

Answer 1:

- Attempting to solve $|0.1x^2 - 2x + 3| = \log_{10} x$ numerically or graphically. leadib.com
 $x = 1.52, 1.79$ **(M1)**
 $x = 17.6, 19.1$ **(A1)(A1)**
 $(1.52 < x < 1.79) \cup (17.6 < x < 19.1)$ **(A1)**
AIAI **N2**
[6 marks]

Answer 2:

3. $86.4 = 50r^3$ **(A1)**
- $r = 1.2 \left(\sqrt[3]{\frac{86.4}{50}} \right)$ seen anywhere **(A1)**
- $\frac{50(1.2^n - 1)}{0.2} > 33500$ OR $250(1.2^n - 1) = 33500$ **(A1)**
- attempt to solve their geometric S_n inequality or equation **(M1)**
- sketch OR $n > 26.9045$, $n = 26.9$ OR $S_{26} = 28368.8$ OR $S_{27} = 34092.6$ OR algebraic manipulation involving logarithms
- $n = 27$ (accept $n \geq 27$) **A1**
- Total [5 marks]**

Answer 3:

5. (a) $u_1 = S_1 = \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{7}{8}$ **(M1)**

$$= \frac{14}{24} \left(= \frac{7}{12} = 0.583333\dots \right) **A1**$$

[2 marks]

(b) $r = \frac{7}{8} (= 0.875)$ **(A1)**

substituting their values for u_1 and r into $S_\infty = \frac{u_1}{1-r}$ **(M1)**

$$= \frac{14}{3} (= 4.66666\dots) **A1**$$

[3 marks]

(c) attempt to substitute their values into the inequality or formula for S_n **(M1)**

$$\frac{14}{3} - \sum_{r=1}^n \frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{7}{8} \right)^r < 0.001 \text{ OR } S_n = \frac{\frac{7}{12} \left(1 - \left(\frac{7}{8} \right)^n \right)}{\left(1 - \frac{7}{8} \right)}$$

attempt to solve their inequality using a table, graph or logarithms

(must be exponential) **(M1)**

Note: Award **(M0)** if the candidate attempts to solve $S_\infty - u_n < 0.001$.

correct critical value or at least one correct crossover value **(A1)**

63.2675... OR $S_\infty - S_{63} = 0.001036\dots$ OR $S_\infty - S_{64} = 0.000906\dots$

OR $S_\infty - S_{63} - 0.001 = 0.0000363683\dots$ OR $S_\infty - S_{64} - 0.001 = -0.0000931777\dots$

least value is $n = 64$ **A1**

[4 marks]

Total [9 marks]

Answer 4:

2. (a)
$$1.056$$

$$\left(1 + \frac{5.5}{4 \times 100}\right)^4$$

(M1)(A1)
A1
[3 marks]

(b) **EITHER**

$$2P = P \times \left(1 + \frac{5.5}{100 \times 4}\right)^{4n} \quad \text{OR} \quad 2P = P \times (\text{their } (a))^m$$

(M1)(A1)

Note: Award **(M1)** for substitution into loan payment formula. Award **(A1)** for correct substitution.

OR

$$\begin{aligned} PV &= \pm 1 \\ FV &= \mp 2 \\ I\% &= 5.5 \\ P/Y &= 4 \\ C/Y &= 4 \\ n &= 50.756\dots \end{aligned}$$

(M1)(A1)

OR

$$\begin{aligned} PV &= \pm 1 \\ FV &= \mp 2 \\ I\% &= 100(\text{their } (a) - 1) \\ P/Y &= 1 \\ C/Y &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

(M1)(A1)

THEN

$$\Rightarrow 12.7 \text{ years}$$

Laurie will have double the amount she invested during 2032

A1
[3 marks]

Total [6 marks]

Answer 5:

$$(a) \quad f(-x) = \frac{3(-x)^2 + 10}{(-x)^2 - 4}$$

A1

$$= \frac{3x^2 + 10}{x^2 - 4} = f(x)$$

$$f(x) = f(-x)$$

hence this is an even function

R1**AG**

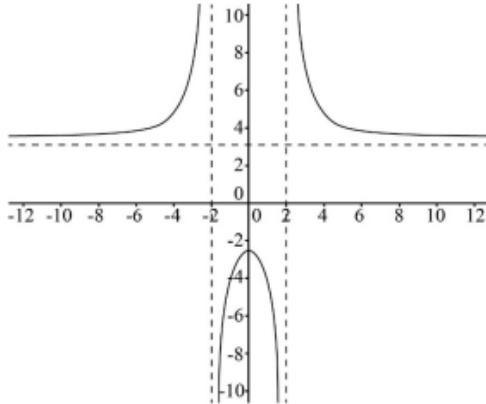
Note: Award **A1R1** for the statement, all the powers are even hence $f(x) = f(-x)$.

Note: Just stating all the powers are even is **A0R0**.

Note: Do not accept arguments based on the symmetry of the graph.

[2 marks]

(b) (i)



correct shape in 3 parts which are asymptotic and symmetrical

A1

correct vertical asymptotes clear at 2 and -2

A1

correct horizontal asymptote clear at 3

A1

$$(ii) \quad f(x) > 3$$

$$f(x) \leq -2.5$$

A1

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A1**[5 marks]****Total [7 marks]**

Answer 6:

6. (a) **METHOD 1**

$$(p+q)^3 - 3pq(p+q) \equiv p^3 + q^3$$

attempts to expand $(p+q)^3$

M1

$$p^3 + 3p^2q + 3pq^2 + q^3$$

$$(p+q)^3 - 3pq(p+q) \equiv p^3 + 3p^2q + 3pq^2 + q^3 - 3pq(p+q)$$

$$\equiv p^3 + 3p^2q + 3pq^2 + q^3 - 3p^2q - 3pq^2$$

A1

$$\equiv p^3 + q^3$$

AG

Note: Condone the use of equals signs throughout.

METHOD 2

$$(p+q)^3 - 3pq(p+q) \equiv p^3 + q^3$$

attempts to factorise $(p+q)^3 - 3pq(p+q)$

M1

$$\equiv (p+q)((p+q)^2 - 3pq) \left(\equiv (p+q)(p^2 - pq + q^2) \right)$$

$$\equiv p^3 - p^2q + pq^2 + p^2q - pq^2 + q^3$$

A1

$$\equiv p^3 + q^3$$

AG

Note: Condone the use of equals signs throughout.

METHOD 3

$$p^3 + q^3 \equiv (p+q)^3 - 3pq(p+q)$$

attempts to factorise $p^3 + q^3$

M1

$$\equiv (p+q)(p^2 - pq + q^2)$$

A1

$$\equiv (p+q)((p+q)^2 - 3pq)$$

AG

Note: Condone the use of the equals sign throughout.

[2 marks]

(b)

Note: Award a maximum of **A1M0A0A1M0A0** for $m = -95$ and $n = 8$ found

by using $\alpha, \beta = \frac{5 \pm \sqrt{17}}{4}$ ($\alpha, \beta = 0.219\ldots, 2.28\ldots$).

Condone, as appropriate, solutions that state but clearly do not use the values of α and β .

Special case: Award a maximum of **A1M1A0A1M0A0** for $m = -95$ and $n = 8$ obtained by solving simultaneously for α and β from product of roots and sum of roots equations.

product of roots of $x^2 - \frac{5}{2}x + \frac{1}{2} = 0$

$$\alpha\beta = \frac{1}{2} \text{ (seen anywhere)}$$

A1

considers $\left(\frac{1}{\alpha^3}\right)\left(\frac{1}{\beta^3}\right)$ by stating $\frac{1}{(\alpha\beta)^3} (= n)$

M1

Note: Award **M1** for attempting to substitute their value of $\alpha\beta$ into $\frac{1}{(\alpha\beta)^3}$.

$$\frac{1}{(\alpha\beta)^3} = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3}$$

$n=8$

A1

$$\text{sum of roots of } x^2 - \frac{5}{2}x + \frac{1}{2} = 0$$

$$\alpha + \beta = \frac{5}{2} \text{ (seen anywhere)}$$

A1

$$\text{considers } \frac{1}{\alpha^3} + \frac{1}{\beta^3} \text{ by stating } \frac{(\alpha + \beta)^3 - 3\alpha\beta(\alpha + \beta)}{(\alpha\beta)^3} \left(\left(\frac{\alpha + \beta}{\alpha\beta} \right)^3 - \frac{3(\alpha + \beta)}{(\alpha\beta)^2} \right) (= -m) \quad \text{M1}$$

Note: Award **M1** for attempting to substitute their values of $\alpha + \beta$ and $\alpha\beta$ into their expression. Award **M0** for use of $(\alpha + \beta)^3 - 3\alpha\beta(\alpha + \beta)$ only.

$$= \frac{\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)^3 - \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)\left(\frac{5}{2}\right)}{\frac{1}{8}} \quad (= 125 - 30 = 95)$$

$m = -95$

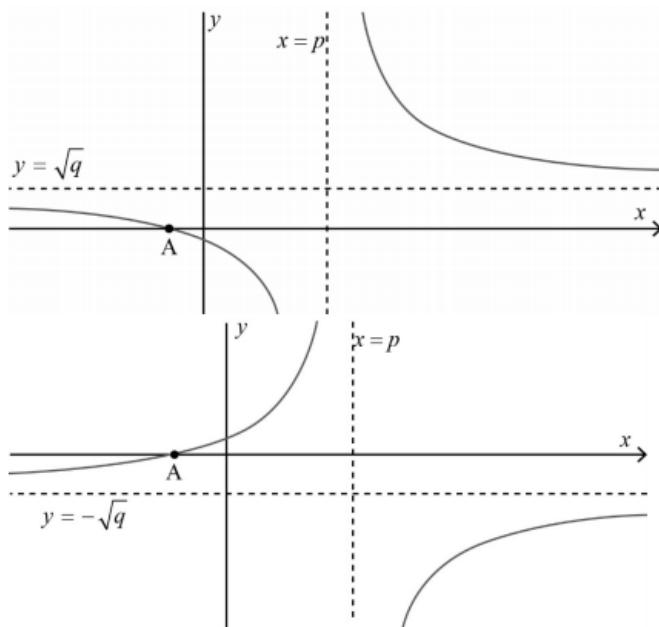
A1

$$(x^2 - 95x + 8 = 0)$$

[6 marks]
Total [8 marks]

Answer 7:

(a)



either graph passing through (or touching) A
 correct shape and vertical asymptote with correct equation for either graph
 correct horizontal asymptote with correct equation for either graph
 two completely correct sketches

A1**A1****A1****A1****[4 marks]**

$$(b) \quad a\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow a = 2$$

A1

$$\text{from horizontal asymptote, } \left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^2 = \frac{4}{9}$$

(M1)

$$\frac{a}{b} = \pm \frac{2}{3} \Rightarrow b = \pm 3$$

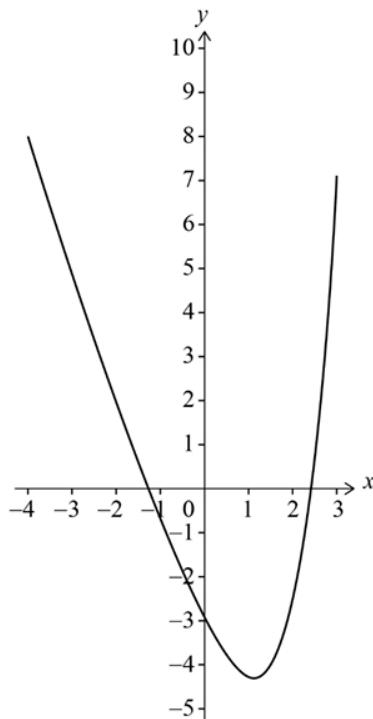
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$$\text{from vertical asymptote, } b\left(\frac{4}{3}\right) + c = 0$$

$$b = 3, c = -4 \text{ or } b = -3, c = 4$$

A1**[4 marks]****Total [8 marks]****Answer 8:**

2. (a)



A1A1A1

Note: Award marks as follows:

A1 for approximately correct roots, in the intervals $-2 < x < -1$ and $2 < x < 3$.

A1 for y-intercept AND local minimum in approximately correct positions. Allow for y-intercept $-3.5 < y < -2.5$, and for local minimum $0.5 < x < 1.5$, $-5 < y < -4$.

A1 for approximately correct endpoints, with the left end in the intervals $-4.5 < x < -3.5$, $7.5 < y < 8.5$ and the right end in the intervals $2.5 < x < 3.5$, $6.5 < y < 7.5$

[3 marks]

$$(b) \quad k = \frac{1}{2}$$

A1

$c = -3$ (accept translate/shift 3 (units) down)

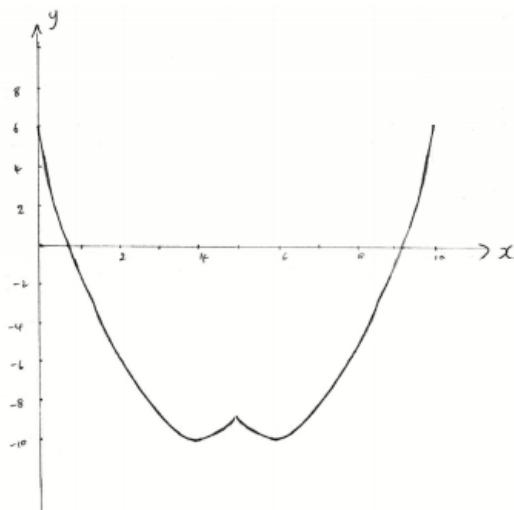
A1

[2 marks]

Total [5 marks]

Answer 9:

(a)



general shape including 2 minimums, cusp
correct domain and symmetrical about the middle ($x = 5$)

A1A1
A1
[3 marks]

(b) $x = 9.16$ or $x = 0.838$

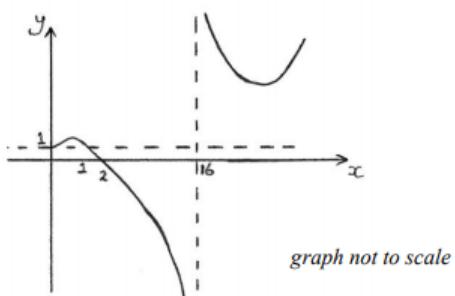
A1A1
[2 marks]

Total [5 marks]

Answer 10:

9. (a) $x \geq 0$ and $x \neq 16$

(b)



finding crossing points

(M1)

$$\text{e.g. } 4 - x^2 = 4 - \sqrt{x}$$

(AI)

$$x = 0 \text{ or } x = 1$$

$$0 \leq x \leq 1 \text{ or } x > 16$$

AIAI

Note: Award M1A1A1A0 for solving the inequality only for the case $x < 16$.

[6 marks]