

10.

$$x^2 + 2x + 3 \equiv (x + a)^2 + b.$$

- (a) Find the values of the constants a and b . (2)
- (b) Sketch the graph of $y = x^2 + 2x + 3$, indicating clearly the coordinates of any intersections with the coordinate axes. (3)
- (c) Find the value of the discriminant of $x^2 + 2x + 3$. Explain how the sign of the discriminant relates to your sketch in part (b). (2)

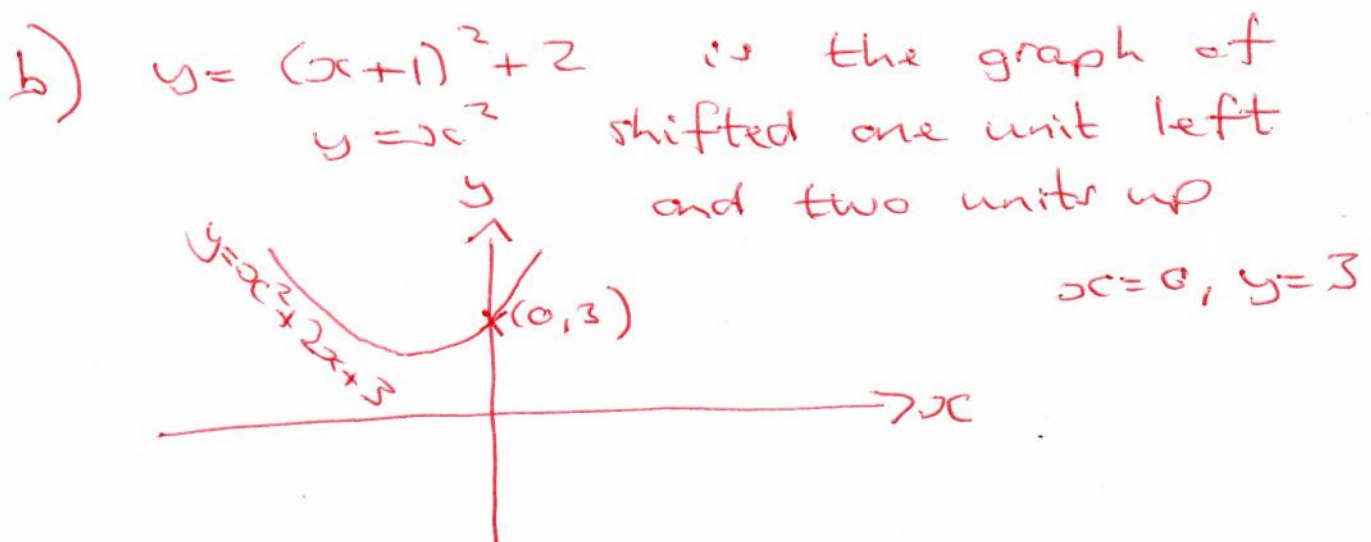
The equation $x^2 + kx + 3 = 0$, where k is a constant, has no real roots.

- (d) Find the set of possible values of k , giving your answer in surd form. (4)

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Completing the square END

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } x^2 + 2x + 3 &= (x+1)^2 - 1 + 3 \\ &= (x+1)^2 + 2 \\ &\text{in form } (x+a)^2 + b \\ &\text{where } a = 1, b = 2 \end{aligned}$$



c) discriminant is $b^2 - 4ac$
 $a = 1, b = 2, c = 3$
 $b^2 - 4ac = (2^2) - 4(1)(3)$
 $= 4 - 12$
 $= -8$

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As the discriminant is less than zero the curve does not cross x -axis

10 d)

$$x^2 + kx + 3 = 0 \quad \text{no real roots}$$

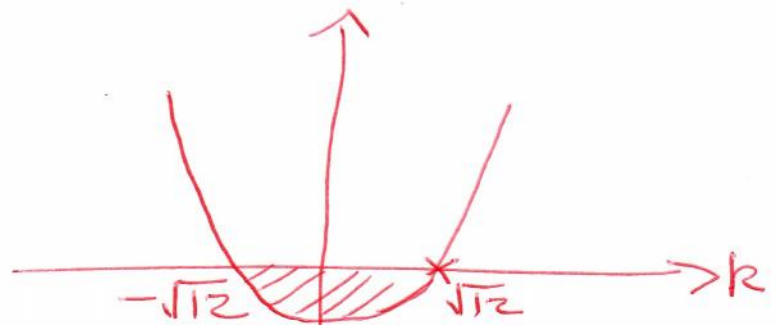
$$\therefore b^2 - 4ac < 0$$

$$a = 1, b = k, c = 3$$

$$k^2 - 4(1)(3) < 0$$

$$k^2 - 12 < 0$$

$$(k + \sqrt{12})(k - \sqrt{12}) < 0$$



From the diagram, the curve < 0
for

$$-\sqrt{12} < k < \sqrt{12}$$

5. The equation $2x^2 - 3x - (k+1) = 0$, where k is a constant, has no real roots.

Find the set of possible values of k .

(4)

$$a = 2, b = -3, c = -(k+1) = -k-1$$

$$b^2 - 4ac < 0 \quad \text{for no real roots}$$

$$(-3)^2 - 4(2)(-k-1) < 0$$

$$9 + 8k + 8 < 0$$

$$8k < -9 - 8$$

$$8k < -17$$

$$k < -\frac{17}{8}$$

Q5

(Total 4 marks)



8. The equation

$$x^2 + kx + 8 = k$$

$$\text{so } x^2 + kx + (8 - k) = 0$$

has no real solutions for x .

(a) Show that k satisfies $k^2 + 4k - 32 < 0$.

(3)

(b) Hence find the set of possible values of k .

(4)

a) No real solution so $b^2 - 4ac < 0$

$$a = 1, b = k, c = 8 - k$$

$$\text{so } k^2 - 4 \times (1) \times (8 - k) < 0$$

$$k^2 - 32 + 4k < 0$$

$$\therefore k^2 + 4k - 32 < 0 \quad \text{as required}$$

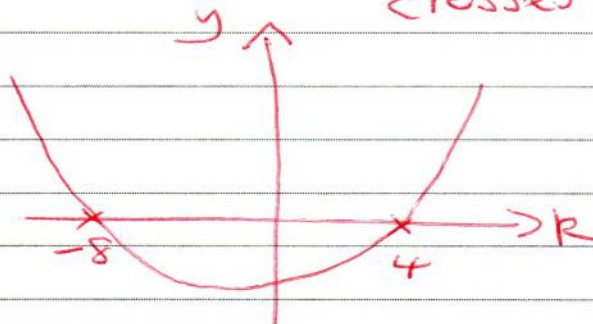
b) $(k - 4)(k + 8) < 0$

Find CRITICAL values for inequality

Either $k - 4 = 0$ or $k + 8 = 0$

$$k = 4 \quad \text{or} \quad k = -8$$

crossed k axis



We want values where y value is less than zero (below k axis)

\therefore from graph

$$-8 < k < 4$$



7. The equation $kx^2 + 4x + (5 - k) = 0$, where k is a constant, has 2 different real solutions for x .

(a) Show that k satisfies

$$k^2 - 5k + 4 > 0.$$

(3)

(b) Hence find the set of possible values of k .

(4)

a) For 2 real solutions, discriminant $b^2 - 4ac > 0$

$$a = k, b = 4, c = 5 - k$$

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

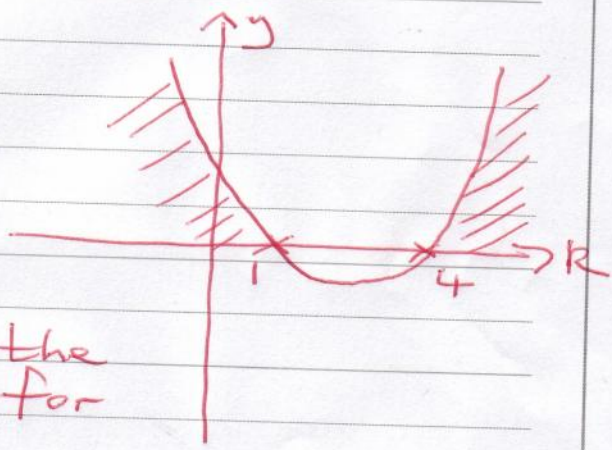
$$16 - 20k + 4k^2 > 0$$

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

$$\therefore k^2 - 5k + 4 > 0 \quad \text{as required}$$

b) $(k - 4)(k - 1) > 0$

Limiting values are $k = 4$ and $k = 1$



From the graph, the curve is > 0 for

$$k < 1 \quad \text{and} \quad k > 4$$



8. The equation $x^2 + (k-3)x + (3-2k) = 0$, where k is a constant, has two distinct real roots.

(a) Show that k satisfies

$$k^2 + 2k - 3 > 0 \quad (3)$$

(b) Find the set of possible values of k . (4)

For 2 distinct, real roots
the discriminant
 $b^2 - 4ac > 0$

$$a = 1, b = (k-3), c = (3-2k)$$

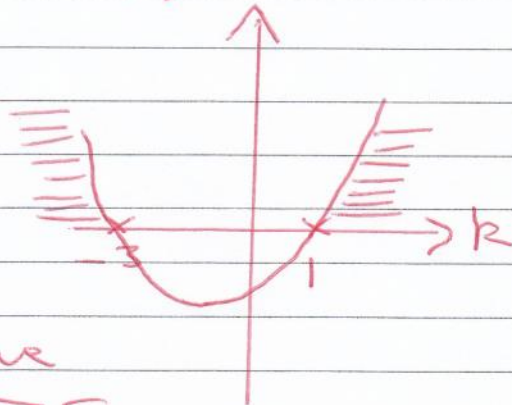
$$\therefore (k-3)^2 - 4(1)(3-2k) > 0$$

$$k^2 - 6k + 9 - 12 + 8k > 0$$

$$k^2 + 2k - 3 > 0 \quad \text{as required}$$

$$b) (k+3)(k-1) > 0$$

Critical values
are $k = -3, k = 1$



But we want values
of k where curve
for k function > 0

$$\therefore k < -3 \text{ and } k > 1$$



5. The curve C has equation $y = x(5-x)$ and the line L has equation $2y = 5x + 4$

(a) Use algebra to show that C and L do not intersect.

(4)

(b) In the space on page 11, sketch C and L on the same diagram, showing the coordinates of the points at which C and L meet the axes.

(4)

a) $y = 5x - x^2$ ① $2y = 5x + 4$
 $y = \frac{5}{2}x + 2$ ②

If intersect, ① = ②

$$5x - x^2 = \frac{5}{2}x + 2$$

$$10x - 2x^2 = 5x + 4$$

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

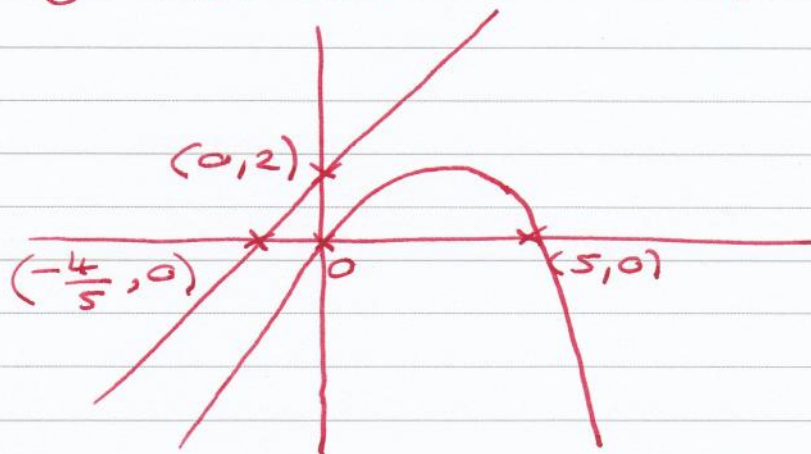
$$a = 2, b = -5, c = 4$$

$$b^2 - 4ac = 25 - 4 \times 2 \times 4$$

$$= 25 - 32 = -7$$

$b^2 - 4ac$ is discriminant < 0
 \therefore there are no real solutions
 so C and L do not intersect

b) $y = x(5-x)$ $y = \frac{5}{2}x + 2$



7. The equation $x^2 + kx + (k+3) = 0$, where k is a constant, has different real roots.

(a) Show that $k^2 - 4k - 12 > 0$.

(2)

(b) Find the set of possible values of k .

(4)

a) $x^2 + kx + (k+3) = 0$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$b^2 - 4ac > 0$ for different roots

Discriminant $b^2 - 4ac > 0$

$\therefore a=1, b=k, c=(k+3)$

for different real roots

$\therefore k^2 - 4 \times 1 \times (k+3) > 0$

$\therefore k^2 - 4k - 12 > 0$

b) Factorise to find the set of possible values for k

$\therefore (k-6)(k+2) > 0$

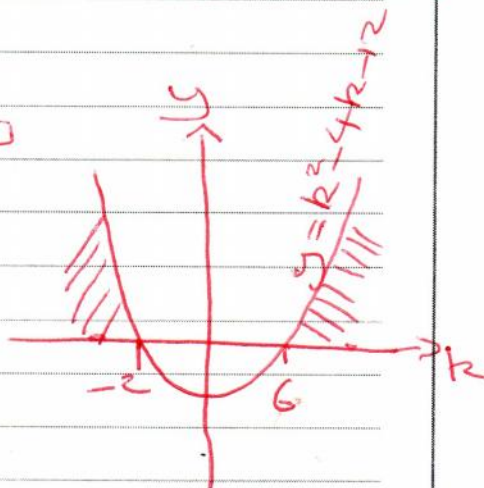
For inequality - find CRITICAL VALUES

Critical values:

$\therefore k-6=0$ or $k+2=0$

$\therefore k=6$ or $k=-2$

The graph is > 0 for y for k values < -2 and > 6



From the graph

$k < -2$ or $k > 6$



8. Given that the equation $2qx^2 + qx - 1 = 0$, where q is a constant, has no real roots,

(a) show that $q^2 + 8q < 0$.

(2)

(b) Hence find the set of possible values of q .

(3)

a) $2qx^2 + qx - 1 = 0$

If no real roots
the discriminant
 $b^2 - 4ac < 0$

$\therefore q^2 - 4(2q)(-1) < 0$

$\therefore q^2 + 8q < 0$

$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$

$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$

from the
Quadratic
Formula

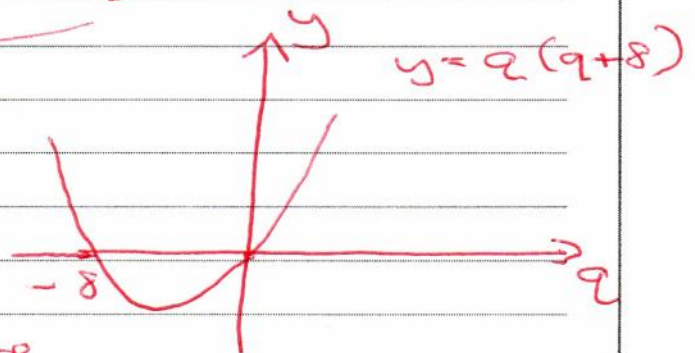
b) $q(q+8) < 0$

Find CRITICAL VALUES if there
is an inequality

$q = 0$ or $q + 8 = 0$

$\therefore q = 0$ or $q = -8$

crosses
q axis
at $q = 0$ and $q = -8$



We want values where
y value is less than zero (below q axis)

\therefore from the graph
 $-8 < q < 0$



6. The equation $x^2 + 3px + p = 0$, where p is a non-zero constant, has equal roots.

Find the value of p .

(4)

For equal roots, $b^2 - 4ac = 0$

$$a = 1, b = 3p, c = p$$

$$(3p)^2 - 4 \times (1) \times (p) = 0$$

$$9p^2 - 4p = 0$$

$$p(9p - 4) = 0$$

Either $p = 0$ or $9p - 4 = 0$

$$p = \frac{4}{9}$$

As p is a non-zero constant

$$p = \frac{4}{9}$$



8. The equation $x^2 + 2px + (3p + 4) = 0$, where p is a positive constant, has equal roots.

(a) Find the value of p . (4)

(b) For this value of p , solve the equation $x^2 + 2px + (3p + 4) = 0$. (2)

For equal roots $b^2 - 4ac = 0$

$$a = 1, b = 2p, c = 3p + 4$$

$$(2p)^2 - 4(1)(3p + 4) = 0$$

$$4p^2 - 12p - 16 = 0$$

$$4(p^2 - 3p - 4) = 0$$

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

$$\text{Either } p - 4 = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad p + 1 = 0$$

$$p = 4$$

$$p = -1$$

As p is a positive, $p = 4$

b) $x^2 + 2px + (3p + 4) = 0$

$$x^2 + 8x + 12 + 4 = 0$$

$$x^2 + 8x + 16 = 0$$

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

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



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4. (a) Show that $x^2 + 6x + 11$ can be written as

$$(x + p)^2 + q$$

where p and q are integers to be found.

(2)

(b) In the space at the top of page 7, sketch the curve with equation $y = x^2 + 6x + 11$, showing clearly any intersections with the coordinate axes.

(2)

(c) Find the value of the discriminant of $x^2 + 6x + 11$

(2)

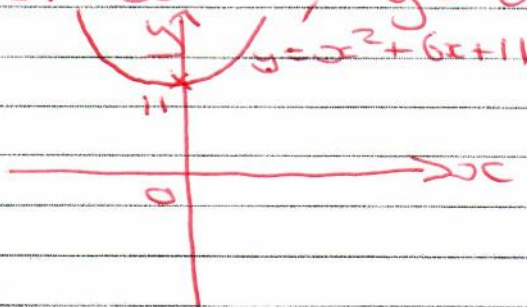
a) $x^2 + 6x + 11$ completing the square
 $= (x + 3)^2 - 9 + 11$
 $= (x + 3)^2 + 2$

in form $(x + p)^2 + q$
where $p = 3$ and $q = 2$

b) $0 = (x + 3)^2 + 2$ Meets x -axis
 $(x + 3)^2 = -2$ ($y = 0$)
 $x + 3 = \sqrt{-2}$

No REAL solution for $\sqrt{-2}$
(ie does not meet x -axis)

When $x = 0$, $y = 0 + 0 + 11 = 11$



c) $x^2 + 6x + 11$
 $a = 1, b = 6, c = 11$

$$b^2 - 4ac$$
$$= 36 - 4(1)(11)$$
$$= 36 - 44 = -8$$

as $b^2 - 4ac < 0$ there are no real roots,
which is why curve does not intersect x -axis.



7.

$$f(x) = x^2 + (k+3)x + k$$

where k is a real constant.

- (a) Find the discriminant of $f(x)$ in terms of k . (2)
- (b) Show that the discriminant of $f(x)$ can be expressed in the form $(k+a)^2 + b$, where a and b are integers to be found. (2)
- (c) Show that, for all values of k , the equation $f(x) = 0$ has real roots. (2)

$$a) \quad a = 1 \quad b = (k+3) \quad c = k$$

$$b^2 - 4ac = (k+3)^2 - 4 \times k \times k$$

$$= k^2 + 6k + 9 - 4k$$

$$= k^2 + 2k + 9$$

$$b) \quad k^2 + 2k + 9$$

$$= (k+1)^2 - 1^2 + 9$$

$$= (k+1)^2 + 8$$

$$\text{where } a = 1, \quad b = 8$$

c) When we completed the square in part b)

$$b^2 - 4ac = (k+1)^2 + 8$$

as $(k+1)^2$ minimum value is 0,
the minimum value of
 $b^2 - 4ac$ is 8

$$\therefore b^2 - 4ac \geq 8$$

\therefore for all values of
 k $f(x) = 0$ has real roots



8.

$$4x - 5 - x^2 = q - (x + p)^2$$

where p and q are integers.

- (a) Find the value of p and the value of q . (3)
- (b) Calculate the discriminant of $4x - 5 - x^2$ (2)
- (c) On the axes on page 17, sketch the curve with equation $y = 4x - 5 - x^2$ showing clearly the coordinates of any points where the curve crosses the coordinate axes. (3)

a) swap values to other side of equation

$$(x+p)^2 - q = x^2 - 4x + 5$$

complete square for this

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

where $p = -2$
 $q = -1$

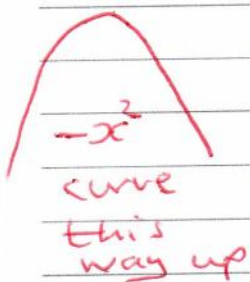
swap signs at end as we moved variables to other side

b) $-x^2 + 4x - 5$

$a = -1, b = 4, c = -5$

$$b^2 - 4ac = 4^2 - 4(-1)(-5) = 16 - 20 = -4$$

c) $4x - 5 - x^2 = -1 + (x-2)^2$



intercept on y axis

goes through (2, -1) maximum point



1. Factorise completely $x - 4x^3$

(3)

$$\begin{aligned} & x - 4x^3 \\ &= x(1 - 4x^2) \\ &= x(1 + 2x)(1 - 2x) \end{aligned}$$

(Total 3 marks)

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10.

$$4x^2 + 8x + 3 \equiv a(x+b)^2 + c$$

(a) Find the values of the constants a , b and c .


(3)

(b) On the axes on page 27, sketch the curve with equation $y = 4x^2 + 8x + 3$, showing clearly the coordinates of any points where the curve crosses the coordinate axes.

(4)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a)} \quad & 4x^2 + 8x + 3 \\ & = 4\left(x^2 + 2x + \frac{3}{4}\right) \\ & = 4\left[(x+1)^2 - 1 + \frac{3}{4}\right] \\ & = 4\left[(x+1)^2 - \frac{1}{4}\right] \\ & = 4(x+1)^2 - 1 \end{aligned}$$

in form $a(x+b)^2 + c$
where $a=4$, $b=1$, $c=-1$

b) x^2 curve 

minimum when $x+1=0$

$$x = -1$$

and $y = -1$

y -axis, when $x=0$, $y = 4(0+1)^2 - 1$
 $= 4 - 1 = 3$

x -axis when $0 = 4(x+1)^2 - 1$

$$1 = 4(x+1)^2$$

$$\frac{1}{4} = (x+1)^2$$

square root both side

$$x+1 = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{or} \quad x+1 = -\frac{1}{2}$$

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

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



10. Given the simultaneous equations

$$\begin{aligned} 2x + y &= 1 & \textcircled{1} \\ x^2 - 4ky + 5k &= 0 & \textcircled{2} \end{aligned}$$

where k is a non zero constant,

(a) show that

$$x^2 + 8kx + k = 0 \tag{2}$$

Given that $x^2 + 8kx + k = 0$ has equal roots,

(b) find the value of k . (3)

(c) For this value of k , find the solution of the simultaneous equations. (3)

a) $\textcircled{1}$ gives $y = 1 - 2x$
sub in $\textcircled{2}$

$$x^2 - 4k(1 - 2x) + 5k = 0$$

$$x^2 - 4k + 8kx + 5k = 0$$

$$x^2 + 8kx + k = 0 \quad (\text{as required})$$

b) equal roots $b^2 - 4ac = 0$
 $a = 1, b = 8k, c = k$

$$(8k)^2 - 4 \times 1 \times k = 0$$

$$64k^2 - 4k = 0$$

$$4k(16k - 1) = 0$$

Either $k = 0$ or $k = \frac{1}{16}$

as k is non-zero constant, $k = \frac{1}{16}$

c) $x^2 + \frac{8}{16}x + \frac{1}{16} = 0$ x through by 16

$$16x^2 + 8x + 1 = 0$$

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

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

in $\textcircled{1}$ $y = 1 - 2x = 1 - 2(-\frac{1}{4}) = \frac{3}{2}$

Solution to simultaneous equation

$$x = -\frac{1}{4}, y = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\left(-\frac{1}{4}, \frac{3}{2}\right)$$

