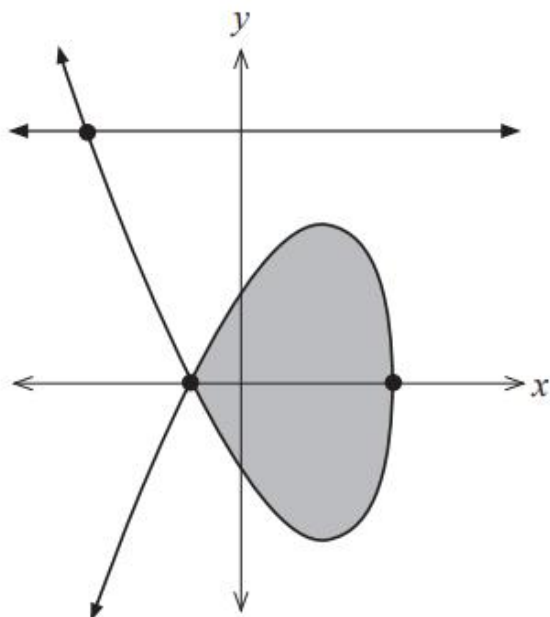


Question 13

(8 marks)

The equation $x^3 - x^2 - 5x = 3 - y^2$ implicitly defines the curve shown below. The line $y = \sqrt{24}$ intersects this curve as shown below.



It can be shown that the equation $x^3 - x^2 - 5x + 21 = 0$ will determine the intersection between the line $y = \sqrt{24}$ and the implicitly defined curve.

- (a) Explain, with reference to the graph above, why we know that there is one real and two complex solutions (a conjugate pair) to this cubic equation. (2 marks)

- (b) Determine the **two** exact complex solutions to the equation $x^3 - x^2 - 5x + 21 = 0$. (2 marks)

(c) Calculate the area of the shaded region, correct to 0.001 square units.

(4 marks)