

**Answer all the questions.**

1i) Sub  $(0, -1)$  into  $x - py - 2 = 0 \Rightarrow p = 2$

1ii) Sub  $x = 2y + 2$  into  $x^2 - 2xy + y^2 = 1$

$$y^2 + 4y + 3 = 0$$

$$(y+1)(y+3) = 0$$

$$y = -1 \text{ (N.A) or } y = -3$$

The other point is  $(-4, -3)$

2. Let  $f(x) = bx^3 + cx^2 - 7x + c$

$$f(-1) = b(-1)^3 + c(-1)^2 - 7(-1) + c$$

$$-b + c - 7(-1) + c = 7$$

$$b = 2c \text{ -----(1)}$$

$$f(3) = b(3)^3 + c(3)^2 - 7(3) + c$$

$$27b + 10c - 21 = 43$$

$$27b + 10c = 64 \text{ -----(2)}$$

Substitute (1) into (2):

$$27(2c) + 10c = 64$$

$$c = 1, \quad b = 2$$

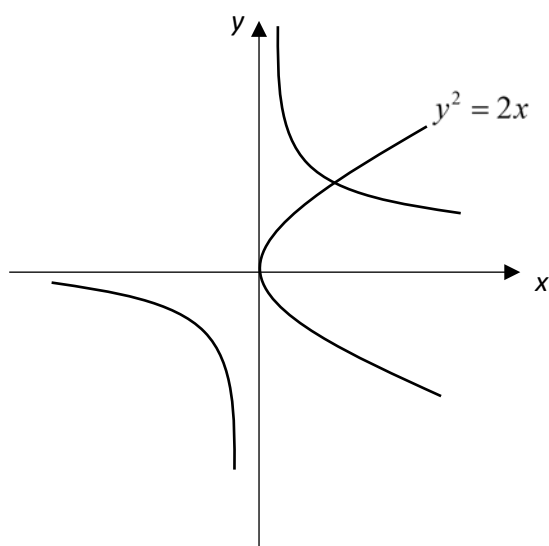
3.  $\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)^2 = 2x$

$$x^3 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$x = 0.794$$

$$y = 1.26$$

The point of intersection is  $(0.794, 1.26)$



$$\begin{aligned}
 4. \quad \text{Base area of cuboid} &= (1 + \sqrt{3})^2 \\
 &= (4 + 2\sqrt{3}) \text{ cm}^2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Height of cuboid} &= \frac{14 + 12\sqrt{3}}{4 + 2\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{4 - 2\sqrt{3}}{4 - 2\sqrt{3}} \\
 &= \frac{56 - 28\sqrt{3} + 48\sqrt{3} - 72}{16 - 4(3)} \\
 &= (-4 + 5\sqrt{3}) \text{ cm}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$5. \quad \text{Let } \frac{x^2 + 5x + 4}{x(x^2 + 4)} = \frac{a}{x} + \frac{bx + c}{x^2 + 4},$$

$$x^2 + 5x + 4 = a(x^2 + 4) + x(bx + c)$$

By comparing constants,  $a = 1$

By comparing  $x$  terms,  $c = 5$

By comparing  $x^2$  terms,  $1 = 1 + b$

$$b = 0$$

$$\frac{2x^3 - x^2 + 3x - 4}{x(x^2 + 4)} = \frac{1}{x} + \frac{5}{x^2 + 4}$$

6 (i) Let  $f(y) = 2y^3 + (m-2)y^2 + (m-7)y - 3$

$$\begin{aligned} f(-1) &= 2(-1)^3 + (m-2)(-1)^2 + (m-7)(-1) - 3 \\ &= -2 + m - 2 - m + 7 - 3 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

(ii)  $f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 + (m-2)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + (m-7)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - 3 = 0$

$$\frac{1}{4} + \frac{m-2}{4} + \frac{m-7}{2} - 3 = 0$$

$$1 + m - 2 + 2m - 14 - 12 = 0$$

$$m = 9$$

(iii)  $f(y) = 2y^3 + 7y^2 + 2y - 3$

$$2y^3 + 7y^2 + 2y - 3 = (y+1)(2y-1)(ay+b)$$

Comparing coefficient of  $x^3$ ,  $a = 1$

Comparing constants,  $b = 3$

$$\Rightarrow (y+1)(2y-1)(y-3) = 0$$

$$y = -1, y = \frac{1}{2} \text{ or } y = 3$$

7a)  $mx^2 + m + 6 > -8x$

$$mx^2 + 8x + m - 6 > 0$$

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

$$8^2 - 4m(m-6) < 0$$

$$64 - 4m^2 + 24m < 0$$

$$m^2 - 6m - 16 > 0$$

$$(m+2)(m-8) > 0$$

$$m < -2 \text{ or } m > 8 \quad \text{and} \quad m > 0$$

$$m > 8$$

7b)  $2x^2 + (2k+1)x = 2 - k$

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

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

$$= 4k^2 + 4k + 1 - 8k + 16$$

$$= 4k^2 - 4k + 17$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 4 \left( k^2 - k + \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 - \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 \right) + 17 \\
&= 4 \left( k - \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 + 16
\end{aligned}$$

Since discriminant  $> 0$ , the equation has real and distinct roots for all real values of  $k$ .

**Alternatively,**

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

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

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

$$= 4k^2 + 4k + 1 - 8k + 16$$

$$= 4k^2 - 4k + 17$$

$$b^2 - 4ac = (-4)^2 - 4(4)(17) < 0 \text{ and } a > 0 \Rightarrow 4k^2 - 4k + 17 > 0$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
8 \quad (a) \quad \frac{2^{x-3}}{4^{-x}} &= \frac{16}{\sqrt{8^x}} \\
\frac{2^{x-3}}{2^{-2x}} &= \frac{2^4}{2^{\frac{3x}{2}}} \\
2^{x-3-(-2x)} &= 2^{4-\frac{3x}{2}} \\
3x-3 &= 4-\frac{3x}{2} \\
x &= \frac{14}{9}
\end{aligned}$$

$$(b) \quad 3^{2x} + 5(3^x) - 6 = 0$$

$$\text{Let } y = 3^x$$

$$y^2 + 5y - 6 = 0$$

$$(y+6)(y-1) = 0$$

$$3^x = -6 \text{ (N.A.) or } 3^x = 1$$

$$x = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(c) \quad 7^{2-x} &= 28^{x+3} \\
7^{2-x} &= 7^{x+3} 4^{x+3} \\
7^{-2x-1} &= 2^{2x+6} \\
\frac{1}{7^{2x+1}} &= 2^{2x+6}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{7(2^6)} = 14^{2x}$$

$$14^{2x} = \frac{1}{448}$$

$$\lg 14^{2x} = \lg \frac{1}{448}$$

$$x = -1.16$$

- 9 i) find the value of  $a$  and of  $b$ ,

$$y = x + ax^b$$

$$y - x = ax^b$$

$$\lg(y - x) = b \log x + \lg a$$

$$\text{Gradient} = b = \frac{0.2}{0.52} = \frac{5}{13}$$

$$\text{Intercept} = \lg a = 0.62$$

$$a = 4.17(3\text{s.f.})$$

- ii) find the value of  $y$  when  $x = 15$ , and

$$\text{When } x = 15, \lg x = 1.176$$

$$\lg(y - x) = 1.07$$

$$y - 15 = 11.75$$

$$y = 26.75$$

- iii) identify the abnormal reading of  $y$ , and estimate its correct value.

$$\text{Abnormal } y = 5.80$$

$$\lg(y - x) = 0.74$$

$$y = 10^{0.74} + 2$$

$$y = 7.50$$

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|------------|------|------|------|------|------|-----|
| $\lg(y-x)$ | 0.58 | 0.80 | 0.85 | 0.88 | 0.91 | 1.0 |
| $\lg x$    | 0.30 | 0.48 | 0.60 | 0.70 | 0.78 | 1   |

