

**Check your Understanding (Graphing)**

**Section 1: Asymptotes**

**MULTIPLE CHOICE.**

**Choose the one alternative that best completes the statement or answers the question.**

1. What is the vertical asymptote(s) of  $h(x) = \frac{1}{x-4}$  ?  
(a) None  
(b)  $x = 4$   
(c)  $x = -4$   
(d)  $x = 1$   
(b)
2. What is the horizontal asymptote(s) of  $h(x) = 2 + \frac{1}{x-4}$  ?  
(a) None  
(b)  $y = 4$   
(c)  $y = 2$   
(d)  $x = 4$   
(c)
3. What is the vertical asymptote(s) of  $h(x) = \frac{x}{x-4}$  ?  
(a) None  
(b)  $x = 4$   
(c)  $x = -4$   
(d)  $x = 1$   
(b)
4. What is the horizontal asymptote(s) of  $h(x) = \frac{x}{x-4}$  ?  
(a) None  
(b)  $y = 4$   
(c)  $y = 2$   
(d)  $y = 1$   
(d)

5. What is the horizontal asymptote(s) of  $h(x) = \frac{32x^2}{8x^2 - 5}$ ?

- (a) None
- (b)  $y = 4$
- (c)  $y = 5$
- (d)  $y = \sqrt{5}$

(b)

6. What is the vertical asymptote(s) of  $h(x) = \frac{x-5}{(x-9)(x+8)}$ ?

- (a)  $x = 9, x = -8$
- (b)  $x = 5$
- (c)  $x = -9, x = 8$
- (d)  $x = -5$

(a)

7. What is the horizontal asymptote(s) of  $h(x) = \frac{x^2 + 3x - 4}{x - 4}$ ?

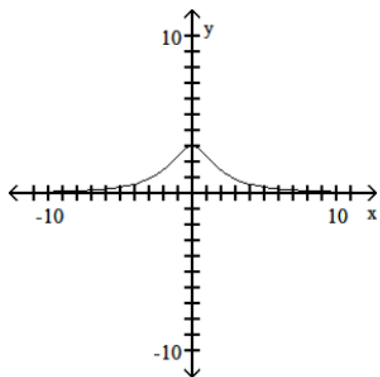
- (a) None
- (b)  $y = 4$
- (c)  $y = 2$
- (d)  $y = -3$

(d)

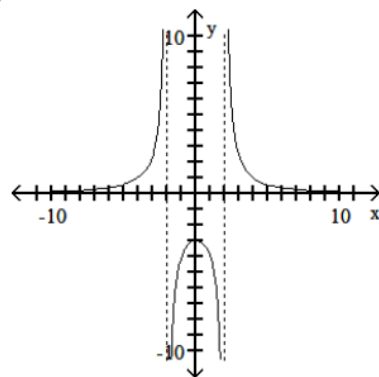
Match the equation with the appropriate graph?

8.  $f(x) = \frac{2x^2}{x^2 - 4}$

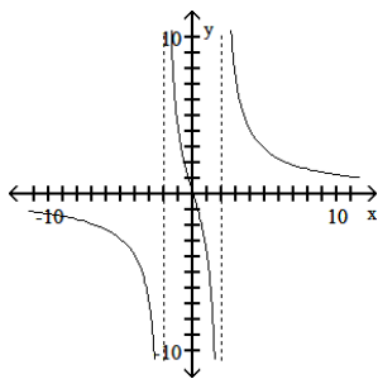
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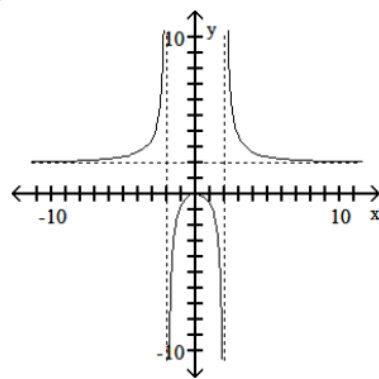
B)



C)



D)



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## **Section 2: Stationary points**

### **9. RI Promo 8865/2018/Q6 (part)**

The curve  $C$  has equation  $y = f(x)$  where  $f(x) = 6x - 3x^2 - 4x^3$ .

(i) Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ . Hence find the coordinates of the stationary points on the curve.

(ii) Use a non-calculator method to determine the nature of each of the stationary points.

Solution:

(i)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 6 - 6x - 12x^2$$

For stationary points,  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow 6 - 6x - 12x^2 = 0 \Rightarrow x = -1 \text{ or } \frac{1}{2}$$

When  $x = -1$ ,  $y = -5$

When  $x = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $y = \frac{7}{4}$

$\therefore$  Coordinates of the stationary points are  $(-1, -5)$  and  $\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{7}{4}\right)$ .

(ii)

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -6 - 24x$$

When  $x = -1$ ,  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 18 > 0$  (minimum point)

When  $x = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -18 < 0$  (maximum point)

$\therefore (-1, -5)$  is a minimum point and  $\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{7}{4}\right)$  is a maximum point.

### Section 3: Graphing Problems

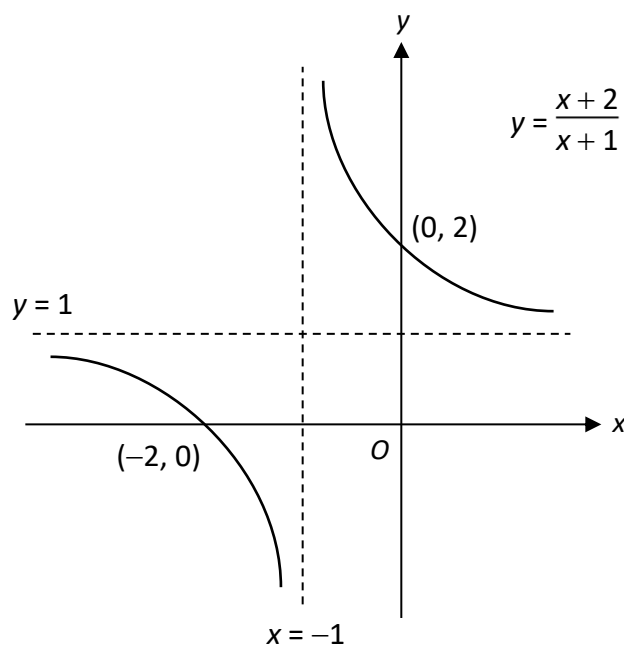
#### 10. RIJC Promo 8865/2015/Q2

Sketch the curve with equation

$$y = \frac{x+2}{x+1},$$

stating the equations of any asymptotes and the coordinates of the points where the curve crosses the axes.

Solution:



11. MIJC Promo 8865/2015/Q5

(i) Sketch the graph of  $y = \frac{1}{x-4}$ . [2]

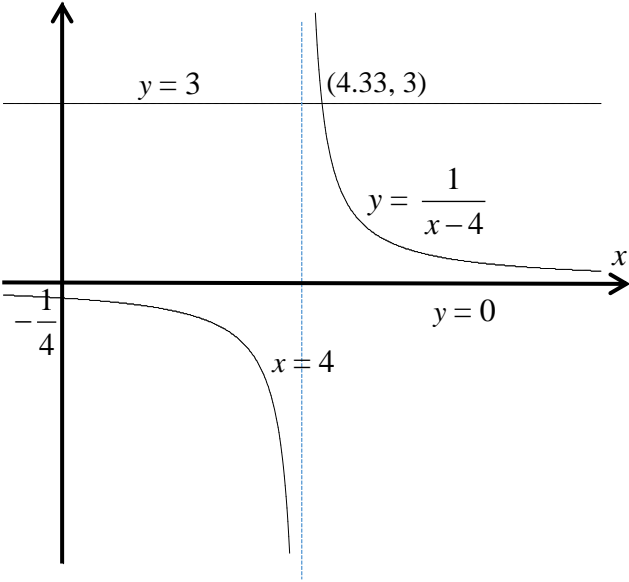
(ii) By drawing an additional graph in (i), solve the inequality  $\frac{1}{x-4} - 3 \leq 0$ . [2]

(iii) Hence solve the inequality  $\frac{1}{e^x-4} \leq 3$ . [3]

Answer: (ii)  $x < 4$  or  $x \geq 4.33$ . (3 s.f.)

(iii)  $x < \ln 4$  or  $x \geq 1.47$ . (3 s.f.)

Solution:

11(i)	
(ii)	$\frac{1}{x-4} - 3 \leq 0 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{x-4} \leq 3$ <p>From graph, <math>x &lt; 4</math> or <math>x \geq 4.33</math>. (3 s.f.)</p>
(iii)	$\frac{1}{e^x-4} \leq 3 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{e^x-4} - 3 \leq 0$ $\Rightarrow e^x < 4 \text{ or } e^x \geq 4.3333$ $\Rightarrow x < \ln 4 \text{ or } x \geq 1.47. (3 \text{ s.f.})$

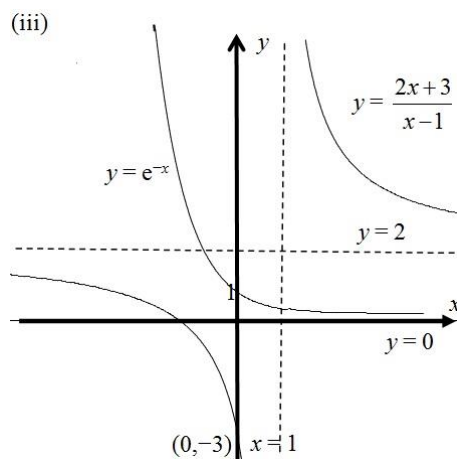
12. MIJC Promo 8865/2015/6

The curve  $C$  has equation  $y = \frac{bx+3}{x+a}$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are constants. It is given that  $x = 1$  and  $y = 2$  are vertical and horizontal asymptotes of  $C$  respectively.

- (i) State the values of  $a$  and  $b$ . [2]
- (ii) Given further that  $C$  intersects the  $y$ -axis at  $(0, -3)$ , find the coordinates of the point of intersection with the  $x$ -axis. [2]
- (iii) Sketch the graph of  $y = \frac{bx+3}{x+a}$ , showing clearly all the asymptotes and intersections with both axes. [3]
- (iv) By adding a suitable graph to the sketch in (iii), determine the number of solutions of the equation  $\ln\left(\frac{bx+3}{x+a}\right) = -x$  [3]

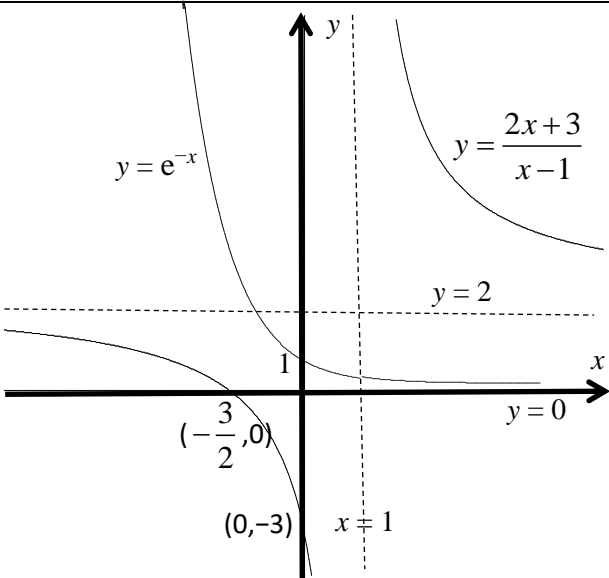
Answer: (i)  $a = -1$ ,  $b = 2$

(ii)  $\left(-\frac{3}{2}, 0\right)$



(iv) 0

Solution:

<b>12(i)</b>	$a = -1, b = 2.$
<b>12(ii)</b>	<p>When <math>y = 0</math>, <math>0 = \frac{2x+3}{x-1} \Rightarrow x = -\frac{3}{2}.</math></p> <p>Hence, required point is <math>(-\frac{3}{2}, 0).</math></p>
<b>12(iii)</b>	 <p>The graph shows the intersection of the curves <math>y = e^{-x}</math> and <math>y = \frac{2x+3}{x-1}</math>. The x-axis is labeled <math>y = 0</math> and the y-axis is labeled <math>x = 0</math>. A vertical dashed line represents the asymptote <math>x = 1</math>. A horizontal dashed line represents the asymptote <math>y = 2</math>. The curve <math>y = e^{-x}</math> passes through the point <math>(0, 1)</math>. The curve <math>y = \frac{2x+3}{x-1}</math> has a vertical asymptote at <math>x = 1</math> and a horizontal asymptote at <math>y = 2</math>. The two curves intersect at the point <math>(-\frac{3}{2}, 0)</math>. The point <math>(0, -3)</math> is marked on the x-axis.</p>
<b>12(iv)</b>	<p><math>\ln\left(\frac{bx+3}{x+a}\right) = -x \Rightarrow \frac{bx+3}{x+a} = e^{-x}</math></p> <p>From the graph in (iii), since the graph of <math>y = e^{-x}</math> and the graph of <math>y = \frac{bx+3}{x+a}</math> do not intersect, the required number of solutions = 0.</p>



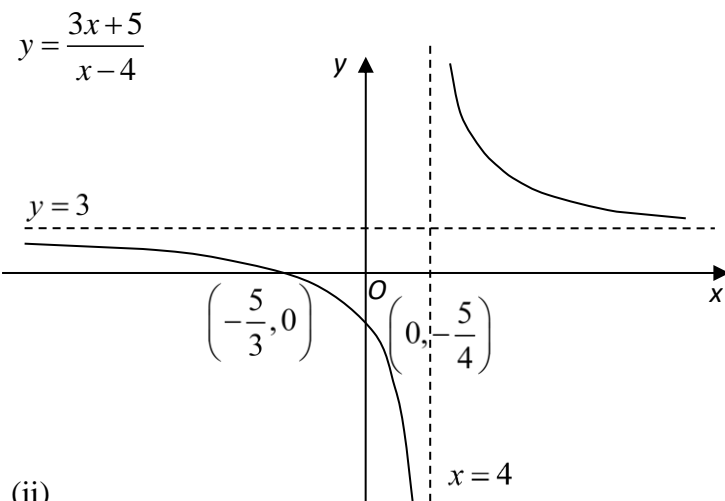
13. RVHS Promo 8865/2018/Q4

- (i) Sketch the graph of  $y = \frac{3x+5}{x-4}$ , labelling clearly the equations of any asymptotes and the exact coordinates of any points where the curve crosses the axes.
- (ii) Hence, find the exact solution(s) of the inequality  $\frac{3x^2+5}{x^2-4} > 0$ .
- (iii) By adding a suitable curve to the sketch in part (i), solve  $e^{\frac{3x+5}{x-4}} \leq x+3$ .

Answer:  $x < -2$  or  $x > 2$ ;  $-1.88 \leq x < 4$  or  $x \geq 33.1$

Solution:

(i)



(ii)

Solving  $\frac{3x+5}{x-4} > 0$  from the graph in (i), we have

$$x < -\frac{5}{3} \quad \text{or} \quad x > 4$$

Replacing  $x$  with  $x^2$ , we have

$$x^2 < -\frac{5}{3} \text{ (rej)} \quad \text{or} \quad x^2 > 4$$

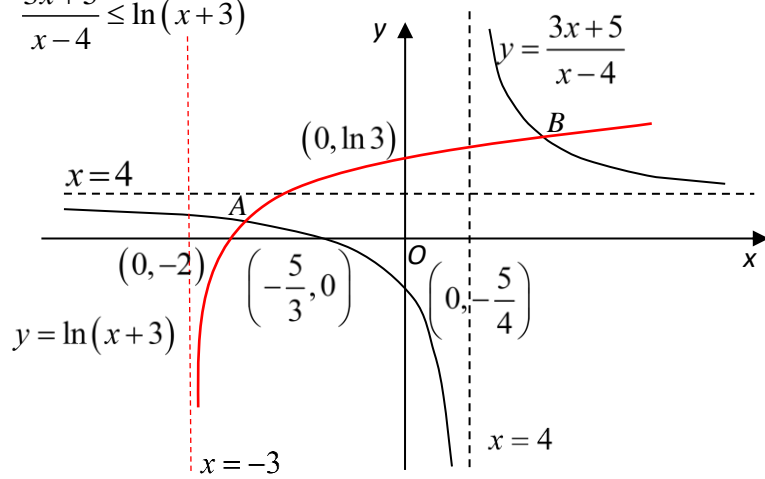
$$x < -2 \text{ or } x > 2$$

(iii)

$$e^{\frac{3x+5}{x-4}} \leq x+3$$

$$\ln e^{\frac{3x+5}{x-4}} \leq \ln(x+3)$$

$$\frac{3x+5}{x-4} \leq \ln(x+3)$$



Intersections : A(-1.88, 0.110) and B(33.1, 3.59)

$$-1.88 \leq x < 4 \quad \text{or} \quad x \geq 33.1$$

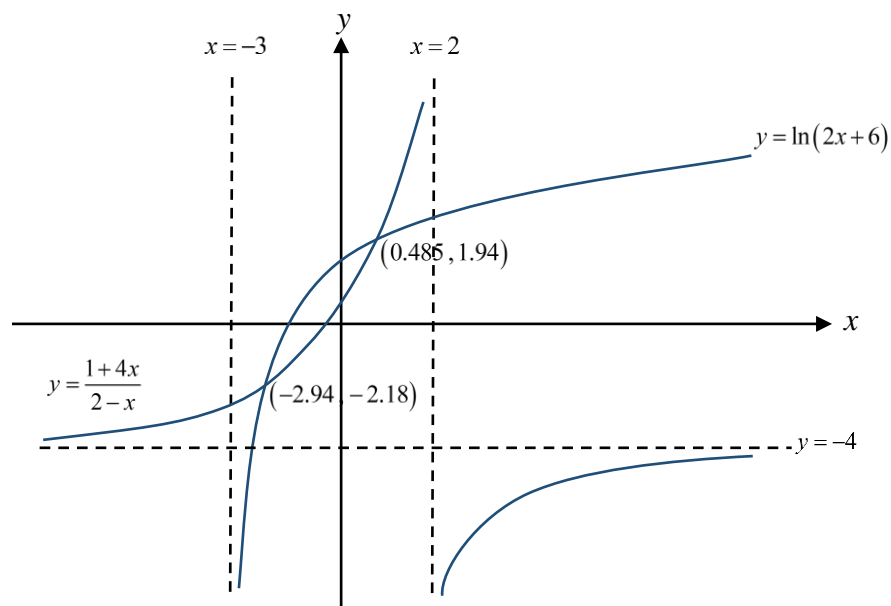
14. TJC Promo 8865/2018/Q5

Sketch the curves  $y = \frac{1+4x}{2-x}$  and  $y = \ln(2x+6)$  on the same diagram, stating clearly the equation of any asymptotes and coordinates of any intersection points.

Hence solve the inequality  $\frac{1+4x}{2-x} \geq \ln(2x+6)$ .

Answer:  $-3 < x \leq -2.94$  or  $0.485 \leq x < 2$

Solution:



$$\frac{1+4x}{2-x} \geq \ln(2x+6)$$

$$-3 < x \leq -2.94 \quad \text{or} \quad 0.485 \leq x < 2$$