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Work out

$$\left(6^{\frac{1}{2}} + 6^{\frac{3}{2}}\right)^2$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (6^{\frac{1}{2}}(1+6))^2 \\
 &= 6 \times 7^2 \\
 &= \underline{294}
 \end{aligned}$$

The circle C has equation

$$(x + 2)^2 + (y - 1)^2 = 25$$

Find where C crosses the x-axis.

$$\begin{aligned}
 y &= 0 \\
 \Rightarrow (x+2)^2 + 1 &= 25 \\
 \Rightarrow (x+2)^2 &= 24 \\
 \Rightarrow x+2 &= \pm 2\sqrt{6} \\
 \Rightarrow x &= -2 \pm 2\sqrt{6}
 \end{aligned}$$

Express

$$\frac{9\sqrt{2} + 5}{4 - 3\sqrt{2}}$$

in the form $a\sqrt{2} + b$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\frac{9\sqrt{2} + 5}{4 - 3\sqrt{2}} \times \frac{4 + 3\sqrt{2}}{4 + 3\sqrt{2}} \\
 &= \frac{51\sqrt{2} + 74}{16 - 18} \\
 &= -\frac{51\sqrt{2} - 74}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Solve $x^3 - 13x^2 + 46x - 48 = 0$

$$f(x) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(2) &= 8 - 52 + 92 - 48 = 0 \\
 f(x) &= (x-2)(x^2 - 11x + 24) \\
 &= (x-2)(x-3)(x-8) \\
 x &= \underline{2, 3, 8}
 \end{aligned}$$