

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
5(a)(i)		M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
(ii)	Asymptotes: $y = 3, x = 0$	B1	1.1b
		(3)	
(b)	e.g. $\frac{6}{x} + 3 = 3x^2 - 4x - 10 \Rightarrow 6 + 3x = 3x^3 - 4x^2 - 10x$	M1	1.1b
	$3x^3 - 4x^2 - 13x - 6 = 0$ *	A1*	1.1b
		(2)	
(c)	$\begin{array}{r} x^2 - 2x \pm \dots \\ \text{e.g. } 3x + 2 \overline{) 3x^3 - 4x^2 - 13x - 6} \end{array}$	M1	3.1a
	$x^2 - 2x - 3 (=0)$ or $3x^2 - 6x - 9 (=0)$	A1	1.1b
	e.g. $(3x + 2)(x - 3)(x + 1) = 0 \Rightarrow x = \dots$	dM1	1.1b
	$x = -1, x = 3$	A1cso	1.1b
		(4)	

(9 marks)

Notes

(a)(i)
M1: Either

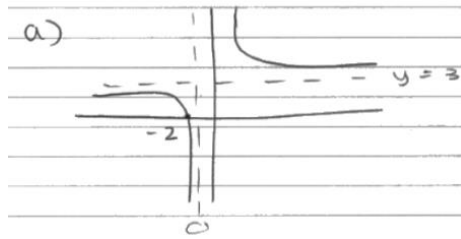
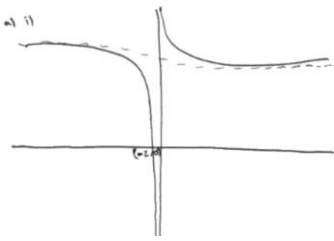
- A correct positive reciprocal graph shape with both branches anywhere on a set of axes (ignore any dashed lines / scale and just look at the graph shape drawn)
- $x = -2$ is the only point of intersection of their graph with the axes. Condone labelled as $(0, -2)$. Allow if they state the coordinates $(-2, 0)$ next to the graph instead but not just $x = -2$

Condone poor curvature provided there is not an intention to draw a maximum or minimum for either of the branches. Condone where the branches approach an undrawn horizontal asymptote if the left-hand branch is slightly above the right-hand branch as long as it does not appear intentional.

A1: Fully correct graph with an intersection labelled at $x = -2$ on the graph (condone labelled as $(0, -2)$). If two horizontal or vertical asymptotes are drawn or a vertical asymptote which is not the y -axis then this mark cannot be scored. (unless the vertical asymptote is labelled as 0 or $x = 0$) Allow if they state the coordinates $(-2, 0)$ next to the graph instead but not just $x = -2$

e.g. this scores M1A1 e.g. this scores M1A0 e.g. this scores M1A0

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(ii) If no graph is drawn then this mark cannot be scored

B1: $y = 3, x = 0$ cao (not $x \neq 0$) which must be correct for their graph. Check by the question but if there is a contradiction then the equations stated in (ii) of the work takes precedence. Cannot be for just stating 0 underneath the y axis and 3 on a dashed horizontal line if present.

(b)

M1: Sets $\frac{6}{x} + 3 = 3x^2 - 4x - 10$ and rearranges to form a cubic equation. Terms do not need to be collected or all on one side.

A1*: $3x^3 - 4x^2 - 13x - 6 = 0$ with no errors seen. There must be at least one stage of intermediate working before achieving the given answer.

e.g. $\frac{6}{x} + 3 = 3x^2 - 4x - 10 \Rightarrow 3x^3 - 4x^2 - 13x - 6 = 0$ is M1A0*

e.g. $\frac{6}{x} + 3 = 3x^2 - 4x - 10 \Rightarrow 6 + 3x = 3x^3 - 4x^2 - 10x \Rightarrow 3x^3 - 4x^2 - 13x - 6 = 0$ is M1A1*

(c) Note that proceeding to three linear factors with no working is M0A0dM0A0. A quadratic factor is required first.

M1: Attempts to algebraically divide $3x^3 - 4x^2 - 13x - 6$ by $3x + 2$ or compare coefficients to achieve $(x^2 - 2x \pm \dots)$ or $(x^2 \pm \dots x - 3)$ (or via inspection)

Alternatively, attempts to algebraically divide $3x^3 - 4x^2 - 13x - 6$ by $x + \frac{2}{3}$ or compare coefficients to achieve $(3x^2 - 6x \pm \dots)$ or $(3x^2 \pm \dots x - 9)$ (or via inspection)

May use the grid method so they must proceed as far as the diagonal for x^2 being correct and achieving $x^2 - 2x$ on the top. (They should reach the same point if dividing by $x + \frac{2}{3}$)

	x^2 ——— $-2x$
$3x$	$3x^3$ ——— $-6x^2$
2	$2x^2$ ———

Any attempts to use $(x+1)$ or $(x-3)$ rather than $(3x+2)$ from the given root please send to review.

A1: $x^2 - 2x - 3 (=0)$ or $3x^2 - 6x - 9 (=0)$

dM1: Attempts to solve their resulting quadratic by factorising, using the formula or completing the square. Usual rules apply for solving a quadratic by either of these methods. They cannot simply write down the roots. It is dependent on the previous method mark.

Note $(3x^2 - 6x - 9) \Rightarrow (x-3)(x+1) \Rightarrow x = \dots$ is dM0A0

A1cso: $x = -1, x = 3$ only (ignore any reference to $x = -\frac{2}{3}$) Condone invisible brackets if

recovered or implied by further work. Withhold this mark if they reject one of the two solutions.