

**Dr Oliver Mathematics**  
**Mathematics: Advanced Higher**  
**2012 Paper**  
**3 hours**

The total number of marks available is 100.

You must write down all the stages in your working.

1. (a) Given

$$f(x) = \frac{3x + 1}{x^2 + 1},$$

(3)

obtain  $f'(x)$ .

**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{(x^2 + 1) \cdot 3 - (3x + 1) \cdot 2x}{(x^2 + 1)^2} \\ &= \frac{(3x^2 + 3) - (6x^2 + 2x)}{(x^2 + 1)^2} \\ &= \frac{3 - 2x - 3x^2}{(x^2 + 1)^2}. \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Let

$$g(x) = \cos^2 x \exp(\tan x).$$

(4)

Obtain an expression for  $g'(x)$  and simplify your answer.

**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned} g'(x) &= (-2 \cos x \sin x) \cdot \exp(\tan x) + \cos^2 x \cdot (\sec^2 x \exp(\tan x)) \\ &= -\sin 2x \exp(\tan x) + \exp(\tan x) \\ &= \underline{\underline{(1 - \sin 2x) \exp(\tan x)}}. \end{aligned}$$

2. The first and fourth terms of a geometric series are 2048 and 256 respectively.

- (a) Calculate the value of the common ratio.

(2)

**Solution**

Well,  $a = 2048$  and  $ar^3 = 256$  and so

$$\begin{aligned} r^3 &= \frac{ar^3}{a} \Rightarrow r^3 = \frac{256}{2048} \\ &\Rightarrow r^3 = \frac{1}{8} \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{r = \frac{1}{2}}}. \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Given that the sum of the first  $n$  terms is 4088, find the value of  $n$ . (3)

**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a(1-r^n)}{1-r} = S_n &\Rightarrow \frac{2048(1-(\frac{1}{2})^n)}{1-\frac{1}{2}} = 4088 \\ &\Rightarrow 1 - (\frac{1}{2})^n = \frac{511}{512} \\ &\Rightarrow (\frac{1}{2})^n = \frac{1}{512} \\ &\Rightarrow \ln(\frac{1}{2})^n = \ln(\frac{1}{512}) \\ &\Rightarrow n \ln(\frac{1}{2}) = \ln(\frac{1}{512}) \\ &\Rightarrow n = \frac{\ln(\frac{1}{512})}{\ln(\frac{1}{2})} \\ &\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{n = 9}}. \end{aligned}$$

3. (a) Given that  $(-1 + 2i)$  is a root of the equation (4)

$$z^3 + 5z^2 + 11z + 15 = 0,$$

obtain all the roots.

**Solution**

Now,  $(-1 - 2i)$  is another root.

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

Hence,

$$(z + 1 - 2i)(z + 1 + 2i) = z^2 + 2z + 5.$$

Now,

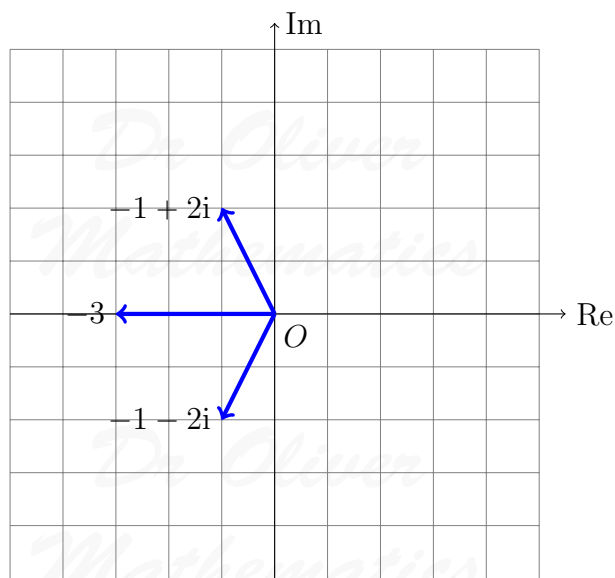
$$z^3 + 5z^2 + 11z + 15 = (z^2 + 2z + 5)(z + 3)$$

which means the third root is -3.

- (b) Plot all the roots on an Argand diagram.

(2)

**Solution**



4. (a) Write down and simplify the general term in the expansion of

(3)

$$\left(2x - \frac{1}{x^2}\right)^9.$$

**Solution**

The general term is

$$\underline{\underline{\binom{9}{r} (2x)^r \left(-\frac{1}{x^2}\right)^{9-r}}}.$$

- (b) Hence, or otherwise, obtain the term independent of  $x$ .

(2)

**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned}\binom{9}{r}(2x)^r \left(-\frac{1}{x^2}\right)^{9-r} &= \binom{9}{r}(2x)^r (-x^{-2})^{9-r} \\ &= (-1)^{9-r} \binom{9}{r} 2^r x^r x^{-2(9-r)} \\ &= (-1)^{9-r} \binom{9}{r} 2^r x^r x^{2r-18} \\ &= (-1)^{9-r} \binom{9}{r} 2^r x^{3r-18}\end{aligned}$$

which means

$$3r - 18 = 0 \Rightarrow r = 6.$$

Hence,

$$(-1)^3 \binom{9}{6} 2^6 = \underline{\underline{-5\,376}}.$$

5. Obtain an equation for the plane passing through the points  $P(-2, 1, -1)$ ,  $Q(1, 2, 3)$ , and  $R(3, 0, 1)$ . (5)

**Solution**

$$\overrightarrow{PQ} = 3\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + 4\mathbf{k} \text{ and } \overrightarrow{PR} = 5\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{k}.$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned}\overrightarrow{PQ} \times \overrightarrow{PR} &= \begin{vmatrix} \mathbf{i} & \mathbf{j} & \mathbf{k} \\ 3 & 1 & 4 \\ 5 & -1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= 6\mathbf{i} + 14\mathbf{j} - 8\mathbf{k}.\end{aligned}$$

So, an equation is

$$\begin{aligned}6x + 14y - 8z &= (6\mathbf{i} + 14\mathbf{j} - 8\mathbf{k}) \cdot (3\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + 4\mathbf{k}) \\ &= 18 + 0 - 8\end{aligned}$$

and so

$$6x + 14y - 8z = 10 \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{3x + 7y - 4z = 5}}.$$

6. (a) Write down the Maclaurin expansion of  $e^x$  as far as the term in  $x^3$ . (1)

**Solution**

$$e^x = \underline{\underline{1 + x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{6}x^3 + \dots}}$$

- (b) Hence, or otherwise, obtain the Maclaurin expansion of  $(1 + e^x)^2$  as far as the term in  $x^3$ . (4)

**Solution**

Now,

$$1 + e^x = 2 + x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{6}x^3 + \dots$$

$\times$	2	$+x$	$+\frac{1}{2}x^2$	$+\frac{1}{6}x^3$
2	4	$+2x$	$+x^2$	$+\frac{1}{3}x^3$
$+x$	$+2x$	$+x^2$	$+\frac{1}{2}x^3$	$\dots$
$+\frac{1}{2}x^2$	$+x^2$	$+\frac{1}{2}x^3$	$\dots$	$\dots$
$+\frac{1}{6}x^3$	$+\frac{1}{3}x^3$	$\dots$	$\dots$	$\dots$

Hence,

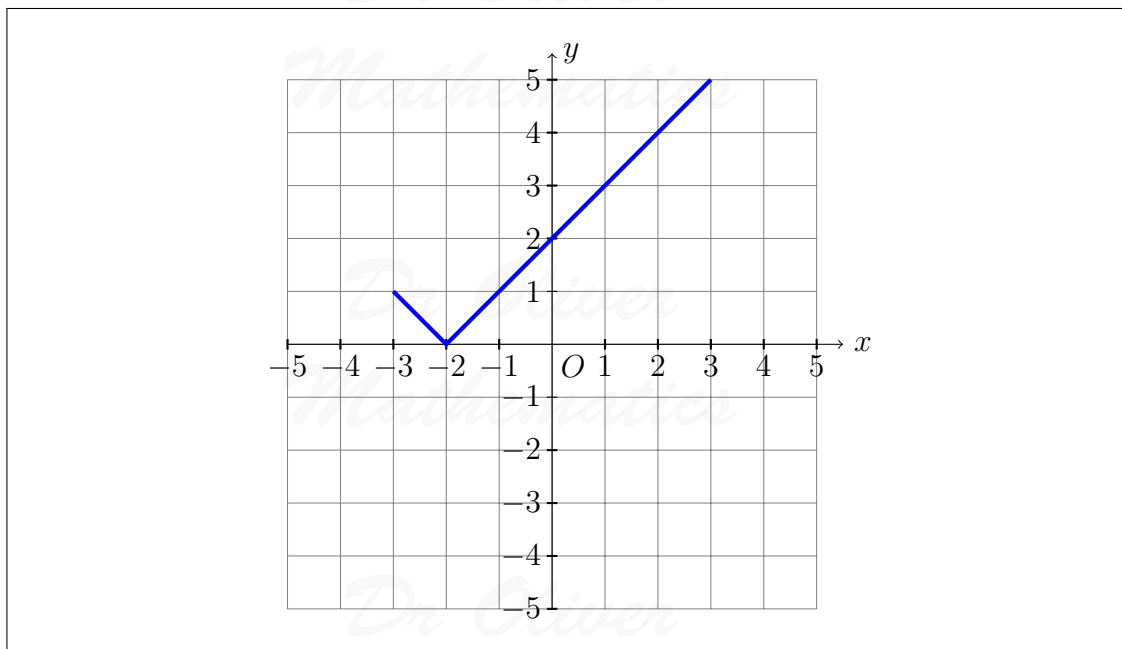
$$(1 + e^x)^2 = \underline{\underline{4 + 4x + 3x^2 + \frac{5}{3}x^3 + \dots}}$$

7. A function is defined by

$$f(x) = |x + 2| \text{ for all } x.$$

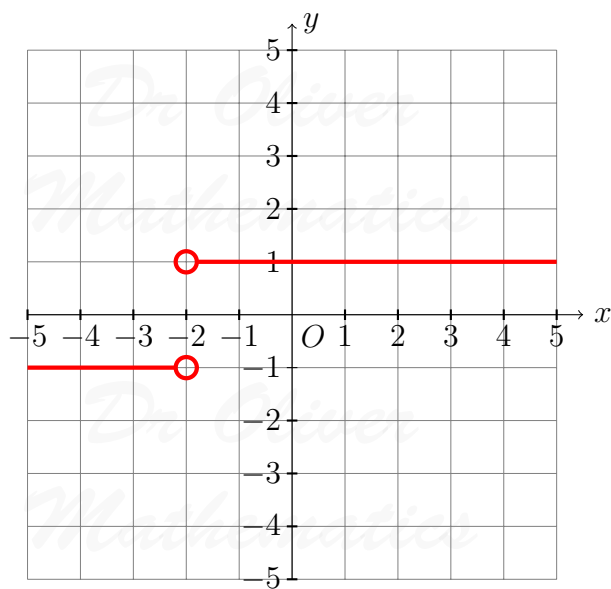
- (a) Sketch the graph of the function for  $-3 \leq x \leq 3$ . (2)

**Solution**



- (b) On a separate diagram, sketch the graph of  $f'(x)$ . (2)

**Solution**



8. Use the substitution  $x = 4 \sin \theta$  to evaluate (6)

$$\int_0^2 \sqrt{16 - x^2} \, dx.$$

**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned}x &= 4 \sin \theta \Rightarrow \frac{dx}{d\theta} = 4 \cos \theta \\&\Rightarrow dx = 4 \cos \theta d\theta.\end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned}x &= 0 \Rightarrow \sin \theta = 0 \Rightarrow \theta = 0, \\x &= 2 \Rightarrow \sin \theta = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \theta = \frac{1}{6}\pi.\end{aligned}$$

Finally,

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^2 \sqrt{16 - x^2} dx &= \int_0^{\frac{1}{6}\pi} \sqrt{16 - (4 \sin \theta)^2} (4 \cos \theta) d\theta \\&= \int_0^{\frac{1}{6}\pi} \sqrt{16 - 16 \sin^2 \theta} (4 \cos \theta) d\theta \\&= \int_0^{\frac{1}{6}\pi} \sqrt{16 \cos^2 \theta} (4 \cos \theta) d\theta \\&= \int_0^{\frac{1}{6}\pi} (4 \cos \theta)^2 d\theta \\&= 16 \int_0^{\frac{1}{6}\pi} \cos^2 \theta d\theta \\&= 16 \int_0^{\frac{1}{6}\pi} \frac{1}{2} (1 + \cos 2\theta) d\theta \\&= 8 \int_0^{\frac{1}{6}\pi} (1 + \cos 2\theta) d\theta \\&= 8 \left[ \theta + \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\theta \right]_{\theta=0}^{\frac{1}{6}\pi} \\&= 8 \left\{ \left( \frac{1}{6}\pi + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \right) - (0 + 0) \right\} \\&= \underline{\underline{\frac{4}{3}\pi + 2\sqrt{3}}}.\end{aligned}$$

9. A non-singular  $n \times n$  matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  satisfies the equation

$$\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{I},$$

(4)

where  $\mathbf{I}$  is the  $n \times n$  identity matrix.

Show that

$$\mathbf{A}^3 = k\mathbf{I}$$

and state the value of  $k$ .

**Solution**

$$\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{I} \Rightarrow \mathbf{A}^{-1} = \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}.$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{I} &= \mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^{-1} \\ &= \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{A}) \\ &= \mathbf{A} - \mathbf{A}^2\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{A}^2 &= \mathbf{A} - \mathbf{I} \\ &= -\mathbf{A}^{-1}.\end{aligned}$$

Finally,

$$\mathbf{A}^2 = -\mathbf{A}^{-1} \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{\mathbf{A}^3 = -\mathbf{I}}};$$

hence,  $k = -1$ .

10. Use the division algorithm to express  $1234_{10}$  in base 7.

(3)

**Solution**

$$1234 = 176 \times 7 + 2$$

$$176 = 25 \times 7 + 1$$

$$25 = 3 \times 7 + 4$$

$$3 = 0 \times 7 + 3;$$

hence,

$$1234_{10} = \underline{\underline{3412_5}}.$$

11. (a) Write down the derivative of  $\sin^{-1} x$ .

(1)



**Solution**

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\sin^{-1} x) = \frac{1}{\underline{\underline{\sqrt{1-x^2}}}}.$$

(b) Use integration by parts to obtain

(4)

$$\int \sin^{-1} x \cdot \frac{x}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} dx.$$

**Solution**

$$u = \sin^{-1} x \Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}},$$
$$\frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{x}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \Rightarrow v = -\sqrt{1-x^2}.$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \int \sin^{-1} x \cdot \frac{x}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} dx &= -\sin^{-1} x \cdot \sqrt{1-x^2} + \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \cdot \sqrt{1-x^2} dx \\ &= -\sin^{-1} x \cdot \sqrt{1-x^2} + \int 1 dx \\ &= \underline{\underline{-\sin^{-1} x \cdot \sqrt{1-x^2} + x + c.}} \end{aligned}$$

12. The radius of a cylindrical column of liquid is decreasing at the rate of  $0.02 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , while the height is increasing at the rate of  $0.01 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ .

(5)

Find the rate of change of the volume when the radius is 0.6 metres and the height is 2 metres.

**Solution**

Now,

$$V = \pi r^2 h \Rightarrow \frac{dV}{dt} = \pi \left[ 2r \frac{dr}{dt} h + r^2 \frac{dh}{dt} \right].$$

Finally,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dr}{dt} = -0.02, \frac{dh}{dt} = 0.01 &\Rightarrow \frac{dV}{dt} = \pi [2 \cdot 0.6 \cdot (-0.02) \cdot (2) + (0.6)^2 \cdot (0.01)] \\ &\Rightarrow \frac{dV}{dt} = \underline{\underline{-\frac{111}{2500}\pi \text{ m}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}}}.\end{aligned}$$

13. A curve is defined parametrically, for all  $t$ , by the equations

$$x = 2t + \frac{1}{2}t^2 \text{ and } y = \frac{1}{3}t^3 - 3t.$$

(a) Obtain  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  and  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$  as functions of  $t$ . (5)

**Solution**

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 2 + t \text{ and } \frac{dy}{dt} = t^2 - 3.$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} \\ &= \underline{\underline{\frac{t^2 - 3}{2 + t}}}\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= \frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{dy}{dx} \right) \\ &= \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{dy}{dx} \right) \cdot \frac{dt}{dx} \\ &= \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{t^2 - 3}{2 + t} \right) \cdot \frac{1}{2 + t} \\ &= \frac{(2 + t)(2t) - (t^2 - 3)(1)}{(2 + t)^2} \cdot \frac{1}{2 + t} \\ &= \frac{(4t + 2t^2) - (t^2 - 3)}{(2 + t)^3} \\ &= \underline{\underline{\frac{3 + 4t + t^2}{(2 + t)^3}}}.\end{aligned}$$

- (b) Find the values of  $t$  at which the curve has stationary points and determine their nature. (3)

**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dy}{dx} = 0 &\Rightarrow \frac{t^2 - 3}{2 + t} = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow t^2 - 3 = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow t = \pm\sqrt{3}.\end{aligned}$$

Next,

$$\begin{aligned}t = \sqrt{3} &\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 2\sqrt{3} \\ t = -\sqrt{3} &\Rightarrow \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = -2\sqrt{3}.\end{aligned}$$

Hence,  $(\frac{3-4\sqrt{2}}{2}, 2\sqrt{3})$  is a minimum turning point and  $(\frac{3+4\sqrt{2}}{2}, -2\sqrt{3})$  is a maximum turning point

- (c) Show that the curve has exactly two points of inflexion. (2)

**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = 0 &\Rightarrow \frac{3 + 4t + t^2}{(2 + t)^3} = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow 3 + 4t + t^2 = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow (3 + t)(t + 1) = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow t = -3 \text{ or } t = -1;\end{aligned}$$

hence, the curve has exactly two points of inflexion, as required.

14. (a) Use Gaussian elimination to obtain the solution of the following system of equations in terms of the parameter  $\lambda$ . (5)

$$\begin{aligned}4x + 6z &= 1 \\ 2x - 2y + 4z &= -1 \\ -x + y + \lambda z &= 2.\end{aligned}$$

**Solution**

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 4 & 0 & 6 & 1 \\ 2 & -2 & 4 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & \lambda & 2 \end{array} \right)$$

Do  $R_2 - \frac{1}{2} \times R_1$  and  $R_3 + \frac{1}{4}R_1$ :

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 4 & 0 & 6 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 & -\frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & \lambda + \frac{3}{2} & \frac{9}{4} \end{array} \right)$$

Do  $R_3 + \frac{1}{2}R_2$ :

$$\left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 4 & 0 & 6 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 & -\frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda + 2 & \frac{3}{2} \end{array} \right)$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\lambda + 2)z &= \frac{3}{2} \Rightarrow z = \frac{\frac{3}{2}}{\lambda + 2} \\
 &\Rightarrow z = \frac{3}{2(\lambda + 2)} \\
 &\Rightarrow -2y + \frac{3}{2(\lambda + 2)} = -\frac{3}{2} \\
 &\Rightarrow 2y = \frac{3}{2(\lambda + 2)} + \frac{3}{2} \\
 &\Rightarrow 2y = \frac{3 + 3(\lambda + 2)}{2(\lambda + 2)} \\
 &\Rightarrow 2y = \frac{3\lambda + 9}{2(\lambda + 2)} \\
 &\Rightarrow y = \frac{3\lambda + 9}{4(\lambda + 2)} \\
 &\Rightarrow 4x + \frac{18}{2(\lambda + 2)} = 1 \\
 &\Rightarrow 4x = 1 - \frac{18}{2(\lambda + 2)} \\
 &\Rightarrow 4x = \frac{2(\lambda + 2) - 18}{2(\lambda + 2)} \\
 &\Rightarrow 4x = \frac{2\lambda - 14}{2(\lambda + 2)} \\
 &\Rightarrow x = \frac{\lambda - 7}{4(\lambda + 2)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Describe what happens when  $\lambda = -2$ . (1)

**Solution**

When  $\lambda = -2$ ,  $0 = \frac{3}{2}$  and so there are no solutions.

When  $\lambda = -1.9$ , the solution is

$$x = -22.25, y = 8.25, z = 15.$$

- (c) Find the solution when  $\lambda = -2.1$ . (2)

**Solution**

For  $\lambda = -2.1$ ,

$$\underline{\underline{x = 22\frac{3}{4}, y = -6\frac{3}{4}, z = -15.}}$$

- (d) Comment on these solutions.

(1)

**Solution**

Although the values of  $\lambda$  are close, the values of  $x$ ,  $y$ , and  $z$  are radically different. Hence, the system is ill-conditioned near  $\lambda = -2$ .

15. (a) Express

(4)

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

in partial fractions.

**Solution**

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

and hence

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

$$\underline{x=1}: 1 = 9A \Rightarrow A = \frac{1}{9}.$$

$$\underline{x=-2}: 1 = -3C \Rightarrow C = -\frac{1}{3}.$$

$$\underline{x=0}: 1 = 4A - 2B - C \Rightarrow B = -\frac{1}{9}.$$

Hence,

$$\frac{1}{(x-1)(x+2)^2} \equiv \underline{\underline{\frac{\frac{1}{9}}{x-1} - \frac{\frac{1}{9}}{x+2} - \frac{\frac{1}{3}}{(x+2)^2}}}.$$

- (b) Obtain the general solution of the differential equation

(7)

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

expressing your answer in the form  $y = f(x)$ .

**Solution**

$$(x-1)\frac{dy}{dx} - y = \frac{x-1}{(x+2)^2} \Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} + \left(-\frac{1}{x-1}\right)y = \frac{1}{(x+2)^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{IF} &= e^{\int -\frac{1}{x-1} dx} \\ &= e^{-\ln(x-1)} \\ &= e^{\ln \frac{1}{x-1}} \\ &= \frac{1}{x-1}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow &\left(\frac{1}{x-1}\right)\frac{dy}{dx} + \left(-\frac{1}{(x-1)^2}\right)y = \frac{1}{(x-1)(x+2)^2} \\ \Rightarrow &\frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{y}{x-1}\right) = \frac{1}{(x-1)(x+2)^2} \\ \Rightarrow &\frac{y}{x-1} = \int \left(\frac{\frac{1}{9}}{x-1} - \frac{\frac{1}{9}}{x+2} - \frac{\frac{1}{3}}{(x+2)^2}\right) dx \\ \Rightarrow &\frac{y}{x-1} = \frac{1}{9} \ln|x-1| - \frac{1}{9} \ln|x+2| + \frac{1}{3}(x+2)^{-1} + c\end{aligned}$$

and, hence,

$$\underline{\underline{y = (x-1) \left[ \frac{1}{9} \ln|x-1| - \frac{1}{9} \ln|x+2| + \frac{1}{3}(x+2)^{-1} + c \right].}}$$

16. (a) Prove by induction that

(6)

$$(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^n = \cos n\theta + i \sin n\theta,$$

for all integers  $n \geq 1$ .

**Solution**

$n = 1$ :  $(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^1 = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$  and so the solution is true for  $n = 1$ .

Suppose the solution is true for  $n = k$ , i.e.,

$$(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^k = \cos k\theta + i \sin k\theta.$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^{k+1} \\
 &= (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^k \\
 &= (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)(\cos k\theta + i \sin k\theta) \\
 &= (\cos k\theta \cos \theta - \sin k\theta \sin \theta) + i(\cos k\theta \sin \theta + \cos \theta \sin k\theta) \\
 &= \cos(k+1)\theta + i \sin(k+1)\theta
 \end{aligned}$$

and so the result is true for  $n = k + 1$ .

Hence, by mathematical induction, the expression is true for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , as required.

(b) Show that the real part of

(4)

$$\frac{(\cos \frac{1}{18}\pi + i \sin \frac{1}{18}\pi)^{11}}{(\cos \frac{1}{36}\pi + i \sin \frac{1}{36}\pi)^4}$$

is zero.

**Solution**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{(\cos \frac{1}{18}\pi + i \sin \frac{1}{18}\pi)^{11}}{(\cos \frac{1}{36}\pi + i \sin \frac{1}{36}\pi)^4} &= \frac{(\cos \frac{11}{18}\pi + i \sin \frac{11}{18}\pi)}{(\cos \frac{1}{9}\pi + i \sin \frac{1}{9}\pi)} \\
 &= \frac{(\cos \frac{11}{18}\pi + i \sin \frac{11}{18}\pi)}{(\cos \frac{1}{9}\pi + i \sin \frac{1}{9}\pi)} \times \frac{(\cos \frac{1}{9}\pi - i \sin \frac{1}{9}\pi)}{(\cos \frac{1}{9}\pi - i \sin \frac{1}{9}\pi)};
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the real part is

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\cos \frac{11}{18}\pi \cos \frac{1}{9}\pi - \sin \frac{11}{18}\pi \sin \frac{1}{9}\pi}{(\cos^2 \frac{1}{9}\pi + \sin^2 \frac{1}{9}\pi)} &= \cos(\frac{11}{18}\pi - \frac{1}{9}\pi) \\
 &= \cos(\frac{1}{2}\pi) \\
 &= \underline{\underline{0}},
 \end{aligned}$$

as required.