

QUADRATIC FUNCTIONS

2.13 The functions f and g are defined for real values of x by

$$f(x) = \sqrt{x-1} - 3 \quad \text{for } x > 1,$$

$$g(x) = \frac{x-2}{2x-3} \quad \text{for } x > 2.$$

(i) Find $gf(37)$. [2]

(ii) Find an expression for $f^{-1}(x)$. [2]

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(i)	$f(37) = 3 \text{ or } gf(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x-1}-3-2}{2(\sqrt{x-1}-3)-3}$	B1	
	$gf(37) = \frac{3-2}{6-3} = \frac{1}{3}$	B1	
(ii)	$y = \sqrt{x-1}-3 \rightarrow (y+3)^2 = x-1$ $(x+3)^2 + 1 = f^{-1}(x) \text{ oe isw}$	M1	Rearrange and square in any order
		A1	Interchange x and y and complete
(iii)	$y = \frac{x-2}{2x-3}$ $2xy - 3y = x - 2 \rightarrow 2xy - x = 3y - 2$ $\frac{3x-2}{2x-1} = g^{-1}(x) \text{ oe}$	M1	Multiply and collect like terms
		A1	Interchange and complete Mark final answer

2.14

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$$f(x) = \frac{2}{x} + 1 \text{ for } x > 1,$$

$$g(x) = x^2 + 2.$$

Find an expression for

(i) $f^{-1}(x)$, [2]

(ii) $gf(x)$, [2]

(iii) $fg(x)$. [2]

(iv) Show that $ff(x) = \frac{3x+2}{x+2}$ and solve $ff(x) = x$.

[4]

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(i)	$x = \frac{2}{y} + 1 \rightarrow y = \frac{2}{x-1}$ $f^{-1}(x) = \frac{2}{x-1}$	M1	any valid method
		A1	
(ii)	$gf(x) = \left(\frac{2}{x} + 1\right)^2 + 2$	B2/1/0	-1 each error
(iii)	$fg(x) = \frac{2}{x^2 + 2} + 1$	B2/1/0	-1 each error
(iv)	$ff(x) = \frac{2}{\frac{2}{x} + 1} + 1 = \frac{2x}{x+2} + 1$ $= \frac{3x+2}{x+2}$ $\frac{3x+2}{x+2} = x \rightarrow x^2 - x - 2 = 0$ $(x-2)(x+1) = 0$ $x = 2 \text{ only}$	M1	correct starting expression
		A1	correct algebra to given answer
		M1	form and solve 3 term quadratic
		A1	