

**Question 5** (7 marks)

Consider the function  $f: [-1, 3] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $f(x) = 3x^2 - x^3$ .

- a. Find the coordinates of the stationary points of the function.

2 marks

$$f(-1) = 3(-1)^2 - (-1)^3 = 3 + 1 = 4 \quad \therefore (-1, 4)$$

$$f(3) = 3 \times (3)^2 - 3^3 = 0 \quad \therefore (3, 0)$$

$$f'(x) = 6x - 3x^2$$

For stationary points,  $f'(x) = 0$

$$0 \quad \therefore 3x(2-x) = 0$$

$$x = 0, 2 \quad f(0) = 0$$

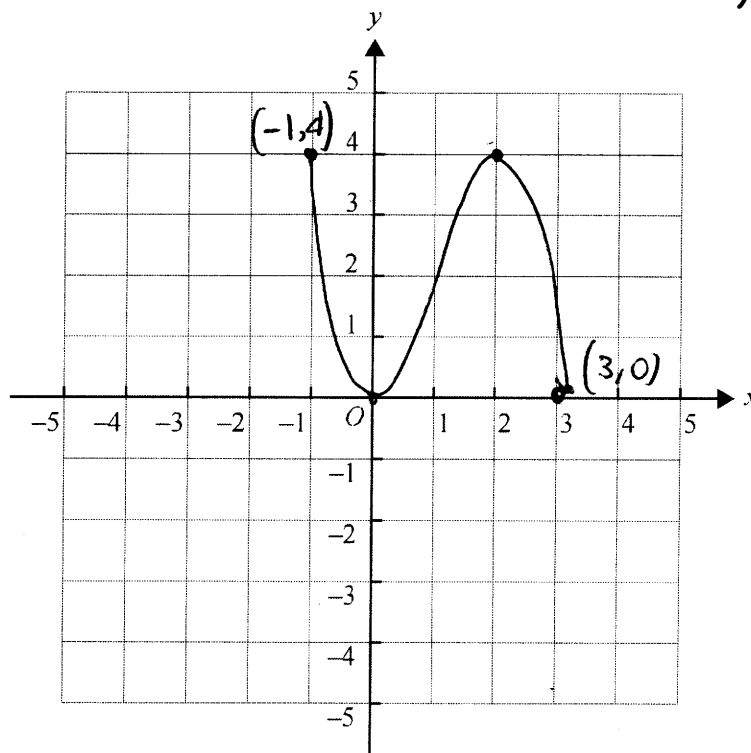
$$f(2) = 3 \times 2^2 - 2^3$$

$$= 12 - 8 = 4$$

2 marks

$$\therefore (2, 4)$$

- b. On the axes below, sketch the graph of  $f$ .  
Label any end points with their coordinates.



Question 2 (2 marks)

Solve  $\log_e(x) - 3 = \log_e(\sqrt{x})$  for  $x$ , where  $x > 0$ .

$$\log_e x - \log_e \sqrt{x} = 3$$

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

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

$$\log_e x = 6$$

$$x = e^6$$

Question 3 (3 marks)

Let  $f: (3, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  where  $f(x) = \log_e\left(\frac{x-3}{2}\right) + 5$ .

a. Find  $f^{-1}(x)$ .

$$x = \log_e\left(\frac{y-3}{2}\right) + 5$$

$$x - 5 = \log_e\left(\frac{y-3}{2}\right)$$

$$e^{x-5} = \frac{y-3}{2}$$

$$\therefore y = 2e^{x-5} + 3$$

$$\therefore f^{-1}: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f^{-1}(x) = 2e^{x-5} + 3$$

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| dom(f)        | ran(f)       |
| $(3, \infty)$ | $\mathbb{R}$ |

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|-----------------|-----------------|
| dom( $f^{-1}$ ) | ran( $f^{-1}$ ) |
| $\mathbb{R}$    | $(3, \infty)$   |

b. Find  $g(f(x))$ , where  $g(x) = f^{-1}(x)$ . (2 marks)

$$f^{-1}(f(x)) = 3 + 2e^{\log_e\left(\frac{x-3}{2}\right) + 5 - 5}, \text{ where } x > 3$$

$$= 2e^{\log_e\left(\frac{x-3}{2}\right)} + 3$$

$$= 2 \times \left(\frac{x-3}{2}\right) + 3$$

$$= x - 3 + 3 = x, \quad x > 3$$