

3.5 Answers

A-Level Pure Mathematics : Year 1 Graphwork

Answer 1

(a) Let $y = 0$ in which case,

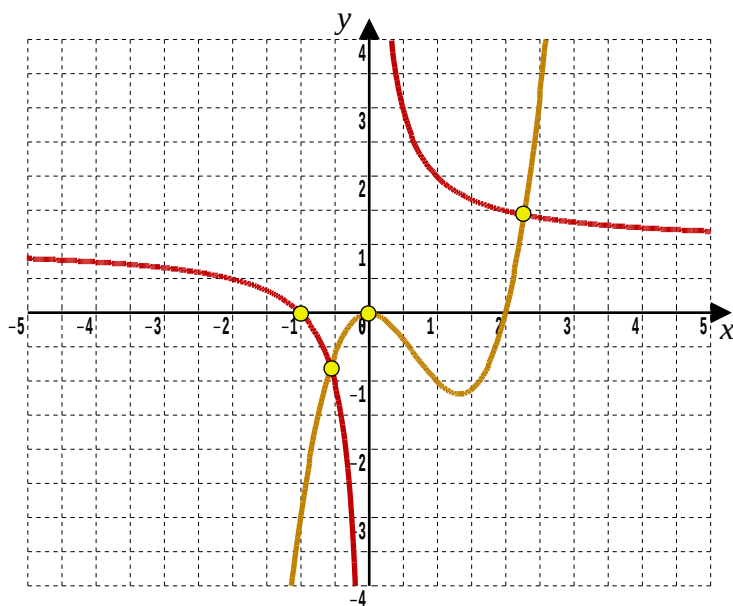
$$\frac{1}{x} + 1 = 0$$

$$1 + x = 0$$

$$x = -1$$

[1 mark]

(b)



Curve D has intercepts with the x -axis at $(0, 0)$ or $(2, 0)$

[3 marks]

(c) The equation,

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

will have two solutions as it will find where the two curves, graphed above intersect.

[1 mark]

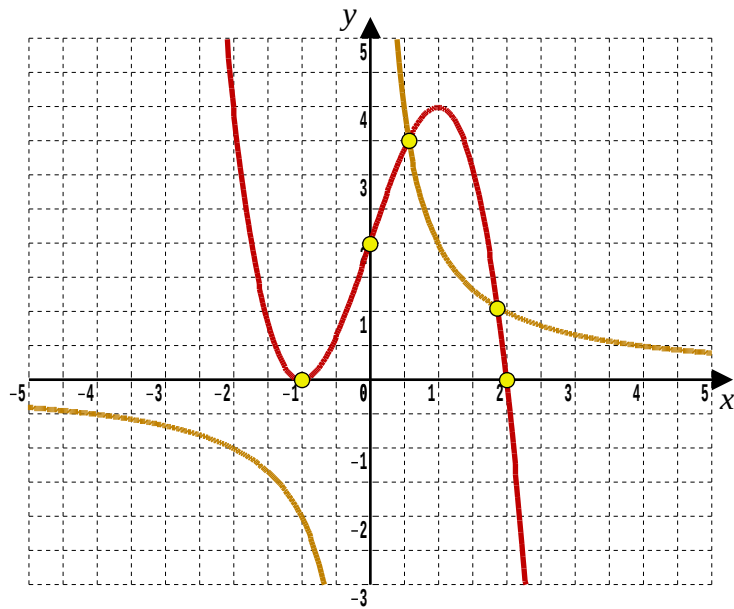
Answer 2

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

(a) When $x = 1$, $y = 4 \quad \therefore a = 4$

[1 mark]

(b)



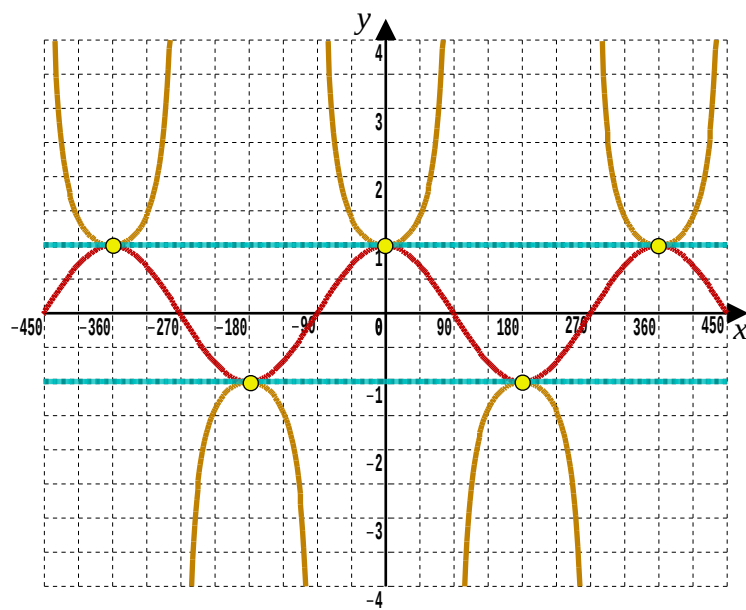
[5 marks]

(c) Two solutions as the two curves intercept in two places.

[1 mark]

Answer 3

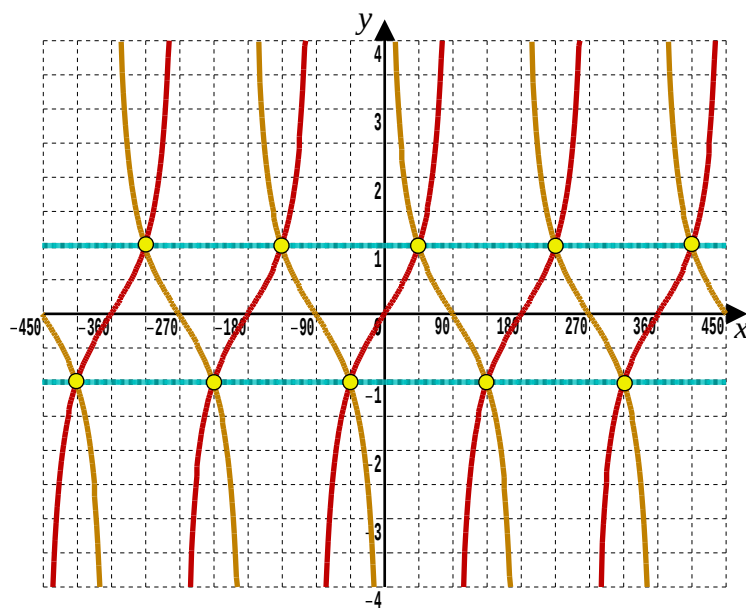
(i)



Red : $f(x) = \cos(x)$ Gold : $\frac{1}{f(x)} = \frac{1}{\cos(x)}$

[3 marks]

(ii)



Red : $f(x) = \tan(x)$ Gold : $\frac{1}{f(x)} = \frac{1}{\tan(x)}$

[3 marks]

Answer 4

(i) The minimum point is $(1, -16)$

[1 mark]

(ii) $(x - 1)^2 - 16 = x^2 - 2x - 15$

This will cross the y-axis at $(0, -15)$

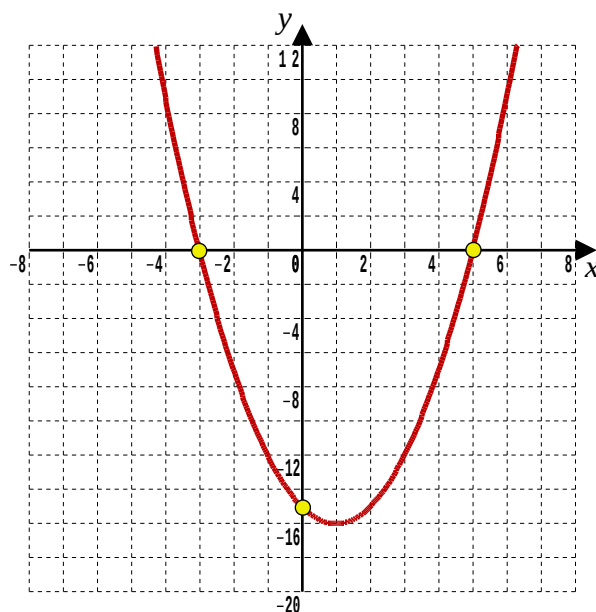
[1 mark]

(iii) $(x + 3)(x - 5)$

This will cross the x-axis at $(-3, 0)$ and $(5, 0)$

[1 mark]

(iv)



[2 marks]

Answer 5

$$y = (x - 4)^2 + 1$$

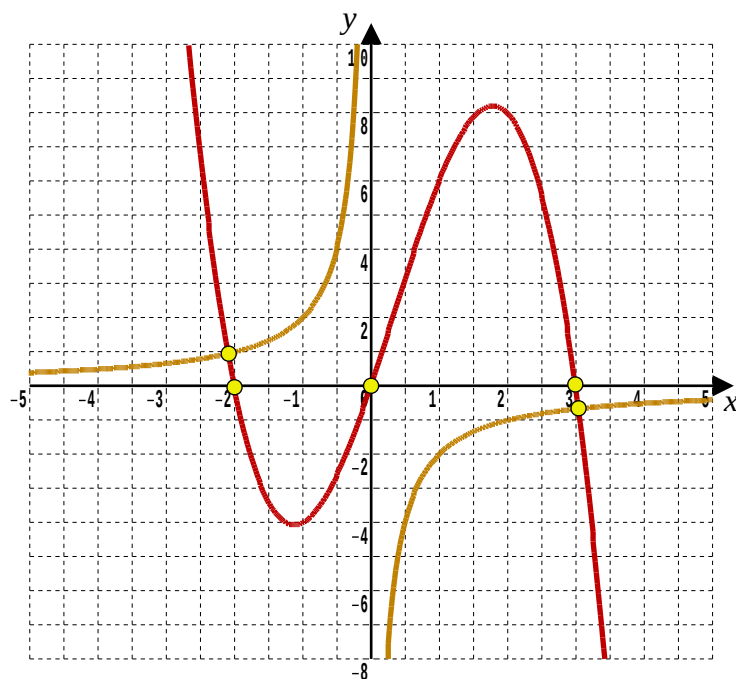
The curve of this equation would cross the x-axis when $y = 0$ and this would require that the following equation be satisfied,

$$(x - 4)^2 + 1 = 0$$

This clearly has no solutions for the least value of $(x - 4)^2$ is zero but, even then, 1 is added on.

$\therefore$ The curve of this equation does not cross the x-axis. $\square$

[2 marks]

Answer 6**(a)**Red: $y = x (x + 2) (3 - x)$ Gold: $y = - \frac{2}{x}$ **[6 marks]****(b)** There will be two solutions to the equation

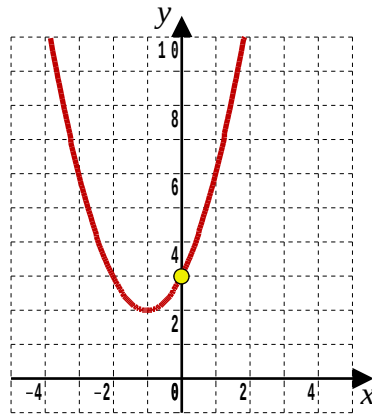
$$x (x + 2) (3 - x) = - \frac{2}{x}$$

because the left hand side is the red graph and the right hand side is the gold graph and, from the sketch, the two graphs intersect in two places.

[2 marks]

Answer 7

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(a)} \quad x^2 + 2x + 3 &= [x^2 + 2x] + 3 \\
 &= [(x + 1)^2 - 1] + 3 \\
 &= (x + 1)^2 + 2 \\
 \therefore a &= 1 \text{ and } b = 2
 \end{aligned}$$

[2 marks]**(b)****[3 marks]**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(c)} \quad D &= 2^2 - 4 \times 1 \times 3 \\
 &= -8
 \end{aligned}$$

As this is negative, the equation has no roots.

Graphically, this corresponds to there being no x -axis interceptions.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(d)} \quad D &= k^2 - 4 \times 1 \times 3 \\
 &= k^2 - 12
 \end{aligned}$$

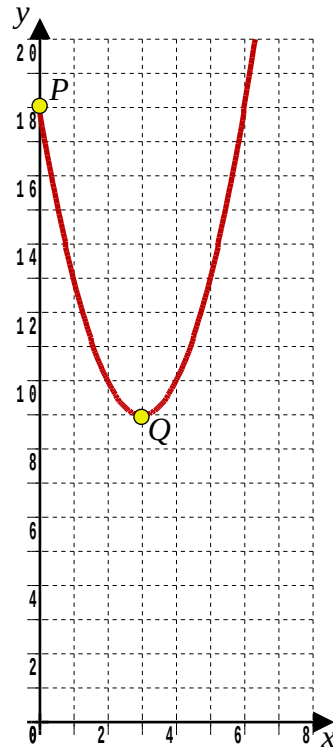
$$\therefore \text{ For no real roots, } k^2 - 12 < 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 k^2 &< 12 \\
 -2\sqrt{3} &< k < 2\sqrt{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

[4 marks]

Answer 8

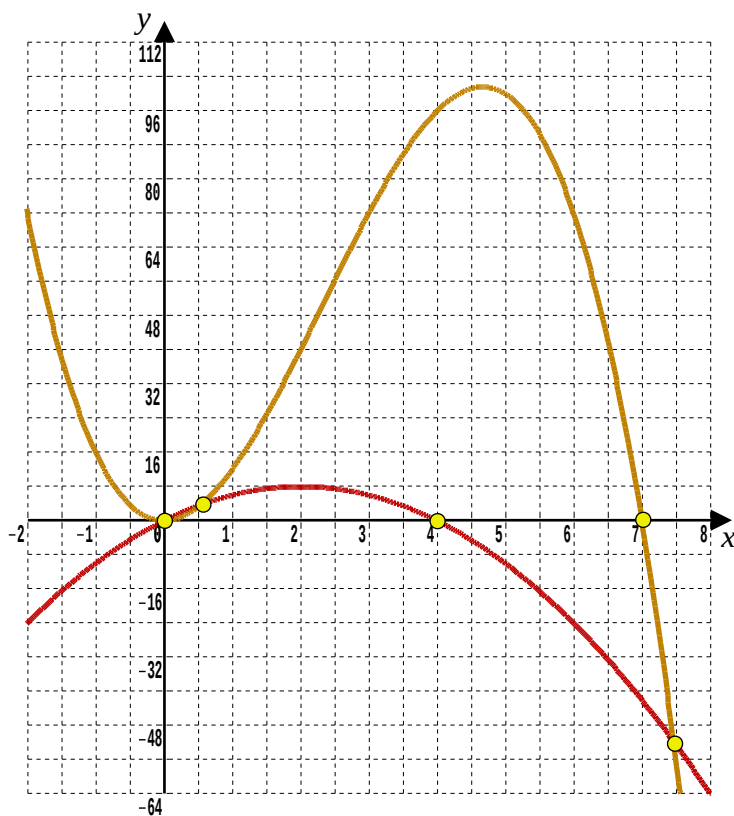
(a)
$$\begin{aligned}x^2 - 6x + 18 &= [x^2 - 6x] + 18 \\&= [(x - 3)^2 - 9] + 18 \\&= (x - 3)^2 + 9 \\ \therefore a &= 3 \text{ and } b = 9\end{aligned}$$

[3 marks]**(b)****[3 marks]**

(c)
$$\begin{aligned}(x - 3)^2 + 9 &= 41 \\(x - 3)^2 &= 32 \\x - 3 &= \pm 4\sqrt{2} \\x &= 3 \pm 4\sqrt{2}\end{aligned}$$

$\therefore p = 3 \text{ and } r = 4 \text{ (reject } r = -4 \text{ as told } x \geq 0)$

[5 marks]

Answer 9**(a)****[5 marks]****(b)** Points of intersection will be found from,

$$x(4 - x) = x^2(7 - x)$$

$$4x - x^2 = 7x^2 - x^3$$

$$x^3 - 8x^2 + 4x = 0$$

$$x(x^2 - 8x + 4) = 0$$

[3 marks]

(c) The solution, $x = 0$ is rejected as the coordinates of A are both positive.

$$\therefore x^2 - 8x + 4 = 0$$

$$[x^2 - 8x] + 4 = 0$$

$$[(x - 4)^2 - 16] + 4 = 0$$

$$(x - 4)^2 = 12$$

$$x = 4 - 2\sqrt{3} \text{ (must be lesser of two)}$$

$$y = (4 - 2\sqrt{3})(4 - 4 + 2\sqrt{3})$$

$$= (4 - 2\sqrt{3})(2\sqrt{3})$$

$$= 8\sqrt{3} - 12$$

$$= -12 + 8\sqrt{3}$$

$\therefore$ Intersection sought is $(4 - 2\sqrt{3}, -12 + 8\sqrt{3})$

$\therefore p = 4, q = -2, r = -12$ and $s = 8$

[7 marks]