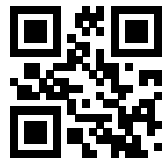


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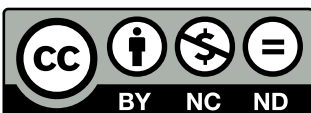
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Section A: Pure Mathematics

1 The curve P has the parametric equations

$$x = \sin \theta \quad \text{and} \quad y = \cos 2\theta \quad \text{for} \quad -\pi/2 \leq \theta \leq \pi/2.$$

- (i) Show that P is part of the parabola $y = 1 - 2x^2$ and sketch P .
- (ii) Show that the length of P is $\sqrt{17} + \frac{1}{4} \sinh^{-1} 4$.
- (iii) Obtain the volume of the solid enclosed when P is rotated through 2π radians about the line $y = -1$.

2 The curve C has the equation $x^3 + y^3 = 3xy$.

- (i) Show that there is no point of inflection on C . You may assume that the origin is not a point of inflection.
- (ii) The part of C which lies in the first quadrant is a closed loop touching the axes at the origin. By converting to polar coordinates, or otherwise, evaluate the area of this loop.

3 The matrices \mathbf{A} , \mathbf{B} and \mathbf{M} are given by

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} a & 0 & 0 \\ b & c & 0 \\ d & e & f \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & p & q \\ 0 & 1 & r \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 4 & 13 & 5 \\ 3 & 8 & 7 \end{pmatrix},$$

where a, b, \dots, r are real numbers.

- (i) Given that $\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{AB}$, show that $a = 1, b = 4, c = 1, d = 3, e = -1, f = -2, p = 3, q = 2$ and $r = -3$ gives the *unique* solution for \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} .
- (ii) Evaluate \mathbf{A}^{-1} and \mathbf{B}^{-1} ,
- (iii) Hence, or otherwise, solve the simultaneous equations

$$\begin{aligned} x + 3y + 2z &= 7 \\ 4x + 13y + 5z &= 18 \\ 3x + 8y + 7z &= 25. \end{aligned}$$



4 Sum the following infinite series.

(i) $1 + \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{5} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^4 + \cdots + \frac{1}{2n+1} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{2n} + \cdots$

(ii) $2 - x - x^3 + 2x^4 - \cdots + 2x^{4k} - x^{4k+1} - x^{4k+3} + \cdots$ where $|x| < 1$.

(iii) $\sum_{r=2}^{\infty} \frac{r 2^{r-2}}{3^{r-1}}$.

(iv) $\sum_{r=2}^{\infty} \frac{2}{r(r^2 - 1)}$.

5 The set S consists of ordered pairs of complex numbers (z_1, z_2) and a binary operation \circ on S is defined by

$$(z_1, z_2) \circ (w_1, w_2) = (z_1 w_1 - z_2 w_2^*, z_1 w_2 + z_2 w_1^*).$$

(i) Show that the operation \circ is associative and determine whether it is commutative.

(ii) Evaluate $(z, 0) \circ (w, 0)$, $(z, 0) \circ (0, w)$, $(0, z) \circ (w, 0)$ and $(0, z) \circ (0, w)$.

(iii) The set S_1 is the subset of S consisting of A, B, \dots, H , where $A = (1, 0)$, $B = (0, 1)$, $C = (i, 0)$, $D = (0, i)$, $E = (-1, 0)$, $F = (0, -1)$, $G = (-i, 0)$ and $H = (0, -i)$. Show that S_1 is closed under \circ and that it has an identity element.

(iv) Determine the inverse and order of each element of S_1 .

(v) Show that S_1 is a group under \circ .

[You are not required to compute the multiplication table in full.]

(vi) Show that $\{A, B, E, F\}$ is a subgroup of S_1 and determine whether it is isomorphic to the group generated by the 2×2 matrix $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ under matrix multiplication.



- 6 The point in the Argand diagram representing the complex number z lies on the circle with centre K and radius r , where K represents the complex number k .

- (i) Show that

$$zz^* - kz^* - k^*z + kk^* - r^2 = 0.$$

- (ii) The points P , Q_1 and Q_2 represent the complex numbers z , w_1 and w_2 respectively. The point P lies on the circle with OA as diameter, where O and A represent 0 and $2i$ respectively.

Given that $w_1 = z/(z - 1)$, find the equation of the locus L of Q_1 in terms of w_1 and describe the geometrical form of L .

- (iii) Given that $w_2 = z^*$, show that the locus of Q_2 is also L . Determine the positions of P for which Q_1 coincides with Q_2 .

- 7 The real numbers x and y satisfy the simultaneous equations

$$\sinh(2x) = \cosh y \quad \text{and} \quad \sinh(2y) = 2 \cosh x.$$

- (i) Show that $\sinh^2 y$ is a root of the equation

$$4t^3 + 4t^2 - 4t - 1 = 0$$

and demonstrate that this gives at most one valid solution for y .

- (ii) Show that the relevant value of t lies between 0.7 and 0.8, and use an iterative process to find t to 6 decimal places.

- (iii) Find y and hence find x , checking your answers and stating the final answers to four decimal places.

- 8 A square pyramid has its base vertices at the points $A(a, 0, 0)$, $B(0, a, 0)$, $C(-a, 0, 0)$ and $D(0, -a, 0)$, and its vertex at $E(0, 0, a)$. The point P lies on AE with x -coordinate λa , where $0 < \lambda < 1$, and the point Q lies on CE with x -coordinate $-\mu a$, where $0 < \mu < 1$. The plane BPQ cuts DE at R and the y -coordinate of R is $-\gamma a$.

- (i) Prove that

$$\gamma = \frac{\lambda\mu}{\lambda + \mu - \lambda\mu}.$$

- (ii) Show that the quadrilateral $BPRQ$ cannot be a parallelogram.



9 For the real numbers a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots ,

(i) prove that $a_1^2 + a_2^2 \geq 2a_1a_2$,

(ii) prove that $a_1^2 + a_2^2 + a_3^2 \geq a_2a_3 + a_3a_1 + a_1a_2$,

(iii) prove that $3(a_1^2 + a_2^2 + a_3^2 + a_4^2) \geq 2(a_1a_2 + a_1a_3 + a_1a_4 + a_2a_3 + a_2a_4 + a_3a_4)$,

(iv) state and prove a generalisation of (iii) to the case of n real numbers,

(v) prove that

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i \right)^2 \geq \frac{2n}{n-1} \sum_{i,j} a_i a_j,$$

where the latter sum is taken over all pairs (i, j) with $1 \leq i < j \leq n$.

10 The transformation T of the point P in the x, y plane to the point P' is constructed as follows: Lines are drawn through P parallel to the lines $y = mx$ and $y = -mx$ to cut the line $y = kx$ at Q and R respectively, m and k being given constants. P' is the fourth vertex of the parallelogram $PQP'R$.

(i) Show that if P is (x_1, y_1) then Q is

$$\left(\frac{mx_1 - y_1}{m - k}, \frac{k(mx_1 - y_1)}{m - k} \right).$$

(ii) Obtain the coordinates of P' in terms of x_1, y_1, m and k , and express T as a matrix transformation.

(iii) Show that areas are transformed under T into areas of the same magnitude.



Section B: Mechanics

11 In this question, all gravitational forces are to be neglected.

A rigid frame is constructed from 12 equal uniform rods, each of length a and mass m , forming the edges of a cube. Three of the edges are OA , OB and OC , and the vertices opposite O , A , B and C are O' , A' , B' and C' respectively. Forces act along the lines as follows, in the directions indicated by the order of the letters:

$$\begin{array}{lll} 2mg \text{ along } OA, & mg \text{ along } AC', & \sqrt{2}mg \text{ along } O'A, \\ \sqrt{2}mg \text{ along } OA', & 2mg \text{ along } C'B, & mg \text{ along } A'C. \end{array}$$

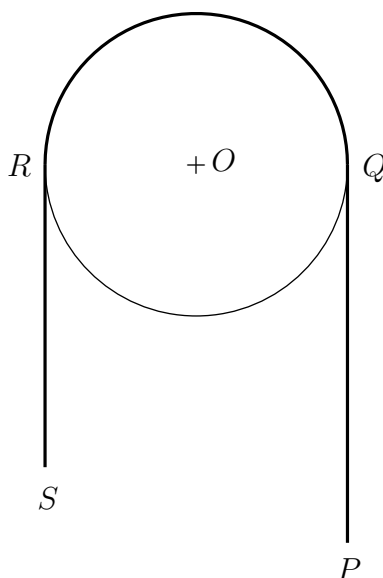
- (i) The frame is freely pivoted at O . Show that the direction of the line about which it will start to rotate is $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ with respect to axes along OA , OB and OC respectively.
- (ii) Show that the moment of inertia of the rod OA about the axis OO' is $2ma^2/9$ and about a parallel axis through its mid-point is $ma^2/18$. Hence find the moment of inertia of $B'C$ about OO' and show that the moment of inertia of the frame about OO' is $14ma^2/3$. If the frame is freely pivoted about the line OO' and the forces continue to act along the specified lines, find the initial angular acceleration of the frame.

12 $ABCD$ is a horizontal line with $AB = CD = a$ and $BC = 6a$. There are fixed smooth pegs at B and C . A uniform string of natural length $2a$ and modulus of elasticity kmg is stretched from A to D , passing over the pegs at B and C . A particle of mass m is attached to the midpoint P of the string.

- (i) When the system is in equilibrium, P is a distance $a/4$ below BC . Evaluate k .
- (ii) The particle is pulled down to a point Q , which is at a distance pa below the mid-point of BC , and is released from rest. P rises to a point R , which is at a distance $3a$ above BC . Show that $2p^2 - p - 17 = 0$.
- (iii) Show also that the tension in the strings is less when the particle is at R than when the particle is at Q .



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A uniform circular disc with radius a , mass $4m$ and centre O is freely mounted on a fixed horizontal axis which is perpendicular to its plane and passes through O . A uniform heavy chain PS of length $(4 + \pi)a$, mass $(4 + \pi)m$ and negligible thickness is hung over the rim of the disc as shown in the diagram: Q and R are the points of the chain at the same level as O . The contact between the chain and the rim of the disc is sufficiently rough to prevent slipping. Initially, the system is at rest with $PQ = RS = 2a$. A particle of mass m is attached to the chain at P and the system is released.

- (i) By considering the energy of the system, show that when P has descended a distance x , its speed v is given by

$$(\pi + 7)av^2 = 2g(x^2 + ax).$$

- (ii) By considering the part PQ of the chain as a body of variable mass, show that when S reaches R the tension in the chain at Q is

$$\frac{5\pi - 2}{\pi + 7}mg.$$

14 A particle rests at a point A on a horizontal table and is joined to a point O on the table by a taut inextensible string of length c . The particle is projected vertically upwards at a speed $64\sqrt{6gc}$. It next strikes the table at a point B and rebounds. The coefficient of restitution for any impact between the particle and the table is $\frac{1}{2}$. After rebounding at B , the particle will rebound alternately at A and B until the string becomes slack.

- (i) Show that when the string becomes slack the particle is at height $c/2$ above the table.
- (ii) Determine whether the first rebound *between* A and B is nearer to A or to B .



Section C: Probability and Statistics

15 The probability of throwing a head with a certain coin is p and the probability of throwing a tail is $q = 1 - p$. The coin is thrown until at least two heads and at least two tails have been thrown; this happens when the coin has been thrown N times.

(i) Write down an expression for the probability that $N = n$.

(ii) Show that the expectation of N is

$$2 \left(\frac{1}{pq} - 1 - pq \right).$$

16 The time taken for me to set an acceptable examination question is T hours. The distribution of T is a truncated normal distribution with probability density f where

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{k\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{t-\sigma}{\sigma}\right)^2\right) & \text{for } t \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{for } t < 0. \end{cases}$$

Sketch the graph of $f(t)$.

Show that k is approximately 0.841 and obtain the mean of T as a multiple of σ .

Over a period of years, I find that the mean setting time is 3 hours.

(i) Find the approximate probability that none of the 16 questions on next year's paper will take more than 4 hours to set.

(ii) Given that a particular question is unsatisfactory after 2 hours work, find the probability that it will still be unacceptable after a further 2 hours work.

