

7. (a) Factorise completely $9x - x^3$ (2)

The curve C has equation

$$y = 9x - x^3$$

- (b) Sketch C showing the coordinates of the points at which the curve cuts the x -axis. (2)

The line l has equation $y = k$ where k is a constant.

Given that C and l intersect at 3 distinct points,

- (c) find the range of values for k , writing your answer in set notation.

Solutions relying on calculator technology are not acceptable.

(3)