

**Dr Oliver Mathematics**  
**Mathematics: Advanced Higher**  
**2017 Paper**  
**3 hours**

The total number of marks available is 100.

You must write down all the stages in your working.

1. Write down the binomial expansion

(4)

$$\left(\frac{2}{y^2} - 5y\right)^3,$$

and simplify your answer.

**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{2}{y^2} - 5y\right)^3 \\ = & \left(\frac{2}{y^2}\right)^3 + 3\left(\frac{2}{y^2}\right)^2(-5y) + 3\left(\frac{2}{y^2}\right)(-5y)^2 + (-5y)^3 \\ = & \underline{\underline{\frac{8}{y^6} - \frac{60}{y^3} + 150 - 125y^3}}. \end{aligned}$$

2. Express

(4)

$$\frac{x^2 - 6x + 20}{(x + 1)(x - 2)^2}$$

in partial fractions.

**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x^2 - 6x + 20}{(x + 1)(x - 2)^2} & \equiv \frac{A}{(x + 1)} + \frac{B}{(x - 2)} + \frac{C}{(x - 2)^2} \\ & = \frac{A(x - 2)^2 + B(x + 1)(x - 2) + C(x + 1)}{(x + 1)(x - 2)^2} \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$x^2 - 6x + 20 \equiv A(x - 2)^2 + B(x + 1)(x - 2) + C(x + 1).$$

$$x = 2: 12 = 3C \Rightarrow C = 4.$$

$$x = -1: 27 = 9A \Rightarrow A = 3.$$

$$x = 0: 20 = 3 \cdot 4 - 2B + 4 \Rightarrow 2B = -4 \Rightarrow B = -2.$$

Hence,

$$\frac{x^2 - 6x + 20}{(x + 1)(x - 2)^2} \equiv \frac{3}{(x + 1)} - \frac{2}{(x - 2)} + \frac{4}{(x - 2)^2}.$$

3. On a suitable domain, a function is defined by

(3)

$$f(x) = \frac{e^{x^2-1}}{x^2-1}.$$

Find  $f'(x)$ , simplifying your answer.

**Solution**

$$u = e^{x^2-1} \Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = 2x e^{x^2-1}$$

$$v = x^2 - 1 \Rightarrow \frac{dv}{dx} = 2x.$$

Finally,

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) = \frac{e^{x^2-1}}{x^2-1} &\Rightarrow f'(x) = \frac{(x^2-1) 2x e^{x^2-1} - 2x e^{x^2-1}}{(x^2-1)^2} \\ &\Rightarrow f'(x) = \frac{2x e^{x^2-1} [(x^2-1) - 1]}{(x^2-1)^2} \\ &\Rightarrow f'(x) = \frac{2x e^{x^2-1} (x^2-2)}{(x^2-1)^2}. \end{aligned}$$

4. The fifth term of an arithmetic sequence is  $-6$  and the twelfth term is  $-34$ .

- (a) Determine the values of the first term and the common difference.

(2)

**Solution**

$$\text{5th term : } a + 4d = -6 \quad (1)$$

$$\text{12th term : } a + 11d = -34 \quad (2).$$

Do (2) – (1):

$$7d = -28 \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{d = -4}}$$

$$\Rightarrow a - 16 = -6$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{a = 10}}.$$

- (b) Obtain algebraically the value of  $n$  for which  $S_n = -144$ .

(3)

**Solution**

$$S_n = -144 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}n[20 - 4(n - 1)] = -144$$

$$\Rightarrow n[20 - 4n + 4] = -288$$

$$\Rightarrow n(24 - 4n) = -288$$

$$\Rightarrow 24n - 4n^2 = -288$$

$$\Rightarrow 4n^2 - 24n - 288 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow n^2 - 6n - 72 = 0$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{add to:} \quad -6 \\ \text{multiply to: } -72 \end{array} \right\} -12, +6$$

$$\Rightarrow (n - 12)(n + 6) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 12 \text{ or } n = -6;$$

clearly,  $n \neq -6$  and so  $n = 12$ .

5. (a) (i) Use Gaussian elimination on the system of equations below to give an expression for  $z$  in terms of  $\lambda$ .

(4)

$$x + 2y - z = -3$$

$$4x - 2y + 3z = 11$$

$$3x + y + 2\lambda z = 8.$$

**Solution**

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & -1 & -3 \\ 4 & -2 & 3 & 11 \\ 3 & 1 & 2\lambda & 8 \end{array} \right)$$

Do  $R_2 - 4R_1$  and  $R_3 - 3R_1$ :

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & -1 & -3 \\ 0 & -10 & 7 & 23 \\ 0 & -5 & 2\lambda + 3 & 17 \end{array} \right)$$

Do  $2R_3 - R_2$ :

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 2 & -1 & -3 \\ 0 & -10 & 7 & 23 \\ 0 & 0 & 4\lambda - 1 & 11 \end{array} \right)$$

Hence,

$$(4\lambda - 1)z = 11 \Rightarrow z = \underline{\underline{\frac{11}{4\lambda - 1}}}.$$

(ii) For what value of  $\lambda$  is this system of equations inconsistent?

(1)

**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned} 4\lambda - 1 &= 0 \Rightarrow 4\lambda = 1 \\ &\Rightarrow \lambda = \underline{\underline{\frac{1}{4}}}. \end{aligned}$$

(b) Determine the solution of this system when  $\lambda = -2.5$ .

(1)

**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda = -2.5 &\Rightarrow z = -1 \\ &\Rightarrow -10y - 7 = 23 \\ &\Rightarrow -10y = 30 \\ &\Rightarrow y = -3 \\ &\Rightarrow x - 6 + 1 = -3 \\ &\Rightarrow x = 2; \end{aligned}$$

hence,

$$\underline{\underline{x = 2, y = -3, z = -1.}}$$

6. Use the substitution  $u = 5x^2$  to find the exact value of

(6)

$$\int_0^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}} \frac{x}{\sqrt{1-25x^4}} dx.$$

**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned} u = 5x^2 &\Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = 10x \\ &\Rightarrow du = 10x dx \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{1}{10} du = x dx \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} x = 0 &\Rightarrow u = 0 \\ x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} &\Rightarrow u = \frac{1}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}} \frac{x}{\sqrt{1-25x^4}} dx &= \int_0^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}} \frac{x}{\sqrt{1-(5x^2)^2}} dx \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{\frac{1}{10}}{\sqrt{1-u^2}} du \\ &= \frac{1}{10} [\arcsin u]_{u=0}^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \frac{1}{10} \left( \arcsin \frac{1}{2} - 0 \right) \\ &= \underline{\underline{\frac{1}{60}\pi}}. \end{aligned}$$

7. Matrices  $\mathbf{P}$  and  $\mathbf{Q}$  are defined by

$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} x & 2 \\ -5 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{Q} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -3 \\ 4 & y \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ .

(a) Given the determinant of  $\mathbf{P}$  is 2, obtain:

(i) The value of  $x$ .

(1)

**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned}\det \mathbf{P} = 2 &\Rightarrow -x + 10 = 2 \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{x = 8.}}\end{aligned}$$

(ii)  $\mathbf{P}^{-1}$ .

(1)

**Solution**

$$\mathbf{P}^{-1} = \underline{\underline{\frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ 5 & 8 \end{pmatrix}}}.$$

(iii)  $\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{Q}^T$ , where  $\mathbf{Q}^T$  is the transpose of  $\mathbf{Q}$ .

(2)

**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{Q}^T &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2 \\ 5 & 8 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ -3 & y \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -4 - 2y \\ -14 & 20 + 8y \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \underline{\underline{\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 - y \\ -7 & 10 + 4y \end{pmatrix}}}.\end{aligned}$$

The matrix  $\mathbf{R}$  is defined by

$$\mathbf{R} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -2 \\ z & -6 \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $z \in \mathbb{R}$ .

(b) Determine the value of  $z$  such that  $\mathbf{R}$  is singular.

(2)

**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned}\det \mathbf{R} = 0 &\Rightarrow -30 + 2z = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow 2z = 30 \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{z = 15.}}\end{aligned}$$

8. Use the Euclidean algorithm to find integers  $a$  and  $b$  such that

(4)

$$1\,595a + 1\,218b = 29.$$

**Solution**

$$1\,595 = 1 \times 1\,218 + 377$$

$$1\,218 = 3 \times 377 + 87$$

$$377 = 4 \times 87 + 29$$

$$87 = 3 \times 29 + 0$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} 29 &= 377 - 4 \times 87 \\ &= 377 - 4(1\,218 - 3 \times 377) \\ &= 13 \times 377 - 4 \times 1\,218 \\ &= 13(1\,595 - 1\,218) - 4 \times 1\,218 \\ &= \underline{\underline{13 \times 1\,595 - 17 \times 1\,218;}} \end{aligned}$$

hence,

$$\underline{\underline{a = 13 \text{ and } b = -17.}}$$

9. Solve

(5)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = e^{2x}(1 + y^2),$$

given that when  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 1$ .

Express  $y$  in terms of  $x$ .

**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= e^{2x}(1 + y^2) \Rightarrow \frac{1}{1 + y^2} dy = e^{2x} dx \\ &\Rightarrow \int \frac{1}{1 + y^2} dy = \int e^{2x} dx \\ &\Rightarrow \arctan y = \frac{1}{2}e^{2x} + c. \end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} x = 0, y = 1 &\Rightarrow \frac{1}{4}\pi = \frac{1}{2} + c \\ &\Rightarrow c = \frac{1}{4}\pi - \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\arctan y = \frac{1}{2}e^{2x} + \frac{1}{4}\pi - \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{y = \tan(\frac{1}{2}e^{2x} + \frac{1}{4}\pi - \frac{1}{2})}}.$$

10.  $S_n$  is defined by

$$\sum_{r=1}^n \left(r^2 + \frac{1}{3}r\right).$$

(a) Find an expression for  $S_n$ , fully factorising your answer.

(2)

**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned} S_n &= \sum_{r=1}^n \left(r^2 + \frac{1}{3}r\right) \\ &= \sum_{r=1}^n r^2 + \frac{1}{3} \sum_{r=1}^n r \\ &= \frac{1}{6}n(n+1)(2n+1) + \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{2}n(n+1) \\ &= \frac{1}{6}n(n+1)(2n+1) + \frac{1}{6}n(n+1) \\ &= \frac{1}{6}n(n+1)[(2n+1) + 1] \\ &= \frac{1}{6}n(n+1)(2n+2) \\ &= \underline{\underline{\frac{1}{3}n(n+1)^2}}. \end{aligned}$$

(b) Hence find an expression for

(2)

$$\sum_{r=10}^{2p} \left(r^2 + \frac{1}{3}r\right),$$

where  $p > 5$ .

**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{r=10}^{2p} \left(r^2 + \frac{1}{3}r\right) &= S_{2p} - S_9 \\ &= \frac{1}{3}(2p)[(2p)+1]^2 - \frac{1}{3}(9)(9+1)^2 \\ &= \underline{\underline{\frac{2}{3}p(2p+1)^2 - 300}}. \end{aligned}$$



11. Given

(5)

$$y = x^{2x^3+1},$$

use logarithmic differentiation to find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$ .

Write your answer in terms of  $x$ .

**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned} y = x^{2x^3+1} &\Rightarrow \ln y = \ln x^{2x^3+1} \\ &\Rightarrow \ln y = (2x^3 + 1) \ln x \end{aligned}$$

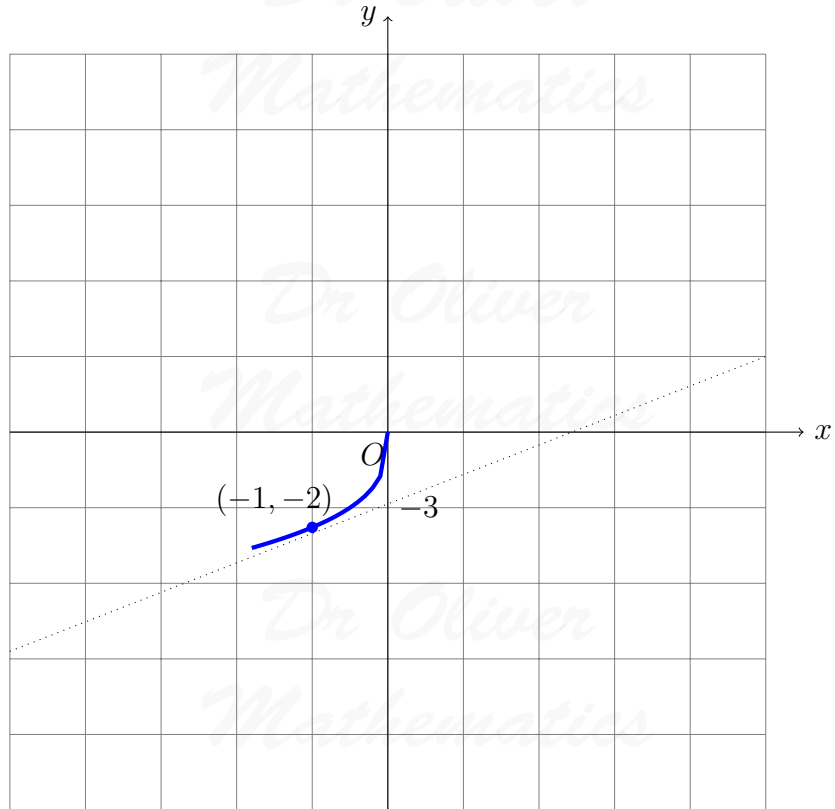
$$\begin{aligned} u = 2x^3 + 1 &\Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = 6x^2 \\ u = \ln x &\Rightarrow \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{1}{x} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow \frac{1}{y} \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2x^3 + 1}{x} + 6x^2 \ln x \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = y \left( \frac{2x^3 + 1}{x} + 6x^2 \ln x \right) \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = x^{2x^3+1} \left( \frac{2x^3 + 1}{x} + 6x^2 \ln x \right). \end{aligned}$$

12. In the diagram below part of the graph of  $y = f(x)$  has been omitted.  
The point  $(-1, -2)$  lies on the graph and the line

$$y = \frac{1}{2}x - 3$$

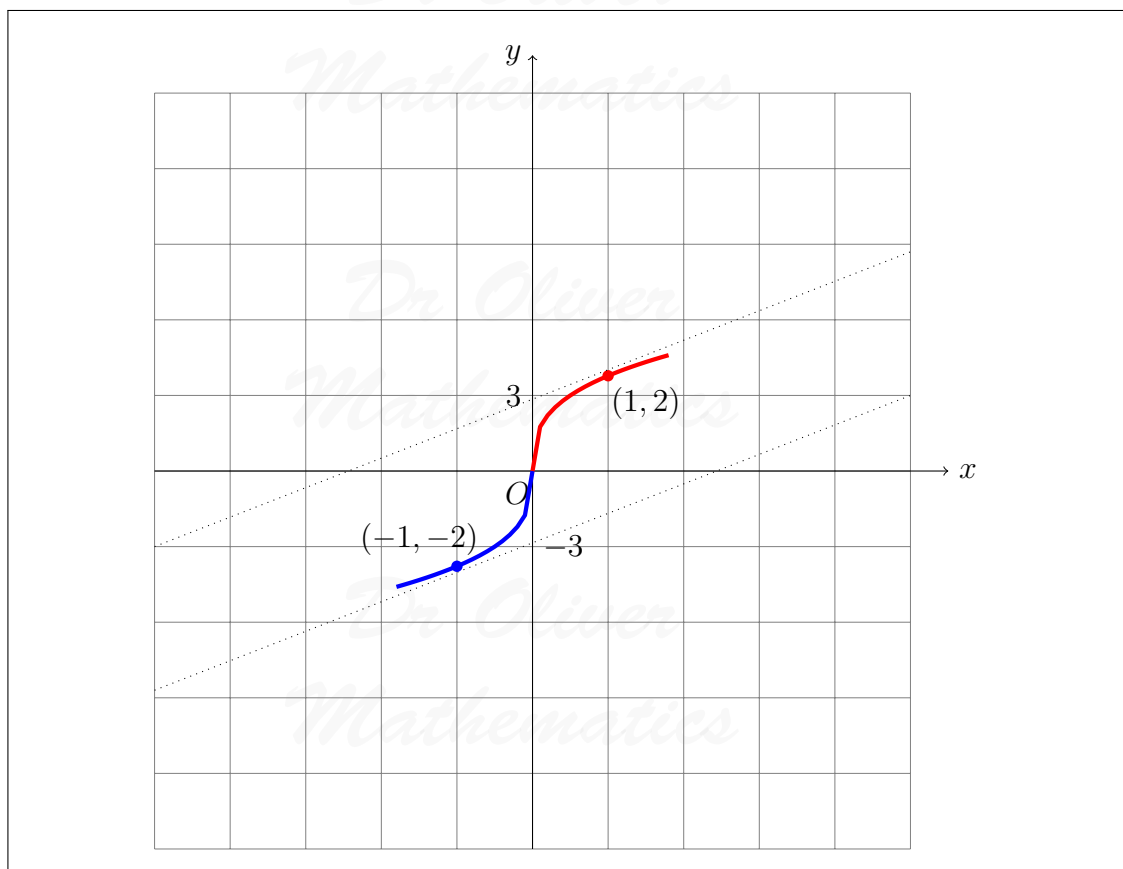
is an asymptote.



Given that  $f(x)$  is an odd function:

- (a) Copy and complete the diagram, including any asymptotes and any points you know to be on the graph. (2)

**Solution**

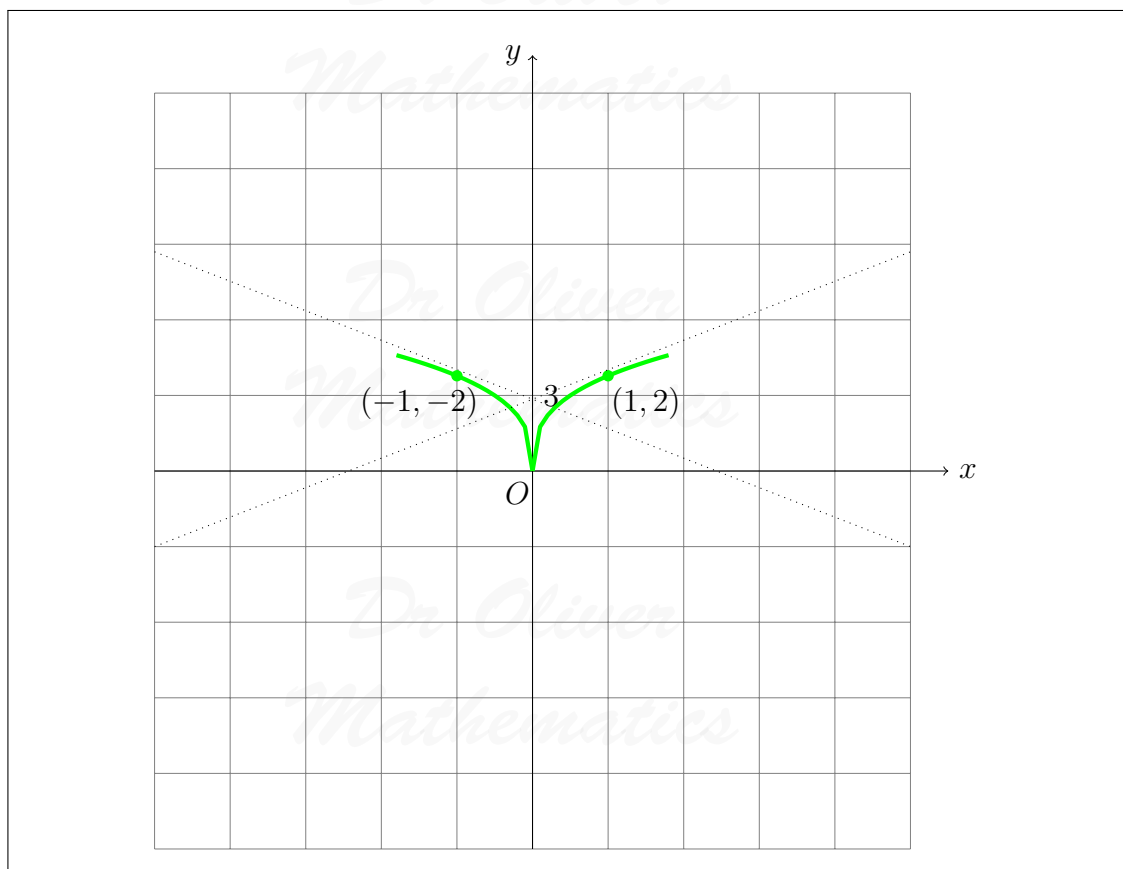


$$g(x) = |f(x)|.$$

- (b) On a separate diagram, sketch  $g(x)$ .  
Include known asymptotes and points.

(2)

**Solution**



- (c) State the range of values of  $f'(x)$  given that  $f'(0) = 2$ . (1)

**Solution**

Because  $f'(0) = 2$ , the line has gradient of 2 and that is the steepest part of the line (why?). Now,  $f'(x) > \frac{1}{2}$  because of the asymptotes. So,  $\frac{1}{2} < f'(x) \leq 2$ .

13. Let  $n$  be an integer. (4)  
Using proof by contrapositive, show that if  $n^2$  is even, then  $n$  is even.

**Solution**

The contrapositive is: “if  $n$  is odd, then  $n^2$  is odd.” So, suppose  $n$  is odd. That

mean  $n = 2m + 1$  for some integer  $m$ . Now,

$$\begin{aligned} n^2 &= (2m + 1)^2 \\ &= 4m^2 + 4m + 1 \\ &= 2(2m^2 + 2m) + 1 \\ &= 2 \times \text{some integer} + 1 \end{aligned}$$

and, clearly,  $n^2$  is odd. The contrapositive is true which means that, if  $n^2$  is even, then  $n$  is even.

14. Find the particular solution of the differential equation

(10)

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 6\frac{dy}{dx} + 9y = 8\sin x + 19\cos x,$$

given that  $y = 7$  and  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2}$  when  $x = 0$ .

### **Solution**

Complementary function:

$$m^2 - 6m + 9 = 0 \Rightarrow (m - 3)^2 = 0 \Rightarrow m = 3 \text{ (repeated)}$$

and hence the complementary function is

$$y = (Ax + B)e^{3x}.$$

Particular integral: try

$$\begin{aligned} y = C \cos x + D \sin x &\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = -C \sin x + D \cos x \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -C \cos x - D \sin x. \end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 6\frac{dy}{dx} + 9y = 8\sin x + 19\cos x \\ \Rightarrow &(-C \cos x - D \sin x) - 6(-C \sin x + D \cos x) + 9(C \cos x + D \sin x) \\ &= 8\sin x + 19\cos x \end{aligned}$$

and

$$-D + 6C + 9D = 8 \Rightarrow 6C + 8D = 8 \quad (1)$$

$$-C - 6D + 9C = 19 \Rightarrow 8C - 6D = 19 \quad (2).$$

Next,

$$4 \times (1) : 24C + 32D = 32 \quad (3)$$

$$3 \times (2) : 24C - 18D = 57 \quad (4)$$

and (3) - (4):

$$\begin{aligned} 50D &= -25 \Rightarrow D = -\frac{1}{2} \\ &\Rightarrow 6C - 4 = 8 \\ &\Rightarrow 6C = 12 \\ &\Rightarrow C = 2. \end{aligned}$$

The particular integral is  $y = 2 \cos x - \frac{1}{2} \sin x$ .

The general solution is

$$y = (Ax + B)e^{3x} + 2 \cos x - \frac{1}{2} \sin x.$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} x = 0, y = 7 &\Rightarrow 7 = B + 2 \\ &\Rightarrow B = 5. \end{aligned}$$

Next,

$$\begin{aligned} y &= (Ax + B)e^{3x} + 2 \cos x - \frac{1}{2} \sin x \\ \Rightarrow y &= Axe^{3x} + Be^{3x} + 2 \cos x - \frac{1}{2} \sin x \\ \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} &= Ae^{3x} + 3Axe^{3x} + 3Be^{3x} - 2 \sin x - \frac{1}{2} \cos x. \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} x = 0, \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} = A + 15 - \frac{1}{2} \\ &\Rightarrow A = -14. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the general solution is

$$\underline{\underline{y = (-14x + 5)e^{3x} + 2 \cos x - \frac{1}{2} \sin x.}}$$

15. A beam of light passes through the points  $B(7, 8, 1)$  and  $T(-3, -22, 6)$ .

(a) Obtain parametric equations of the line representing the beam of light.

(2)

**Solution**

$$\overrightarrow{BT} = -10\mathbf{i} - 30\mathbf{j} + 5\mathbf{k} = -5(2\mathbf{i} + 6\mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k})$$

and the parametric equations of the line are

$$\underline{x = 2\lambda + 7, y = 6\lambda + 8, z = -\lambda + 1.}$$

A sheet of metal is represented by a plane containing the points  $P(2, 1, 9)$ ,  $Q(1, 2, 7)$ , and  $R(-3, 7, 1)$ .

(b) Find the Cartesian equation of the plane.

(4)

**Solution**

$$\overrightarrow{PQ} = -\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} - 2\mathbf{k}$$

$$\overrightarrow{PR} = -5\mathbf{i} + 6\mathbf{j} - 8\mathbf{k}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\overrightarrow{PQ} \times \overrightarrow{PR} &= \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ -1 & 1 & -2 \\ -5 & 6 & -8 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= (-8 + 12)\mathbf{i} - (8 - 10)\mathbf{j} + (-6 + 5)\mathbf{k} \\ &= 4\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j} - \mathbf{k}.\end{aligned}$$

Finally, the Cartesian equation of the plane is

$$4x + 2y - z = 8 + 2 - 9 \Rightarrow \underline{4x + 2y - z = 1.}$$

The beam of light passes through a hole in the metal at point  $H$ .

(c) Find the coordinates of  $H$ .

(3)

**Solution**

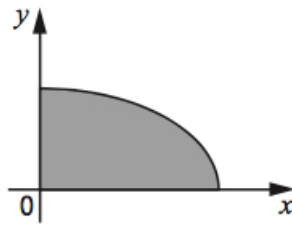
$$\begin{aligned}
 4(2\lambda + 7) + 2(6\lambda + 8) - (-\lambda + 1) &= 1 \Rightarrow 21\lambda = -42 \\
 &\Rightarrow \lambda = -2 \\
 &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{H(3, -4, 3)}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

16. On a suitable domain, a curve is defined by the equation

(5)

$$4x^2 + 9y^2 = 36.$$

A section of the curve in the first quadrant, illustrated in the diagram below, is rotated  $360^\circ$  about the  $y$ -axis.



Calculate the exact value of the volume generated.

**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned}
 x = 0 &\Rightarrow 9y^2 = 36 \\
 &\Rightarrow y^2 = 4 \\
 &\Rightarrow y = \pm 2.
 \end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned}
 4x^2 + 9y^2 &= 36 \Rightarrow 4x^2 = 36 - 9y^2 \\
 &\Rightarrow x^2 = 9 - \frac{9}{4}y^2
 \end{aligned}$$

and the exact value of the volume generated is

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_0^2 \pi \left(9 - \frac{9}{4}y^2\right) dy &= \pi \left[9y - \frac{3}{4}y^3\right]_{y=0}^2 \\
 &= \pi [(18 - 6) - (0 - 0)] \\
 &= \underline{\underline{12\pi}}.
 \end{aligned}$$



17. The complex number  $z = 2 + i$  is a root of the polynomial equation

$$z^4 - 6z^3 + 16z^2 - 22z + q = 0,$$

where  $q \in \mathbb{R}$ .

(a) State a second root of the equation.

(1)

**Solution**

$$\underline{z = 2 - i}.$$

(b) Find the value of  $q$  and the remaining roots.

(6)

**Solution**

$\times$	$z$	$-2$	$+i$
$z$	$z^2$	$-2z$	$+zi$
$-2$	$-2z$	$+4$	$-2i$
$-i$	$-zi$	$+2i$	$+1$

$$[z - (2 - i)][z - (2 + i)] = z^2 - 4z + 5.$$

Let the remaining quadratic be

$$x^2 + ax + b$$

where  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$\times$	$z^2$	$-4z$	$+5$
$z^2$	$z^4$	$-4z^3$	$+5z^2$
$+az$	$+az^3$	$-4az^2$	$+5az$
$+b$	$+bz^2$	$-4bz$	$+5b$

Now,

$$z^4 - 6z^3 + 16z^2 - 22z + q = z^4 + (-4 + a)z^3 + (5 - 4a + b)z^2 + (5a - 4b)z + 5b.$$

$$\text{Coefficient of } z^3 : -4 + a = -6 \Rightarrow a = -2.$$

$$\text{Coefficient of } z^2 : 5 + 8 + b = 16 \Rightarrow b = 3.$$

$$\text{Check in } z : 5a - 4b = 22 \quad \checkmark$$

Hence, the value of  $q$  is

$$5 \times 3 = \underline{\underline{15}}$$

and the remaining roots are

$$\begin{aligned} z^2 - 2z + 3 &= 0 \Rightarrow z^2 - 2z + 1 = -2 \\ &\Rightarrow (z - 1)^2 = -2 \\ &\Rightarrow z - 1 = \pm i\sqrt{2} \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{z = 1 \pm i\sqrt{2}}}. \end{aligned}$$

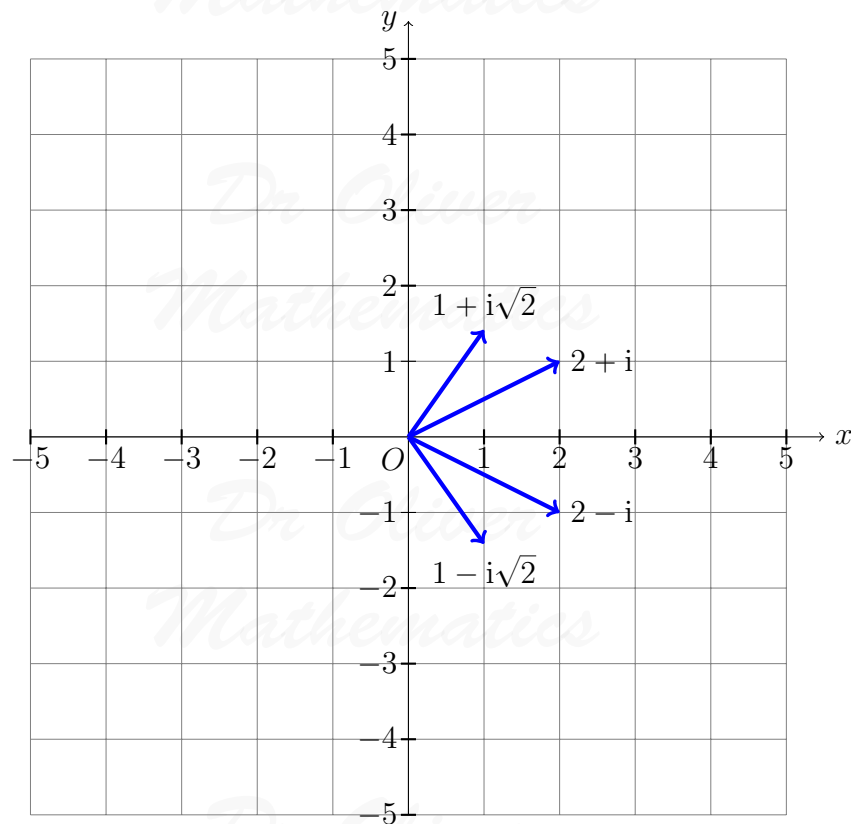
(c) Show the solutions to

$$z^4 - 6z^3 + 16z^2 - 22z + q = 0$$

(1)

on an Argand diagram.

**Solution**



18. The position of a particle at time  $t$  is given by the parametric equations

$$x = t \cos t, y = t \sin t, t \geq 0.$$

(a) Find an expression for the instantaneous speed of the particle.

(5)

**Solution**

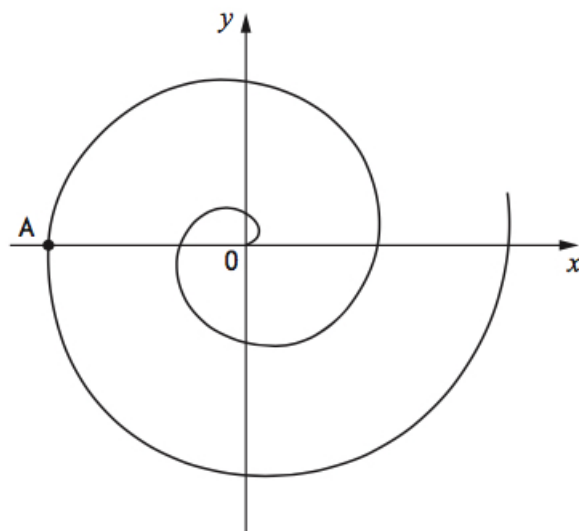
$$x = t \cos t \Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} = \cos t - t \sin t$$

$$y = t \sin t \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dt} = \sin t + t \cos t.$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{speed} &= \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{(\cos t - t \sin t)^2 + (\sin t + t \cos t)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{(\cos^2 t - 2t \sin t \cos t + t^2 \sin^2 t) + (\sin^2 t - 2t \sin t \cos t + t^2 \cos^2 t)} \\ &= \sqrt{\sin^2 + \cos^2 t + t^2(\sin^2 t + \cos^2 t)} \\ &= \underline{\underline{\sqrt{1 + t^2}}}. \end{aligned}$$

The diagram below shows the path that the particle takes.



(b) Calculate the instantaneous speed of the particle at point  $A$ .

(2)

**Solution**

$t = 3\pi$  (it has gone  $1\frac{1}{2}$  times around) and

$$\text{speed} = \underline{\underline{\sqrt{1 + (3t)^2}}}.$$