

$x=1$ , and  $f(1) \neq 0 \therefore$  from the result of SAQ 20 part (v) p60 (soln on p62)

$\frac{1}{f(1)}$  is continuous

and from the result of SAQ 20 part (iv) if two functions are continuous so is their product

$\therefore g(x) \cdot \frac{1}{f(x)}$  cont. at  $x \Rightarrow g(x) \times \frac{1}{f(x)}$  contin. at  $x$

$$h(x) = \frac{x^3 + 2x^2 + 3x + 4}{x^2 + 2x + 3} = \frac{g(x)}{f(x)} = g(x) \times \frac{1}{f(x)}$$

which is a product ( $g(x) \times \frac{1}{f(x)}$ ) of functions continuous at  $x=1$ , so is continuous at  $x=1$ .

3) i)  $d(x, y) = |x^2 - y^2| = |x - y||x + y|$

$d$  is not a metric on  $\mathbb{R}$  because M1 is not satisfied

M1:  $d(x, y) \geq 0$   $d(x, y) = 0$  iff  $x = y$

But  $d(x, y) = 0$  for  $x = -y$  and  $x = y$   
if  $x \neq 0$  or  $y \neq 0$  so  $x \neq y$

M1 is not satisfied  
 ii)  $d(x, y) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = y \\ 3|x| + 2|y| & \text{if } x \neq y \end{cases}$

$d(x, y) = 0$  if  $x = y$  by defn

$d(x, y) = 3|x| + 2|y| > 0$  for  $x \neq y$

since at least one of  $x, y \neq 0$

$\therefore$  M1 is satisfied.

~~M2 is satisfied if  $d(x, y) = 0$  for  $x = y$ ,  $d(x, y) > 0$  for  $x \neq y$  and  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$~~

M2:  $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$

$3|x| + 2|y| = 3|y| + 2|x|$

This is only possible if  $|x| = |y|$  (in which case anyway  $d(x, y) = 0$ )  
 or  $x = -y$ . It is not true in general