

4. $\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$ and $\{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n\}$ are two sequences of real numbers. Define $s_k = a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_k$ for $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

(a) Prove that
$$\sum_{k=1}^n a_k b_k = s_1(b_1 - b_2) + s_2(b_2 - b_3) + \dots + s_{n-1}(b_{n-1} - b_n) + s_n b_n.$$

(b) If $b_1 \geq b_2 \geq \dots \geq b_n \geq 0$ and there are constants m and M such that $m \leq s_k \leq M$ for $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$,

prove that
$$m b_1 \leq \sum_{k=1}^n a_k b_k \leq M b_1.$$

(5 marks)

5. Let $\{a_n\}$ be a sequence of positive numbers such that

$$a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n = \left(\frac{1 + a_n}{2}\right)^2$$

for $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$.

Prove by induction that $a_n = 2n - 1$ for $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$.

(5 marks)

6. Let $\text{Arg } z$ denote the principal value of the argument of the complex number z ($-\pi < \text{Arg } z \leq \pi$).

(a) If $z \neq 0$ and $z + \bar{z} = 0$, show that $\text{Arg } z = \pm \frac{\pi}{2}$.

(b) If $z_1, z_2 \neq 0$ and $|z_1 + z_2| = |z_1 - z_2|$, show that $\frac{z_1}{z_2} + \frac{\bar{z}_1}{\bar{z}_2} = 0$

and hence find all possible values of $\text{Arg } \frac{z_1}{z_2}$.

(5 marks)

7. (a) Let m and n be positive integers. Using the identity

$$(1+x)^n + (1+x)^{n+1} + \dots + (1+x)^{n+m} = \frac{(1+x)^{n+m+1} - (1+x)^n}{x},$$

where $x \neq 0$, show that

$$C_n^n + C_n^{n+1} + \dots + C_n^{n+m} = C_{n+1}^{n+m+1}.$$

(b) Using (a), or otherwise, show that

$$\sum_{r=5}^{m+4} r(r-1)(r-2)(r-3) = 24(C_5^{m+5} - 1).$$

Hence evaluate $\sum_{r=0}^k r(r-1)(r-2)(r-3)$ for $k \geq 4$.

(7 marks)

SECTION B (60 marks)

Answer any **FOUR** questions from this section. Each question carries 15 marks.

Write your answers in the AL(C2) answer book.

8. Let $M = \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ c & a & b \\ b & c & a \end{pmatrix}$, where a , b and c are non-negative real numbers.

(a) Show that $\det(M) = \frac{1}{2}(a+b+c)[(a-b)^2 + (b-c)^2 + (c-a)^2]$ and $0 \leq \det(M) \leq (a+b+c)^3$. (4 marks)

(b) Let $M^n = \begin{pmatrix} a_n & b_n & c_n \\ c_n & a_n & b_n \\ b_n & c_n & a_n \end{pmatrix}$ for any positive integer n , show that a_n , b_n and c_n are non-negative real numbers satisfying $a_n + b_n + c_n = (a+b+c)^n$. (4 marks)

(c) If $a+b+c = 1$ and at least two of a , b and c are non-zero, show that

(i) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \det(M^n) = 0$,

(ii) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n - b_n) = 0$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n - c_n) = 0$,

(iii) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \frac{1}{3}$.

(7 marks)

9. (a) Consider

$$(I) \begin{cases} a_{11}x + a_{12}y + a_{13}z = 0 \\ a_{21}x + a_{22}y + a_{23}z = 0 \\ a_{31}x + a_{32}y + a_{33}z = 0 \end{cases}$$

and

$$(II) \begin{cases} a_{11}x + a_{12}y + a_{13}z = 0 \\ a_{21}x + a_{22}y + a_{23}z = 0 \\ a_{31}x + a_{32}y + a_{33}z = 0 \end{cases}$$

(i) Show that if (I) has a unique solution, then (II) has no solution.

(ii) Show that (u, v) is a solution of (II) if and only if (ut, vt, t) are solutions of (I) for all $t \in \mathbb{R}$.

(iii) If (II) has no solution and (I) has nontrivial solutions, what can you say about the solutions of (I)? (5 marks)

(b) Consider

$$(III) \begin{cases} -(3+k)x + y - z = 0 \\ -7x + (5-k)y - z = 0 \\ -6x + 6y + (k-2)z = 0 \end{cases}$$

and

$$(IV) \begin{cases} -(3+k)x + y - 1 = 0 \\ -7x + (5-k)y - 1 = 0 \\ -6x + 6y + (k-2)z = 0 \end{cases}$$

(i) Find the values of k for which (III) has non-trivial solutions.

(ii) Find the values of k for which (IV) is consistent. Solve (IV) for each of these values of k .

(iii) Solve (III) for each k such that (III) has non-trivial solutions.

(10 marks)

10. Let \mathbf{a} , \mathbf{b} and \mathbf{c} be vectors in \mathbf{R}^3 .

(a) Show that \mathbf{a} , \mathbf{b} and \mathbf{c} are linearly dependent if and only if

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & b_1 & c_1 \\ a_2 & b_2 & c_2 \\ a_3 & b_3 & c_3 \end{vmatrix} = 0,$$

where $\mathbf{a} = (a_1, a_2, a_3)$, $\mathbf{b} = (b_1, b_2, b_3)$ and $\mathbf{c} = (c_1, c_2, c_3)$.
(5 marks)

(b) Suppose \mathbf{a} , \mathbf{b} and \mathbf{c} are linearly independent. Show that for any vector \mathbf{x} in \mathbf{R}^3 , there are unique $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in \mathbf{R}$ such that

$$\mathbf{x} = x_1\mathbf{a} + x_2\mathbf{b} + x_3\mathbf{c}.$$

(4 marks)

(c) Let $S = \{\alpha\mathbf{a} + \beta\mathbf{b} + \gamma\mathbf{c} : \alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbf{R}\}$.

Under what conditions on \mathbf{a} , \mathbf{b} and \mathbf{c} will S represent

- (i) a point?
- (ii) a line?
- (iii) a plane?
- (iv) the whole space?

[Note: You are not required to give reasons.]
(6 marks)

11. A function $f: \mathbf{C} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$ is said to be *real linear* if

$$f(\alpha z_1 + \beta z_2) = \alpha f(z_1) + \beta f(z_2)$$

for all $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbf{R}$ and $z_1, z_2 \in \mathbf{C}$.

(a) Suppose f is a real linear function. Show that

(i) if $f(z) = 0$ whenever $z = 0$, then f is injective;

(ii) if $f(i) = if(1)$ and $f(i) \neq 0$, then f is bijective.
(4 marks)

(b) Suppose $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbf{C}$ and

$$g(z) = \lambda z + \mu \bar{z} \quad \text{for all } z \in \mathbf{C}.$$

Show that

(i) g is real linear;

(ii) g is injective if and only if $|\lambda| \neq |\mu|$.
(8 marks)

(c) If f is a real linear function, find $a, b \in \mathbf{C}$ such that

$$f(z) = az + b\bar{z} \quad \text{for all } z \in \mathbf{C}.$$

(3 marks)

12. Let $p(x) = x^4 + a_1x^3 + a_2x^2 + a_3x + a_4$, where $a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4 \in \mathbf{R}$.
 Suppose $z_1 = \cos\theta_1 + i\sin\theta_1$ and $z_2 = \cos\theta_2 + i\sin\theta_2$ are two roots of $p(x) = 0$, where $0 < \theta_1 < \theta_2 < \pi$.

(a) Show that

(i) $p(x) = (x^2 - 2x\cos\theta_1 + 1)(x^2 - 2x\cos\theta_2 + 1)$,

(ii) $p'(x) = 2p(x) \left(\frac{x - \cos\theta_1}{x^2 - 2x\cos\theta_1 + 1} + \frac{x - \cos\theta_2}{x^2 - 2x\cos\theta_2 + 1} \right)$.
 (5 marks)

(b) Suppose $p(w) = 0$, by considering $p(x) - p(w)$, show that

$$\frac{p(x)}{x - w} = x^3 + (w + a_1)x^2 + (w^2 + a_1w + a_2)x + (w^3 + a_1w^2 + a_2w + a_3).$$

(3 marks)

(c) Let $s_n = z_1^n + \bar{z}_1^n + z_2^n + \bar{z}_2^n$, using (a)(ii) and (b), show that

$$p'(x) = 4x^3 + (s_1 + 4a_1)x^2 + (s_2 + a_1s_1 + 4a_2)x + (s_3 + s_2a_1 + s_1a_2 + 4a_3).$$

[Hint: $\frac{2(x - \cos\theta_r)}{x^2 - 2x\cos\theta_r + 1} = \frac{1}{x - z_r} + \frac{1}{x - \bar{z}_r}$, $r = 1, 2$.]

Hence show that

$$s_n + a_1s_{n-1} + \dots + a_{n-1}s_1 + na_n = 0 \text{ for } n = 1, 2, 3, 4.$$

(7 marks)

13. Let \mathbf{Z}_+ be the set of all positive integers and $m, n \in \mathbf{Z}_+$.

Let $A(m, n) = (1 - x^m)(1 - x^{m+1}) \dots (1 - x^{m+n-1})$,

$B(n) = (1 - x)(1 - x^2) \dots (1 - x^n)$.

(a) Show that $A(m+1, n+1) - A(m, n+1)$ is divisible by $(1 - x^{n+1})A(m+1, n)$.

(2 marks)

(b) Suppose $P(m, n)$ denote the statement

" $A(m, n)$ is divisible by $B(n)$. "

(i) Show that $P(1, n)$ and $P(m, 1)$ are true.

(ii) Using (a), or otherwise, show that if $P(m, n+1)$ and $P(m+1, n)$ are true, then $P(m+1, n+1)$ is also true.

(iii) Let k be a fixed positive integer such that $P(m, k)$ is true for all $m \in \mathbf{Z}_+$. Show by induction that $P(m, k+1)$ is true for all $m \in \mathbf{Z}_+$.

(10 marks)

(c) Using (b), or otherwise, show that $P(m, n)$ is true for all $m, n \in \mathbf{Z}_+$.

(3 marks)

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PURE MATHEMATICS A-LEVEL PAPER II

2.00 pm-5.00 pm (3 hours)

This paper must be answered in English

1. This paper consists of Section A and Section B.
2. Answer ALL questions in Section A, using the AL(C1) answer book.
3. Answer any FOUR questions in Section B, using the AL(C2) answer book.

SECTION A (40 marks)

Answer ALL questions in this section.

Write your answers in the AL(C1) answer book.

1. Evaluate

(a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 1} \frac{1 - \sqrt{x}}{1 - \sqrt[5]{x}}$,

(b) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}} (\sec x - \tan x)$.

(4 marks)

2. Evaluate

(a) $\int \tan^3 x \, dx$,

(b) $\int \frac{x^2 - x + 2}{x(x-2)^2} \, dx$.

(6 marks)

3. Find the equations of the straight line which satisfies the following two conditions:

(i) passing through the point $(4, 2, -3)$,

(ii) parallel to the planes $x + y + z - 10 = 0$ and $x + 2y = 0$.

(4 marks)

4. The equation of a curve C in polar coordinates is

$$r = 1 + \sin \theta, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi.$$

(a) Sketch curve C .

(b) Find the area bounded by curve C .

(5 marks)

5. For $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ and $\theta \in \mathbf{R}$, let $s_n = \sum_{k=1}^n 3^{k-1} \sin^3\left(\frac{\theta}{3^k}\right)$.

Using the identity $\sin^3\phi = \frac{3}{4}\sin\phi - \frac{1}{4}\sin 3\phi$, show that

$$s_n = \frac{3^n}{4} \sin\left(\frac{\theta}{3^n}\right) - \frac{1}{4} \sin\theta.$$

Hence, or otherwise, evaluate $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n$.

(4 marks)

6. Let $f: \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be a continuous function.

Show that $\int_0^1 xf(xt)dt = \int_0^x f(t)dt$ for all $x \in \mathbf{R}$.

If $\int_0^1 f(xt)dt = 0$ for all $x \in \mathbf{R}$,
show that $f(x) = 0$ for all $x \in \mathbf{R}$.

(5 marks)

7. Let $f(x) = \int_1^x \sin(\cos t)dt$, where $x \in [0, \frac{\pi}{2})$.

(a) Show that f is injective.

(b) If g is the inverse function of f , find $g'(0)$.

(6 marks)

8. (a) Show that for any $a, y \in \mathbf{R}$, $e^y - e^a \geq e^a(y - a)$.

(b) By taking $y = x^2$ in the inequality in (a), prove that

$$\int_0^1 e^{x^2} dx \geq e^{\frac{1}{3}}.$$

(6 marks)

SECTION B (60 marks)

Answer any FOUR questions from this section. Each question carries 15 marks.
Write your answers in the AL(C2) answer book.

9. Given an ellipse

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

and a point $P(h, k)$ outside (E) .

(a) If $y = mx + c$ is a tangent from P to (E) , show that
 $(h^2 - a^2)m^2 - 2hkm + k^2 - b^2 = 0$.

(4 marks)

(b) Suppose the two tangents from P to (E) touch (E) at A and B .

(i) Find the equation of the line passing through A and B .

(ii) Find the coordinates of the mid-point of AB .

(6 marks)

(c) Show that the two tangents from P to (E) are perpendicular if
and only if P lies on the circle $x^2 + y^2 = a^2 + b^2$.

(5 marks)

10. Let $f(x) = \frac{\sqrt[3]{x^2}}{x^2 + 1}$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

- (a) (i) Evaluate $f'(x)$ for $x \neq 0$.
Prove that $f'(0)$ does not exist.
- (ii) Determine those values of x for which $f'(x) > 0$ and those values of x for which $f'(x) < 0$.
- (iii) Find the relative extreme points of $f(x)$.
(8 marks)
- (b) (i) Evaluate $f''(x)$ for $x \neq 0$. Hence determine the points of inflexion of $f(x)$.
- (ii) Find the asymptote of the graph of $f(x)$.
(4 marks)
- (c) Using the above results, sketch the graph of $f(x)$.
(3 marks)

11. For any non-negative integer n , let

$$I_n = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \tan^n x \, dx.$$

- (a) (i) Show that $\frac{1}{n+1} \left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)^{n+1} \leq I_n \leq \frac{1}{n+1} \left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$.
- [Note: You may assume without proof that $x \leq \tan x \leq \frac{4x}{\pi}$ for $x \in [0, \frac{\pi}{4}]$.]
- (ii) Using (i), or otherwise, evaluate $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} I_n$.
- (iii) Show that $I_n + I_{n-2} = \frac{1}{n-1}$ for $n = 2, 3, 4, \dots$.
(8 marks)
- (b) For $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$, let $a_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{2k-1}$.
- (i) Using (a)(iii), or otherwise, express a_n in terms of I_{2n} .
- (ii) Evaluate $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$.
(7 marks)

12. Let $f: \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be a continuously differentiable function satisfying the following conditions for all $x \in \mathbf{R}$:

- A. $f(x) > 0$;
- B. $f(x+1) = f(x)$;
- C. $f\left(\frac{x}{4}\right)f\left(\frac{x+1}{4}\right) = f(x)$.

Define $g(x) = \frac{d}{dx} \ln f(x)$ for $x \in \mathbf{R}$.

(a) Show that for all $x \in \mathbf{R}$,

(i) $f'(x+1) = f'(x)$;

(ii) $g(x+1) = g(x)$;

(iii) $\frac{1}{4} \left[g\left(\frac{x}{4}\right) + g\left(\frac{x+1}{4}\right) \right] = g(x)$.

(8 marks)

(b) Let M be a constant such that $|g(x)| \leq M$ for all $x \in [0, 1]$.

(i) Using (a), or otherwise, show that

$$|g(x)| \leq \frac{M}{2} \quad \text{for all } x \in \mathbf{R}.$$

Hence deduce that

$$g(x) = 0 \quad \text{for all } x \in \mathbf{R}.$$

(ii) Show that $f(x) = 1$ for all $x \in \mathbf{R}$.

(7 marks)

13. Let $L_n = \left\{ \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^n x \, dx \right\}^{\frac{1}{n}}$ for any positive integer n .

(a) Show that $L_n \leq \pi^{\frac{1}{n}}$.

(3 marks)

(b) For $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$, let $r_n = \cos \frac{1}{2n}$.

Find the values of x in $[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}]$ such that $\cos x \geq r_n$.

Hence show that $L_n \geq r_n \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^{\frac{1}{n}}$.

(5 marks)

(c) Show that

(i) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{\frac{1}{n}} = 1$,

(ii) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L_n = 1$.

(7 marks)

14. (a) $f(x)$ is a continuously differentiable and strictly increasing function on $[0, c]$ such that $f(0) = 0$.

Let $b \in [0, f(c)]$.

Define $g(t) = tb - \int_0^t f(x) dx$, $t \in [0, c]$.

- (i) Determine the interval on which $g(t)$ is strictly increasing and the interval on which $g(t)$ is strictly decreasing. Hence show that

$$g(t) \leq g(f^{-1}(b)) \quad \text{for all } t \in [0, c].$$

- (ii) Using the substitution $y = f(x)$ and integration by parts, show that

$$\int_0^b f^{-1}(y) dy = g(f^{-1}(b)).$$

- (iii) If $a \in [0, c]$, prove the inequality

$$\int_0^a f(x) dx + \int_0^b f^{-1}(x) dx \geq ab.$$

(10 marks)

- (b) If a, b, p, q are positive numbers and $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$, prove that

$$\frac{1}{p} a^p + \frac{1}{q} b^q \geq ab.$$

(5 marks)

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