

Question	Scheme	Marks	AOs
11(a)	$A = 3^7 = 2187$	B1	1.1b
		(1)	
(b)	${}^7C_1 \times 3^6 \times \frac{k}{9}$ or ${}^7C_2 \times 3^5 \times \left(\frac{k}{9}\right)^2 = 406$	M1	1.1b
	${}^7C_1 \times 3^6 \times \frac{k}{9} + {}^7C_2 \times 3^5 \times \left(\frac{k}{9}\right)^2 = 406 \Rightarrow \dots k^2 \pm \dots k \pm \dots = 406$	dM1	1.1b
	$\Rightarrow 9k^2 + 81k - 58 = 0^*$	A1*	1.1b
		(3)	
(c)(i)	$k = \frac{2}{3}$	B1	1.1b
(ii)	"63" $\times \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 = 28$	M1 A1	1.1b 1.1b
		(3)	
(d)	$2 \times "2187" + 2 \times "28" x^2$	M1	3.1a
	$= 4374 + 56x^2$	A1	1.1b
		(2)	

**(9 marks)**

### Notes

- (a)**  
B1:  $3^7$  or 2187
- (b)**  
M1: Attempts to find either the coefficient of  $x$  **or** the coefficient of  $x^2$ . Condone invisible brackets. May be seen in the equation  $B + C = 406$
- dM1: Substitutes their coefficients for  $x$  **and**  $x^2$  into the equation  $B + C = 406$  and proceeds to a three-term quadratic in  $k$  which is not the given answer. Terms do not need to be on the same side. It is dependent on the previous method mark.
- A1\*: Achieves the given answer with at least one intermediate stage of working seen between their equation for  $B + C = 406$  and proceeds to the answer.  
e.g.  ${}^7C_1 \times 3^6 \times \frac{k}{9} + {}^7C_2 \times 3^5 \times \left(\frac{k}{9}\right)^2 = 406 \Rightarrow 567k + 63k^2 = 406 \Rightarrow 9k^2 + 81k - 58 = 0$
- (c)**
- (i)**  
B1:  $k = \frac{2}{3}$  only (must reject the negative root if found)
- (ii)**  
M1: Substitutes their positive value for  $k$  into their expression for  $C$  in terms of  $k$  from part (ii) and proceeds to find a value  
A1: 28
- (d)**  
M1: Attempts  $2 \times A + 2 \times C$  using their  $A$  and their  $C$   
A1:  $4374 + 56x^2$  cao (provided both previous marks have been scored)