)$. (1 mark)

e. Solve the equation $f(x) = 4$ for x . (2 marks)

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Question 8 (4 marks)

Consider the function $f(x) = \sqrt{3x - 7} + 4$, where f is defined over its maximal domain.

- a. Find the domain and the rule for the inverse function f^{-1} . (2 marks)

- b. Find an intersection between $f(x)$ and $f^{-1}(x)$. (2 marks)

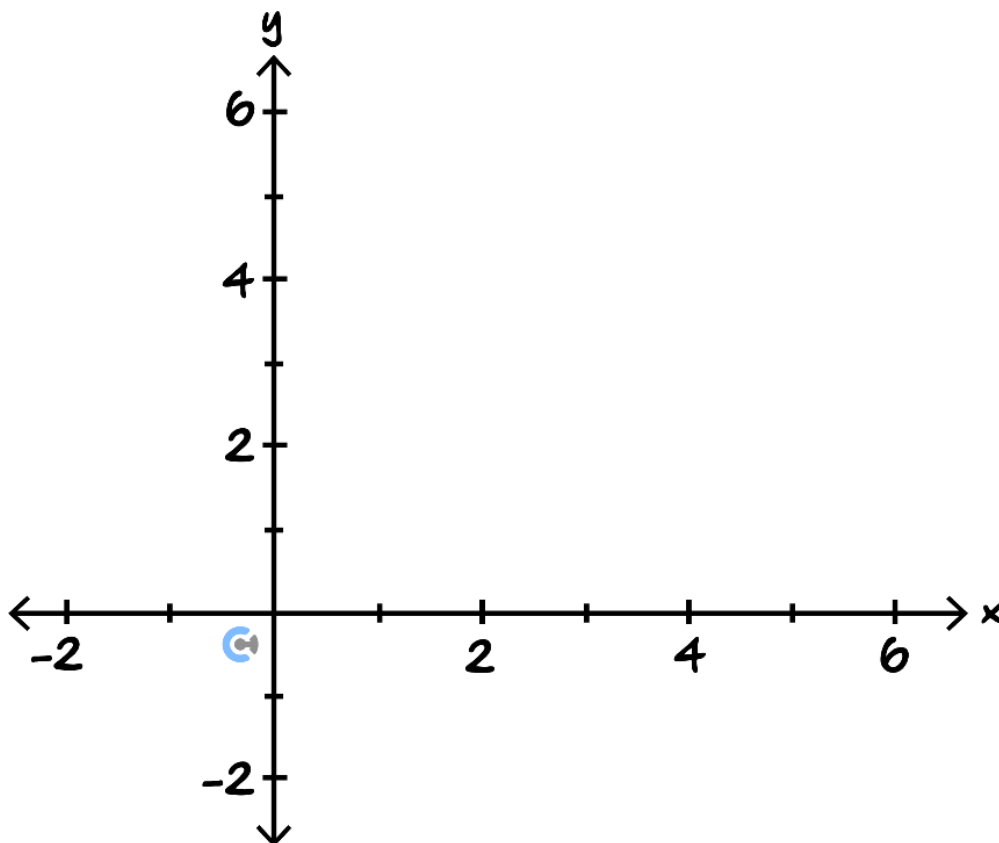
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Question 9 (3 marks)

In an effort to reduce the time her children spend in the shower, a mother introduced a penalty scheme with fines to be paid from the children's pocket money according to the following:

If someone spends more than 3 minutes in the shower, the fine in dollars is equal to the shower time in minutes; if someone spends up to and including 3 minutes in the shower, there is no fine. If someone chooses not to shower at all, there is a fine of \$5 because that child won't be nice to be near.

Define appropriate symbols, express the penalty scheme as a mathematical rule in hybrid form, and sketch the graph that represents it.



Section D: Tech Active Exam Skills

Calculator Commands: Finding Maximal Domain



➤ Mathematica

`FunctionDomain[func, x]`

➤ TI-Nspire

🔗 Type up the domain (or find it under the book button).

`domain(func,x)`

➤ Casio Classpad

🔗 Sketch the function and analyse.

Calculator Commands: Defining Hybrid Functions on CAS



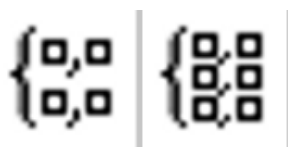
➤ Mathematica

🔗 Piecewise

`Piecewise[{{val1, cond1}, {val2, cond2}, ...}]`

Represents a piecewise function with values val_i in the regions defined by the conditions $cond_i$.

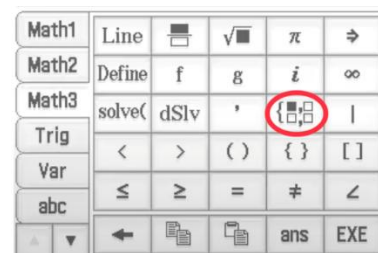
➤ TI-Nspire



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Calculator Commands: Finding the Equation of a Polynomial that Passes Through Points

- Given n points we can find a degree $n - 1$ polynomial that passes through all of these points.
- **Example:** Find the equation of the quadratic function that passes through the points (0,6), (2,2), and (3,3).
- **Ti:**

Define $f(x) = a \cdot x^2 + b \cdot x + c$

Done

solve($f(0)=6$ and $f(2)=2$ and $f(3)=3, a, b, c$)

$a=1$ and $b=-4$ and $c=6$

$f(x) | a=1$ and $b=-4$ and $c=6$

$x^2 - 4 \cdot x + 6$

- **Casio:**

define f(x) = a*x^2 + b*x + c

done

$\begin{cases} f(0)=6 \\ f(2)=2 \\ f(3)=3 \end{cases} | a, b, c$

$\{a=1, b=-4, c=6\}$

$f(x) | \{a=1, b=-4, c=6\}$

$x^2 - 4 \cdot x + 6$

□

- **Mathematica:**

In[9]:= $f[x_] := a x^2 + b x + c$

In[10]:= $\text{Solve}[f[0] == 6 \&\& f[2] == 2 \&\& f[3] == 3]$

Out[10]= $\{\{a \rightarrow 1, b \rightarrow -4, c \rightarrow 6\}\}$

In[11]:= $f[x] /. \{a \rightarrow 1, b \rightarrow -4, c \rightarrow 6\}$

Out[11]= $6 - 4 x + x^2$

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Section E: Exam 2 Questions (21 Marks)

INSTRUCTION: 21 Marks. 27 Minutes Writing.



Question 10 (1 mark)

The domain of the inverse of $\{(3, -2), (4, -7), (6, -9), (7, -11)\}$ is D . Which of the following statements is true?

- A. D is $\{x: -3 < x < 7\}$
- B. D is $\{x: 3 < x < 7\}$
- C. D is $\{-11, -9, -7, -2\}$
- D. D is $\{3, 4, 6, 7\}$

Question 11 (1 mark)

Which of the following does not have an inverse function?

- A. $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = 4x - 1$
- B. $f: [2, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = 2(x - 2)^2$
- C. $g: [-4, 4] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, g(x) = \sqrt{16 - x^2}$
- D. $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) = \frac{4}{x-3} + 1$

Question 12 (1 mark)

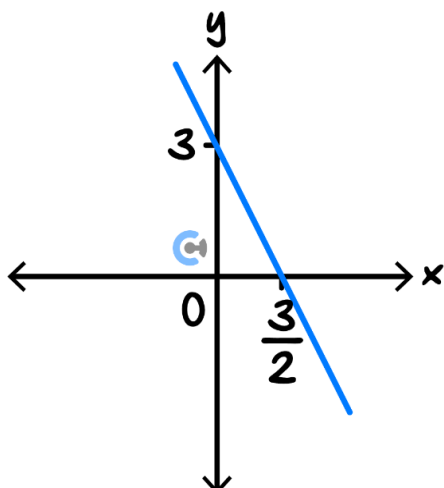
The data $(1, -5), (2, 4), (4, 6.25)$ can be modelled by the equation $y = a - \frac{b}{x^2}$. The values of a and b respectively are:

- A. 7 and 12.
- B. 12 and 7.
- C. -7 and -12.
- D. 7 and -12.

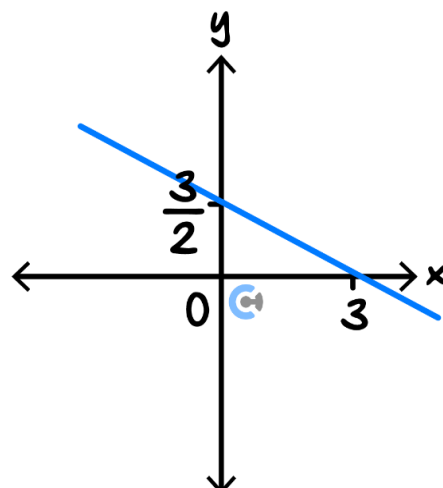
Question 13 (1 mark)

A sketch of the inverse of $f(x) = 2x - 3$ is:

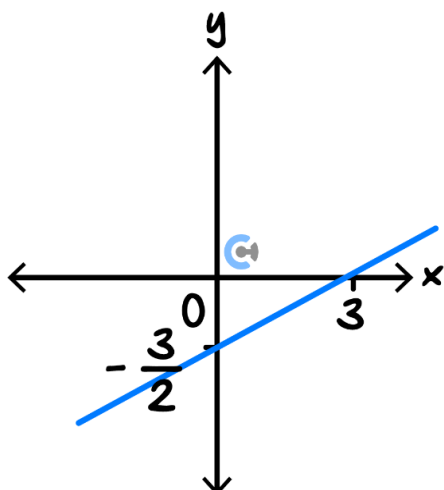
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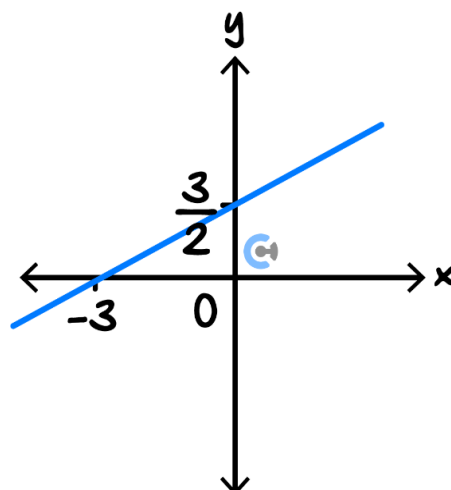
B.



C.



D.



Question 14 (1 mark)

The domain and the range for the graph with the equation $5 - y = -\frac{5}{(x-5)^2}$ respectively are:

- A. $\{x: x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{5\}\}$ and $\{y: y < 5\}$.
- B. $\{x: x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{5\}\}$ and $\{y: y > 5\}$.
- C. $\{x: x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{5\}\}$ and $\{y: y < -5\}$.
- D. $\{x: x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{5\}\}$ and $\{y: y > -5\}$.

Question 15 (1 mark)

Which of the following has an inverse which is a function?

A. $x^2 + y^2 = 4$

B. $y = \frac{12}{2x-1} - 3$

C. $y = \sqrt{6 - x^2}$

D. $y = 1$

Question 16 (1 mark)

The maximal domain of $y = \frac{-3x+6}{\sqrt{4x-7}}$ is:

A. $\mathbb{R} \setminus \left\{\frac{7}{4}\right\}$.

B. $\mathbb{R} \setminus \left\{\frac{7}{4}, 2\right\}$.

C. $\left[\frac{7}{4}, \infty\right)$.

D. $\left(\frac{7}{4}, \infty\right)$.

Question 17 (1 mark)

The graph of $y = x^2 - ax$ has a range of $[-4, \infty)$, where a is a positive constant. The value of a is:

A. 1.

B. 2.

C. 8.

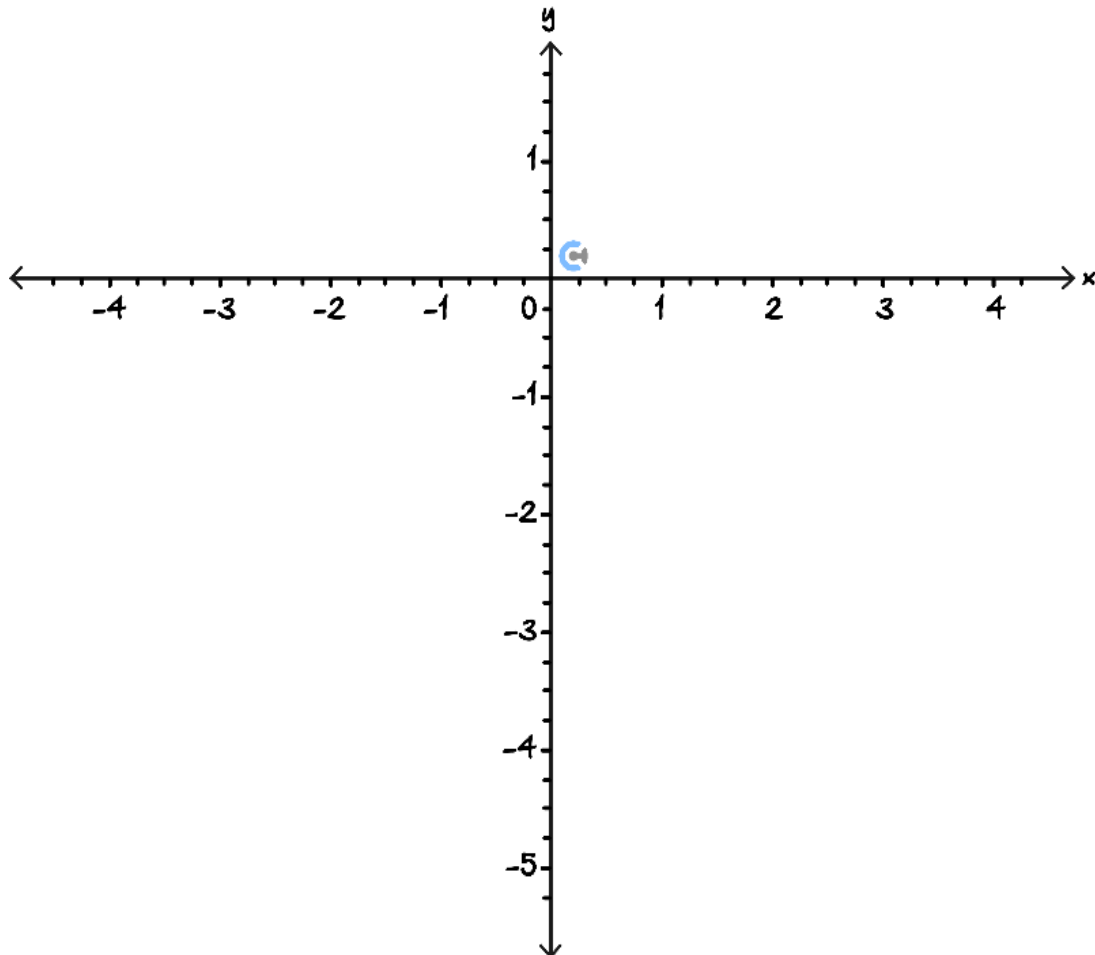
D. 4.

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Question 18 (8 marks)

a. Sketch the graph of $y = g(x)$. (2 marks)

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} -\sqrt{16 - x^2}, & -4 \leq x \leq 0 \\ -x^2 + 1, & x > 0 \end{cases}$$



b. State the range of g . (1 mark)

c. Solve for x :

i. $g(x) = 0$. (1 mark)

ii. $g(x) = -1$. (1 mark)

d. Find k if $g(x) = k$ has:

i. 0 solutions. (1 mark)

ii. 1 solution. (1 mark)

iii. 2 solutions. (1 mark)

Question 19 (5 marks)

If a rock falls from a height of 80 metres towards the surface of the Earth, the height, H (in metres) after t seconds is approximately $H(t) = 80 - \frac{7}{12}t^2$.

- a.** In general, quadratic functions are not one-to-one. However, the function H is one-to-one under its implied domain. Why? (1 mark)

- b.** Find the inverse of H , stating its domain and range given the scenario of the question. (3 marks)

- c.** Find how long it will take for the rock to fall 60 metres to 2 decimal places. (1 mark)

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Section F: Extension Exam 1 (11 Marks)

INSTRUCTION: 11 Marks. 11 Minutes Writing.



Question 20 (11 marks)

Consider the function $f(x) = \sqrt{6x - x^2} + 1$.

- a. Write $f(x)$ in the form $\sqrt{r^2 - (x - h)^2} + k$, and state the values of **positive** integers, r , h , and k . (1 mark)

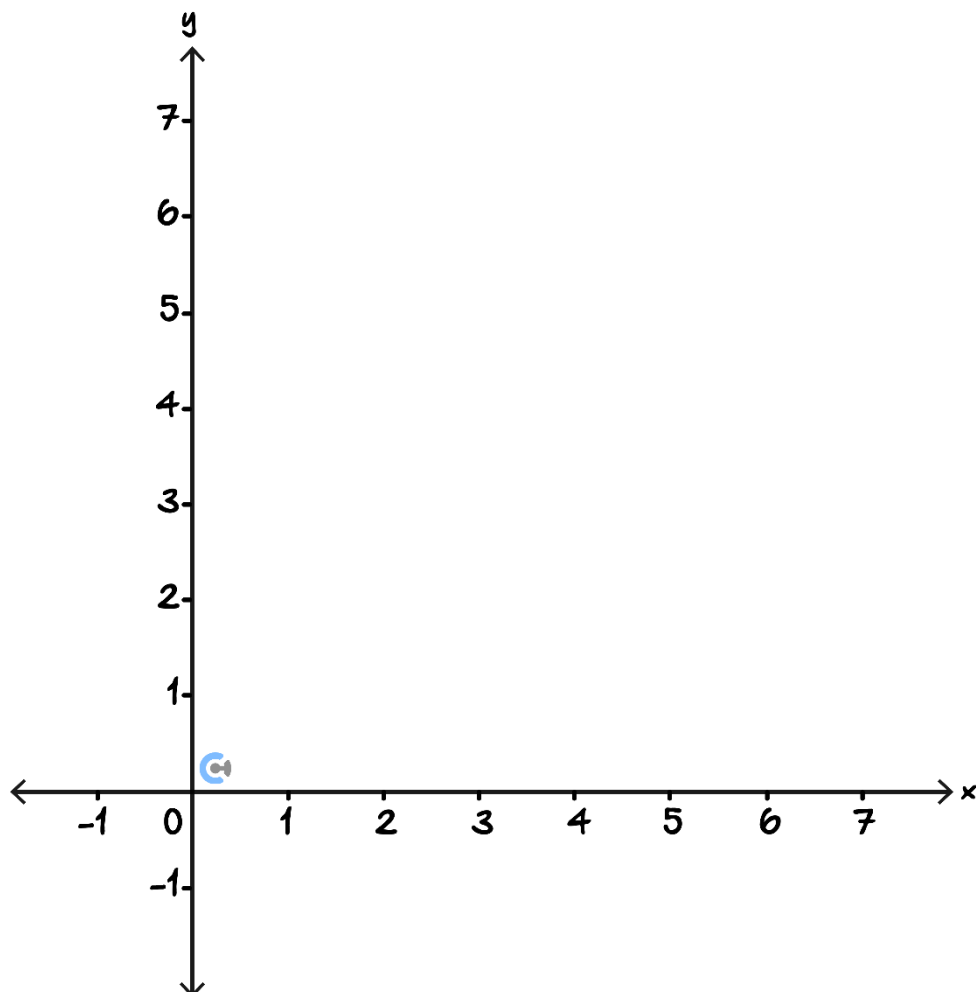
The function f has its domain restricted to $[a, 6]$ so that the inverse function f^{-1} exists.

- b. State the smallest possible value of a . (1 mark)

- c. Hence, define the inverse function f^{-1} . (3 marks)

- d. Find the point of intersection between f and f^{-1} . (2 marks)

- e. Sketch the graphs of f and f^{-1} on the axes below. Label all endpoints and points of intersection with coordinates. (2 marks)



- f. Consider all functions of the form $g: [0, r] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, g(x) = \sqrt{r^2 - x^2}$ where $r > 0$. State the x -values for all points of intersection of g and g^{-1} . (2 marks)

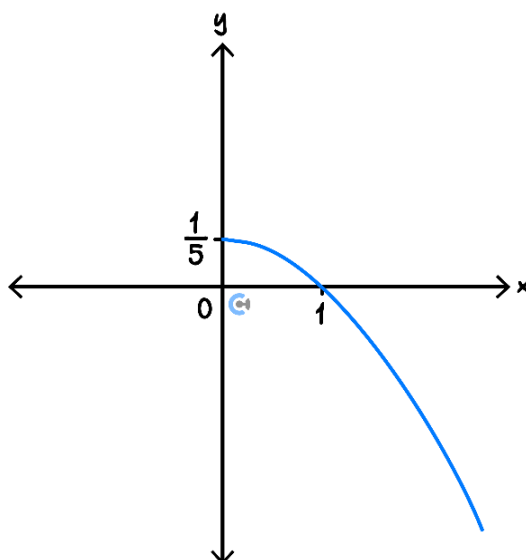
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Section G: Extension Exam 2 (13 Marks)

INSTRUCTION: 13 Marks. 13 Minutes Writing.



Question 21 (1 mark)



The graph above represents the inverse of:

- A. $f(x) = \sqrt{5-x}$.
- B. $f(x) = \frac{1}{5}\sqrt{1-x}$.
- C. $f(x) = \sqrt{1-5x}$.
- D. $f(x) = \sqrt{5x-1}$.

Question 22 (1 mark)

Which set of ordered pairs represents a function?

- A. $\{(1,7), (2,6), (4,3), (4,4), (12,6)\}$
- B. $\{(2,4), (2,5), (4,6), (4,7), (4,8)\}$
- C. $\{(0,4), (1,4), (2,4), (3,4), (4,4)\}$
- D. $\{(0,2), (0,3), (2,4), (3,5), (4,6)\}$

Question 23 (1 mark)

The maximal domain of

$$y = \frac{4x + 3}{\sqrt{x^2 - 2x - 8}}$$

is:

- A. $x \in [-2, 4]$.
- B. $x \in (-\infty, -2] \cup [4, \infty)$.
- C. $x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus [-2, 4]$.
- D. $x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus (-2, 4)$.

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Question 24 (10 marks)

Let $f(x) = \sqrt{x^2 + 8x - 20}$.

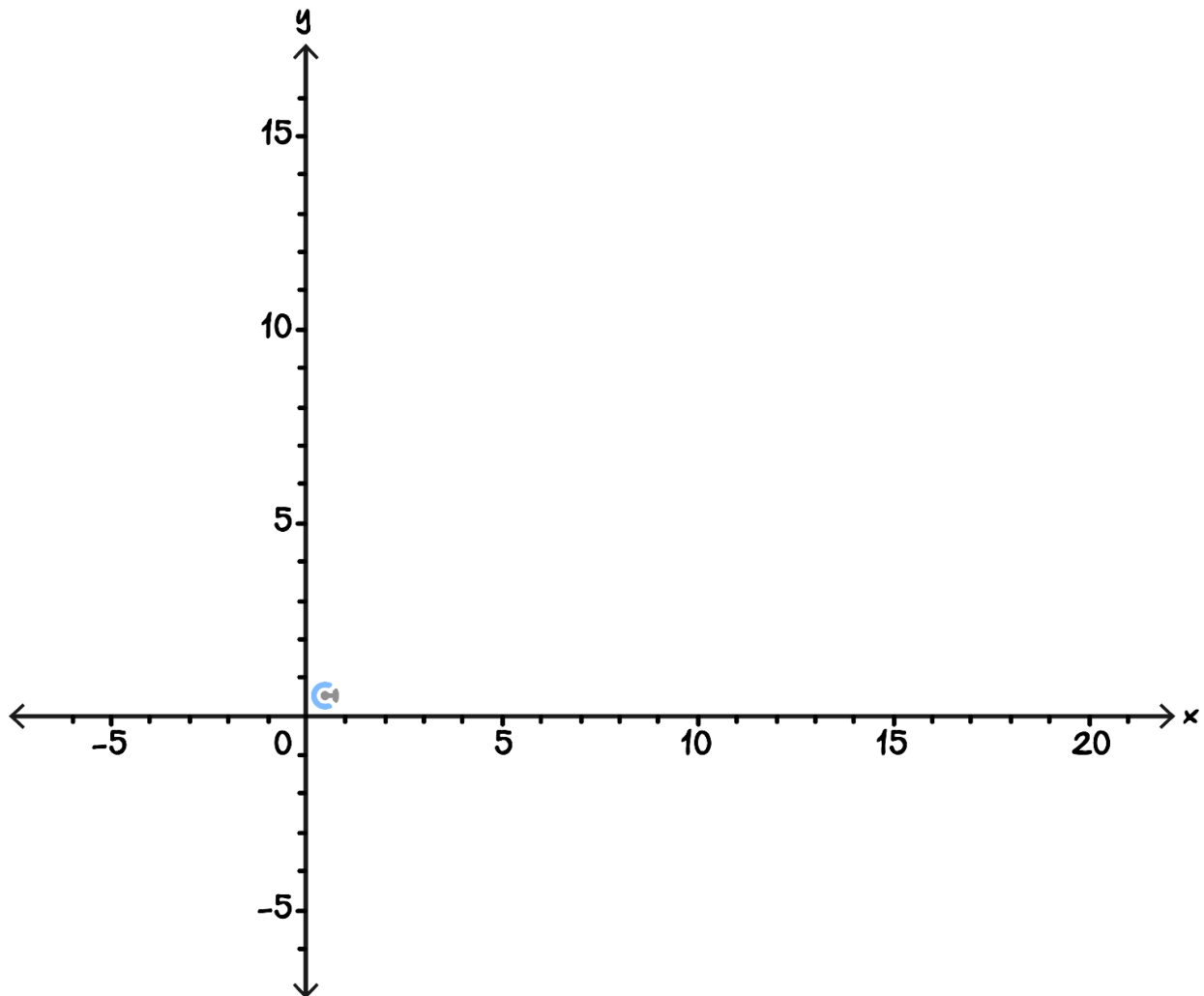
- a. Determine the maximal domain of f . (1 mark)

Let $g: [2, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, g(x) = f(x)$.

- b. What type of function is g ? (1 mark)

- c. Define g^{-1} , the inverse function of g . (2 marks)

- d. Sketch the graph of g and g^{-1} on the axes below. Label all axes intercepts and points of intersection with coordinates. (3 marks)



e. Now, let $h: [2, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}: [h^{-1}(x) = f(x) + k$, where k is a real number. Determine the values of k for which h and h^{-1} have a point of intersection. (3 marks)

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