

- 3 The variables  $x$  and  $y$  satisfy the relation  $2^y = 3^{1-2x}$ .

- (a) By taking logarithms, show that the graph of  $y$  against  $x$  is a straight line. State the exact value of the gradient of this line. [3]

$$\ln 2^y = \ln 3^{1-2x}$$

$$y \ln 2 = (1-2x) \ln 3$$

$$y \ln 2 = \ln 3 - 2x \ln 3$$

$$y \ln 2 = -2x \ln 3 + \ln 3$$

$$y = \frac{-2 \ln 3}{\ln 2} x + \frac{\ln 3}{\ln 2}$$

of form  $y = mx + c$ , with  $m = \frac{-2 \ln 3}{\ln 2}$

(and  $c = \frac{\ln 3}{\ln 2}$ )

- (b) Find the exact  $x$ -coordinate of the point of intersection of this line with the line  $y = 3x$ . Give your answer in the form  $\frac{\ln a}{\ln b}$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are integers. [2]

$$3x = \frac{-2 \ln 3}{\ln 2} x + \frac{\ln 3}{\ln 2}$$

$$3x \ln 2 = -2 \ln 3 x + \ln 3$$

$$3x \ln 2 + 2x \ln 3 = \ln 3$$

$$x(3 \ln 2 + 2 \ln 3) = \ln 3$$

$$x(\ln 2^3 + \ln 3^2) = \ln 3$$

$$x(\ln 8 + \ln 9) = \ln 3$$

$$x \ln 72 = \ln 3$$

$$x = \frac{\ln 3}{\ln 72}$$

- 3 The variables  $x$  and  $y$  satisfy the equation  $x = A(3^{-y})$ , where  $A$  is a constant.

- (a) Explain why the graph of  $y$  against  $\ln x$  is a straight line and state the exact value of the gradient of the line. [3]

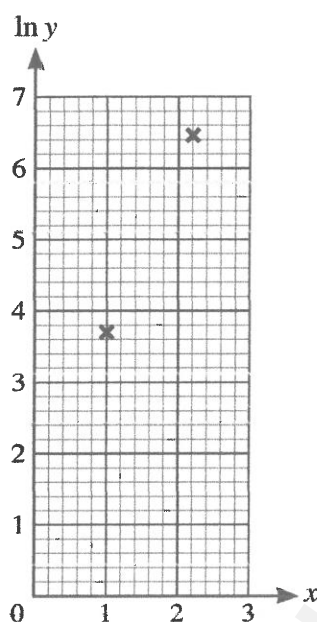
$$\begin{aligned} x &= A(3^{-y}) \\ \ln x &= \ln(A(3^{-y})) \\ \ln x &= \ln A + \ln 3^{-y} \\ \ln x &= \ln A - y \ln 3 \\ y \ln 3 + \ln x &= \ln A \\ y \ln 3 &= -\ln x + \ln A \\ y &= \frac{-1}{\ln 3} \ln x + \frac{\ln A}{\ln 3} \end{aligned}$$

this is of the form  $y = mx + c$ ,  
so makes a straight line, where  $m = \frac{-1}{\ln 3}$ ,  $x = \ln x$   
and  $c = \frac{\ln A}{\ln 3}$

It is given that the line intersects the  $y$ -axis at the point where  $y = 1.3$ .

- (b) Calculate the value of  $A$ , giving your answer correct to 2 decimal places. [2]

$$\begin{aligned} (0, 1.3): \quad 1.3 &= \frac{-1}{\ln 3} (0) + \frac{\ln A}{\ln 3} \\ 1.3 &= 0 + \frac{\ln A}{\ln 3} \\ \ln A &= 1.3 \ln 3 \\ A &= e^{1.3 \ln 3} \\ A &= 4.17 \end{aligned}$$



The variables  $x$  and  $y$  are related by the equation  $y = ab^x$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are constants. The diagram shows the result of plotting  $\ln y$  against  $x$  for two pairs of values of  $x$  and  $y$ . The coordinates of these points are  $(1, 3.7)$  and  $(2.2, 6.46)$ .

Use this information to find the values of  $a$  and  $b$ .

[4]

$$y = ab^x$$

$$\ln y = \ln(ab^x)$$

$$\ln y = \ln a + \ln b^x$$

$$\ln y = \ln a + x \ln b$$

sub.  $(1, 3.7)$ :

$$3.7 = \ln a + \ln b \quad (1)$$

sub.  $(2.2, 6.46)$ :

$$6.46 = \ln a + 2.2 \ln b \quad (2)$$

$(2) - (1)$ :

$$2.76 = 1.2 \ln b$$

$$\ln b = \frac{2.76}{1.2}$$

$$\ln b = 2.3$$

$\rightarrow (1)$ :

$$3.7 = \ln a + \ln(9.97)$$

$$3.7 = \ln a + 2.3$$

$$\ln a = 1.4$$

$$a = e^{1.4}$$

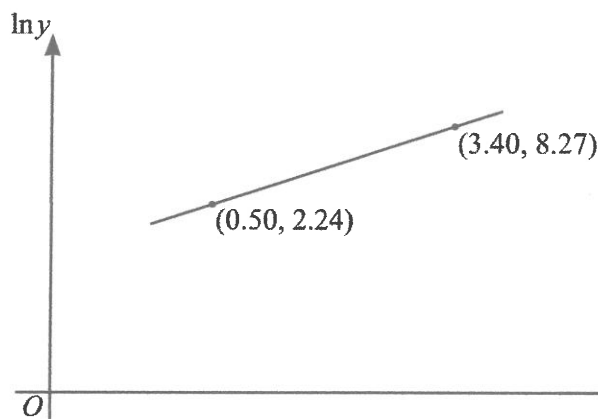
$$a = 4.06$$

$$b = e^{2.3}$$

$$b = 9.97$$



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The variables  $x$  and  $y$  satisfy the equation  $ay = b^x$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are constants. The graph of  $\ln y$  against  $x$  is a straight line passing through the points  $(0.50, 2.24)$  and  $(3.40, 8.27)$ , as shown in the diagram.

Find the values of  $a$  and  $b$ . Give each value correct to 1 significant figure.

[4]

$$ay = b^x$$

$$\ln(ay) = \ln b^x$$

$$\ln a + \ln y = x \ln b$$

$$\ln y = x \ln b - \ln a$$

Sub.  $(0.5, 2.24)$ :

$$2.24 = 0.5 \ln b - \ln a \quad (1)$$

Sub.  $(3.4, 8.27)$ :

$$8.27 = 3.4 \ln b - \ln a \quad (2)$$

$(2) - (1)$ :

$$6.03 = 2.9 \ln b$$

$$\ln b = \frac{6.03}{2.9}$$

$$b = e^{\frac{6.03}{2.9}}$$

$$b = 7.998... \text{ STO}$$

$$= \underline{8} \text{ (1sf)}$$

$\rightarrow \rightarrow (1)$ :

$$2.24 = 0.5 \ln(7.998...) - \ln a$$

$$\ln a = 0.5 \ln(7.998...) - 2.24$$

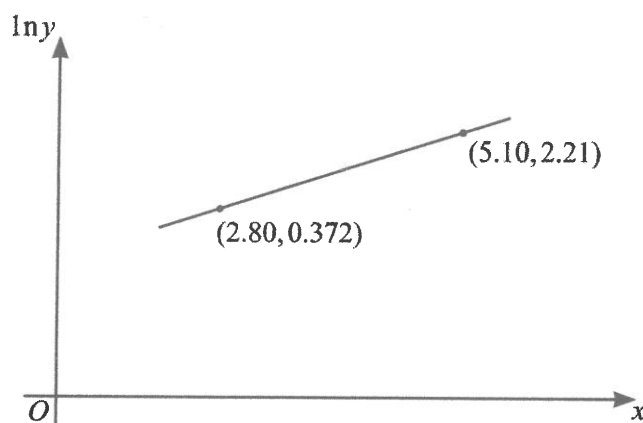
$$\ln a = -1.200...$$

$$a = e^{-1.200}$$

$$= 0.301$$

$$= \underline{0.3} \text{ (1sf)}$$





The variables  $x$  and  $y$  satisfy the equation  $ky = e^{cx}$ , where  $k$  and  $c$  are constants. The graph of  $\ln y$  against  $x$  is a straight line passing through the points  $(2.80, 0.372)$  and  $(5.10, 2.21)$ , as shown in the diagram.

Find the values of  $k$  and  $c$ . Give each value correct to 2 significant figures.

[4]

$$\ln(ky) = \ln(e^{cx})$$

$$\ln k + \ln y = cx$$

$$\ln y = cx - \ln k$$

sub.  $(2.8, 0.372)$ :

$$0.372 = 2.8c - \ln k \quad (1)$$

sub.  $(5.1, 2.21)$ :

$$2.21 = 5.1c - \ln k \quad (2)$$

$(2) - (1)$ :

$$1.838 = 2.3c$$

$$c = 0.7991 \dots \text{sto}$$

$$\rightarrow (1): 0.372 = 2.8(0.7991 \dots) - \ln k$$

$$\ln k = 2.2375 \dots - 0.372$$

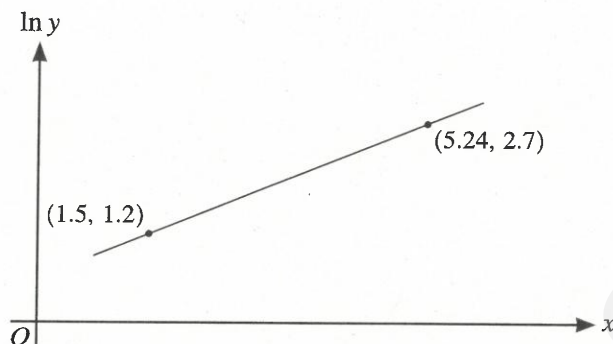
$$\ln k = 1.865 \dots$$

$$k = e^{1.865 \dots}$$

$$k = \underline{6.5} \text{ (2sf)}$$

$$c = \underline{0.80} \text{ (2sf)}$$





The variables  $x$  and  $y$  satisfy the equation  $y^2 = Ae^{kx}$ , where  $A$  and  $k$  are constants. The graph of  $\ln y$  against  $x$  is a straight line passing through the points  $(1.5, 1.2)$  and  $(5.24, 2.7)$  as shown in the diagram.

Find the values of  $A$  and  $k$  correct to 2 decimal places.

[5]

$$y^2 = Ae^{kx}$$

$$\ln y^2 = \ln(Ae^{kx})$$

$$2 \ln y = \ln A + \ln e^{kx}$$

$$2 \ln y = \ln A + kx$$

$$\ln y = \frac{1}{2} \ln A + \frac{1}{2} kx$$

$$\ln y = \frac{1}{2} kx + \frac{1}{2} \ln A$$

(1.5, 1.2):

$$1.2 = \frac{1}{2} k(1.5) + \frac{1}{2} \ln A$$

$$2.4 = 1.5k + \ln A \quad (1)$$

(5.24, 2.7):

$$2.7 = \frac{1}{2} k(5.24) + \frac{1}{2} \ln A$$

$$5.4 = 5.24k + \ln A \quad (2)$$

(2) - (1):  $3 = 3.74k$

$$k = 0.80$$

→ (1):

$$2.4 = 1.5(0.80) + \ln A$$

$$2.4 = 1.203... + \ln A$$

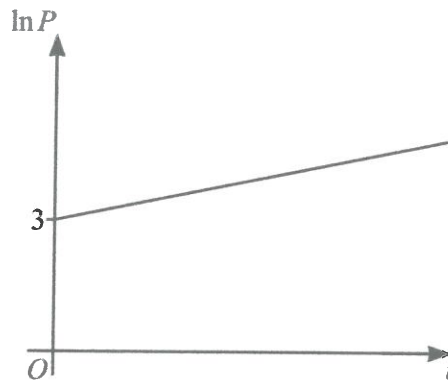
$$\ln A = 1.196...$$

$$A = e^{1.196...}$$

$$A = 3.31$$



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The number of bacteria in a population,  $P$ , at time  $t$  hours is modelled by the equation  $P = ae^{kt}$ , where  $a$  and  $k$  are constants. The graph of  $\ln P$  against  $t$ , shown in the diagram, has gradient  $\frac{1}{20}$  and intersects the vertical axis at  $(0, 3)$ .

- (a) State the value of  $k$  and find the value of  $a$  correct to 2 significant figures.

[3]

$$\begin{aligned}
 P &= ae^{kt} \\
 \ln P &= \ln(ae^{kt}) \\
 \ln P &= \ln a + \ln e^{kt} \\
 \ln P &= \ln a + kt \\
 \ln P &= kt + \ln a
 \end{aligned}$$

$\rightarrow$  gradient  $= \frac{1}{20} : k = \frac{1}{20}$   
 sub.  $(0, 3) : \ln P = \frac{1}{20}t + \ln a$   
 $3 = 0 + \ln a$   
 $\ln a = 3$   
 $a = e^3$   
 $= 20 \text{ (2sf)}$   
 $\rightarrow \ln P = \frac{1}{20}t + 3$

$\uparrow$  gradient       $\uparrow$  intercept

- (b) Find the time taken for  $P$  to double. Give your answer correct to the nearest hour.

[2]

Easiest way is to sub two values for  $P$  (one double the other) e.g.  $P=1$  and  $P=2$

$P=1$ :

$$\ln 1 = \frac{1}{20}t + 3$$

$$0 = \frac{1}{20}t + 3$$

$$\frac{1}{20}t = -3$$

$$t = -60$$

$P=2$ :

$$\ln 2 = \frac{1}{20}t + 3$$

$$\frac{1}{20}t = \ln 2 - 3$$

$$t = 20(\ln 2 - 3)$$

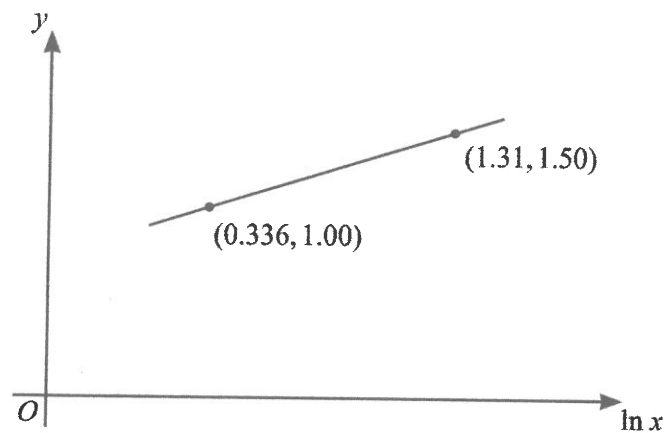
difference: time  $= 20(\ln 2 - 3) - (-60)$

$$= 13.86 \text{ hrs}$$

$$= \underline{14 \text{ hrs (nearest hr)}}$$

(it doesn't matter that this is negative - the graph is a straight line so it would be the same in the  $-t$  quadrant)





The variables  $x$  and  $y$  satisfy the equation  $a^y = bx$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are constants. The graph of  $y$  against  $\ln x$  is a straight line passing through the points  $(0.336, 1.00)$  and  $(1.31, 1.50)$ , as shown in the diagram.

Find the values of  $a$  and  $b$ . Give each value correct to the nearest integer.

[4]

$$a^y = bx$$

$$\ln a^y = \ln(bx)$$

$$y \ln a = \ln b + \ln x$$

Sub.  $(0.336, 1.00)$ :

$$1.00 \ln a = \ln b + 0.336$$

$$\ln a = \ln b + 0.336 \quad (1)$$

Sub.  $(1.31, 1.50)$ :

$$1.50 \ln a = \ln b + 1.31$$

$$1.5 \ln a = \ln b + 1.31 \quad (2)$$

$(2) - (1)$ :

$$0.5 \ln a = 0.974$$

$$\ln a = 1.948$$

$$a = e^{1.948}$$

$$a = 7.0146 \dots$$

$$\rightarrow (1): \ln(7.0146) = \ln b + 0.336$$

$$1.948 = \ln b + 0.336$$

$$\ln b = 1.612$$

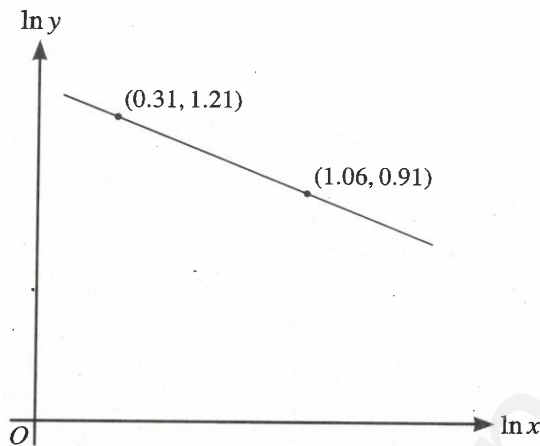
$$b = e^{1.612}$$

$$b = 5.0128 \dots$$

$$\underline{a = 7}, \underline{b = 5}$$



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The variables  $x$  and  $y$  satisfy the equation  $x^n y^2 = C$ , where  $n$  and  $C$  are constants. The graph of  $\ln y$  against  $\ln x$  is a straight line passing through the points  $(0.31, 1.21)$  and  $(1.06, 0.91)$ , as shown in the diagram.

Find the value of  $n$  and find the value of  $C$  correct to 2 decimal places.

[5]

$$\begin{aligned}
 x^n y^2 &= C \\
 \ln(x^n y^2) &= \ln C \\
 n \ln x + 2 \ln y &= \ln C \\
 2 \ln y &= -n \ln x + \ln C \\
 \ln y &= -\frac{n}{2} \ln x + \frac{1}{2} \ln C
 \end{aligned}$$

$(0.31, 1.21)$ :  $1.21 = -\frac{n}{2}(0.31) + \frac{1}{2} \ln C$   
 $2.42 = -0.31n + \ln C$  ①  
 $(1.06, 0.91)$ :  $0.91 = -\frac{n}{2}(1.06) + \frac{1}{2} \ln C$   
 $1.82 = -1.06n + \ln C$  ②  
 ① - ②:  $0.6 = 0.75n$   
 $n = 0.80$

$\rightarrow$  ①:  $2.42 = -0.31(0.8) + \ln C$   
 $2.42 = -0.248 + \ln C$   
 $2.668 = \ln C$   
 $C = e^{2.668}$   
 $C = 14.41$

- 3 The variables  $x$  and  $y$  satisfy the equation  $a^{2y-1} = b^{x-y}$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are constants.

(a) Show that the graph of  $y$  against  $x$  is a straight line.

[3]

$$\begin{aligned} \ln a^{2y-1} &= \ln b^{x-y} \\ (2y-1) \ln a &= (x-y) \ln b \\ 2y \ln a - \ln a &= x \ln b - y \ln b \\ 2y \ln a + y \ln b &= x \ln b + \ln a \\ y(2 \ln a + \ln b) &= x \ln b + \ln a \\ y &= \frac{\ln b}{2 \ln a + \ln b} x + \frac{\ln a}{2 \ln a + \ln b} \end{aligned}$$

So straight line with gradient and intercept

- (b) Given that  $a = b^3$ , state the equation of the straight line in the form  $y = px + q$ , where  $p$  and  $q$  are rational numbers in their simplest form.

[2]

Sub.  $a = b^3$ :

$$\begin{aligned} y &= \frac{\ln b}{2 \ln b^3 + \ln b} x + \frac{\ln b^3}{2 \ln b^3 + \ln b} \\ &= \frac{\ln b}{\ln b^6 + \ln b} x + \frac{\ln b^3}{\ln b^6 + \ln b} \\ &= \frac{\ln b}{\ln b^7} x + \frac{\ln b^3}{\ln b^7} \\ &= \frac{\ln b}{7 \ln b} x + \frac{3 \ln b}{7 \ln b} \\ y &= \frac{1}{7} x + \frac{3}{7} \end{aligned}$$