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Marking key

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Question 1

(6 marks)

Consider functions $f(x) = \sqrt{4-x}$ and $g(x) = \frac{1}{x^2}$.

- (a) Determine the exact value of $g(f(-5))$. (2 marks)

Solution
$g(f(-5)) = g(\sqrt{4-(-5)}) = g(3) = \frac{1}{9}$
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ determines $f(-5)$ correctly ✓ obtains the correct value for $g(f(-5))$

- (b) Determine the domain for $f(g(x))$. (3 marks)

Solution
$f(g(x)) = \sqrt{4 - \frac{1}{x^2}}$ This will be defined when $4 - \frac{1}{x^2} \geq 0$, $x \neq 0$ since $g(x)$ must exist. i.e. $\frac{1}{x^2} \leq 4$ i.e. $x^2 \geq \frac{1}{4}$ $\therefore D_{f \circ g} = \{x \mid x \geq \frac{1}{2} \cup x \leq -\frac{1}{2}\}$
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ identifies that $f(g(x))$ is defined when $4 - \frac{1}{x^2} \geq 0$ ✓ states $x \geq \frac{1}{2}$ ✓ states $x \leq -\frac{1}{2}$

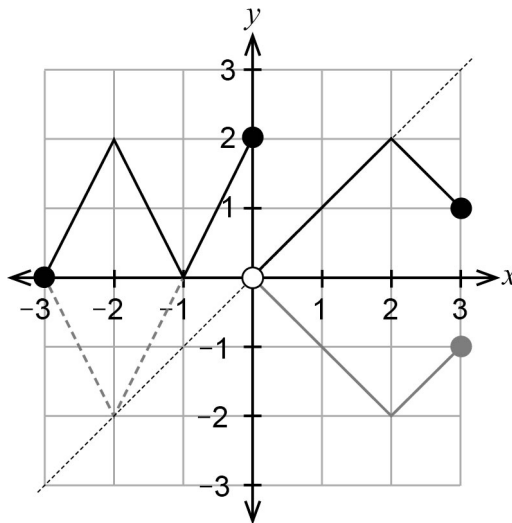
- (c) Explain why function g is not a one-to-one function. (1 mark)

Solution
$g(-2) = g(2) = \frac{1}{4}$ This shows that g maps two values of x to a single value. Hence g is NOT a one-to-one function BUT is a MANY-to-one function.
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ justifies why g is not a one-to-one function

Question 2

(7 marks)

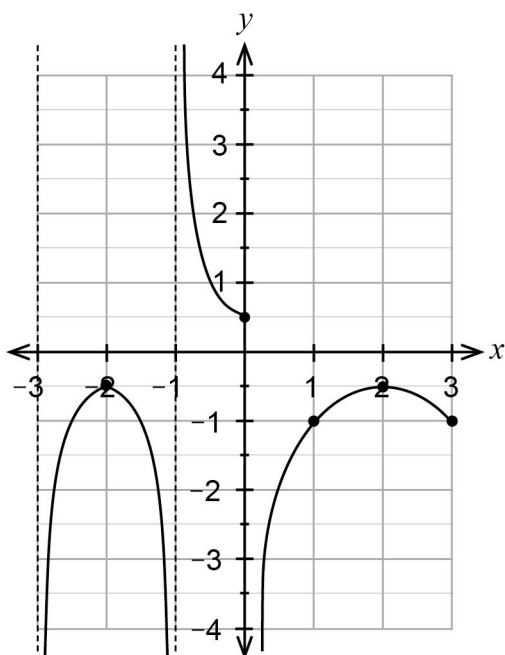
The graph of $y = f(x)$ is shown below.



- (a) Solve the equation $|f(x)| = x$. (2 marks)

Solution
Equation requires the intersection between $y = f(x) $ and $y = x$.
This occurs when $0 < x \leq 2$.
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ excludes $x = 0$ and includes $x = 2$ in the solution ✓ states the correct interval of real values for x

- (b) Sketch the graph for $y = \frac{1}{f(x)}$ on the axes below. (5 marks)



Solution
See graph axes.
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ indicates vertical asymptotes at $x = -3, -1, 0$ ✓ indicates correct function behaviour as $x \rightarrow -3$ and $x \rightarrow 0^+$ ✓ indicates correct function behaviour as $x \rightarrow -1$ ✓ indicates the correct curvature ✓ indicates at least one of the 5 highlighted points

Question 3

(5 marks)

By using one or more of the following identities: $\cos^2 x + \sin^2 x = 1$
 $\cos 2x = \cos^2 x - \sin^2 x$
 $\sin 2x = 2 \sin x \cos x$

evaluate exactly $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (\sin x + \cos x)^2 dx$.

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (\sin x + \cos x)^2 dx &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (\sin^2 x + 2 \sin x \cos x + \cos^2 x) dx \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} ((\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x) + 2 \sin x \cos x) dx \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (1 + \sin 2x) dx \\ &= \left[x - \frac{\cos 2x}{2} \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \\ &= \left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \frac{\cos \pi}{2} \right) - \left(0 - \frac{\cos 0}{2} \right) \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{1}{2} - \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right) \\ &= \frac{\pi}{2} + 1 \end{aligned}$$

Specific behaviours

- ✓ expands the integrand correctly
- ✓ uses the Pythagorean identity $\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1$
- ✓ uses double angle identity for $\sin 2x$
- ✓ anti-differentiates the trigonometric function correctly
- ✓ evaluates correctly using exact trigonometric values

Question 4

(8 marks)

(a) Function $f(x) = \frac{5(x+1)}{(x-1)(x^2+3x+1)}$ can be expressed in the form $\frac{a}{x-1} + \frac{bx+c}{x^2+3x+1}$.

Determine the value of the constants a , b and c .

(3 marks)

Solution	
$\frac{5x+5}{(x-1)(x^2+3x+1)} = \frac{a(x^2+3x+1)+(x-1)(bx+c)}{(x-1)(x^2+3x+1)}$ $= \frac{(a+b)x^2 + (3a-b+c)x + (a-c)}{(x-1)(x^2+3x+1)}$	
Equating coefficients: $a+b = 0$ $3a-b+c = 5$ $a-c = 5$	
Solving gives $a = 2, b = -2, c = -3$	
i.e. $\frac{5(x+1)}{(x-1)(x^2+3x+1)} = \frac{2}{x-1} - \frac{(2x+3)}{x^2+3x+1}$	
Specific behaviours	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ forms the correct expression for the equivalent numerator ✓ equates coefficients correctly to form 3 linear equations ✓ solves correctly to determine a, b and c 	

Question 4 (continued)

(b) Hence determine $\int \frac{10x+10}{(x-1)(x^2+3x+1)} dx$. (5 marks)

Solution
$\int \frac{10x+10}{(x-1)(x^2+3x+1)} dx = 2 \int \frac{5x+5}{(x-1)(x^2+3x+1)} dx$ $= \int \frac{4}{x-1} - \frac{2(2x+3)}{x^2+3x+1} dx$ $= 4 \ln x-1 - 2 \ln x^2+3x+1 + k$ $= \ln \left(\frac{(x-1)^4}{(x^2+3x+1)^2} \right) + k$
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ expresses the given integrand as double $f(x)$ ✓ writes the integrand correctly in terms of the partial fractions ✓ anti-differentiates $\frac{a}{x-1}$ correctly using the absolute value of a natural logarithm ✓ anti-differentiates $\frac{bx+c}{x^2+3x+1}$ correctly ✓ uses a constant of integration

Question 5

(6 marks)

Consider the Cartesian equations for three planes:

$$2x + 2y + z = 9$$

$$-2x + 2y - 5z = -13$$

$$y - z = -1$$

(a) Show that none of these planes is parallel to another. (2 marks)

Solution	
Plane normals are $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $\begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$. Since none of these normal vectors are scalar multiples of each other then the planes cannot be parallel to each other.	
Specific behaviours	
✓ states the normal vectors for each plane	
✓ states that none of the normal vectors are multiples of each other	

(b) Solve the above equations simultaneously. (3 marks)

Solution	
$2x + 2y + z = 9 \quad \dots (1)$ $-2x + 2y - 5z = -13 \quad \dots (2)$ $y - z = -1 \quad \dots (3)$	Consider (1)+(2): $4y - 4z = -4$ <i>i.e.</i> $y - z = -1 \quad \dots (4)$ $y - z = -1 \quad \dots (3)$ Consider (4)-(3): $0 = 0 !!$ Hence there are an infinite number of solutions to these equations. Let $z = k$ where $k \in \mathbb{R}$ $\therefore y = k - 1$ $\therefore 2x + 2(k - 1) + k = 9$ <i>i.e.</i> $2x = 11 - 3k$ $\therefore x = \frac{11 - 3k}{2}$ $\underline{r} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{11 - 3k}{2} \\ k - 1 \\ k \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{where } k \in \mathbb{R}$
Specific behaviours	
✓ eliminates a variable correctly from a pair of equations	
✓ states that there are an infinite number of solutions	
✓ expresses correct relationships between variables	

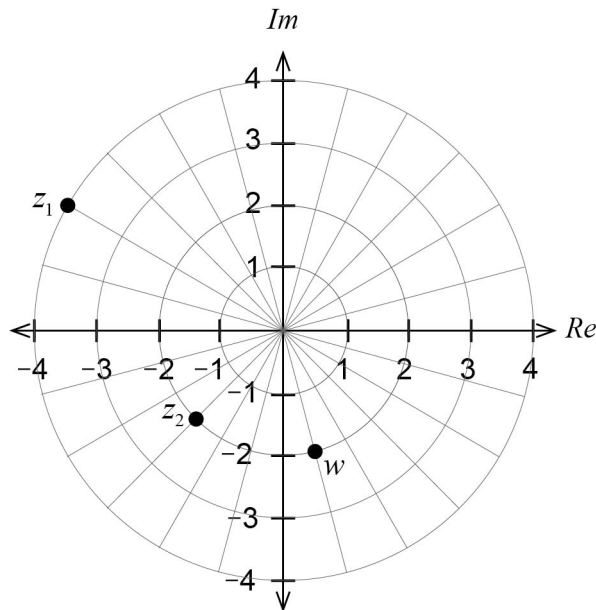
(c) State the geometric interpretation of the solution obtained in part (b). (1 mark)

Solution	
The given non-parallel planes intersect in a LINE in space.	
Specific behaviours	
✓ states the intersection is a line in space	

Question 6

(8 marks)

Two complex numbers $z_1 = 4cis\left(\frac{5\pi}{6}\right)$ and z_2 are shown in the Argand plane below.



- (a) Determine the exact polar form for z_2 . (2 marks)

Solution
$z_2 = 2cis\left(-\frac{3\pi}{4}\right)$ Accept also $2cis\left(\frac{5\pi}{4}\right)$.
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ states the correct modulus ✓ states the correct argument

- (b) Plot the complex number $w = z_1 \times (z_2)^{-1}$ on the Argand diagram above. (3 marks)

Solution
$w = \left(4cis\left(\frac{5\pi}{6}\right)\right) \times \left(2cis\left(-\frac{3\pi}{4}\right)\right)^{-1} = 4cis\left(\frac{5\pi}{6}\right) \times \frac{1}{2}cis\left(\frac{3\pi}{4}\right)$ $= 2cis\left(\frac{5\pi}{6} + \frac{3\pi}{4}\right)$ $= 2cis\left(\frac{19\pi}{12}\right) \text{ or } 2cis\left(-\frac{5\pi}{12}\right)$
w shown on the Argand diagram above.
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ applies DeMoivre's Theorem correctly to determine z_2^{-1} ✓ determines the correct polar form for w ✓ plots the correct position for w

- (c) If $z_1 = 4cis\left(\frac{5\pi}{6}\right)$ is a solution of the equation $z^n = r$ where r is a positive real number and n is a positive integer, determine the smallest possible value for r in the form 2^p .

Justify your answer.

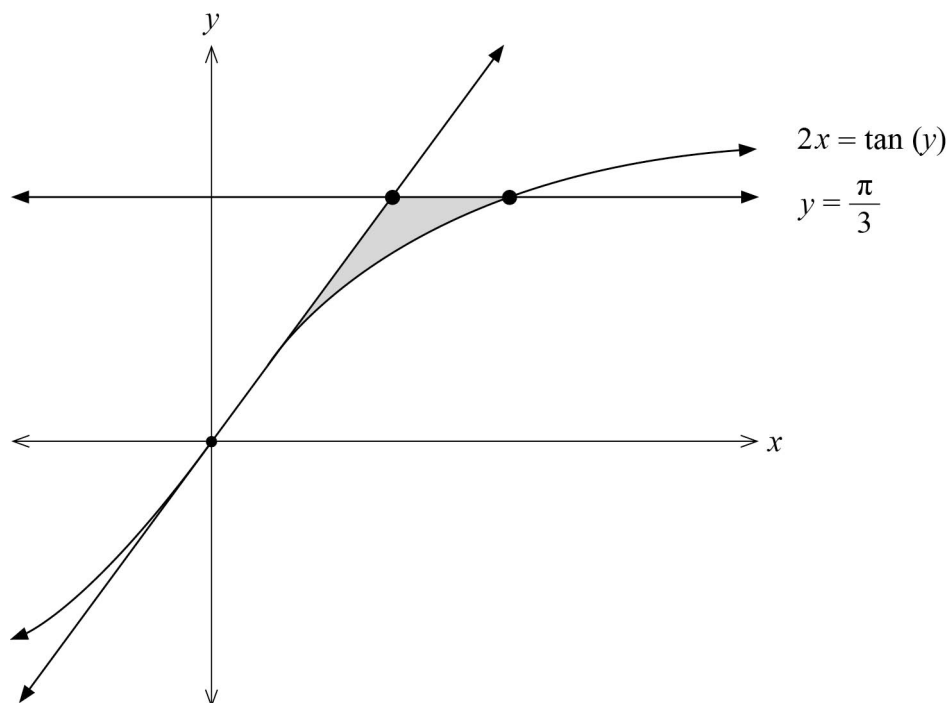
(3 marks)

Solution
<p>If $z_1 = 4cis\left(\frac{5\pi}{6}\right)$ is a solution then $\left(4cis\left(\frac{5\pi}{6}\right)\right)^n = r cis(2\pi k)$</p> <p>i.e. $2^{2n} cis\left(\frac{5n\pi}{6}\right) = r cis(2\pi k)$ where $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1$</p> <p>i.e. $\frac{5n}{6} = 2k$ or $n = \frac{12k}{5}$</p> <p>Hence the smallest possible value of $n = 12$ (when $k = 5$) so that $n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$.</p> <p>$\therefore r = 2^{2 \times 12} = 2^{24}$ is the smallest value</p>
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ forms the equation that determines the relationship between n and integer k ✓ deduces the smallest value for n or k ✓ states the smallest value for r as a power of 2

Question 7

(8 marks)

The graph of $2x = \tan(y)$ is shown along with the tangent at $x = 0$. The horizontal line $y = \frac{\pi}{3}$ is also shown.



- (a) Using implicit differentiation, determine the equation of the tangent drawn at $x = 0$. (3 marks)

Solution	
$\frac{d}{dx}(2x) = \frac{d}{dx}(\tan(y)) \quad \therefore 2 = \sec^2(y) \cdot \frac{dy}{dx}$	$\therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = 2 \cos^2(y)$
<p>At $y = 0$, $\frac{dy}{dx} = 2 \cos^2(0) = 2(1) = 2$</p>	
<p>Hence equation of the tangent is $y = 2x$ or $x = \frac{y}{2}$.</p>	
Specific behaviours	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ differentiates $2x = \tan(y)$ correctly using implicit differentiation ✓ obtains the correct expression for the derivative ✓ determines the equation of the tangent correctly 	

The shaded region is bounded by the curve $2x = \tan(y)$, the tangent drawn and $y = \frac{\pi}{3}$.

- (b) Write the expression for the area of the shaded region. (2 marks)

Solution
$\text{Area} = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \left(\frac{1}{2} \tan(y) - \frac{y}{2} \right) dy$
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ forms a definite integral using correct limits for y with correct notation ✓ forms the integrand correctly

Alternative Solution
$\text{Area} = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{6}} (2x - \tan^{-1}(2x)) dx + \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}} \left(\frac{\pi}{3} - \tan^{-1}(2x) \right) dx$
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ forms two definite integrals using correct limits for x values with correct notation ✓ forms the two integrands correctly

- (c) Evaluate this area exactly. (3 marks)

Solution
$\begin{aligned} \text{Area} &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \left(\frac{1}{2} \tan(y) - \frac{y}{2} \right) dy = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \left(\frac{1}{2} \frac{\sin y}{\cos y} - \frac{y}{2} \right) dy \\ &= \left[-\frac{1}{2} \ln \cos y - \frac{y^2}{4} \right]_0^{\frac{\pi}{3}} \\ &= \left[-\frac{1}{2} \ln\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - \frac{\pi^2}{36} \right] - \left[-\frac{1}{2} \ln(1) - 0 \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \ln(2) - \frac{\pi^2}{36} \end{aligned}$
Specific behaviours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ re-writes the tangent function in terms of sine and cosine correctly ✓ anti-differentiates correctly using the logarithm of an absolute value ✓ evaluates correctly in terms of an exact value

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