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**ASSESSMENT TASK #1**

## Mathematics Extension 2

### General Instructions:

- Reading time – 5 minutes
- Working time – 1.5 hours
- Write using black or blue pen  
Black pen is preferred
- Board approved calculators may be used
- A table of standard integrals is provided on the back of the Multiple Choice answer sheet
- All necessary working should be shown in every question if full marks are to be awarded
- Marks may NOT be awarded for messy or badly arranged work
- Answer in simplest exact form unless otherwise stated

### Total marks – 70 Marks

**Section I** Pages 2–3  
**7 marks**

- Attempt Questions 1–7
- Answer on the Multiple Choice answer sheet provided.
- Allow about 10 minutes for this section

**Section II** Pages 4–6  
**63 marks**

- Attempt Questions 8–10
- Allow about 1 hour 20 minutes for this section
- For Questions 8–10, start a new answer booklet per question

**Examiner:** Mr D. Hespe

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**Section I**— 7 marks

Select the alternative A, B, C, or D that best answers the question.

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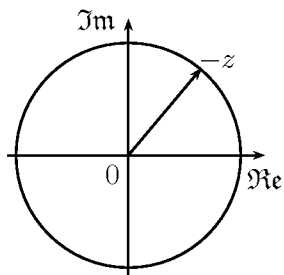
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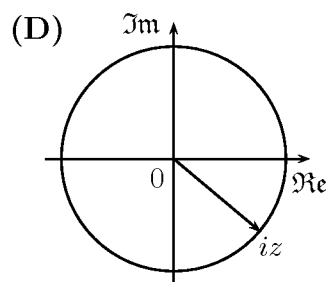
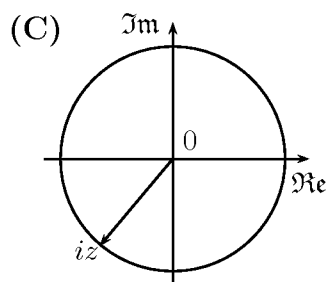
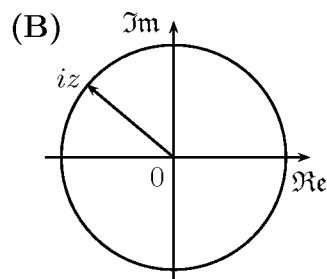
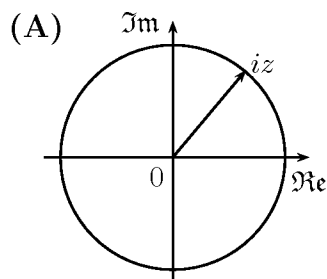
- (A)  $\frac{1}{2}$
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This graph is a representation of  $-z$  shown in an Argand diagram. Which of the following shows  $iz$ ?

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3. If  $f(x) = e^{x+2}$  what is the inverse function  $f^{-1}(x)$ ?

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4. What is the domain and range of  $y = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{2x}{5}\right)$ ? 1

- (A) Domain:  $\left[-\frac{5}{2}, \frac{5}{2}\right]$ ; Range:  $[0, \pi]$
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5. Form a polynomial  $f(x)$  with real coefficients having the given degree and zeroes.  
Degree: 3, Zeroes:  $1 + i$  and  $-5$ . 1

- (A)  $f(x) = x^3 + x^2 - 8x + 10$
- (B)  $f(x) = x^3 - 5x^2 - 8x - 12$
- (C)  $f(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 - 8x + 10$
- (D)  $f(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 + 10x - 8$

6. Find the indefinite integral  $\int 2t^2(1 + t^3)^4 dt$  using the substitution  $u = 1 + t^3$ . 1

- (A)  $\frac{1}{5}(1 + t^3)^5 + c$
- (B)  $\frac{2}{5}(1 + t^3)^5 + c$
- (C)  $\frac{2}{3}(1 + t^3)^5 + c$
- (D)  $\frac{2}{15}(1 + t^3)^5 + c$

7. If  $(x - 3)^2 + (y + 2)^2 = 0$ , then  $x + y =$  1

- (A) 1
- (B) 2
- (C) 3
- (D) 5

**Section II**— 63 marks

Marks

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- (a) You are dealt a hand of 5 cards from a standard deck of 52 (in 4 suits of 13 cards).
- (i) What is the chance that you have a flush (*i.e.* all cards from the same suit)? 1
  - (ii) What is the chance of four of a kind (*i.e.* 4 cards of the same value)? 1
- (b) (i) What is  $\int \sec^2 \psi \, d\psi$ ? 1
- (ii) Evaluate  $\int_0^\pi \sin^3 \theta \, d\theta$ . 3
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- (c) Mark on an Argand diagram the points representing the numbers  $2 + 3i$  and  $-3 + 4i$ . 2
- (d) Find, correct to three significant figures, the modulus and argument of  $\frac{1}{12 + 5i}$ . 2
- (e) Simplify:
- (i)  $(5 - 3i)(2 + i)$ , 1
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- (f) The cubic equation  $x^3 + ax - b$  has roots  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$ . Given that  $\gamma = \alpha\beta$ , express each of  $a$  and  $b$  in terms of  $\gamma$  only, and hence show that  $(a + b)^2 = b$ . 5

**Question 9 (21 marks)** (use a separate answer booklet)

- (a) The letters of the word **EXCELLENT** are arranged in a random order. Find the probability that:
- (i) the same letter occurs at each end. 2
  - (ii) **X**, **C** and **N** occur together in any order. 2
  - (iii) the letters occur in alphabetical order. 1
- (b) Evaluate
- (i)  $\sin\left(\sin^{-1}\frac{1}{2}\right)$  1
  - (ii)  $\sin\left(\cos^{-1}\frac{1}{2}\right)$  1
  - (iii)  $\cos^{-1}\left(\cos\frac{4\pi}{3}\right)$  1
  - (iv) Sketch the function  $f(x) = -2\pi \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{3x}{\pi}\right)$ . 3
- (c) Use the substitution  $x = \tan \theta$  to evaluate  $\int_0^1 \frac{x^2 dx}{(1+x^2)^2}$ . 3
- (d) (i) Use limits to show why  $\frac{dx}{dy} = \frac{1}{\frac{dy}{dx}}$ . 1
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- (a) A company has to place three orders for supplies among five distributors. Each order is randomly assigned, and a distributor may receive multiple orders. Find the probabilities of the following events.
- (i) Each order goes to a different distributor. 1
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  - (iii) Exactly two of the three go to one of the distributors. 1

- (b) (i) Use De Moivre's theorem to express  $\cos 3\theta$  in terms of  $\cos \theta$  and  $\sin 3\theta$  in terms of  $\sin \theta$ . 2
- (ii) Use the result to solve the equation 3

$$8x^3 - 6x + 1 = 0.$$

- (c) When a rational integral function is divided by  $(x - \alpha)^2$  the remainder is  $R_2(x - \alpha) + R_1$ , i.e.  $f(x) = (x - \alpha)^2 Q(x) + R_2(x - \alpha) + R_1$ . 2
- (i) Prove that  $R_1 = f(\alpha)$  and  $R_2 = f'(\alpha)$ , where  $f'(x)$  is the differential coefficient of  $f(x)$  with respect to  $x$ . 2
  - (ii) Show that  $x^n - nx + n - 1$  is exactly divisible by  $(x - 1)^2$  for any integral value of  $n$  greater than 1. 2
  - (iii) Deduce that  $2^{4n} - 15n - 1$  is exactly divisible by 225 for any integral value of  $n$  greater than 1. 2

- (d) (i) If  $a, b$  are the complex numbers represented by points  $A, B$  in the Argand diagram, what geometrical properties correspond to the modulus and argument of  $b/a$ ? 2
- (ii) Show that, if the four points representing the complex numbers  $z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4$  are concyclic, the fraction 5

$$\frac{(z_1 - z_2)(z_3 - z_4)}{(z_3 - z_2)(z_1 - z_4)}$$

must be real.

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# Mathematics Extension 2 Solutions

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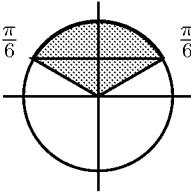
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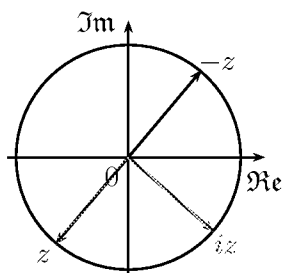
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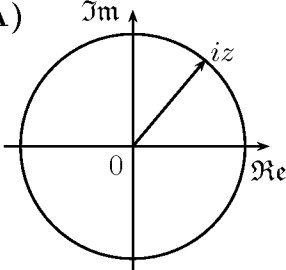
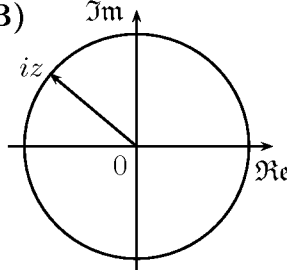
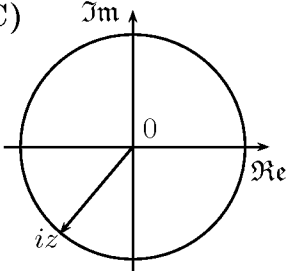
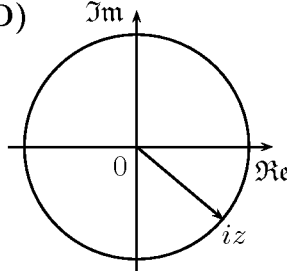
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- (C) 
- (D) 

**Solution:**  $z$  is  $\pi$  from  $-z$  and  $iz$  is rotated  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  anticlockwise from  $z$ , so (D).

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**Solution:**  $\log_e x = f^{-1}(x) + 2$ ,  
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**Solution:**  $-1 \leq \frac{2x}{5} \leq 1,$   
 $-\frac{5}{2} \leq x \leq \frac{5}{2}.$   
 $0 \leq y \leq \pi,$  so (A).

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**Solution:**  $S_1 = (1 + i) + (1 - i) - 5,$   
 $= -3.$   
 $S_2 = (1 + i)(1 - i) + (1 + i)(-5) + (1 - i)(-5),$   
 $= -8.$   
 $S_3 = (1 + i)(1 - i)(-5),$   
 $= -10.$

So the solution is  $f(x) = x^3 + 3x^2 - 8x + 10,$  *i.e.* (C).

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**Solution:**  $du = 3t^2 dt,$   
 $I = \frac{2}{3} \int 3t^2(1 + t^3)^4 dt,$   
 $= \frac{2}{3} \int u^4 du,$   
 $= \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{u^5}{5} + c,$   
 $= \frac{2(1 + t^3)^5}{15},$  so (D).

7. If  $(x - 3)^2 + (y + 2)^2 = 0$ , then  $x + y =$

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- (A) 1
- (B) 2
- (C) 3
- (D) 5

**Solution:**  $(x - 3)^2 \geq 0$ ,  $(y + 2)^2 \geq 0$ ,  
 $(x - 3)^2 + (y + 2)^2 = 0$ ,  
 $\therefore x - 3 = 0$ ,  $y + 2 = 0$ ,  
 $x - 3 + y + 2 = 0$ ,  
 $x + y = 1$ , so (A).

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$$\text{Solution: } \frac{4 \times \binom{13}{5}}{\binom{52}{5}} = \frac{33}{16660}.$$

- (ii) What is the chance of four of a kind (i.e. 4 cards of the same value)?

1

$$\text{Solution: } \frac{13 \times (52 - 4)}{\binom{52}{5}} = \frac{1}{4165}.$$

- (b) (i) What is  $\int \sec^2 \psi \, d\psi$ ?

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$$\text{Solution: } \tan \psi + c.$$

- (ii) Evaluate  $\int_0^\pi \sin^3 \theta \, d\theta$ .

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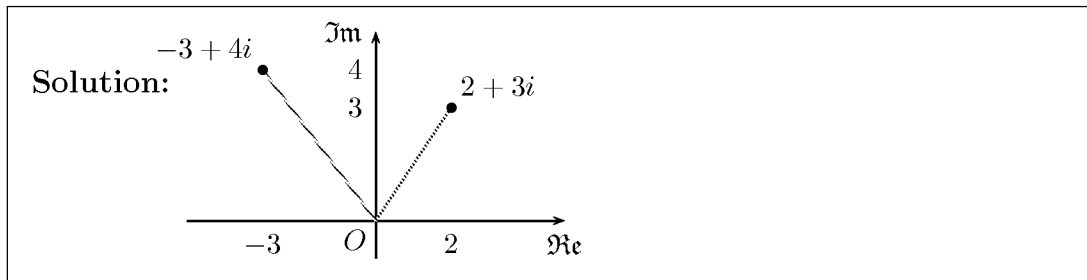
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Solution: } I &= \int_0^\pi \sin^2 \theta \sin \theta \, d\theta, \\ &= \int_0^\pi (1 - \cos^2 \theta) \sin \theta \, d\theta, \\ &= \int_0^\pi \sin \theta \, d\theta - \int_0^\pi \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta \, d\theta, \\ &= [-\cos \theta]_0^\pi - \left[ -\frac{\cos^3 \theta}{3} \right]_0^\pi, \\ &= 1 - -1 - \left( \frac{1 - -1}{3} \right), \\ &= \frac{4}{3}. \end{aligned}$$

- (iii) Find  $\int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x^2 - 4x + 20}}$  by using the substitution  $y = x - 2$ .

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**Solution:**  $x^2 - 4x + 4 + 16 = (x - 2)^2 + 4^2,$   
 $dy = dx,$   
 $I = \int \frac{dy}{\sqrt{y^2 + 4^2}},$   
 $= \ln(y + \sqrt{y^2 + 4^2}) + c,$   
 $= \ln(x - 2 + \sqrt{x^2 - 4x + 20}) + c.$

- (c) Mark on an Argand diagram the points representing the numbers  $2 + 3i$  and  $-3 + 4i$ . 2



- (d) Find, correct to three significant figures, the modulus and argument of  $\frac{1}{12 + 5i}$ . 2

**Solution:**  $|12 + 5i| = \sqrt{144 + 25},$   
 $= 13.$   
 $\arg(12 + 5i) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{5}{12}\right),$   
 $\approx 0.395 \text{ or } 22.6^\circ.$   
 So  $\left|\frac{1}{12 + 5i}\right| = \frac{1}{13},$   
 $\approx 0.0769.$   
 $\arg\left(\frac{1}{12 + 5i}\right) \approx -0.395.$

- (e) Simplify:

(i)  $(5 - 3i)(2 + i),$  1

**Solution:**  $10 + 5i - 6i + 3 = 13 - i.$

(ii)  $\left(\cos \frac{\pi}{3} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{3}\right)\left(\cos \frac{\pi}{6} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{6}\right),$  1

**Solution:**  $\cos \frac{\pi}{2} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{2} = i.$

(iii)  $\frac{1}{5 - 3i} - \frac{1}{5 + 3i}.$  1

**Solution:**  $\frac{5 + 3i - (5 - 3i)}{25 + 9} = \frac{3i}{17}.$

- (f) The cubic equation  $x^3 + ax - b$  has roots  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$ . Given that  $\gamma = \alpha\beta$ , express each of  $a$  and  $b$  in terms of  $\gamma$  only, and hence show that  $(a + b)^2 = b$ . 5

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned}0 &= \alpha + \beta + \gamma, \\ \alpha + \beta &= -\gamma, \\ a &= \alpha\beta + \beta\gamma + \gamma\alpha, \\ &= \gamma + \gamma(\alpha + \beta), \\ &= \gamma - \gamma^2. \\ b &= \alpha\beta\gamma, \\ &= \gamma^2. \\ a + b &= \gamma, \\ (a + b)^2 &= \gamma^2, \\ &= b.\end{aligned}$$

**Question 9 (21 marks)** (use a separate answer booklet)

- (a) The letters of the word
- EXCELLENT**
- are arranged in a random order. Find the probability that:

- (i) the same letter occurs at each end.
- 2

$$\text{Solution: } \frac{\frac{7!}{2!} + \frac{7!}{3!}}{\frac{9!}{3! \times 2!}} = \frac{1}{9}.$$

- (ii)
- X**
- ,
- C**
- and
- N**
- occur together in any order.
- 2

$$\text{Solution: } \frac{\frac{3! \times 7!}{3! \times 2!}}{\frac{9!}{3! \times 2!}} = \frac{1}{12}.$$

- (iii) the letters occur in alphabetical order.
- 1

$$\text{Solution: } \frac{1}{\frac{9!}{3! \times 2!}} = \frac{1}{30240}$$

- (b) Evaluate

- (i)
- $\sin\left(\sin^{-1}\frac{1}{2}\right)$
- 1

$$\text{Solution: } \frac{1}{2}$$

- (ii)
- $\sin\left(\cos^{-1}\frac{1}{2}\right)$
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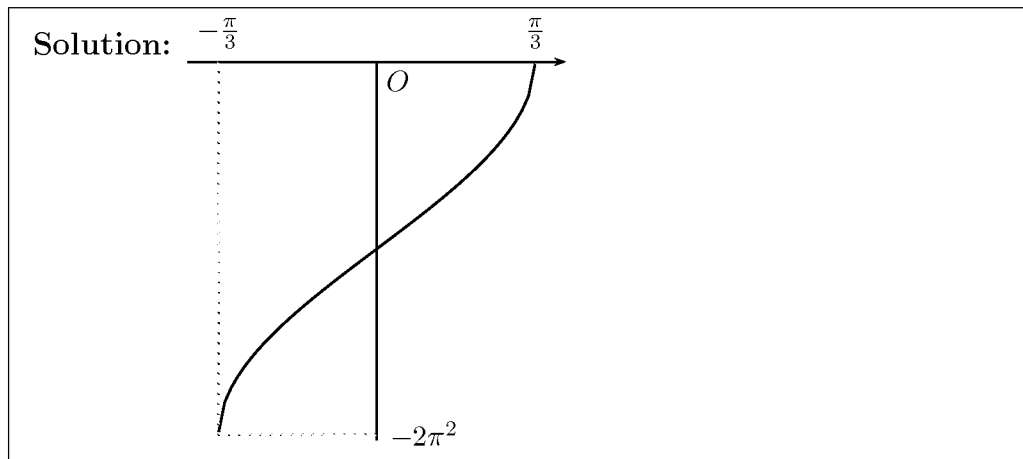
$$\text{Solution: } \sin\frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

- (iii)
- $\cos^{-1}\left(\cos\frac{4\pi}{3}\right)$
- 1

$$\text{Solution: } \cos^{-1}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

- (iv) Sketch the function
- $f(x) = -2\pi \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{3x}{\pi}\right)$
- .
- 3





- (c) Use the substitution  $x = \tan \theta$  to evaluate  $\int_0^1 \frac{x^2 dx}{(1+x^2)^2}$ .

3

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned}
 dx &= \sec^2 \theta d\theta, \\
 x = 0 &\implies \theta = 0, \\
 x = 1 &\implies \theta = \frac{\pi}{4}, \\
 I &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\tan^2 \theta \sec^2 \theta d\theta}{(1 + \tan^2 \theta)^2}, \\
 &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{\cos^2 \theta} \times \frac{d\theta}{\cos^2 \theta} \times \frac{1}{(\sec^2 \theta)^2}, \\
 &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \sin^2 \theta d\theta, \\
 &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{1 - \cos 2\theta}{2} d\theta, \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \theta - \frac{\sin 2\theta}{2} \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}}, \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{1}{2} - (0 - 0) \right), \\
 &= \frac{\pi - 2}{8}.
 \end{aligned}$$

- (d) (i) Use limits to show why  $\frac{dx}{dy} = \frac{1}{\frac{dy}{dx}}$ .

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**Solution:** We consider a small change in  $x$ ,  $\delta x$  and a corresponding small change in  $y$ ,  $\delta y$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Now } \frac{dx}{dy} &= \lim_{\delta y \rightarrow 0} \frac{\delta x}{\delta y}, \\
 &= \lim_{\delta y \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\frac{\delta y}{\delta x}}
 \end{aligned}$$

If  $y$  is a continuous function of  $x$  then  $\delta y \rightarrow 0$  as  $\delta x \rightarrow 0$ ;

$$\begin{aligned} \text{whence } \frac{dx}{dy} &= \lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\frac{\delta y}{\delta x}}, \\ &= \frac{1}{\frac{dy}{dx}}. \end{aligned}$$

(ii) Prove that  $\frac{d}{dx}(\tan^{-1} x) = \frac{1}{1+x^2}$ . 3

**Solution:** Let  $y = \tan^{-1} x$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $-\frac{\pi}{2} < y < \frac{\pi}{2}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \tan y, \\ \frac{dx}{dy} &= \sec^2 y, \\ &= 1 + \tan^2 y, \\ &= 1 + x^2. \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{1+x^2}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \frac{dy}{dx} > 0.$$

(iii) Hence find a primitive of  $\frac{x^2}{1+x^2}$ . 3

**Solution:** 
$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{x^2 dx}{1+x^2} &= \int \left(1 - \frac{1}{1+x^2}\right) dx, \\ &= x - \tan^{-1} x + c. \end{aligned}$$

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- (i) Each order goes to a different distributor. 1

**Solution:** Total of all arrangements =  $5 \times 5 \times 5$ ,  
 $= 125$ .  
 Ways of distributing =  $5 \times 4 \times 3$ ,  
 $= 60$ .  
 $\therefore P(\text{each different}) = \frac{60}{125}$ ,  
 $= \frac{12}{25}$ .

- (ii) All orders go to the same distributor. 1

**Solution:** There are only 5 ways this can occur,  
 so  $P(\text{all to same}) = \frac{5}{125}$ ,  
 $= \frac{1}{25}$ .

- (iii) Exactly two of the three go to one of the distributors. 1

**Solution: Method 1—**  
 This is the only other possibility  
 so  $P(2 \text{ of } 3 \text{ to } 1) = 1 - \left(\frac{12}{25} + \frac{1}{25}\right)$ ,  
 $= \frac{12}{25}$ .

**Method 2—**  
 $\binom{3}{2} \times 5 \times 4 = 60$ .  
 So  $P(2 \text{ of } 3 \text{ to } 1) = \frac{60}{125}$ ,  
 $= \frac{12}{25}$ .

- (b) (i) Use De Moivre's theorem to express  $\cos 3\theta$  in terms of  $\cos \theta$  and  $\sin 3\theta$  in terms of  $\sin \theta$ . 2

**Solution:**  $\cos 3\theta + i \sin 3\theta = (\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^3$ ,  
 $= \cos^3 \theta + 3i \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta - 3 \cos \theta \sin^2 \theta - i \sin^3 \theta$ .  
 $\cos 3\theta = \cos^3 \theta - 3 \cos \theta \sin^2 \theta$  (real part),  
 $= \cos^3 \theta - 3 \cos \theta (1 - \cos^2 \theta)$ ,  
 $= 4 \cos^3 \theta - 3 \cos \theta$ .  
 $\sin 3\theta = 3 \cos^2 \theta \sin \theta - \sin^3 \theta$  (imaginary part),  
 $= 3(1 - \sin^2 \theta) \sin \theta - \sin^3 \theta$ ,  
 $= 3 \sin \theta - 4 \sin^3 \theta$ .

(ii) Use the result to solve the equation

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$$8x^3 - 6x + 1 = 0.$$

**Solution:** If we put  $x = \cos \theta$ , then

$$8 \cos^3 \theta - 6 \cos \theta + 1 = 0,$$

$$4 \cos^3 \theta - 3 \cos \theta = -\frac{1}{2},$$

$$\text{i.e. } \cos 3\theta = -\frac{1}{2},$$

$$3\theta = \frac{2\pi}{3}, \frac{4\pi}{3}, \frac{8\pi}{3}, \frac{10\pi}{3} \dots$$

$$\theta = \frac{2\pi}{9}, \frac{4\pi}{9}, \frac{8\pi}{9}, \frac{10\pi}{9} \dots$$

$$x = \cos \frac{2\pi}{9}, \cos \frac{4\pi}{9}, \cos \frac{8\pi}{9}, \cos \frac{10\pi}{9} \dots$$

As it is a cubic, only 3 values of  $x$  are possible.

$$\text{Now, } \cos \frac{8\pi}{9} = -\cos \frac{\pi}{9}, \cos \frac{10\pi}{9} = -\cos \frac{\pi}{9}, \text{ etc.}$$

$$\text{Hence } x = -\cos \frac{\pi}{9}, \cos \frac{2\pi}{9}, \cos \frac{4\pi}{9} \text{ only.}$$

(c) When a rational integral function is divided by  $(x - \alpha)^2$  the remainder is  $R_2(x - \alpha) + R_1$ , i.e.  $f(x) = (x - \alpha)^2 Q(x) + R_2(x - \alpha) + R_1$ .

(i) Prove that  $R_1 = f(\alpha)$  and  $R_2 = f'(\alpha)$ , where  $f'(x)$  is the differential coefficient of  $f(x)$  with respect to  $x$ .

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**Solution:**  $f(x) = (x - \alpha)^2 Q(x) + R_2(x - \alpha) + R_1 \dots \dots \dots \boxed{1}$

$$f(\alpha) = (\alpha - \alpha)^2 Q(\alpha) + R_2(\alpha - \alpha) + R_1,$$
$$= 0 + 0 + R_1.$$

$$\text{i.e. } R_1 = f(\alpha).$$

From  $\boxed{1}$ , differentiating w.r.t.  $x$ ,

$$f'(x) = 2(x - \alpha)Q(x) + (x - \alpha)^2 Q'(x) + R_2 + (x - \alpha)R_2',$$

$$\therefore f'(\alpha) = 2(\alpha - \alpha)Q(\alpha) + (\alpha - \alpha)^2 Q'(\alpha) + R_2 + (\alpha - \alpha)R_2',$$
$$= 0 + 0 + R_2 + 0,$$

$$\text{i.e. } R_2 = f'(\alpha).$$

(ii) Show that  $x^n - nx + n - 1$  is exactly divisible by  $(x - 1)^2$  for any integral value of  $n$  greater than 1.

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**Solution:** Let  $f(x) = x^n - nx + n - 1$ ,

$$f(1) = 1^n - n + n - 1,$$
$$= 0 = R_1.$$

$$f'(x) = nx^{n-1} - n,$$

$$f'(1) = n \cdot 1^{n-1} - n,$$
$$= n - n = 0 = R_2.$$

$$\therefore f(x) = (x - 1)^2 Q(x) + 0 + 0,$$

$$\text{i.e. } x^n - nx + n - 1 \text{ is divisible by } (x - 1)^2.$$

$n$  must be an integer since  $x^n - nx + n - 1$  must be a rational function before the above procedure can be used.

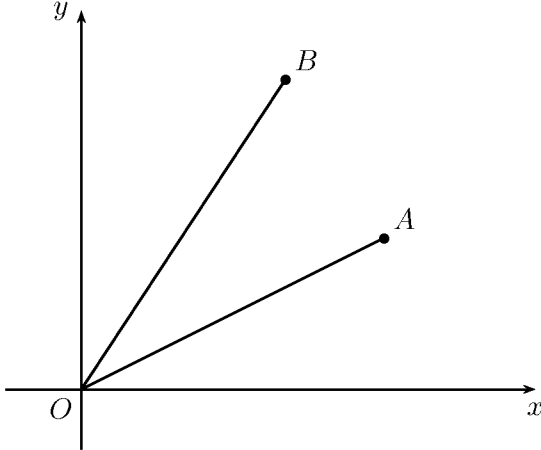
- (iii) Deduce that  $2^{4n} - 15n - 1$  is exactly divisible by 225 for any integral value of  $n$  greater than 1. 2

**Solution:**  $x^n - nx + n - 1 = x^n - (x - 1)n - 1,$   
 Taking the  $x = 16$  we have  
 $x^n - (x - 1)n - 1 = 16^n - 15n - 1,$   
 $= 2^{4n} - 15n - 1.$

However  $x^n - (x - 1)n - 1$  is divisible by  $(x - 1)^2, n > 1.$   
 $\therefore 2^{4n} - 15n - 1$  is divisible by  $(15)^2$  for any integral value of  $n > 1.$   
*i.e.*  $2^{4n} - 15n - 1$  is divisible by 225 for any integral value of  $n$  greater than 1.

- (d) (i) If  $a, b$  are the complex numbers represented by points  $A, B$  in the Argand diagram, what geometrical properties correspond to the modulus and argument of  $b/a$ ? 2

**Solution:**



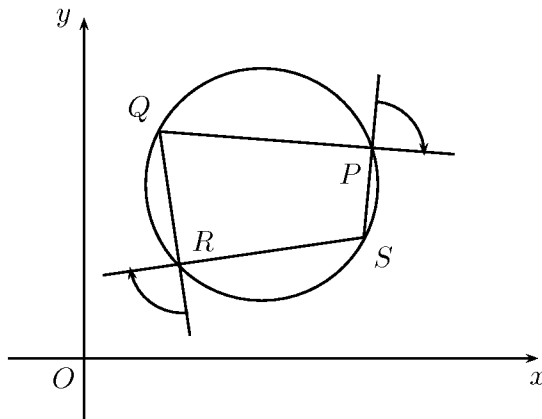
The lengths of the vectors  $\vec{OA}, \vec{OB}$  are equal respectively to  $|a|$  and  $|b|$  and the angles  $\angle xOA, \angle xOB$  are equal to  $\arg a$  and  $\arg b.$   
 Since  $\left| \frac{b}{a} \right| = \frac{|b|}{|a|} = \frac{OB}{OA},$   
 the modulus of  $b/a$  corresponds to the ratio  $OB/OA.$   
 Again, since  $\arg \left( \frac{b}{a} \right) = \arg b - \arg a = \angle xOB - \angle xOA,$   
 $= \angle AOB.$

- (ii) Show that, if the four points representing the complex numbers  $z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4$  are concyclic, the fraction 5

$$\frac{(z_1 - z_2)(z_3 - z_4)}{(z_3 - z_2)(z_1 - z_4)}$$

must be real.

**Solution:** Let the representative points of the four complex numbers  $z_1, z_2, z_3, z_4$  be  $P, Q, R, S.$



Clearly, the sum of the marked angles is  $\pi$  (opposite  $\angle$ s of a cyclic quad. and vert. opp.  $\angle$ s). Since vectors  $\vec{SP}$ ,  $\vec{QR}$  represent respectively the complex numbers  $z_4 - z_1$  and  $z_2 - z_1$ , the angle of turn from  $\vec{SP}$  to  $\vec{QR}$  is

$$\arg\left(\frac{z_2 - z_1}{z_4 - z_1}\right).$$

Similarly the angle of turn from  $\vec{QR}$  to  $\vec{SR}$  is  $\arg\left(\frac{z_4 - z_3}{z_2 - z_3}\right)$ . Hence

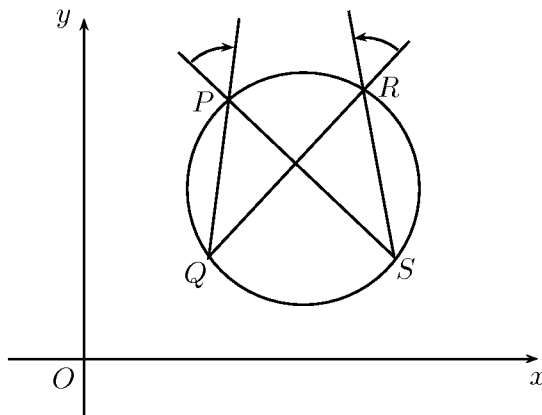
$$\arg\left(\frac{z_2 - z_1}{z_4 - z_1}\right) + \arg\left(\frac{z_4 - z_3}{z_2 - z_3}\right) = \pi.$$

But the sum of the arguments of two complex numbers is equal to the argument of their product, so that

$$\arg\left(\frac{z_2 - z_1}{z_4 - z_1} \times \frac{z_4 - z_3}{z_2 - z_3}\right) = \pi.$$

If the argument of a complex number is  $\pi$ , the number is a negative real number as required.

**NOTE:** even if we label the points around the circle in some other, non-cyclic order:



Then the sum of the arguments is zero and we have a positive real number.

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