A2: EQUATIONS AND INEQUALITIES

- Conditions for a quadratic equation to have:
 - (i) two real roots
 - (ii) two equal roots
 - (iii) no real roots

and related conditions for a given line to:

- (i) intersect a given curve
- (ii) be a tangent to a given curve
- (iii) not intersect a given curve
- Solving simultaneous equations in two variables by substitution, with one of the equations being linear equation
- Solving quadratic inequalities, and representing the solution on the number line

1. Solve the simultaneous equations $x^{2} - xy + y^{2} - 7 = 0$ $y - 3x + 7 = 0$	[4]
2. Find the set of values of the constant k for which the curve $y = x^2 + 12x - 4k + 41$ lies completely above the line $y = kx + \frac{9}{4}k$.	[4]
3. A line has equation $y = 1 - 2x$ and a curve has equation $y = 3x^2 + x + 5$. Determine, with reasons, whether the line intersects, is a tangent to, or does not intersect the curve.	[3]
4. Find the coordinates of the points of intersection of the curve $x^2 + xy + 5 = 0$ and the line $3x + y = 3$.	[4]
5. Find the range of values of k such that the line $y = 2k + x$ intersects the curve $y^2 - xy - x^2 = 5$ at 2 distinct points.	[5]
6. Find the range of values of p given that $y = x^2 + (p - 1)x + 4$ is always positive.	[3]
7. The equation of a curve is $y = x^2 - 3x - 1$. Find the range of values of x for which $y + 3 > 0$.	[3]
8. Solve the simultaneous equations. $2x + y - 1 = 0$ $3x^{2} + 5xy - y^{2} + 3 = 0$	[5]

9. Find the set of values for which the curve $y = (3k - 2)x^2 + 6kx + (3k + 4)$ lies entirely above or below the x-axis.	[3]
10. Find the range of values of x for which $-2x^2 + x + 3$ is positive.	[3]
11. A line has equation $y = x + 2$ and the equation of a circle is $(x - 2)^2 + y^2 = 2$. Determine whether the line intersects, is a tangent to, or does not intersect the circle. Give a reason for your answer.	[3]
12. Solve the simultaneous equations $xy + x^{2} = 26$ $2y - x = 1$	[4]
13. Given that these simultaneous equations $x^2 + y^2 - 16 = 0$ $x - y = k$ have exactly one pair of solutions, show that $k = \pm p\sqrt{2}$, where p is an integer.	[6]
14. Solve the inequality $2x^2 + 6x + 13 < 3x(x - 2)$.	[3]
15. A line has equation $y = x - 7$ and a curve has equation $y = 3x^2 - 5x + 1$. Determine whether the line intersects, is a tangent to, or does not intersect the curve. Give a reason for your answer.	[3]
16. Find the coordinates of the points of intersection between the line $x + y = 4$ and the curve $2xy - y + 5x^2 = 8$.	[5]
17. The line $y = 3x + 2$ intersects the curve $xy = 2 + y$ at the points P and Q. Find the midpoint of the line PQ.	[5]
18. Find the smallest prime value of k for which the line $y = 2x + k$ cuts the curve $y = 3x^2 + 5x + 7$ at two distinct points.	[4]
19. Find the coordinates of the points of intersection of the line $y = 3x + 1$ and the curve $y = \frac{1}{x} - 1$.	[5]
20. Find the range of values of x for which $6x^2 > 47x - 52$.	[3]
21. Find the possible values of k for which the line $y = 2x + k$ will be a tangent to the curve $x^2 + y^2 = 5$.	[4]

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1. Solve the simultaneous equations

$$x^{2} - xy + y^{2} - 7 = 0$$
$$y - 3x + 7 = 0$$

$$x^{2} - xy + y^{2} - 7 = 0$$
 --- (1)
 $y = 3x - 7$ --- (2)

Sub(stitute) (2) to (1)

$$x^{2} - x(3x - 7) + (3x - 7)^{2} - 7 = 0$$

$$x^2 - 3x^2 + 7x + 9x^2 - 42x + 49 - 7 = 0$$

$$7x^2 - 35x + 42 = 0$$

$$7(x^2 - 5x + 6) = 0$$

$$7(x-3)(x-2)=0$$

$$x = 3 \text{ or } x = 2$$

$$y = 2 \text{ or } y = -1$$

2. Find the set of values of the constant k for which the curve

$$y = x^2 + 12x - 4k + 41$$
 lies completely above the line $y = kx + \frac{9}{4}k$.

$$x^2 + 12x - 4k + 41 = kx + \frac{9}{4}k$$
 \bigstar equate two expressions

$$x^{2} + 12x - kx - 4k - \frac{9}{4}k + 41 = 0$$
 \bigstar equate to 0

$$x^{2} + (12 - k)x - \frac{25}{4}k + 41 = 0$$

Discriminant
$$< 0$$
, $b^2 - 4ac < 0$

$$(12-k)^2-4(1)\left(-\frac{25}{4}k+41\right)<0$$
 \star $b^2-4ac<0$

$$144 - 24k + k^2 + 25k - 164 < 0$$

$$k^2 + k - 20 < 0$$

$$(k-4)(k+5) < 0 \bigstar$$
 factorise

$$-5 < k < 4$$

$$1 - 2x = 3x^2 + x + 5$$
 \bigstar equate two expressions

$$3x^2 + 3x + 4 = 0 \implies \text{equate to } 0$$

 $b^2 - 4ac$ \bigstar determine relation of the curve and line through the discriminant

$$= (3)^2 - 4(3)(4)$$

Since discriminant $(b^2 - 4ac) < 0$, the line does not intersect the curve.

4. Find the coordinates of the points of intersection of the curve $x^2 + xy + 5 = 0$ and the line 3x + y = 3.

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★ Apply simultaneous equations

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

$$y = 3 - 3x --- (2)$$

Sub(stitute) (2) to (1):

$$x^2 + x(3 - 3x) + 5 = 0$$

$$x^2 + 3x - 3x^2 + 5 = 0$$

$$-2x^2 + 3x + 5 = 0$$

$$(-2x + 5)(x + 1) = 0$$
 \bigstar Factorise

$$-2x = -5 \text{ or } x = -1$$

$$x = \frac{5}{2}$$
 or $x = -1$

$$y = -\frac{9}{2} \text{ or } y = 6$$

Therefore, the coordinates are (-1, 6) and $(\frac{5}{2}, -\frac{9}{2})$

5. Find the range of values of k such that the line y = 2k + x intersects the curve

Find the range of values of
$$k$$
 such that the line $y = 2k + x$ intersects the curve $y^2 - xy - x^2 = 5$ at 2 distinct points.

★ Apply simultaneous equations

$$y = 2k + x --- (1)$$

$$y^2 - xy - x^2 = 5$$
 --- (2)

Sub(stitute) (1) to (2):

$$(2k + x)^{2} - x(2k + x) - x^{2} = 5$$

$$4k^2 + 4kx + x^2 - 2kx - x^2 - x^2 = 5$$

$$-x^2 + 2kx + 4k^2 - 5 = 0$$

 \star For the line to intersect the curve at 2 distinct points, $b^2 - 4ac > 0$

$$(2k)^2 - 4(-1)(4k^2 - 5) > 0$$

$$4k^2 + 16k^2 - 20 > 0$$

$$20k^2 - 20 > 0$$

$$k^2 - 1 > 0$$

$$(k-1)(k+1) > 0$$

$$k < -1 \text{ or } k > 1$$

Hence, k < -1 or k > 1

6. Find the range of values of p given that $y = x^2 + (p-1)x + 4$ is always positive.

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 $\star b^2 - 4ac < 0$ (always positive)

$$(p-1)^2 - 4(1)(4) < 0$$

$$(p-1)^2 - 16 < 0$$

$$(p-1-4)(p-1+4) < 0$$

$$(p-5)(p+3)<0$$

$$-3$$

Hence, -3

7. The equation of a curve is $y = x^2 - 3x - 1$.
Find the range of values of x for which $y + 3 > 0$.

$$y + 3 > 0$$

$$x^2 - 3x - 1 + 3 > 0$$

$$x^2 - 3x + 2 > 0$$

$$(x-2)(x-1) > 0$$

$$x < 1 \text{ or } x > 2$$

[5]

8. Solve the simultaneous equations.

$$2x + y - 1 = 0$$

$$3x^2 + 5xy - y^2 + 3 = 0$$

$$y = 1 - 2x --- (1)$$

$$3x^2 + 5xy - y^2 + 3 = 0$$
 --- (2)

Sub(stitute) (1) to (2):

$$3x^{2} + 5x(1 - 2x) - (1 - 2x)^{2} + 3 = 0$$

$$3x^{2} + 5x - 10x^{2} - (1 - 4x + 4x^{2}) + 3 = 0$$

$$-7x^2 + 5x - 1 + 4x - 4x^2 + 3 = 0$$

$$-11x^2 + 9x + 2 = 0$$

$$(11x + 2)(-x + 1) = 0$$

$$x = -\frac{2}{11}$$
 or $x = 1$

$$y = \frac{15}{11}$$
 or $y = -1$

[3]

For a curve to be entirely above or below the x-axis, $b^2 - 4ac < 0$

$$(6k)^2 - 4(3k - 2)(3k + 4) < 0$$

$$36k^2 - 4(9k^2 + 12k - 6k - 8) < 0$$

$$36k^2 - 4(9k^2 + 6k - 8) < 0$$

$$36k^2 - 36k^2 - 24k + 32 < 0$$

$$-24k + 32 < 0$$

$$\frac{32}{24} < k$$

$$k > \frac{4}{3}$$

10. Find the range of values of x for which $-2x^2 + x + 3$ is positive.

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$$-2x^2 + x + 3 > 0$$
 \bigstar Ensure the coefficient of x^2 is positive

$$2x^2 - x - 3 < 0$$

$$(2x-3)(x+1)<0$$

$$-1 < x < \frac{3}{2}$$

11. A line has equation y = x + 2 and the equation of a circle is $(x - 2)^2 + y^2 = 2$. Determine whether the line intersects, is a tangent to, or does not intersect the circle. Give a reason for your answer.

[3]

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

Sub(stitute) (2) to (1):

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

$$x^2 - 4x + 4 + x^2 + 4x + 4 = 2$$

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

$$b^2 - 4ac$$

$$=(0)^2-4(2)(6)$$

$$=-48 (<0)$$

$$b^2 - 4ac < 0$$
, line does not intersect the curve

$$xy + x^2 = 26$$
$$2y - x = 1$$

$$xy + x^2 = 26 --- (1)$$

$$2y - 1 = x --- (2)$$

Sub (2) to (1):

$$(2y - 1)(y) + (2y - 1)^2 = 26$$

$$2y^2 - y + 4y^2 - 4y + 1 = 26$$

$$6y^2 - 5y + 1 - 26 = 0$$

$$6y^2 - 5y - 25 = 0$$

$$(2y - 5)(3y + 5) = 0$$

$$y = \frac{5}{2}$$
 or $y = -\frac{5}{3}$

$$x = 4 \text{ or } x = -\frac{13}{3}$$

When
$$y = \frac{5}{2}, x = 4$$

When
$$y = -\frac{5}{3}$$
, $x = -\frac{13}{3}$

[4]

13. Given that these simultaneous equations

$$x^2 + y^2 - 16 = 0$$
$$x - y = k$$

have exactly one pair of solutions, show that $k = \pm p\sqrt{2}$, where p is an integer.

$$x^2 + y^2 - 16 = 0$$
 --- (1)

$$x - k = y --- (2)$$

$$x^2 + (x - k)^2 - 16 = 0$$

$$x^2 + x^2 - 2kx + k^2 - 16 = 0$$

$$2x^2 - 2kx + k^2 - 16 = 0$$

$$b^2 - 4ac = 0$$

$$(-2k)^2 - 4(2)(k^2 - 16) = 0$$

$$4k^2 - 8k^2 + 128 = 0$$

$$-4k^2 + 128 = 0$$

$$4k^2 = 128$$

$$k^2 = 32$$

$$k = \pm \sqrt{2 \times 16}$$

$$k = \pm 4\sqrt{2}$$

14. Solve the inequality $2x^2 + 6x + 13 < 3x(x - 2)$.

$$2x^2 + 6x + 13 < 3x^2 - 6x$$

$$-x^2 + 12x + 13 < 0$$

$$x^2 - 12x - 13 > 0$$
 \bigstar Ensure the coefficient of x^2 is positive

$$(x-13)(x+1) > 0 \star Factorise$$

$$x < -1 \text{ or } x > 13$$

[6]

[3]

[3]

 $3x^2 - 5x + 1 = x - 7$ \bigstar equate two expressions

$$3x^2 - 6x + 8 = 0 \implies \text{equate to } 0$$

 $b^2 - 4ac$ \bigstar determine relation of the curve and line through the discriminant

$$= (-6)^2 - 4(3)(8)$$

$$=-60 (< 0)$$

Since the discriminant is less than 0, the line and the curve do not meet.

[5]

16. Find the coordinates of the points of intersection between the line x + y = 4 and the curve $2xy - y + 5x^2 = 8$.

$$y = 4 - x --- (1)$$

$$2xy - y + 5x^2 = 8 --- (2)$$

Sub (1) to (2):

$$2x(4-x) - (4-x) + 5x^2 = 8$$

$$8x - 2x^2 - 4 + x + 5x^2 = 8$$

$$3x^2 + 9x - 12 = 0$$

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

$$(x+4)(x-1)=0$$

$$x = -4 \text{ or } x = 1$$

$$y = 8 \text{ or } y = 3$$

The points of intersection are (-4, 8) and (1, 3)

17.	The li	ine j	<i>y</i> =	3x	+	2 intersect	s the	curve	хy	=	2	+	y at the points P and Q.
	Find	the	midp	oint	of	f the line P	Q.						

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

$$xy = 2 + y --- (2)$$

Sub (1) to (2)

$$x(3x + 2) = 2 + 3x + 2$$

$$3x^2 + 2x = 3x + 4$$

$$3x^2 - x - 4 = 0$$

$$(3x-4)(x+1)=0$$

$$x = \frac{4}{3}$$
 or $x = -1$

$$y = 6 \text{ or } y = -1$$

$$\left(\frac{4}{3}, 6\right)$$
 and $(-1, -1)$

Midpoint of PQ =
$$\left(\frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2}\right)$$

Midpoint of PQ =
$$\left(\frac{\frac{4}{3}-1}{2}, \frac{6-1}{2}\right)$$

Midpoint of PQ =
$$\left(\frac{1}{6}, 2\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

18. Find the smallest prime value of
$$k$$
 for which the line $y = 2x + k$ cuts the curve $y = 3x^2 + 5x + 7$ at two distinct points.

$$3x^{2} + 5x + 7 = 2x + k$$
$$3x^{2} - 3x + 7 - k = 0$$

$$\star$$
 For the line to intersect the curve at 2 distinct points, $b^2 - 4ac > 0$

$$(-3)^2 - 4(3)(7 - k) > 0$$

$$9 - 84 + 12k > 0$$

$$12k - 75 > 0$$

$$k > 6\frac{1}{4}$$

The smallest prime value of k = 7

20. Find the range of values of x for which $6x^2 > 47x - 52$.

 $6x^{2} - 47x + 52 > 0$ (2x - 13)(3x - 4) > 0

 $x < 1\frac{1}{3} \text{ or } x > 6\frac{1}{2}$

21. Find the possible values of k for which the line y = 2x + k will be a tangent to the curve $x^2 + y^2 = 5$.

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[3]

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

$$y = 2x + k --- (2)$$

Sub (2) to (1)

$$x^2 + (2x + k)^2 = 5$$

$$x^2 + 4x^2 + 4kx + k^2 = 5$$

$$5x^2 + 4kx + k^2 - 5 = 0$$

For one real root, $b^2 - 4ac = 0$

$$(4k)^2 - 4(5)(k^2 - 5) = 0$$

$$16k^2 - 20k^2 + 100 = 0$$

$$-4k^2 + 100 = 0$$

$$k^2 = 25$$

$$k = \pm 5$$