(a)
$$\frac{d}{dx}\cos^{-1}(3x^2) = -\frac{6x}{\sqrt{1 - (3x^2)^2}}$$
$$= -\frac{6x}{\sqrt{1 - 9x^4}}$$

(b)

$$\frac{d}{dx}\ln\left(\frac{\sqrt{2x+1}}{x^3}\right) = \frac{d}{dx}\left[\frac{1}{2}\ln(2x+1) - 3\ln x\right]$$
$$= \frac{2}{2(2x+1)} - \frac{3}{x}$$
$$= \frac{1}{2x+1} - \frac{3}{x}$$
$$= \frac{-5x-3}{x(2x+1)}$$

Alternative (not recommended)

$$\frac{d}{dx} \ln \left(\frac{\sqrt{2x+1}}{x^3} \right) = \frac{x^3}{\sqrt{2x+1}} \cdot \frac{x^3 \left(\frac{2}{2\sqrt{2x+1}} \right) - 3x^2 \sqrt{2x+1}}{x^6}$$

$$= \frac{x^5}{\sqrt{2x+1}} \cdot \frac{x - 3(2x+1)}{x^6 \sqrt{2x+1}}$$

$$= \frac{-5x - 3}{x(2x+1)}$$

Let *V* be the volume of the water and *h* be the depth of the water at time *t* minutes after the start.

Given
$$V = \frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 h$$
 and $\frac{dV}{dt} = 0.1 \text{m}^3 / \text{min}$.

Consider
$$\tan 30^\circ = \frac{r}{h} \implies r = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}h$$

Consider
$$V = \frac{1}{3}\pi \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}h\right)^2 h = \frac{1}{9}\pi h^3$$

Then
$$\frac{dV}{dh} = \frac{1}{3}\pi h^2$$

When
$$V = 3\text{m}^3$$
, $3 = \frac{1}{9}\pi h^3 \Rightarrow h^3 = \frac{27}{\pi}$: $h = \left(\frac{27}{\pi}\right)^{\frac{1}{3}}$

Consider
$$\frac{\mathrm{d}V}{\mathrm{d}t} = \frac{\mathrm{d}V}{\mathrm{d}h} \times \frac{\mathrm{d}h}{\mathrm{d}t}$$

$$0.1 = \frac{1}{3}\pi \left(\frac{27}{\pi}\right)^{\frac{2}{3}} \times \frac{\mathrm{d}h}{\mathrm{d}t}$$

$$\therefore \frac{dh}{dt} = 0.0228 \text{m/min (nearest to 3 s.f.) or } \frac{1}{30\pi^{\frac{1}{3}}} \text{m/min}$$

Q3

$$f(x) = \frac{a}{x^2} + bx + c$$

At
$$(-1, 4)$$
, $f(-1) = 4$

$$\frac{a}{(-1)^2} + b(-1) + c = 4$$

$$a-b+c=4$$
 ---- (1)

At
$$(2,-11)$$
, $f(2) = -11$

$$\frac{a}{(2)^2} + b(2) + c = -11$$

$$\frac{a}{4} + 2b + c = -11$$
 ----- (2)

 $y = \frac{1}{f(x)}$ has a vertical asymptote with equation x = 1 implies C has an x-intercept at x = 1.

$$f(1) = 0$$

$$\frac{a}{(1)^2} + b(1) + c = 0$$

$$a+b+c=0$$
 ---- (3)

Or

$$f(x) = \frac{a + bx^3 + cx^2}{x^2}$$

$$\frac{1}{f(x)} = \frac{x^2}{a + bx^3 + cx^2}$$

$$y = \frac{1}{f(x)} \text{ has a vertical asymptote with equation } x = 1,$$

$$a + b(1)^3 + c(1)^2 = 0$$

$$a + b + c = 0 \quad ----- (3)$$
Solving (1), (2) & (3) using GC: $a = 12, b = -2, c = -10$.

Hence,
$$f(x) = \frac{12}{x^2} - 2x - 10$$
.

Consider
$$x = A(8x-8) + B$$

By comparing coefficient of x and constant term: $A = \frac{1}{2}$, B = 1.

$$\int_{0}^{1} \frac{x}{4x^{2} - 8x + 5} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} \int_{0}^{1} \frac{8x - 8}{4x^{2} - 8x + 5} dx + \int_{0}^{1} \frac{1}{4x^{2} - 8x + 5} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} \left[\ln \left| 4x^{2} - 8x + 5 \right| \right]_{0}^{1} + \int_{0}^{1} \frac{1}{4 \left[x^{2} - 2x + (-1)^{2} - (-1)^{2} \right] + 5} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} \left[\ln 1 - \ln 5 \right] + \int_{0}^{1} \frac{1}{4 \left((x - 1)^{2} + 1 \right)} dx$$

$$= -\frac{1}{8} \ln 5 + \int_{0}^{1} \frac{1}{4 \left[(x - 1)^{2} + \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^{2} \right]} dx$$

$$= -\frac{1}{8} \ln 5 + \frac{1}{4} \left[\frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{2} \right)} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x - 1}{\frac{1}{2}} \right) \right]_{0}^{1}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{8} \ln 5 + \frac{1}{2} \left[\tan^{-1}(0) - \tan^{-1}(-2) \right]$$

$$= -\frac{1}{8} \ln 5 - \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1}(-2)$$

(i)
$$y = \frac{x^2 + ax + b}{x + 1}$$

(2,0) is a turning point on C,

$$0 = 2^2 + 2a + b$$

$$2a+b=-4$$
 Eqn (1)

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{(2x+a)(x+1) - (x^2 + ax + b)}{(x+1)^2}$$

$$x^2 + 2x + a - b$$

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

At
$$(2,0)$$
, $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$

$$2^2 + 2(2) + a - b = 0$$

$$a-b = -8$$
 Eqn (2)

$$(1) + (2)$$

$$3a = -12$$

$$a = -4$$

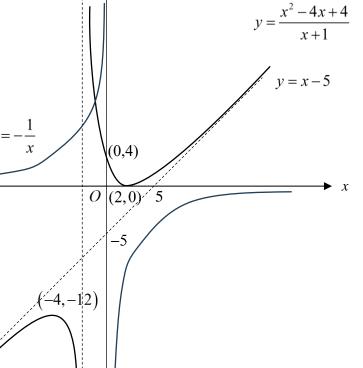
From (2)

$$b=a+8=-4+8=4$$

(ii)

$$y = \frac{x^2 - 4x + 4}{x + 1} = x - 5 + \frac{9}{x + 1}$$

y = 0 _____



(iii)

$$x^{3} + ax^{2} + (b+1)x + 1 = 0$$

$$x^{3} + ax^{2} + bx = -x - 1$$

$$x(x^{2} + ax + b) = -(x+1)$$

$$\frac{x^{2} + ax + b}{x+1} = -\frac{1}{x}$$

Since the graphs of $y = \frac{x^2 + ax + b}{x + 1}$ and $y = -\frac{1}{x}$ intersect only once, the equation $x^3 + ax^2 + (b+1)x + 1 = 0$ has only one real root.

Q6

(i)

Cartesian equation of ellipse is $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{(2a)^2} = 1$

(ii)

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

$$y^{2} = 4a^{2} \left(1 - \frac{x^{2}}{a^{2}} \right)$$

$$y^{2} = 4\left(a^{2} - x^{2} \right)$$

$$y = \pm 2\sqrt{a^{2} - x^{2}}$$

Since x > 0, y > 0 for coordinates of P,

Area of rectangle *PQRS*, A = (2x)(2y)

$$=4x(2\sqrt{a^2-x^2})$$
$$=8x\sqrt{a^2-x^2} \quad \text{(shown)}$$

(iii)

$$\frac{dA}{dx} = 8x \left(\frac{-2x}{2\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} \right) + 8\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}$$

$$= \frac{-8x^2 + 8(a^2 - x^2)}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}}$$

$$= \frac{8a^2 - 16x^2}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}}$$

When *A* is a maximum, $\frac{dA}{dr} = 0$.

$$8x\left(\frac{-2x}{2\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}}\right) + 8\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}$$

$$= \frac{-8x^2 + 8(a^2 - x^2)}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}}$$

$$= \frac{8a^2 - 16x^2}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}}$$
A is a maximum, $\frac{dA}{dx} = 0$.

$$A = 64x^2(a^2 - x^2) = 64(a^2x^2 - x^4)$$

$$2A\frac{dA}{dx} = 64(2a^2x - 4x^3)$$

$$Put \frac{dA}{dx} = 0, \quad 2x(a^2 - 2x^2) = 0$$

$$x = 0(NA) \text{ or } x = \frac{a}{\sqrt{2}}(x > 0)$$

$$\frac{8a^{2} - 16x^{2}}{\sqrt{a^{2} - x^{2}}} = 0$$

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

$$x = \pm \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}a$$
Since $x > 0$, $x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}a$

(iv)

$$A = 8x\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}$$

$$x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}a, \qquad A = 100$$

$$8\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}a\right)\sqrt{a^2 - \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}a\right)^2} = 100$$

$$8\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}a\right)\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}a\right) = 100$$

$$a^2 = 25$$

$$a = \pm 5$$
Since $a > 0$, $a = 5$

Alternatively

$$100^{2} = 64 \left(\frac{a^{2}}{2}\right) \left(a^{2} - \frac{a^{2}}{2}\right)$$
$$100^{2} = 4^{2} a^{4}$$
$$a = 5(a > 0)$$

Q7

(i)

$$\frac{5-3x}{x^2+x-2} \ge -2$$

$$\frac{5-3x+2(x^2+x-2)}{x^2+x-2} \ge 0$$

$$\frac{2x^2-x+1}{(x+2)(x-1)} \ge 0$$

$$2x^{2} - x + 1$$

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

$$= 2\left(x^{2} - \frac{1}{2}x + \left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)^{2} - \left(-\frac{1}{4}\right)^{2}\right) + 1$$

$$= 2\left(x - \frac{1}{4}\right)^{2} + \frac{7}{8}$$

Since $\left(x - \frac{1}{4}\right)^2 \ge 0$, $2\left(x - \frac{1}{4}\right)^2 + \frac{7}{8} > 0$ for all real values of x.

OR:

Consider $2x^2 - x + 1 = 0$

Discriminant = $(-1)^2 - 4(2)(1) = -7 < 0$ and coefficient of $x^2 = 2 > 0$

Hence $2x^2 - x + 1 > 0$ for all real values of x.

Thus, consider $\frac{1}{(x+2)(x-1)} \ge 0.$ (x+2)(x-1) > 0



Therefore x < -2 or

(ii)

$$\frac{-5-3x}{x^2-x-2} \ge 2$$

$$\frac{-(5+3x)}{x^2-x-2} \ge 2$$

$$\frac{5+3x}{x^2-x-2} \le -2$$

$$\frac{5-3(-x)}{(-x)^2+(-x)-2} \le -2$$
 (Note that the inequality sign is different from that in (i))

Replace
$$x$$
 by $-x$:

$$-2 < -x < 1$$

$$-1 < x < 2$$

Q8

(a)(i)

$$y = f(x-a) + a$$

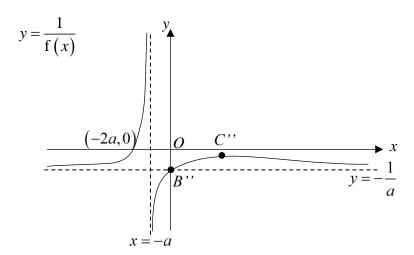
$$y$$

$$A'$$

$$C'$$

$$C'(3a,-a)$$

(a)(ii)



$$B"\left(0, -\frac{1}{a}\right)$$

$$C"\left(2a, -\frac{1}{2a}\right)$$

(b)

$$y = g(x) = \sin x$$

After **A**,
$$y = g(x + \pi) = \sin(x + \pi)$$

After **B**,
$$y = g\left(\frac{x}{3} + \pi\right) = \sin\left(\frac{x}{3} + \pi\right)$$

After C,
$$y = g\left(\frac{x}{3} + \pi\right) + 2 = \sin\left(\frac{x}{3} + \pi\right) + 2$$

Q9

(a)

$$\int \frac{2x^2}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \, dx = \int \frac{2\sin^2 \theta}{\sqrt{1-\sin^2 \theta}} \cdot (\cos \theta) \, d\theta$$

$$= \int \frac{2\sin^2 \theta}{\sqrt{\cos^2 \theta}} \cdot (\cos \theta) \, d\theta$$

$$= \int 2\sin^2 \theta \, d\theta$$

$$= \int (1-\cos 2\theta) \, d\theta$$

$$= \theta - \frac{1}{2}\sin 2\theta + c$$

$$= \sin^{-1} x - \cos \theta \sin \theta + c$$

$$= \sin^{-1} x - x\sqrt{1-x^2} + c$$

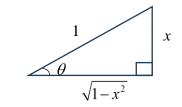
$$x = \sin \theta$$
$$\frac{\mathrm{d}x}{\mathrm{d}\theta} = \cos \theta$$

Note:

To obtain $\cos \theta$ in terms of x, use trigo identities or triangle.

$$\cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta = 1$$

Or



(b)(i)

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}\sin(\ln x) = \cos(\ln x)\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)$$

(b)(ii)

$$\int \sin(\ln x) \, dx = x \sin(\ln x) - \int x \left(\frac{1}{x} \cos(\ln x)\right) dx$$

$$= x \sin(\ln x) - \int \cos(\ln x) dx$$

$$= x \sin(\ln x) - \int \cos(\ln x) dx$$

$$= x \sin(\ln x) - \int \cos(\ln x) dx$$

$$= x \sin(\ln x) - \int \cos(\ln x) - \int -x \left(\frac{1}{x}\right) \sin(\ln x) dx$$

$$= x \sin(\ln x) - x \cos(\ln x) - \int \sin(\ln x) dx$$

$$= x \sin(\ln x) - x \cos(\ln x) - \int \sin(\ln x) dx$$

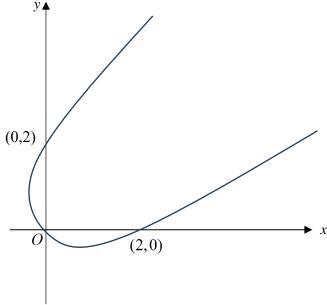
$$= x \sin(\ln x) - x \cos(\ln x)$$

$$= x \cos(\ln x) - x \cos(\ln x)$$

$$= x$$

Q10

(i)



(ii)

$$x = t^{2} + t$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 2t + 1$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 2t - 1$$

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

Note:

Must include negative values of *t* in the window settings.

When
$$x = 0$$
, $t^{2} + t = 0$
 $t(t+1) = 0$
 $t = 0$ or -1
 $y = 0$ or 2
When $y = 0$, $t^{2} - t = 0$
 $t(t-1) = 0$
 $t = 0$ or 1
 $x = 0$ or 2

Gradient of line 5y = 4x - 20 is $\frac{4}{5}$.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2t - 1}{2t + 1} = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$10t - 5 = 8t + 4$$

$$t = \frac{9}{2}$$

$$x = \left(\frac{9}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{9}{2} = 24.75$$

$$y = \left(\frac{9}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{9}{2} = 15.75$$

Tangent to C is parallel to 5y = 4x - 20 at point (24.75,15.75)

(iii)

From (i), at
$$(0,2)$$
, $t = -1$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2(-1)-1}{2(-1)+1} = 3$$

Equation of tangent at (0,2) is

$$y-2=3(x-0)$$

$$y=3x+2$$

$$t^{2}-t=3(t^{2}+t)+2$$

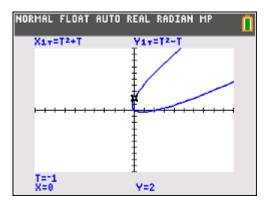
$$2t^{2}+4t+2=0$$

$$t^{2}+2t+1=0$$

$$(t+1)^{2}=0$$

$$t=-1$$

(Can also obtain t = -1 from graph on GC)



Since t = -1 is the only solution, the tangent at (0,2) does not cut C again.

Q11

Given
$$\overrightarrow{OA} = \mathbf{a}$$
, $\overrightarrow{OB} = \mathbf{b}$, $\overrightarrow{OC} = \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{a}$.

By Ratio Theorem,
$$\overrightarrow{OD} = \frac{2\mathbf{c} + 3\mathbf{b}}{5} = \frac{1}{5} \left[2\left(\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{a}\right) + 3\mathbf{b} \right] = \frac{1}{5} (\mathbf{a} + 3\mathbf{b})$$

(ii)

Area of triangle OCD

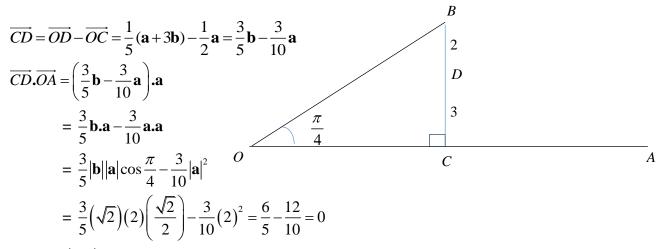
$$= \frac{1}{2} |\overrightarrow{OC} \times \overrightarrow{OD}|$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} |\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{a} \times \frac{1}{5} (\mathbf{a} + 3\mathbf{b})|$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} |\frac{1}{10} (\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{a}) + \frac{3}{10} (\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b})|$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left| \frac{3}{10} (\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}) \right| \quad \text{since } \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{0}$$
$$= \frac{3}{20} |\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}| \quad \text{where } k = \frac{3}{20}$$

(iii)



Since $\overrightarrow{CD} \cdot \overrightarrow{OA} = 0$, CD is perpendicular to OA. (Shown)

Alternative Method

$$\overrightarrow{BC} = \overrightarrow{OC} - \overrightarrow{OB} = \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b}$$

$$\overrightarrow{BC} \cdot \overrightarrow{OA} = \left(\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b}\right) \cdot \mathbf{a}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{a}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}|\mathbf{a}|^2 - |\mathbf{b}||\mathbf{a}|\cos\frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{1}{2}(2)^2 - \left(\sqrt{2}\right)(2)\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right) = 2 - 2 = 0$$

Since $\overrightarrow{BC} \cdot \overrightarrow{OA} = 0$, BC is perpendicular to OA.

Since D is on BC, \overrightarrow{CD} parallel to \overrightarrow{BC} , CD is perpendicular to OA. (Shown)

(iv)

 $|\mathbf{a} \square \mathbf{b}|$ is the length of projection of \overrightarrow{OB} onto \overrightarrow{OA} (or a line or vector parallel to \overrightarrow{OA}).

(i)

Given
$$l: \mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -5 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix}$$
 where $\lambda \in \square$

Given
$$\pi_1$$
: $\mathbf{r} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} = 4$

Acute angle between l and π_1

$$= 90^{\circ} - \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{\begin{vmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -6 \end{vmatrix} \cdot \begin{vmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \\ -3 \end{vmatrix}}{\sqrt{46}\sqrt{38}} \right)$$

$$=90^{\circ}-\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{19}{\sqrt{46}\sqrt{38}}\right)$$

= 27° (nearest degree)

(ii)

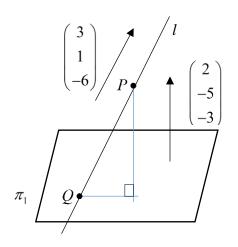
$$\begin{pmatrix} 1+3\lambda \\ -5+\lambda \\ -5-6\lambda \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} = 4$$
$$2(1+3\lambda)-5(-5+\lambda)-3(-5-6\lambda)=4$$
$$19\lambda = -38$$
$$\therefore \quad \lambda = -2$$

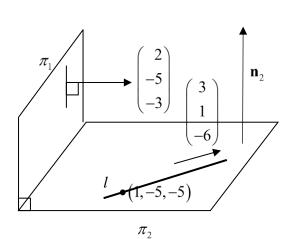
When
$$\lambda = -2$$
, $\overrightarrow{OQ} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -5 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix} - 2 \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ -7 \\ -7 \end{pmatrix}$.

The coordinates of Q = (-5, -7, 7)

(iii)

To find normal to
$$\pi_2$$
:
$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -33 \\ -3 \\ -17 \end{pmatrix} = -\begin{pmatrix} 33 \\ 3 \\ 17 \end{pmatrix}$$





$$\mathbf{r.} \begin{pmatrix} 33 \\ 3 \\ 17 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -5 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 33 \\ 3 \\ 17 \end{pmatrix} \text{ or } \mathbf{r.} \begin{pmatrix} 33 \\ 3 \\ 17 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ -7 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 33 \\ 3 \\ 17 \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus
$$\mathbf{r} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 33 \\ 3 \\ 17 \end{pmatrix} = -67$$

Cartesian equation of π_2 : 33x + 3y + 17z = -67

(iv)

Equation of π_1 : 2x-5y-3z=4

Equation of π_2 : 33x + 3y + 17z = -67

Using GC, let
$$z = \mu$$
, $x = -\frac{17}{9} - \frac{4}{9}\mu$, $y = -\frac{14}{9} - \frac{7}{9}\mu$

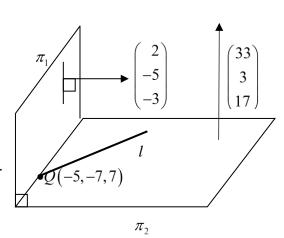
Vector equation of the line:
$$\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{17}{9} \\ -\frac{14}{9} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \mu \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{4}{9} \\ -\frac{7}{9} \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{17}{9} \\ -\frac{14}{9} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 7 \\ -9 \end{pmatrix}$$
, where $t \in \square$.

Alternative Method:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 33 \\ 3 \\ 17 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -76 \\ -133 \\ 171 \end{pmatrix} = -19 \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 7 \\ -9 \end{pmatrix}$$

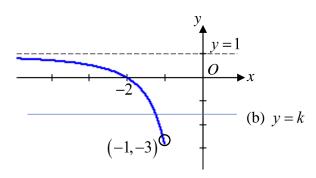
Deduced that point Q lies on the intersection line as it lies on π_1 and l.

Vector equation of the line: $\mathbf{r} = \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ -7 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 7 \\ -9 \end{pmatrix}$, where $t \in \square$.



Q13

(i)



(ii)

Any horizontal line y = k cuts the graph of f at most once. Hence, f is one-one and f^{-1} exists.

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

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

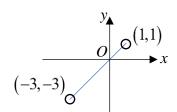
$$x = \pm \sqrt{\frac{4}{1 - y}}$$
Since $x < -1$, $x = -\sqrt{\frac{4}{1 - y}}$

$$f^{-1}(x) = -\sqrt{\frac{4}{1 - x}}$$

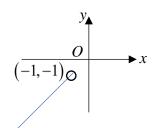
$$D_{f^{-1}} = (-3, 1)$$

(iii)

$$y = ff^{-1}(x) = x$$
, $D_{ff^{-1}} = D_{f^{-1}} = (-3,1)$



$$y = f^{-1}f(x) = x$$
, $D_{f^{-1}f} = D_f = (-\infty, -1)$



Hence, for ff⁻¹(x) = f⁻¹f(x), we have -3 < x < -1.

(iv)

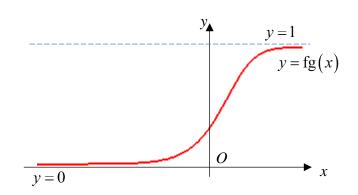
$$R_g = (-\infty, -2)$$

$$D_{f} = (-\infty, -1)$$

Since $R_g \subset D_f$, fg exists.

$$fg(x) = 1 - \frac{4}{(-e^{2x} - 2)^2}$$
$$= 1 - \frac{4}{(e^{2x} + 2)^2}$$

$$R_{fg} = (0,1)$$



$\underline{\textbf{Alternative}}$ to find $\,R_{_{fg}}^{}\colon$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} D_g & \xrightarrow{g} & R_g & \xrightarrow{f} & R_{fg} \\ \left(-\infty, \infty\right) & & \left(-\infty, -2\right) & & \left(0, 1\right) \end{array}$$

$$\mathbf{R}_{\mathrm{fg}} = (0,1)$$

