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1. (4 points) The following diagram shows the graph of a function $f(x) = a \sin(bx) + c$, where $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$.



Find the values of a, b and c.

The maximum and minimum values are 5 and -1 respectively, so the principle axis is y = 2 (so c = 2) and the amplitude is 3. However the graph is reflected in x-axis so a = -3.

Half of the period is 1.5, so the period is 3. This makes $b = \frac{2\pi}{3}$.

2. (4 points) The following diagram shows the graph of the function $f(x) = A \times 2^{-x} + B$, where $A, B \in \mathbb{R}$.



(a) Find the values of A and B.

We set up two equations using the points:

$$\begin{cases} A+B=5\\ \frac{1}{4}A+B=2 \end{cases}$$

Solving the above gives A = 4 and B = 1.

(b) Write down the equation of the horizontal asymptote of the graph of y = f(x).

y = 1

(c) Solve the inequality

$$f(x) > \frac{17}{16}$$

We can solve the equation first:

$$4 \times 2^{-x} + 1 = \frac{17}{16}$$

which gives x = 6. So the solution to the inequality is x < 6.

Or we can just solve the inequality directly:

$$4 \times 2^{-x} + 1 > \frac{17}{16}$$
$$2^{-x} > \frac{1}{64}$$
$$2^{-x} > 2^{-6}$$
$$-x > -6$$
$$x < 6$$

3. (4 points) Polynomial $P(x) = 4x^3 + 5x^2 + ax + b$ is divisible by (x + 2), and when divided by (x - 1) there is a remainder of 6. Find the values of a and b.

We have the following information:

$$\begin{cases} P(-2) = 0\\ P(1) = 6 \end{cases}$$

These give the following equations:

$$\begin{cases} -2a+b=12\\ a+b=-3 \end{cases}$$

Solving gives a = -5 and b = 2.

4. (4 points) Let $p = \log_a x$ and $q = \log_a y$. Show that:

(a)
$$\log_{xy} a = \frac{1}{p+q}$$
 (b) $\log_{\frac{x}{y}} a = \frac{1}{p-q}$
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 $LHS = \log_{xy} a = \frac{\log_a a}{\log_a xy} = \frac{1}{\log_a x + \log_a y} = \frac{1}{p+q} = RHS$

(b)

$$LHS = \log_{\frac{x}{y}} a = \frac{\log_{a} a}{\log_{a} \frac{x}{y}} = \frac{1}{\log_{a} x - \log_{a} y} = \frac{1}{p - q} = RHS$$

5. (4 points) Solve the simultaneous equations:

$$\begin{cases} \log_3 x + 4 \log_9 y = 2\\ 2 \log_4 x + \log_2 y = 1 \end{cases}$$

Change the base to 3 in the first equation and 2 in the second:

$$\begin{cases} \log_3 x + 4\frac{\log_3 y}{\log_3 9} = 2\\ 2\frac{\log_2 x}{\log_2 4} + \log_2 y = 1 \end{cases}$$

Simplify:

$$\begin{cases} \log_3 x + 2\log_3 y = 2\\ \log_2 x + \log_2 y = 1 \end{cases}$$

Combine the logs:

$$\begin{cases} \log_3(xy^2) = 2\\ \log_2(xy) = 1 \end{cases}$$

Use the definition of logs:

$$\begin{cases} xy^2 = 9\\ xy = 2 \end{cases}$$

Dividing the first equation by the second gives $y = \frac{9}{2}$, which then gives $x = \frac{4}{9}$.