

Extension 2 HSC 2012

$$1/ 2z + \bar{w} = 2(5-i) + (2-3i) \\ = \underline{\underline{12-5i}}$$

(D)

$$2/ x^3 - y^3 + 3xy + 1 = 0$$

$$3x^2 - 3y^2 \frac{dy}{dx} + (3x) \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) + (y)(3) = 0$$

$$(3x - 3y^2) \frac{dy}{dx} = -3x^2 - 3y$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3x^2 + 3y}{3y^2 - 3x}$$

$$\text{at } (1, 2), \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{3(1)^2 + 3(2)}{3(2)^2 - 3(1)} \\ = \underline{\underline{1}}$$

(D)

3/ $i\bar{z}$ = reflect z in x axis (\bar{z})
then rotate 90° anticlockwise ($\times i$)

4/ $y = [f(x)]^2$, x intercepts \Rightarrow turning pts

(A)

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$$5/ 2x^3 - 3x^2 - 5x - 1 = 0$$

$$\alpha\beta\gamma = \frac{1}{2} \quad \therefore \frac{1}{\alpha^3\beta^3\gamma^3} = \underline{\underline{8}}$$

(C)

$$6/ \frac{x^2}{6} - \frac{y^2}{4} = 1$$

$$b^2 = a^2(e^2 - 1)$$

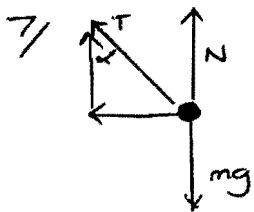
$$4 = 6(e^2 - 1)$$

$$e^2 - 1 = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$e^2 = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$e = \sqrt{\frac{5}{3}} = \underline{\underline{\frac{\sqrt{15}}{3}}}$$

(B)

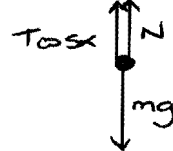


horizontal $F = mr\omega^2$

$$T \sin \alpha$$

$$T \sin \alpha = mr\omega^2$$

vertical $F = 0$



$$T \cos \alpha + N - mg = 0$$

$$T \cos \alpha + N = mg$$

(A)

8/ $P'(x)$ has a double root at $x=1$

$\therefore P(x)$ has a triple root at $x=1$ i.e. $(x-1)^3$ is a possible factor.

$P'(0) > 0 \therefore P(x)$ increases to a root at $x=1$

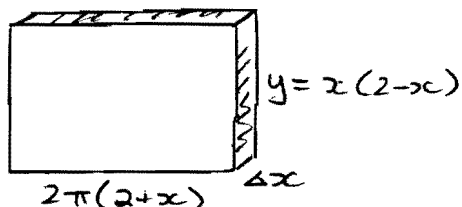
$\therefore P(0) < 0$

$$A(0) = 2 > 0 \quad x$$

$$B(0) = -2 < 0 \quad \checkmark$$

\therefore (B)

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$$A(x) = 2\pi(2+x) \times x(2-x)$$

$$V(x) = 2\pi x(2+x)(2-x)\Delta x$$

$$V = \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \sum_{x=0}^2 2\pi x(2+x)(2-x)\Delta x$$

$$= 2\pi \int_0^2 x(2+x)(2-x) dx \quad \text{(C)}$$

10/ (A) $x = \text{odd F}$

$2 + \cos x = \text{even F}$

$\therefore \frac{x}{2 + \cos x} = \text{odd F}$

$$\int = 0 \quad x$$

(B) $x^3 = \text{odd F}$

$\sin x = \text{odd F}$

$\therefore x^3 \sin x = \text{even F}$

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} x^3 \sin x dx$$

$$= 2 \int_0^{\pi} x^3 \sin x dx$$

as $\sin x > 0$ for $0 < x < \pi$
 $x^3 > 0$ for $0 < x < \pi$

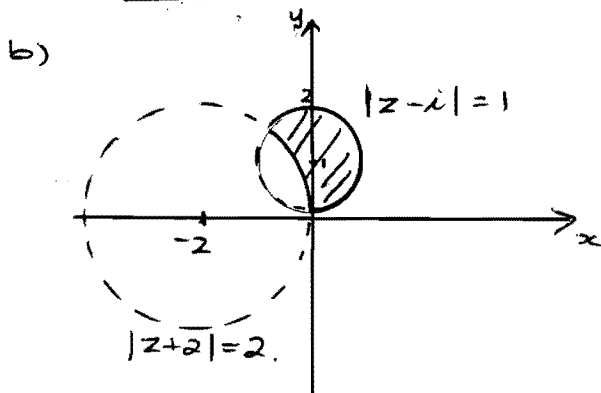
then $x^3 \sin x > 0$ for $0 < x < \pi$

thus $2 \int_0^{\pi} x^3 \sin x dx > 0$

(B)

Question 11

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } & \frac{2\sqrt{5}+i}{\sqrt{5}-i} \times \frac{\sqrt{5}+i}{\sqrt{5}+i} \\ &= \frac{10 + 2\sqrt{5}i + \sqrt{5}i - 1}{5+1} \\ &= \frac{9}{6} + \frac{3\sqrt{5}i}{6} \\ &= \frac{3}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{5}i}{2} \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned} \text{c) } \int \frac{dx}{x^2+4x+5} &= \int \frac{dx}{(x+2)^2+1} \\ &= \underline{\underline{\tan^{-1}(x+2) + c}} \end{aligned}$$

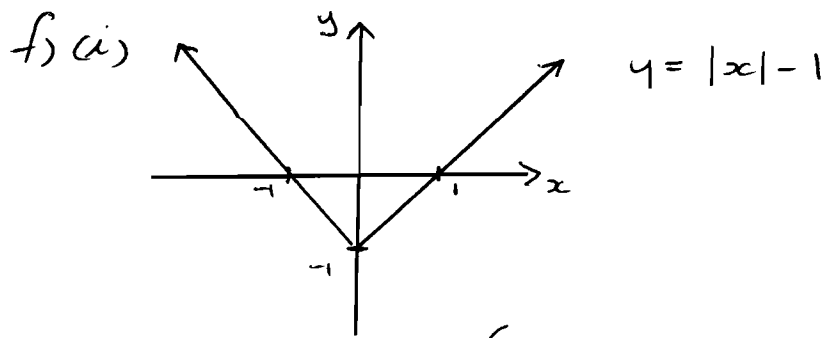
$$\text{d) (i) } \begin{aligned} |\sqrt{3}-i| &= \sqrt{3+1} = 2 & \arg(\sqrt{3}-i) &= \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{-1}{\sqrt{3}}\right) \\ & & &= -\frac{\pi}{6} \end{aligned}$$

A small Argand diagram showing the complex number $\sqrt{3}-i$ in the fourth quadrant. The angle from the positive real axis is $-\frac{\pi}{6}$.

$$\therefore \underline{\underline{\sqrt{3}-i = 2\left(\cos\left(-\frac{\pi}{6}\right) + i\sin\left(-\frac{\pi}{6}\right)\right)}}$$

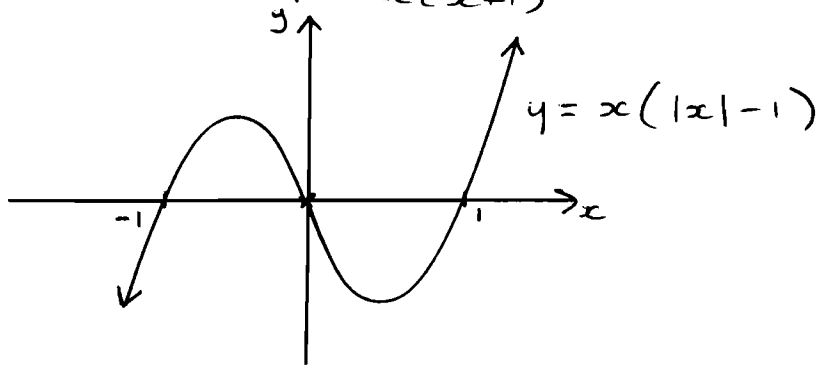
$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii) } z^9 &= 2^9 \left(\cos\left(-\frac{9\pi}{6}\right) + i\sin\left(-\frac{9\pi}{6}\right)\right) \\ &= 512 \left(\cos\frac{\pi}{2} + i\sin\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \\ &= \underline{\underline{512i}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{e) } \int_0^1 \frac{e^{2x}}{e^{2x}+1} dx &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\ln(e^{2x}+1) \right]_0^1 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \{ \ln(e^2+1) - \ln 1 \} \\ &= \underline{\underline{\frac{1}{2} \ln(e^2+1)}} \end{aligned}$$



(ii)

$$x(|x| - 1) = \begin{cases} x(x-1), & x \geq 0 \\ x(-x-1), & x < 0 \\ = -x(x+1) \end{cases}$$



Question 12

$$a) \int \frac{d\theta}{1 - \cos\theta}$$

$$= \int \frac{2dt}{1 + t^2}$$

$$= \int \frac{2dt}{1 + t^2 - 1 + t^2}$$

$$= \int \frac{1}{t^2} dt$$

$$= -\frac{1}{t} + C$$

$$= \underline{\underline{-\cot \frac{\theta}{2} + C}}$$

$$t = \tan \frac{\theta}{2}$$

$$d\theta = \frac{2dt}{1+t^2}$$

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

$$\frac{2x}{a^2} + \frac{2y}{b^2} \frac{dy}{dx} = 0$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{b^2 x}{a^2 y}$$

$$\text{at } P, \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{-b^2 x_0}{a^2 y_0}$$

$$(ii) m_{PN} = \frac{a^2 y_0}{b^2 x_0}$$

$$\frac{y_0 - 0}{x_0 - x} = \frac{a^2 y_0}{b^2 x_0}$$

$$a^2(x_0 - x) = b^2 x_0$$

$$a^2 x = x_0(a^2 - b^2)$$

$$= x_0(a^2 - a^2(1 - e^2))$$

$$= a^2 x_0(1 - 1 + e^2)$$

$$= a^2 x_0 e^2$$

$$\underline{\underline{x_N = x_0 e^2}}$$

(iii) This is x intercept of tangent

$$-y_0 = \frac{-b^2 x_0}{a^2 y_0} (x - x_0)$$

$$-a^2 y_0^2 = -b^2 x_0 x + b^2 x_0^2$$

$$b^2 x_0 x = b^2 x_0^2 + a^2 y_0^2$$

$$\frac{x_0 x}{a^2} = \frac{x_0^2}{a^2} + \frac{y_0^2}{b^2}$$

$$= 1$$

∴ tangent at P is

$$\underline{\underline{y - y_0 = \frac{-b^2 x_0}{a^2 y_0} (x - x_0)}}$$

$$x_T = \frac{a^2}{x_0}$$

$$ON \times OT = x_0 e^2 \times \frac{a^2}{x_0}$$

$$= a^2 e^2$$

$$= (ae)^2$$

$$= \underline{\underline{OS^2}}$$

$$c) I_n = \int_1^{e^2} (\log_e x)^n dx$$

$$u = (\log_e x)^n$$

$$v = x$$

$$= \left[x (\log_e x)^n \right]_1^{e^2} - n \int_1^{e^2} (\log_e x)^{n-1} dx$$

$$dv = dx$$

$$= e^2 (\log_e e^2)^n - (\log 1)^n - n I_{n-1}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{e^2 2^n - n I_{n-1}}}$$

$$d) \vec{AB}_1 = i \vec{AP}$$

$$w_1 - u_1 = i(z - u_1)$$

$$\underline{\underline{w_1 = u_1 + i(z - u_1)}}$$

$$(ii) \vec{A_2 B_2} = -i \vec{A_2 P}$$

$$w_2 - u_2 = -i(z - u_2)$$

$$w_2 = u_2 - i(z - u_2)$$

$$\text{midpoint of } B_1 B_2 = \frac{w_1 + w_2}{2}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{\frac{u_1 + u_2}{2} + i \frac{u_2 - u_1}{2}}}$$

Question 13

$$a) \frac{dv}{dt} = 10 - \frac{v^2}{40} \\ = \frac{400 - v^2}{40}$$

$$\int_0^v \frac{dv}{400 - v^2} = \int_0^t \frac{dt}{40}$$

$$\frac{1}{40} \left[\ln \left(\frac{20+v}{20-v} \right) \right]_0^v = \frac{1}{40} \left[t \right]_0^t$$

$$\ln \left(\frac{20+v}{20-v} \right) - \ln 1 = t$$

$$\ln \left(\frac{20+v}{20-v} \right) = t$$

$$\frac{20+v}{20-v} = e^t$$

$$20+v = 20e^t - ve^t$$

$$v(e^t + 1) = 20(e^t - 1)$$

$$v = \frac{20(e^t - 1)}{e^t + 1}$$

(ii)

$$v \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{400 - v^2}{40}$$

$$-\int_0^v \frac{-2v}{400 - v^2} dv = \int_0^x \frac{dx}{20}$$

$$-\left[\ln(400 - v^2) \right]_0^v = \frac{1}{20} \left[x \right]_0^x$$

$$-20 \left(\ln(400 - v^2) - \ln 400 \right) = \frac{1}{20} x$$

$$x = -20 \ln \left(\frac{400 - v^2}{400} \right)$$

$$x = 20 \ln \left(\frac{400}{400 - v^2} \right)$$

b) (i) $\angle QPS = \angle PSR = \alpha$

(alternate \angle 's =, $PQ \parallel SR$)

$$\angle QPS' = \angle SRS' = \alpha$$

(corresponding \angle 's =, $PQ \parallel SR$)

$$\therefore \angle PSR = \angle SRS'$$

$\triangle PRS$ is isosceles

($2 = \angle$'s)

$$\underline{PS = PR}$$

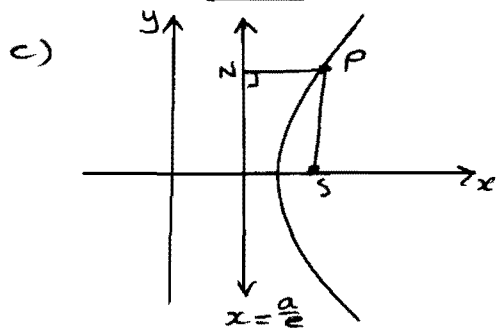
(= sides in isosceles \triangle)

(ii) Construct $PS' \parallel PQ$

$$\frac{PS'}{PR} = \frac{QS'}{QS} \quad (\text{ratio of intercepts of } \parallel \text{ lines})$$

$$\frac{PS'}{PS} = \frac{QS'}{QS}$$

$$\therefore \frac{PS'}{QS'} = \frac{PS}{QS}$$



$$PS = ePN$$

$$= e \left(a \sec \theta - \frac{a}{e} \right)$$

$$= ae \sec \theta - a$$

$$= \underline{\underline{a(e \sec \theta - 1)}}$$

(ii) $\frac{PS}{QS} = \frac{PS'}{QS'}$

$$\frac{a(e \sec \theta - 1)}{ae - x_Q} = \frac{a(e \sec \theta + 1)}{ae + x_Q}$$

$$(ae + x_Q)(e \sec \theta - 1) = (ae - x_Q)(e \sec \theta + 1)$$

$$ae^2 \sec \theta - ae + x_Q e \sec \theta - x_Q = ae^2 \sec \theta + ae - x_Q e \sec \theta - x_Q$$

$$2x_Q e \sec \theta = 2ae$$

$$\underline{\underline{x_Q = \frac{a}{\sec \theta}}}$$

(iii) $m_{PQ} = \frac{b \tan \theta - 0}{a \sec \theta - \frac{a}{\sec \theta}}$

$$= \frac{b \tan \theta}{a} \times \frac{\sec \theta}{\sec^2 \theta - 1}$$

$$= \frac{b \tan \theta}{a} \times \frac{\sec \theta}{\tan^2 \theta}$$

$$= \frac{b \sec \theta}{a \tan \theta}$$

$$= m_{\text{tangent}}$$

$\therefore PQ$ is tangent at P

Question 14

a) $\int \frac{3x^2+8}{x(x^2+4)} dx$

$= \int \left[\frac{2}{x} + \frac{x}{x^2+4} \right] dx$

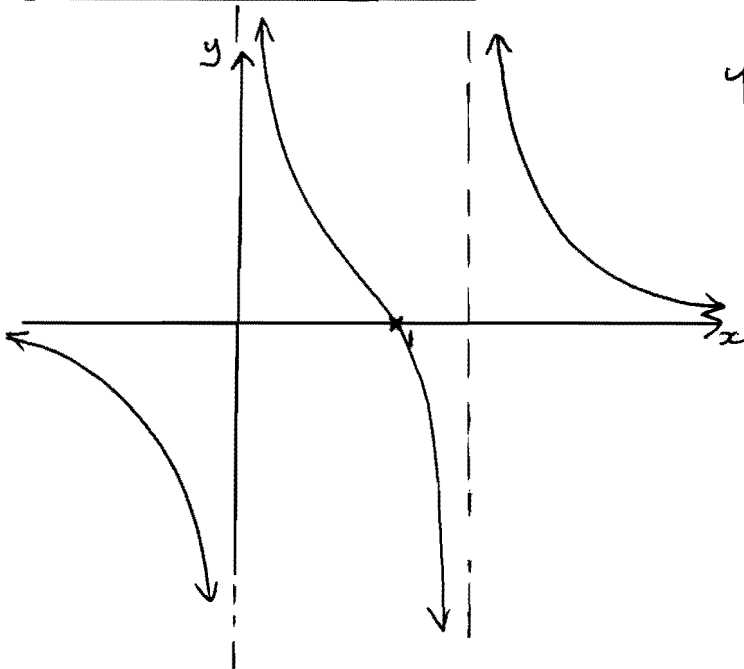
$= \underline{2 \ln x + \frac{1}{2} \ln(x^2+4) + C}$

$A(x^2+4) + (Bx+C)x \equiv 3x^2+8$

$\frac{x=0}{4A=8}$
 $A=2$

$\frac{x=2i}{-4B+2iC=-4}$
 $B=1, C=0$

b)



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

(ii) $\frac{x(2x-3)}{x-1} = \frac{2x^2-3x}{x-1}$

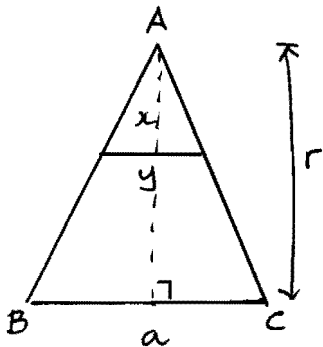
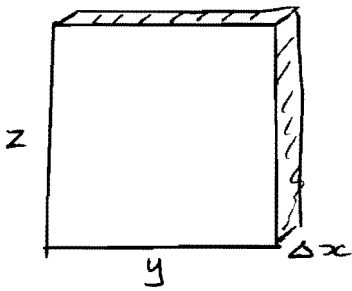
$= \frac{2x(x-1) - x}{x-1}$

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

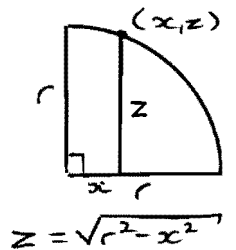
$= 2x - 1 - \frac{1}{x-1}$

$\therefore h$ is the line $y = 2x - 1$

c)



$\frac{x}{r} = \frac{y}{a}$
 $y = \frac{ax}{r}$



$A(x) = yz$
 $= \frac{ax}{r} \times \sqrt{r^2 - x^2}$

$\Delta V = \frac{a}{r} x \sqrt{r^2 - x^2} \Delta x$

$$\begin{aligned}
 V &= \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \sum_{x=0}^r \frac{a}{r} x \sqrt{r^2 - x^2} \Delta x \\
 &= -\frac{a}{2r} \int_0^r -2x \sqrt{r^2 - x^2} dx \\
 &= -\frac{a}{2r} \times \frac{2}{3} \left[(r^2 - x^2)^{\frac{3}{2}} \right]_0^r \\
 &= -\frac{a}{3} (0 - r^3) \\
 &= \underline{\underline{\frac{1}{3} ar^3 \text{ units}^3}}
 \end{aligned}$$

d)

$$\angle PGA = \angle PEB = 90^\circ \quad (\text{given})$$

$$\angle PAG = \angle PBE \quad (\text{alternate segment theorem})$$

$$\therefore \underline{\underline{\triangle APG \parallel \triangle BPE}} \quad (\text{AA})$$

(ii) Similarly $\triangle BPF \parallel \triangle APE$

$$\frac{PE}{PF} = \frac{AP}{BP} \quad (\text{ratio of sides in } \parallel \Delta\text{'s})$$

$$\frac{PG}{PE} = \frac{AP}{BP} \quad (\text{ratio of sides in } \parallel \Delta\text{'s in part (i)})$$

$$\therefore \frac{PE}{PF} = \frac{PG}{PE}$$

$$\underline{\underline{PE^2 = PF \times PG}}$$

Question 15

$$a) (i) (\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{b})^2 \geq 0$$

$$a^2 - 2\sqrt{ab} + b^2 \geq 0$$

$$a^2 + b^2 \geq 2\sqrt{ab}$$

$$\frac{a+b}{2} \geq \sqrt{ab}$$

$$\therefore \underline{\underline{\sqrt{ab} \leq \frac{a+b}{2}}}$$

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

$$= x(y-1) - (y-1)$$

$$= (y-1)(x-1) \geq 0 \quad \text{as } 1 \leq x \leq y$$

$$\therefore x(y-x+1) - y \geq 0$$

$$\underline{\underline{x(y-x+1) \geq y}}$$

$$(iii) j(n-j+1) \geq n$$

as $j \geq 1$ and $n \geq j$, $n-j+1 \geq 0$.

also $n > 0$

$$\therefore \sqrt{j(n-j+1)} \geq \sqrt{n}$$

using part (i)

$$\sqrt{j(n-j+1)} \leq \frac{j+n-j+1}{2}$$
$$= \frac{n+1}{2}$$

$$\therefore \underline{\underline{\sqrt{n} \leq \sqrt{j(n-j+1)} \leq \frac{n+1}{2}}}$$

$$(iv) \quad j=1 \quad \sqrt{n} \leq \sqrt{n} \leq \frac{n+1}{2}$$

$$j=2 \quad \sqrt{n} \leq \sqrt{(n-1)} \leq \frac{n+1}{2}$$

$$j=3 \quad \sqrt{n} \leq \sqrt{(n-2)} \leq \frac{n+1}{2}$$

$$\vdots$$
$$j=n \quad \sqrt{n} \leq \sqrt{n(1)} \leq \frac{n+1}{2}$$

multiply all together

$$(\sqrt{n})^n \leq \sqrt{n \times 2(n-1) \times 3(n-2) \times \dots \times n(1)} \leq \left(\frac{n+1}{2}\right)^n$$

$$(\sqrt{n})^n \leq \sqrt{(n!)^2} \leq \left(\frac{n+1}{2}\right)^n$$

$$\underline{\underline{(\sqrt{n})^n \leq n! \leq \left(\frac{n+1}{2}\right)^n}}$$

b) (i) As all coefficients are real, complex roots will appear in conjugate pairs

\therefore if $\alpha, i\alpha$ are roots

then so are $\bar{\alpha}, \overline{i\alpha}$

$$\text{but } \overline{i\alpha} = \bar{i} \times \bar{\alpha}$$

$$= -i\bar{\alpha}$$

\therefore $\bar{\alpha}$ and $-i\bar{\alpha}$ are roots.

$$(ii) \quad z^2(z-k)^2 + (kz-1)^2$$

$$= z^4 - 2z^3k + z^2k^2 + z^2k^2 - 2zk + 1$$

$$= z^4 - 2kz^3 + 2k^2z^2 - 2kz + 1$$

$$= \underline{\underline{P(z)}}$$

(iii) let α be a real root

$\therefore i\alpha$ and $-i\bar{\alpha} = -i\alpha$ are also roots

If β is the fourth root then $\bar{\beta}$ and $-\bar{\beta}$ are also roots

However there are only four roots $\therefore \alpha$ must be a double root.

$$\therefore P(z) = (z-\alpha)^2(z-i\alpha)(z+i\alpha)$$

$$= (z-\alpha)^2(z^2+\alpha^2)$$

Question 16

a) (i) Ways = $\frac{(m+n)!}{m!n!}$

(ii) The ten cans are broken into 4 groups

let the break between the groups be B

as there will be three breaks, the question is equivalent to

how many ways can you arrange

10 C's and 3 B's

$$\text{Ways} = \frac{13!}{10!3!}$$

$$= \underline{286}$$

b) (i) Let $\alpha = \tan^{-1}x$, $\beta = \tan^{-1}y$

$$\tan(\alpha + \beta) = \frac{\tan\alpha + \tan\beta}{1 - \tan\alpha\tan\beta}$$

$$\alpha + \beta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\tan\alpha + \tan\beta}{1 - \tan\alpha\tan\beta}\right)$$

$$\underline{\underline{\tan^{-1}x + \tan^{-1}y = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{x+y}{1-xy}\right)}}$$

(ii) Prove for $n=1$

$$\text{LHS} = \tan^{-1}\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{RHS} = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{1+1}\right)$$

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

$$\therefore \text{LHS} = \text{RHS}$$

Hence true for $n=1$

Assume true for $n=k$, where k is positive integer

$$\text{i.e. } \sum_{j=1}^k \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2j^2}\right) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{k}{k+1}\right)$$

Prove true for $n=k+1$

$$\text{i.e. } \sum_{j=1}^{k+1} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2j^2}\right) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{k+1}{k+2}\right)$$

$$\underline{\underline{\text{Proof}}} \sum_{j=1}^{k+1} \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2j^2}\right) = \sum_{j=1}^k \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2j^2}\right) + \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2(k+1)^2}\right)$$

$$= \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{k}{k+1}\right) + \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2(k+1)^2}\right)$$

$$= \tan^{-1}\left[\frac{\frac{k}{k+1} + \frac{1}{2(k+1)^2}}{1 - \left(\frac{k}{k+1}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2(k+1)^2}\right)}\right]$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{2k(k+1)^2 + (k+1)}{2(k+1)^3 - k} \right]$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{(k+1)(2k(k+1) + 1)}{2k^3 + 6k^2 + 5k + 2} \right]$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \left[\frac{(k+1)(2k^2 + 2k + 1)}{(k+2)(2k^2 + 2k + 1)} \right]$$

$$= \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{k+1}{k+2} \right)$$

Hence the result is true for $n = k+1$ if it is true for $n = k$

Since the result is true for $n = 1$, then it is true for all positive integral values of k by induction.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iii)} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=1}^n \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{2j^2} \right) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{n}{n+1} \right) \\ &= \tan^{-1}(1) \\ &= \underline{\underline{\frac{\pi}{4}}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{c) } P(k) &= \frac{n}{n} \times \frac{n-1}{n} \times \frac{n-2}{n} \times \dots \times \frac{n-k+1}{n} \times \frac{k}{n} \\ &\quad \begin{array}{ccccccc} \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow & & & & \uparrow \\ \text{1st} & \text{2nd} & \text{3rd} & \dots & & & \text{kth} \\ \text{picked} & \text{picked} & \text{picked} & & & & \text{picked} \end{array} \\ &= \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)\dots(n-k+1)k}{n^{k+1}} \times \frac{(n-k)!}{(n-k)!} \\ &= \frac{(n-1)(n-2)\dots(n-k+1)k(n-k)!}{n^k(n-k)!} \\ &= \underline{\underline{\frac{(n-1)!k}{n^k(n-k)!}}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(ii) } P(k) \geq P(k-1)$$

$$\frac{(n-1)!k}{n^k(n-k)!} \geq \frac{(n-1)!(k-1)}{n^{k-1}(n-k+1)!}$$

$$\frac{k}{n} \geq \frac{k-1}{n-k+1}$$

$$nk - k^2 + k \geq nk - n$$

$$0 \geq k^2 - k - n$$

$$\underline{\underline{k^2 - k - n \leq 0}}$$

(as all terms are > 0 , inequality is preserved)

$$(iii) \sqrt{n + \frac{1}{4}} > k - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$n + \frac{1}{4} > k^2 - k + \frac{1}{4}$$

$$n > k^2 - k$$

but as n and k are integers

$$n \geq k^2 - k + 1$$

$$\therefore n > k^2 - k + \frac{1}{4}$$

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

$$\therefore \underline{\underline{\sqrt{n} > k - \frac{1}{2}}}$$

(iv) If $P(k) > P(k-1)$ then ~~$P(k)$ is the greatest~~

~~$\therefore P(k)$ is the greatest~~

$$P(k) > P(k-1)$$

$$k^2 - k - n < 0$$

(from (ii))

$$0 < k < \frac{1 + \sqrt{1+4n}}{2}$$

($\frac{1 - \sqrt{1+4n}}{2} < 0$ and $k > 0$)

$$\text{so } k < \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{1+4n}}{2}$$

$$k - \frac{1}{2} < \sqrt{\frac{1}{4} + n}$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{n} > k - \frac{1}{2}$$

(from (iii))

If $P(k-1) > P(k)$

$$k^2 - k - n > 0$$

$$k > \frac{1}{2} + \sqrt{n}$$

$\therefore P(k) > P(k+1)$

$$k+1 - \frac{1}{2} > \sqrt{n}$$

$$k + \frac{1}{2} > \sqrt{n}$$

If $P(k)$ is the greatest then both

$P(k) > P(k-1)$ and $P(k) > P(k+1)$ must be true

$$\therefore k - \frac{1}{2} < \sqrt{n} < k + \frac{1}{2}$$

thus k is the nearest integer to \sqrt{n} .