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2012

HSC ASSESSMENT
TASK #2

Mathematics Extension 2

General Instructions

- Reading time – 5 minutes.
- Working time – 120 minutes.
- Write using black or blue pen.
- Board approved calculators may be used.
- 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.
- Answers should be in simplest exact form unless specified otherwise.
- Start each NEW section in a separate answer booklet.
- Each section is to be returned in a separate bundle.

Total Marks - 89

- Attempt Questions 1 - 6
- All questions are NOT of equal value.

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Section A

Question 1 (16 marks)

(a) $\int \frac{\cos x}{1+\sin x} dx$ 1

(b) $\int \frac{\cos^2 x}{1+\sin x} dx$ 2

(c) Given $a = 3 - 4i$ and $b = 1 + i$. 5

Express the following in the form $x + iy$ where x and y are real numbers:

(i) $b - a$

(ii) \overline{ab}

(iii) $\frac{a}{b}$

(d) $P(x) = x^4 - x^3 - 2x^2 + 6x - 4.$ 3

(i) Given that $1 + i$ is a zero of $P(x)$, explain why $1 - i$ is also a zero of $P(x)$.

(ii) Hence, find all the zeros of $P(x)$.

(e) When $(1 + ax)^5 + (1 + bx)^5$ is expanded in ascending powers of x , 5
the expansion begins $2 + 40x + 260x^2 + \dots$

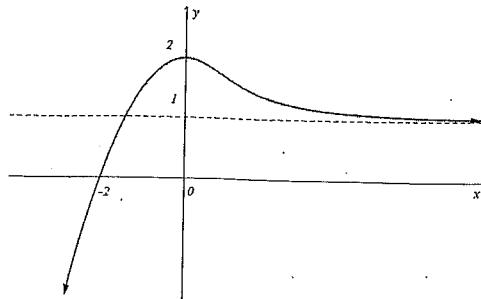
(i) Show that $a + b = 8$ and $a^2 + b^2 = 26$.

(ii) Deduce the value of ab .

(iii) Find the coefficient of x^3 .

Question 2 (16 marks)

- (a) Below is a sketch of $y = f(x)$.



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Sketch the following on separate diagrams:

- (i) $y = f(|x|)$
 - (ii) $|y| = f(x)$
 - (iii) $y = [f(x)]^{-1}$
 - (iv) $y = 2^{f(x)}$
- (b) Plot a point A which represents the complex number z on an argand diagram given that $\operatorname{Re}(z) < 0$, $\operatorname{Im}(z) > 0$ and $|z| > 1$.
On the same argand diagram plot the point:
 (i) B representing the complex number \bar{z}
 (ii) C representing the complex number $\frac{1}{z}$
 (iii) D representing the complex number $z(\cos \pi + i \sin \pi)$.
- (c) $\int \ln(1+x^2) dx$
- (d) Evaluate $\int_{-1}^1 (1+x^3)^3 dx$

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Section B (Use a SEPARATE writing booklet)

Question 3 (14 marks)

- (a) Sketch $y^2 = (x-2)^2(x-1)$ without using calculus. 2

- (b) If $\arg(z+1) = \frac{\pi}{6}$ and $\arg(z-1) = \frac{2\pi}{3}$. 3

Write z in Cartesian form $(x+iy)$.

- (c) The equation $x^3 - 3x^2 + ax + 8 = 0$ has roots that are in arithmetic sequence. 3

- (i) Show that one of the roots is 1.

- (ii) Find the value of a and solve the equation.

- (d) A particle of mass 10 kg is projected vertically upwards with a velocity 6

of u m/s. The resistive force is one-tenth of the square of its velocity.

Assuming that $g = 10$ m/s².

- (i) Show that the particle takes $\sqrt{10} \tan^{-1} \frac{u}{10\sqrt{10}}$ seconds to reach its greatest height.

- (ii) Show that the greatest height is $50 \log_e \frac{1000+u^2}{1000}$ metres.

Question 4 (16 marks)

(a) (i) Show that $\int_{-a}^a f(x)dx = \int_0^a (f(x) + f(-x))dx$. 4

(ii) Hence, or otherwise, evaluate

$$\int_{-\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{dx}{1 + \sin x}$$

(b) The complex number $z = x + iy$, where x and y are real, is such that 5

$$|z - i| = \text{Im}(z).$$

(i) Show that the locus of z is a parabola.

(ii) Hence, find the range of possible values for $\arg(z)$.

(c) (i) Find the values of A , B and C if 7

$$\frac{-1}{x^2(x+1)} = \frac{A}{x^2} + \frac{B}{x} + \frac{C}{x+1}$$

(ii) A particle of unit mass moves on the x -axis against a resistance numerically equal to $v^2 + v^3$, where v is its velocity. Initially the particle is travelling with velocity u , where $u > 0$.

It can be proven that when the velocity is $\frac{u}{2}$ the distance X travelled by the particle is given by $X = \ln\left(\frac{2+u}{1+u}\right)$ (Do not prove this)

(α) Prove that if T is the time taken to travel the distance X then

$$u(T + X) = 1.$$

(β) It is alleged that if the particle started at the origin then the velocity v , displacement x , and time t are related by the equation $v = \frac{u}{ux+ut+1}$.

By finding a suitable derivative, show that this is in fact correct.

Section C (Use a SEPARATE writing booklet)

Question 5 (15 marks)

(a) (i) Write $(1+i)^n$ in modulus argument form. 6

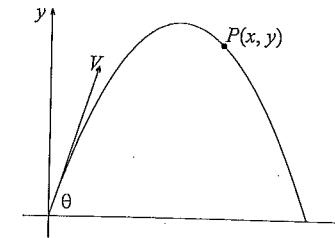
(ii) By considering the binomial expansion of $(1+i)^n$.

Find an expression for $1 - \binom{n}{2} + \binom{n}{4} - \binom{n}{6} + \dots$

(iii) If n is a multiple of 8.

Show that $\binom{n}{1} + \binom{n}{5} + \binom{n}{9} + \dots = \binom{n}{3} + \binom{n}{7} + \binom{n}{11} + \dots$

(b)



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A particle is projected at an angle of θ to the horizontal with velocity V . (Assume that there is no air resistance) and take gravity to be g . At time t , let x and y be the horizontal and vertical displacements respectively.

(i) Derive the equations of motion in the horizontal and vertical directions in terms of t .

(ii) It is known that at some time t during its flight, the x and y displacements of the particle are equal and the direction of motion is inclined at 45° to the downward vertical. The position of the particle at this time is marked P in the diagram above. Use this information to show that $\tan \theta = 3$.

(iii) Hence, find the range of the particle in terms of V and g .

(iv) If the speed of projection may be varied but the particle must not rise more than H above the ground. Find the maximum range in terms of H .

Question 6 (12 marks)

- (a) Show that the polynomial $P(x) = x^n - x^{n-1} - 1$, where $n > 1$ 3

cannot have a repeated real root.

- (b) "Words" are to be formed from the letters of the word 9

F U N D A M E N T A L |

- (i) Using all of the eleven letters. How many different "words" are possible if:
- (a) there is no restriction
 - (b) it must start and end with the same letter
 - (c) F U N must appear together in that order
 - (d) the same letter must not appear next to itself?
- (ii) If I am to select five letters to form a "word". How many different five letter "words" are possible?

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Section A

Q1. (a) $\int \frac{\cos x}{1+\sin x} dx$ Let $u = \sin x$
 $du = \cos x dx$

$$= \int \frac{du}{1+u}$$

$$= \ln(1+u) + C$$

$$= \ln(1+\sin x) + C$$

(b) $\int \frac{\cos^2 x}{1+\sin x} dx$

$$= \int \frac{1-\sin^2 x}{1+\sin x} dx = \int \frac{(1-\sin x)(1+\sin x)}{1+\sin x} dx.$$

$$= \int (1-\sin x) dx$$

$$= x + \cos x + C.$$

(c) $a = 3-4i$, $b = 1+i$.

(i) $b-a = -2+5i$

(ii) $ab = 7-i$ ✓ ; $ab = \underline{7+i}$ ✓

(iii) $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{3-4i}{1+i}$

$$= \frac{3-4i}{1+i} \times \frac{1-i}{1-i}$$

$$= \frac{-1-7i}{2} = \underline{-\frac{1}{2}-\frac{7}{2}i}$$

1.(d) $P(x) = x^4 - x^3 - 2x^2 + 6x - 4$

(i) By the conjugate root theorem, if $P(x)$ has real coefficients and $(a+bi)$ is a root, then so is $(a-bi)$.

∴ If $(1+i)$ is a zero, so is $(1-i)$ since $P(x)$ has real coefficients.

(ii) $(x-1-i)(x-1+i)$ is a factor of $P(x)$.

⇒ $(x^2 - 2x + 2)$ is a factor

By division

$$\begin{array}{r} x^2 + x - 2 \\ \hline x^4 - x^3 - 2x^2 + 6x - 4 \\ x^4 - 2x^3 + 2x^2 \\ \hline x^3 - 4x^2 + 6x \\ x^3 - 2x^2 + 2x \\ \hline -2x^2 + 4x - 4 \\ -2x^2 + 4x - 4 \\ \hline 0 \end{array}$$

for $q(x) = x^2 + x - 2 = (x+2)(x-1)$

$$x = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1+8}}{2} = \frac{-1 \pm 3}{2}$$

$x = -2$ or 1

∴ zeros of $P(x)$ are $x = \underline{-2}, 1, (1+i), (1-i)$.

$$1(e) (1+ax)^5 + (1+bx)^5 = 2 + 40x + 260x^2 + \dots$$

$$\text{For } (1+ax)^5, T_{r+1} = {}^5 C_r (ax)^r$$

$$\text{For } (1+bx)^5, T_{r+1} = {}^5 C_r (bx)^r$$

$$\therefore T_{r+1} (\text{of sum}) = {}^5 C_r (a^r + b^r) x^r$$

$$\text{Coefficient of term in } x^1 = {}^5 C_1 (a+b) = 40$$

$$\therefore a+b = 8 \quad (1) \checkmark$$

$$\text{Coefficient of term in } x^2 = {}^5 C_2 (a^2 + b^2) = 260$$

$$10(a^2 + b^2) = 260$$

$$a^2 + b^2 = 26 \quad (2) \checkmark$$

$$(ii) \text{ Now } (a+b)^2 = (a^2 + b^2) + 2ab = 8^2 \quad \checkmark$$

$$26 + 2ab = 64 \quad \text{From (2) and (1)}$$

$$2ab = 38$$

$$ab = 19 \quad \checkmark$$

$$(iii) \text{ Coefficient of } x^3 = {}^5 C_3 (a^3 + b^3)$$

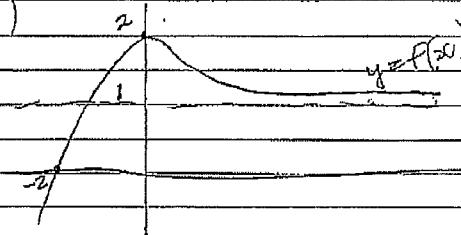
$$= 10(a+b)(a^2 - ab + b^2)$$

$$= 10 \times 8 \times (26 - 19)$$

$$= 560$$

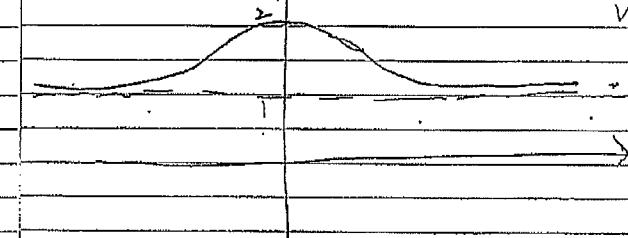
(5)

Q2. (a)



$y = f(x)$

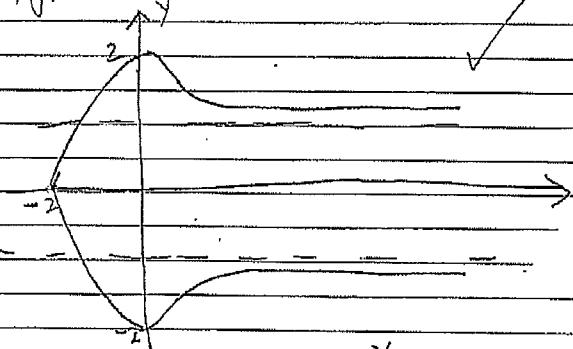
(i) $y = f(|x|)$



(1½)

Sketch $y = f(x)$ for
 $x \geq 0$ only.
Then reflect in y -axis.

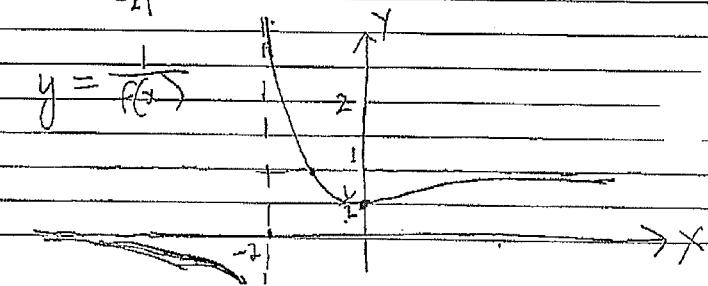
(ii) $|y| = f(x)$



(1½)

Discard sections
of $f(x)$ below x -axis.
Reflect leftover
section in $x=0$.

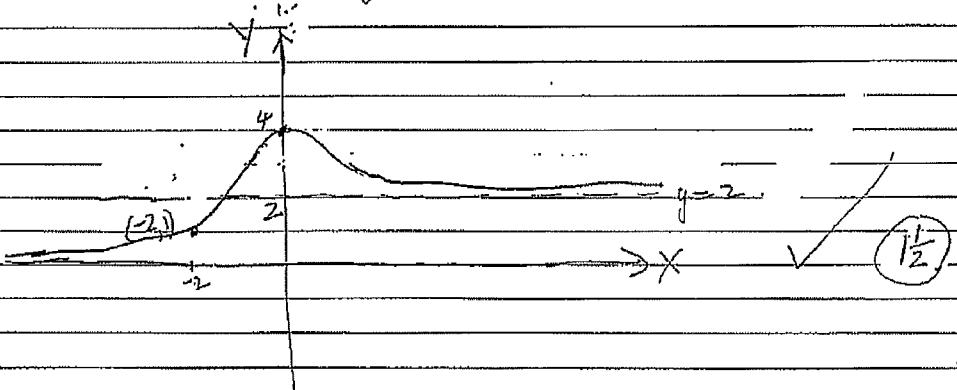
(iii) $y = \frac{1}{f(x)}$



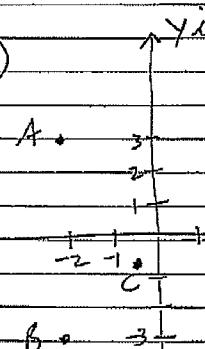
(1½)

2(a) $y = 2$

	x	-2	0	∞	$-\infty$
$f(x)$	0	2	1^+	-1^-	
$y = 2$	1	4	2^+	0^+	



(b)



$$\text{eg } A \Rightarrow -2 + 3i = z$$

$$|z| = \sqrt{4+9} = \sqrt{13}$$

$$C = \frac{1}{2} = \frac{-2 - 3i}{\sqrt{13}}$$

$$= \frac{2}{\sqrt{13}} - \frac{3}{\sqrt{13}}i$$

$$(\therefore -0.55 - 0.83i)$$

In general

$$I \quad A = -a + bi$$

$$B = -a - bi$$

$$C = \frac{-a - bi}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2}}$$

$$D = -2 - a - bi$$

$$D = z, \text{cis } 180^\circ$$

$$= z, (-1 + 0i)$$

$$= -z$$

$$= 2 - 3i$$

$$Q2(c) \int \ln(1+x^2) dx$$

$$= \int 1 \cdot \ln(1+x^2) dx$$

$$\text{parts} \quad \int u dv = uv - \int v du \quad \text{where } u = \ln(1+x^2), dv = 1 \\ du = \frac{2x}{1+x^2}, v = x$$

$$I = x \ln(1+x^2) - \int x \cdot \frac{2x}{1+x^2} dx \quad \checkmark$$

$$= x \ln(1+x^2) - 2 \int \frac{x^2}{1+x^2} dx.$$

$$= x \ln(1+x^2) - 2 I_2$$

$$\text{Now } I_2 = \int \frac{x^2 + 1 - 1}{x^2 + 1} dx \quad \checkmark$$

$$= \int 1 dx - \int \frac{1}{x^2 + 1} dx.$$

$$= x - \tan^{-1} x. \quad \checkmark \quad (3)$$

$$I = x \ln(1+x^2) - 2(x - \tan^{-1} x) + C$$

$$I = x \ln(1+x^2) - 2x + 2 \tan^{-1} x + C \quad \checkmark$$

$$(d) \int_1^1 (1+x^3)^3 dx$$

$$= \int_1^1 (1+3x^3+3x^6+x^9) dx \quad \checkmark$$

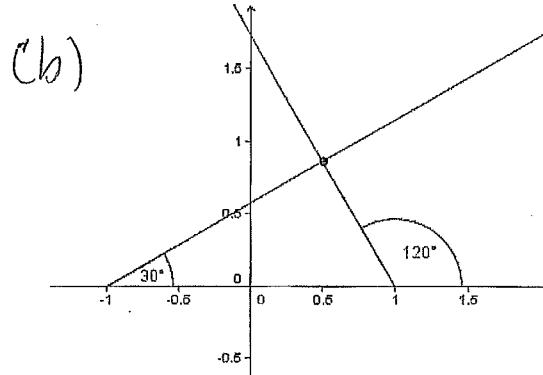
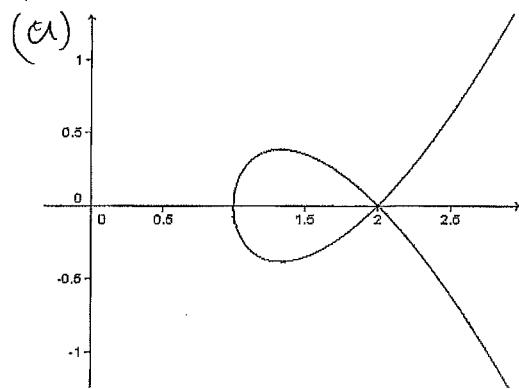
$$= \left[x + \frac{3x^4}{4} + \frac{3x^7}{7} + \frac{x^{10}}{10} \right]_1^1 \quad \checkmark$$

$$= \left(1 + \frac{3}{4} + \frac{3}{7} + \frac{1}{10} \right) - \left(-1 + \frac{3}{4} - \frac{3}{7} + \frac{1}{10} \right)$$

$$= \cancel{2^6} - \cancel{\frac{20}{7}} \quad \checkmark$$

SECTION B

Q4



$$m_1 = \tan \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

$$= -\sqrt{3}$$

point (1, 0)

$$y = -\sqrt{3}(x-1)$$

$$m_2 = \tan \frac{\pi}{6}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

point (-1, 0)

$$y = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(x+1)$$

intersection

$$-\sqrt{3}(x-1) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}(x+1)$$

$$-3x + 3 = x + 1$$

$$-4x = -2$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$y = -\sqrt{3}\left(\frac{1}{2} - 1\right)$$

$$y = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$z = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}i$$

$$(c) (i) \alpha + \beta, \alpha, \alpha - \beta.$$

$$3\alpha = -\frac{b}{a}$$

$$3\alpha = -3$$

$$\alpha = 1$$

$$(ii) 1+\beta, 1, 1-\beta.$$

$$P(1) = 1^3 - 3 + a + 8 = 0$$

$$a = -6$$

$$\sum \alpha_i \alpha_j = \frac{c}{a}$$

$$1+\beta + 1-\beta + 1-\beta^2 = -6$$

$$\beta = \pm 3$$

$$x = 4, 1, -2.$$

$$(d) \downarrow \text{mg} \downarrow \frac{v^2}{r}$$

$$10\ddot{x} = -100 - \frac{v^2}{10}$$

$$100 \frac{dv}{dt} = -1000 - v^2$$

$$\frac{100}{1000+v^2} \frac{dv}{dt} = -1$$

$$100 \int_u^0 \frac{dv}{(100/v)^2 + v^2} = - \int_0^t dt$$

$$100 \left[\frac{1}{10\sqrt{10}} \tan^{-1} \frac{v}{10\sqrt{10}} \right]_u^0 = -t$$

$$t = \sqrt{10} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{u}{10\sqrt{10}} \right).$$

$$(i) 10\ddot{x} = -100 - \frac{v^2}{10}$$

$$100\ddot{x} = -1000 - v^2$$

$$100 \frac{dv}{dx} \frac{dx}{dt} = -1000 - v^2$$

$$\frac{100v}{1000+v^2} \frac{dv}{dx} = -1$$

$$50 \int_u^0 \frac{2v}{1000+v^2} dv = - \int_0^x dx$$

$$50 \left[\ln(1000+v^2) \right]_u^0 = -x$$

$$x = 50 \ln \left(\frac{(1000+x^2)}{1000} \right)$$

$$\text{Q4} \quad (\text{a}) \quad (\text{i}) \quad \text{LHS} = F(a) - F(-a).$$

where $F' = f$

$$\text{RHS} = \int_0^a f(x) dx + \int_0^{-a} f(-x) dx.$$

$$= F(a) - F(0) - F(-a) + F(0)$$

$$= F(a) - F(-a)$$

= LHS.

$$(\text{ii}) \quad \int_{-\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{dx}{1+\sin x} = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{1}{1+\sin x} dx + \frac{1}{1-\sin x} dx$$

since
 $\sin(-x) = -\sin x$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{2}{1-\sin^2 x} dx$$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{1}{\cos^2 x} dx.$$

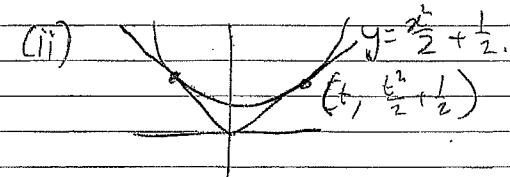
$$= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \sec^2 x dx$$

= 2.

$$(\text{b}) \quad (\text{i}) \quad |z + i(y-1)| = y$$

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

$$y = \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{1}{2}$$



$$\frac{dy}{dx} = x.$$

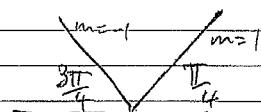
let $m = t$. point $(0, 0)$.

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

$$-\frac{t^2 - 1}{2} = -t^2$$

$$t^2 = 1$$

$$t = \pm 1$$



$$\frac{\pi}{4} \leq \theta \leq \frac{3\pi}{4}.$$

(c) (i)

$$-1 = A(x+1) + Bx(x+1) + Cx^2$$

When $x=-1$

$$\underline{xc^2}$$

$$-1 = C$$

$$Bx^2 + Cx^2 = 0$$

When $x=0$

$$A = -1$$

$$B+C=0$$

$$B=-1$$

$$B=1$$

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

$$(ii) \ddot{x} = -v^2 - v^3$$

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = -(v^2 + v^3)$$

$$\frac{dt}{dv} = -\frac{1}{v^2(v+1)}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{v^2} + \frac{1}{v} + \frac{-1}{v+1}$$

$$t = \frac{1}{v} + \ln v - \ln(v+1) + C$$

when $t=0$ $v=u$

$$C = -\frac{1}{u} + \ln\left(\frac{u+1}{u}\right)$$

$$t = \frac{1}{v} + \ln v - \ln(v+1) - \frac{1}{u} + \ln\left(\frac{u+1}{u}\right)$$

$$\text{when } t=T \quad v = \frac{u}{2}$$

$$T = \frac{3}{u} + \ln\left(\frac{\frac{u}{2}}{\frac{u}{2}+1}\right) - \frac{1}{u} + \ln\left(\frac{u+1}{u}\right)$$

$$T = \frac{1}{u} + \ln\left(\frac{u+1}{u+2}\right) \quad \text{But } X = \ln\left(\frac{2+u}{1+u}\right)$$

$$T = \frac{1}{u} - \ln\left(\frac{1+u}{2+u}\right)$$

$$T = \frac{1}{u} - X$$

$$u(T-X) = 1$$

$$(ii) \quad v = u(u_x + u_t + 1)^{-1}$$

$$\frac{dv}{dt} = -u(u_x + u_t + 1)^{-2} \left(u \frac{\partial v}{\partial t} + u \right)$$

$$\ddot{x} = \frac{-u}{(u_x + u_t + 1)^2} (uv + u)$$

$$= \frac{-u^2(v+1)}{(u)^2}$$

$$= -u^2(v+1)$$

$$= -v^3 - v^2$$

SECTION C

$$(i) (1+i)^n = (\sqrt{2} \text{ cis } \frac{\pi}{4})^n \\ = (\sqrt{2})^n \text{ cis } \frac{n\pi}{4} \quad (A)$$

$$\begin{aligned} (ii) (1+i)^n &= \binom{n}{0} + \binom{n}{1} i + \binom{n}{2} i^2 + \binom{n}{3} i^3 + \binom{n}{4} i^4 + \dots \\ &= \binom{n}{0} + \binom{n}{1} i - \binom{n}{2} + \binom{n}{3} i + \binom{n}{4} + \dots \\ &= \binom{n}{0} - \binom{n}{2} + \binom{n}{4} - \binom{n}{6} + \dots + i(\binom{n}{1} - \binom{n}{3} - \dots) \end{aligned}$$

now real part is $\binom{n}{0} - \binom{n}{2} + \binom{n}{4} - \binom{n}{6} + \dots$

which is $[(\sqrt{2})^n \cos \frac{n\pi}{4}]$ from (A)

(iii) If n is a multiple of 8, say $8m$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{From (A)} \quad (\sqrt{2})^n \text{ cis } \frac{8m\pi}{4} \\ &= (\sqrt{2})^n [\cos 2m\pi + i \sin 2m\pi] \\ &= (\sqrt{2})^n [1 + 0] \end{aligned}$$

\therefore imaginary part is zero.

$$\text{i.e. } \binom{n}{1} - \binom{n}{3} + \binom{n}{5} - \binom{n}{7} + \binom{n}{9} - \binom{n}{11} + \dots = 0$$

$$\text{i.e. } \boxed{\binom{n}{1} + \binom{n}{5} + \binom{n}{9} + \dots = \binom{n}{3} + \binom{n}{7} + \binom{n}{11} + \dots}$$

$$(b) (i) \boxed{\dot{x} = 0} \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} \dot{x} = c_1 \\ \dot{x} = \sqrt{v \cos \theta} \end{array} \right. \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} \dot{y} = -gt \\ \dot{y} = -gt + c_2 \\ \dot{y} = -gt + \sqrt{v^2 \cos^2 \theta} \end{array} \right. \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} t=0 \\ x=0 \\ y=0 \end{array} \right. \quad \begin{array}{l} \checkmark \\ \text{Graph} \end{array}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{x = \sqrt{v t \cos \theta} + c_3} \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} \text{clearly } c_3 = 0 \\ \therefore \boxed{x = \sqrt{v t \cos \theta}} \end{array} \right. \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} y = -\frac{1}{2} g t^2 + v t \cos \theta + c_4 \\ c_4 = 0 \\ \therefore \boxed{y = -\frac{1}{2} g t^2 + v t \cos \theta} \end{array} \right. \quad \begin{array}{l} \checkmark \\ \text{Graph} \end{array}$$

(ii). now $x = y$

$$\therefore \sqrt{v \cos \theta} = -\frac{1}{2} g t^2 + v t \cos \theta$$

$$\text{or } \boxed{\sqrt{v \cos \theta} = -\frac{1}{2} g t + v \sin \theta} \quad (A) \quad (\text{NR } t \neq 0)$$

$$\text{or } \dot{x} = -\dot{y}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\sqrt{v \cos \theta} = g t - v \sin \theta.} \quad (B)$$

$$(A) - (B)$$

$$\boxed{0 = -\frac{3}{2} g t + 2 v \sin \theta} \quad (C) \Rightarrow \boxed{v \sin \theta = \frac{3}{4} g t}$$

$$(A) + (B)$$

$$2\sqrt{v \cos \theta} = \frac{5}{2} g t$$

$$\text{i.e. } \boxed{\sqrt{v \cos \theta} = \frac{1}{4} g t} \quad (D)$$

From (C) & (D)

$$\frac{v \sin \theta}{\sqrt{v \cos \theta}} = \frac{\frac{3}{4} g t}{\frac{1}{4} g t}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{\tan \theta = 3}$$

$$Q6. (a) P(x) = x^n - x^{n-1}, \quad : n > 1.$$

$$\therefore P'(x) = nx^{n-1} - (n-1)x^{n-2}$$

$$\text{For a real root } \alpha \quad P(\alpha) = P'(\alpha) = 0$$

$$\text{Consider } P'(\alpha) = nx^{n-1} - (n-1)x^{n-2} = 0.$$

$$\text{i.e. } \alpha^{n-2} [nx - (n-1)] = 0$$

$$\alpha \neq 0. \text{ as } P(\alpha) = 0$$

$$\therefore \alpha = \frac{n-1}{n}.$$

$$\text{Assume } P(\alpha) = 0$$

$$\text{i.e. } \left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right)^n - \left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right)^{n-1} = 0$$

$$\text{i.e. } \left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right)^{n-1} \left[\frac{n-1}{n} - 1 \right] = 1$$

$$\left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right)^{n-1} \left(-\frac{1}{n} \right) = 1$$

This is impossible

$$\text{since } \left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right)^{n-1} > 0 \quad [n > 1]$$

$$\therefore -\frac{1}{n} < 0$$

$\therefore \text{LHS is negative}$

$\therefore \text{contradiction}$

$$P(\alpha) \neq 0$$

$\therefore \text{no real root.}$

$$Q6. (b) (i) \alpha = \frac{11!}{2! \times 2!} = \underline{\underline{19,979,200}}$$

$$(ii) \frac{9!}{2!} \times 2 = \underline{\underline{1362,880}}$$

$$(iii) \frac{9!}{2} = \underline{\underline{181,440}}$$

$$(iv) \frac{11!}{2! \times 2!} - \frac{10!}{2!} - \frac{10!}{2!} + 9! = \underline{\underline{16,713,280}}$$

(ii) Look at cases.

$$\frac{7 \times 5!}{2! \times 2!} + \binom{7}{2} \times \frac{5!}{2!} \times 2 + \binom{7}{3} \times \frac{5!}{2!} \times 2$$

$$+ \binom{7}{3} \times 5! + \binom{7}{4} \times 5! \times 2 + 7P_5$$

$$= 210 + 2520 + 420 + 420 + 840 + 2520$$

$$= \underline{\underline{122,050}}$$