



**SIR ARTHUR LEWIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE**  
**ACADEMIC YEAR (2024/2025) - SEMESTER ONE**  
**END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION**

**COURSE CODE** : MAT242  
**COURSE TITLE** : Complex Numbers  
**LECTURER(S)** : Vercilli Gustave-Lord  
**DATE** : 10<sup>th</sup> December 2024  
**TIME** : 9 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.  
**DURATION** : 2 ½ Hours  
**STUDENT ID #** : \_\_\_\_\_

**GENERAL INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS**

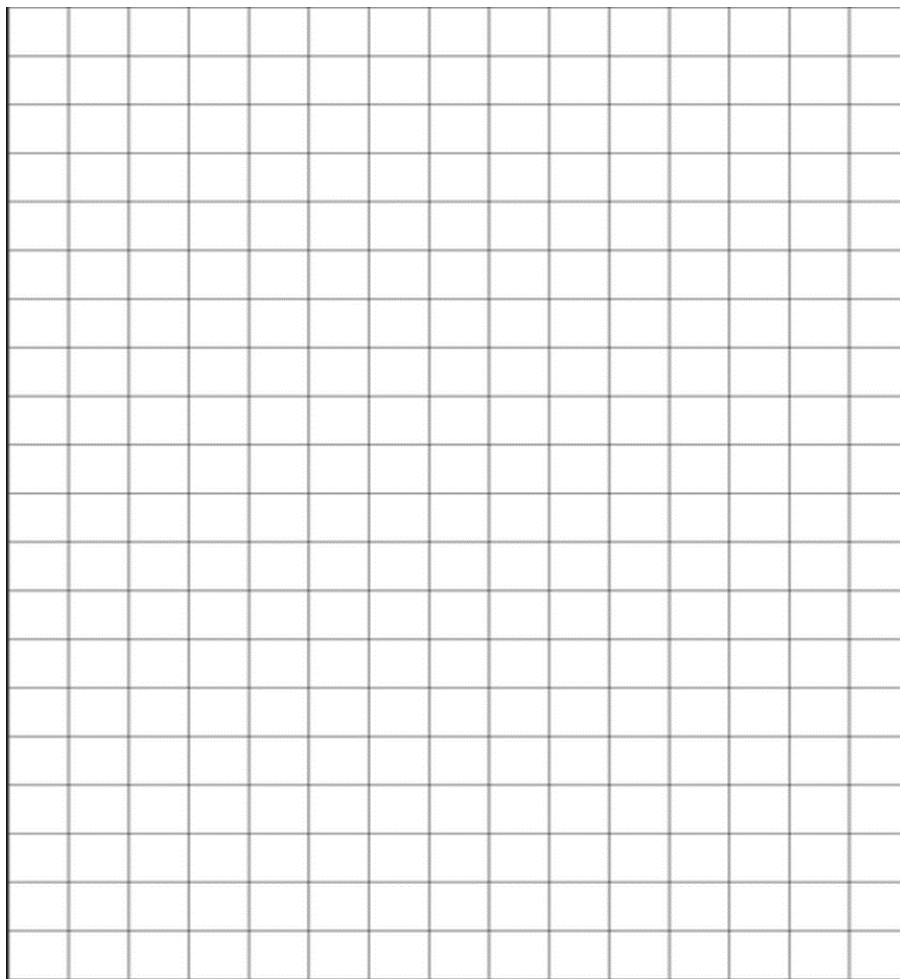
- Students must sign **IN** and **OUT** on the examination class list.
- Write your ID number on the question paper.
- This paper consists of 5 questions. Answer **ALL** questions. Answer each question **IN BLACK OR BLUE PEN** in the space provided.
- Do **not** use correction fluid.

Question #	Maximum Mark	Student Mark
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4.	4	
5.	13	
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1. The loci  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  are given by  $|z - 3| = 3$  and  $\arg(z - 1) = \frac{1}{4}\pi$  respectively.

(a) Sketch, in the space provided, the single Argand diagram of the loci  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ . [5]



(b) Find the Cartesian Equation of the locus  $C_2$ .

[4]

(c) Indicate, by shading, the region of the Argand diagram for which

$$|z - 3| \leq 3 \quad \text{and} \quad 0 \leq \arg(z - 1) \leq \frac{1}{4}\pi.$$

[2]

2. A sequence is given by  $u_{n+1} = 2u_n + 3$ ,  $u_1 = 7$ ,  $n \geq 1$ . Prove by Mathematical Induction that the general formula for the sequence is

$$u_n = 5(2^n) - 3.$$

[7]

3.

(a) Show that  $\frac{1}{r} - \frac{1}{r+2} \equiv \frac{2}{r(r+2)}$ .

[1]

(b) Hence, find an expression, **without simplifying**, in terms of  $n$ , for

$$\sum_{r=1}^n \frac{2}{r(r+2)}$$

[6]

(c) Hence, find

$$\sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{r(r+2)}$$

[2]

4. Find at least the first seven terms of the recurrence relation

$$a_1 = 2, a_2 = 1, a_n = -a_{n-2} + a_{n-1}, n \geq 3$$

to determine whether the sequence is convergent, divergent or periodic. [4]

5. The complex number  $z$  is defined by  $z = \frac{a + 2i}{a - i}$ ,  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $a > 0$ . Given that the **real** part of  $z$  is  $\frac{1}{2}$ , find

(a) The value of  $a$ ,

[8]

(b) The argument of  $z$ , giving your answer in radians to two decimal places. [5]