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In this question you should show all stages of your working.

Solutions relying on calculator technology are not acceptable.

Using algebra, solve the inequality

$$x^2 - x > 20$$

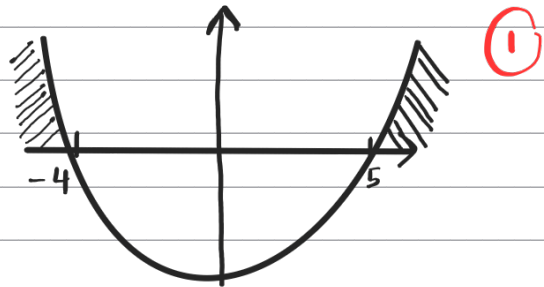
writing your answer in **set notation**.

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$$x^2 - x > 20$$

$$x^2 - x - 20 > 0$$

$$(x+4)(x-5) > 0$$



Find the
roots using
quadratic
equation

$$\begin{array}{ll} x+4=0 & x-5=0 \\ x=-4 & x=5 \end{array}$$

$$\text{Roots} = -4 \text{ and } 5$$

From here, you can
then write the answer
in set notation

$$\{x : x < -4\} \cup \{x : x > 5\}$$



2. (a) Prove that for all positive values of x and y

$$\sqrt{xy} \leq \frac{x+y}{2} \quad (2)$$

- (b) Prove by counter example that this is not true when x and y are both negative.

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(a) Since x and y are both positive, their square roots are real, and so we can use:

$$(\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{y})^2 \geq 0$$

$$(\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{y})(\sqrt{x} - \sqrt{y}) \geq 0$$

$$x - 2\sqrt{x}\sqrt{y} + y \geq 0$$

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$$x + y \geq 2\sqrt{x}\sqrt{y}$$

$$2\sqrt{x}\sqrt{y} \leq x + y$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{x}\sqrt{y} \leq \frac{x+y}{2}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\sqrt{xy} \leq \frac{x+y}{2}}$$

(b) If $x = -2$ and $y = -3$, then:

$$LHS = \sqrt{(-2)(-3)} = \sqrt{6}$$

$$RHS = \frac{-2 + (-3)}{2} = \frac{-2-3}{2} = -\frac{5}{2}$$

so $\sqrt{xy} > \frac{x+y}{2}$ in this case

3. (i) Show that $x^2 - 8x + 17 > 0$ for all real values of x

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(ii) "If I add 3 to a number and square the sum, the result is greater than the square of the original number."

State, giving a reason, if the above statement is always true, sometimes true or never true.

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{i) } x^2 - 8x + 17 &= (x-4)^2 + 17 - 16 \\ &= (x-4)^2 + 1 \end{aligned}$$

$(x-4)^2$ is always greater than 0

$\therefore x^2 - 8x + 17 > 0$ for all real values of x

$$\text{ii) for } n=1, \quad (1+3)^2 = 16 \quad 1^2 = 1$$

$$16 > 1 \quad \therefore \text{true for } n=1$$

$$\text{for } n=-3 \quad (-3+3)^2 = 0 \quad (-3)^2 = 9$$

$$0 < 9 \quad \therefore \text{false for } n=-3$$

$\therefore$ statement is sometimes true

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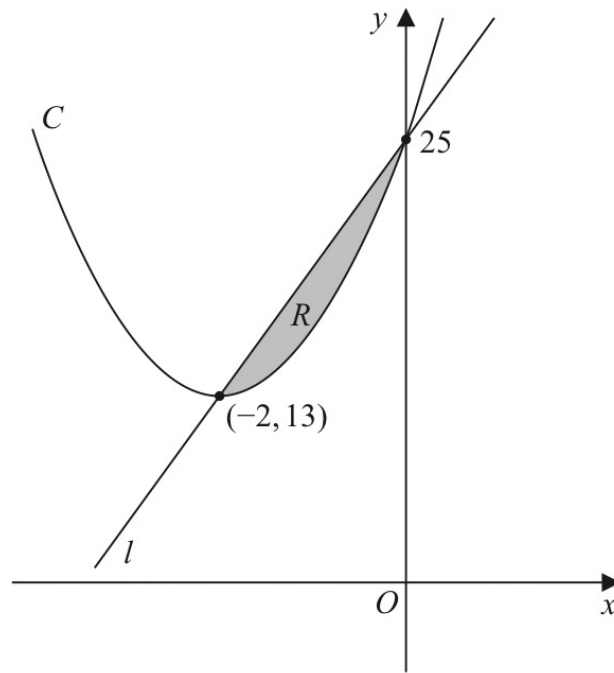


Figure 1

Figure 1 shows a sketch of a curve C with equation $y = f(x)$ and a straight line l .

The curve C meets l at the points $(-2, 13)$ and $(0, 25)$ as shown.

The shaded region R is bounded by C and l as shown in Figure 1.

Given that

- $f(x)$ is a quadratic function in x
- $(-2, 13)$ is the minimum turning point of $y = f(x)$

use inequalities to define R .

a) $l: y = mx + c$, $c = 25$ (y -intercept on graph)
we will use the point $(-2, 13)$ to work out m .

$$(-2, 13) : 13 = -2m + 25 \Rightarrow 2m = 12 \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow m = 6 \Rightarrow l: y = \underline{6x + 25} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x) = a(x+2)^2 + 13$$

$$\Rightarrow (0, 25) : 25 = 4a + 13 \Rightarrow 4a = 12, \text{ thus } a = 3 \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow C: y = \underline{3(x+2)^2 + 13} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{3(x+2)^2 + 13} < y < 6x + 25 \quad \textcircled{1}$$

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