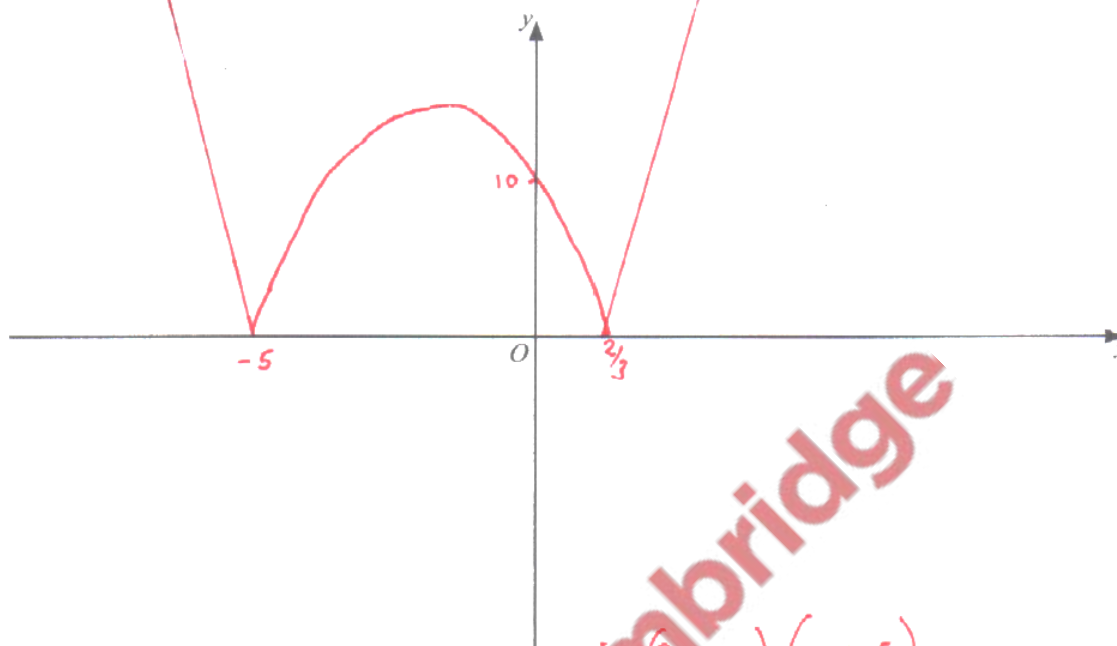


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- (a) On the axes, draw the graph of  $y = |3x^2 + 13x - 10|$ , stating the coordinates of the points where the graph meets the axes. [4]



When  $x=0$ ,  $y = |3(0) + 13(0) - 10|$   
 $= |-10|$   
 $= 10$

$\Rightarrow (3x - 2)(x + 5) = 0$   
 $3x - 2 = 0$ ,  $x + 5 = 0$   
 $x = \frac{2}{3}$ ,  $x = -5$

When  $y=0$ ,  $0 = 3x^2 + 13x - 10$

- (b) Find the set of values of the constant  $k$  such that the equation  $k = |3x^2 + 13x - 10|$  has exactly 2 distinct roots. [4]

$k = 3x^2 + 13x - 10$

$\Rightarrow 3x^2 + 13x - 10 - k = 0$   
 $3x^2 + 13x - (10 + k) = 0$

If there are exactly 2 distinct roots,

the discriminant  $b^2 - 4ac > 0$

$b = 13$ ,  $a = 3$ ,  $c = -(10 + k)$

$13^2 - 4(3)(-(10 + k)) > 0$

$169 + 12(10 + k) > 0$

Consider  $169 + 12(10 + k) = 0$

$\Rightarrow 169 + 120 + 12k = 0$  [4]

$289 + 12k = 0$

$\Rightarrow \frac{12k}{12} = \frac{-289}{12}$

$k = \frac{-289}{12}$  or  $-24.1$

$\therefore$  Critical value is  $\frac{-289}{12}$

$\Rightarrow$  For the inequality  $169 + 12(10 + k) > 0$

$k > \frac{289}{12}$  or  $k > 24.1$   
 and

$k = 0$

- (a) Show that  $2x^2 + x - 15$  can be written in the form  $2(x+a)^2 + b$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are exact constants to be found. [2]

$$2x^2 + x - 15 = 2 \left[ x^2 + \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{15}{2} \right]$$

Using Completing Square method

$$2 \left[ x^2 + \frac{1}{2}x + \left(\frac{1}{2}b\right)^2 - \left(\frac{1}{2}b\right)^2 - \frac{15}{2} \right]$$

$$2 \left[ \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{2}x + \left(\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\right)^2\right) - \left(\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\right)^2 - \frac{15}{2} \right]$$

$$2 \left[ \left(x^2 + \frac{1}{2}x + \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2\right) - \frac{1}{16} - \frac{15}{2} \right]$$

$$2 \left[ \left(x + \frac{1}{4}\right)^2 - \frac{121}{16} \right]$$

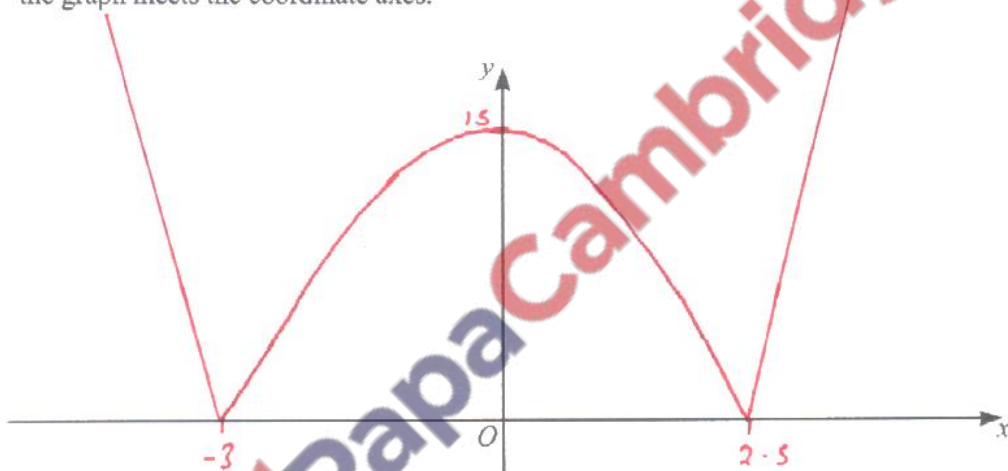
$$2 \left(x + \frac{1}{4}\right)^2 - \left(2 \times \frac{121}{16}\right)$$

$$= 2 \left(x + \frac{1}{4}\right)^2 - \frac{121}{8}$$

- (b) Hence write down the coordinates of the stationary point on the curve  $y = 2x^2 + x - 15$ . [2]

From (a)  $\left(-\frac{1}{4}, -\frac{121}{8}\right)$

- (c) On the axes, sketch the graph of  $y = |2x^2 + x - 15|$ , stating the coordinates of the points where the graph meets the coordinate axes. [3]



When  $x = 0$ ,  $y = |0 + 0 - 15| = 15$

When  $y = 0$ ,

$$0 = 2 \left(x + \frac{1}{4}\right)^2 - \frac{121}{8}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \left(x + \frac{1}{4}\right)^2 = \frac{121}{8}$$

$$\left(x + \frac{1}{4}\right)^2 = \frac{121}{8} = \frac{121}{16}$$

$$\Rightarrow x + \frac{1}{4} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{121}{16}} = \pm \frac{11}{4}$$

$$x = -\frac{1}{4} \pm \frac{11}{4}$$

$$\therefore x = -3, 2.5$$

- (d) Write down the value of the constant  $k$  for which the equation  $|2x^2 + x - 15| = k$  has 3 distinct solutions. [1]

From (a)  $|2x^2 + x - 15| = \left| 2 \left(x + \frac{1}{4}\right)^2 - \frac{121}{8} \right| = k$

$$\therefore k = \left| \frac{-121}{8} \right| = \frac{121}{8}$$

(a) Write  $3x^2 + 15x - 20$  in the form  $a(x+b)^2 + c$  where  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  are rational numbers. [4]

$$\begin{aligned}
 3x^2 + 15x - 20 &= 3 \left[ x^2 + \frac{15x}{3} - \frac{20}{3} \right] &= 3 \left[ \left( x^2 + 5x + \left( \frac{5}{2} \right)^2 \right) - \left( \frac{5}{2} \right)^2 - \frac{20}{3} \right] \\
 &= 3 \left[ x^2 + 5x - \frac{20}{3} \right] &= 3 \left[ \left( x + \frac{5}{2} \right)^2 - \frac{25}{4} - \frac{20}{3} \right] \\
 \text{Using Completing Square method} & &= 3 \left[ \left( x + \frac{5}{2} \right)^2 - \frac{155}{12} \right] \\
 3 \left[ x^2 + 5x + \left( \frac{1}{2}b \right)^2 - \left( \frac{1}{2}b \right)^2 - \frac{20}{3} \right] & &= 3 \left( x + \frac{5}{2} \right)^2 - \left( 3 \times \frac{155}{12} \right) \\
 \text{where } b &= 5 &= 3 \left( x + \frac{5}{2} \right)^2 - \frac{155}{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) State the minimum value of  $3x^2 + 15x - 20$  and the value of  $x$  at which it occurs. [2]

From (a), the minimum value is  $-\frac{155}{4}$  and it occurs when  $x$  is  $-\frac{5}{2}$

(c) Use your answer to part (a) to solve the equation  $3y^{\frac{2}{3}} + 15y^{\frac{1}{3}} - 20 = 0$ , giving your answers correct to three significant figures. [3]

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{From (a)} \quad 3x^2 + 15x - 20 &= 3 \left( x + \frac{5}{2} \right)^2 - \frac{155}{4} \\
 3y^{\frac{2}{3}} + 15y^{\frac{1}{3}} - 20 &= 0 \Rightarrow y^{\frac{1}{3}} = x \\
 &\Rightarrow 3 \left( y^{\frac{1}{3}} + \frac{5}{2} \right)^2 - \frac{155}{4} = 0 \\
 3 \left( y^{\frac{1}{3}} + \frac{5}{2} \right)^2 &= \frac{155}{4} \\
 \left( y^{\frac{1}{3}} + \frac{5}{2} \right)^2 &= \frac{155}{4} = \frac{155}{12} \\
 \Rightarrow y^{\frac{1}{3}} + \frac{5}{2} &= \pm \sqrt{\frac{155}{12}} \\
 y^{\frac{1}{3}} &= -\frac{5}{2} \pm \sqrt{\frac{155}{12}} \\
 \therefore y &= \left( -\frac{5}{2} \pm \sqrt{\frac{155}{12}} \right)^3 \\
 \Rightarrow y &= \left( -\frac{5}{2} - \sqrt{\frac{155}{12}} \right)^3 = -226, \quad y = \left( -\frac{5}{2} + \sqrt{\frac{155}{12}} \right)^3 = 1.31 \\
 \therefore y &= -226, \quad y = 1.31
 \end{aligned}$$