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SECTION A – Multiple-choice questions

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Q1 C

Q2 Asymptote $x=1$ indicates that $a+b+c=0$.

Asymptote $y=2x+1$ indicates that $a=\frac{1}{2}$ and b is a negative value.

B

Q3 Sketch the graph of $y = \sec(x)$ in the interval $-\pi \leq x \leq \pi$. Translate the graph vertically to find a .

E

Q4 Let $w = -2a + 2ai \therefore z = w - 1 \therefore \bar{z} = \bar{w} - 1$

$$\therefore 1 + \bar{z} = \bar{w} = -2a - 2ai \therefore \frac{4a}{-2a - 2ai} = \frac{2}{-1 - i} = \sqrt{2} \operatorname{cis} \frac{3\pi}{4}$$

B

Q5 z is in the first quadrant.

$$\arg(z^3) = -\pi \therefore \arg(z^3) = \pi \therefore \arg(z) = \frac{\pi}{3} \therefore z = 4 \operatorname{cis} \left(\frac{\pi}{3} \right)$$

E

$$z^2 = 16 \operatorname{cis} \left(\frac{2\pi}{3} \right) = -4 \times 4 \operatorname{cis} \left(-\frac{\pi}{3} \right) = -4\bar{z}$$

Q6 First: 0.5, second: 1.1420, third: 2.709

C

Q7 Sketch a smooth curve through $(-1, 2)$ without crossing the tangent line segments.

D

The curve passes through $(1.5, 1.0)$ approximately.

Q8 Q at time t in the pool of volume $8000 - 5t$

$$\therefore \text{concentration} = \frac{Q}{8000 - 5t} \therefore \frac{dQ}{dt} = -\frac{20Q}{8000 - 5t} = \frac{4Q}{t - 1600}$$

A

$$\text{Q9 At } t=2, \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{2}{3} \text{ and } \frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} \therefore \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{dy}{dt}}{\frac{dx}{dt}} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}}{\frac{2}{3}} = \frac{3}{4}$$

D

$$\text{Q10 Integration by parts: } I_n = nI_{n-1} + \left[(1-x)^n e^x \right]_0^1$$

A

$$\therefore I_n = nI_{n-1} - 1$$

$$\text{Q11 } 2\pi \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos y \sqrt{1 + \sin^2 y} dy = 2\pi \int_0^1 \sqrt{1 + u^2} du$$

E

$$\text{Q12 } \frac{dv}{dt} = 1+v, v=0 \text{ when } t=0, t = \int \frac{1}{1+v} dv \therefore t = \log_e(1+v)$$

A

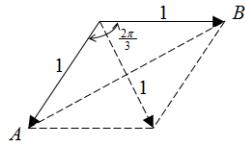
When $t = \log_e(e+1)$, $v=e$

$$\text{Q13 } u=2.5, s=-80, a=-9.8 \text{ Use } s=ut+\frac{1}{2}at^2 \text{ to find } t \approx 4.30$$

E

Q14 \tilde{n} is a unit vector perpendicular to both \tilde{a} and \tilde{b} . Since both are on the $\tilde{i} - \tilde{j}$ plane $\therefore \tilde{n} = \tilde{k} \therefore |\tilde{c} \cdot \tilde{n}| = 3$

$$\text{Q15 } |\overrightarrow{AB}| = 2 \sin \frac{\pi}{3} = \sqrt{3}$$



Q16 Upward component: $z = 15t - 4.9t^2 + 1.5$

$v_z = \frac{dz}{dt} = 15 - 9.8t$ At the highest point $\frac{dz}{dt} = 0$, $t = \frac{15}{9.8}$ and $z \approx 12.98$. At $t = 0$, $z = 1.5$

\therefore total vertical distance $\approx 2 \times 12.98 - 1.5 = 24.46$

$$\text{Q17 } 2\tilde{i} - 7\tilde{j} + \tilde{k} = \begin{vmatrix} \tilde{i} & \tilde{j} & \tilde{k} \\ \alpha & 1 & -1 \\ 3 & \beta & 4 \end{vmatrix} = (4+\beta)\tilde{i} - (4\alpha+3)\tilde{j} + (\alpha\beta-3)\tilde{k}$$

Equate components

$$\text{Q18 } \tilde{n}_1 = 2\tilde{i} - k\tilde{j} + 3\tilde{k}, \tilde{n}_2 = 2k\tilde{i} + 3\tilde{j} - 2\tilde{k}$$

Let $\tilde{n}_1 \cdot \tilde{n}_2 = 0 \therefore k = 6$

$$\text{Q19 Sample } n = 16, E(\bar{X}) = \mu = 800, \text{ sd}(\bar{X}) = \frac{200}{\sqrt{16}} = 50$$

$$\bar{x} = \frac{13500}{16} = 843.75, \Pr(\bar{X} > 843.75) \approx 0.1908$$

$$\text{Q20 } \text{sd}(\bar{X}) = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{100}} = \frac{\sigma}{10}, \bar{x} = \frac{10500 + 15500}{2} = 13000$$

For 99% confidence interval, $\Pr(Z < z) = 0.995 \therefore z \approx 2.57583$

$$\therefore 13000 + 2.57583 \times \frac{\sigma}{10} \approx 15500 \therefore \sigma \approx 9710$$

SECTION B

Q1a At $C(1, 0)$, $-1(1+a)^2 = 0 \therefore a = -1$

As $x \rightarrow 1$, $x - e^{x-1} \rightarrow 0$ and when $b = 0$, $e^{x-1} - x + b \rightarrow 0$
 \therefore the curves meet at $C(1, 0)$.

$$\text{Q1b } \frac{d}{dx}(-x(x-1)^2) = -(x-1)(3x-1) = 0 \text{ at } x=1$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(e^{x-1} - x) = e^{x-1} - 1 \text{ As } x \rightarrow 1, e^{x-1} - 1 \rightarrow 0$$

\therefore the curves meet smoothly at $x=1$

$$\text{Q1ci } \frac{d}{dx}(-x(x-1)^2) = -(x-1)(3x-1) = 0 \text{ at } x = \frac{1}{3} \text{ also, } y = -\frac{4}{27}$$

$$\text{i.e. at } A\left(\frac{1}{3}, -\frac{4}{27}\right)$$

Q1cii Let second derivative be zero. $-6x + 4 = 0 \therefore x = \frac{2}{3}$ and

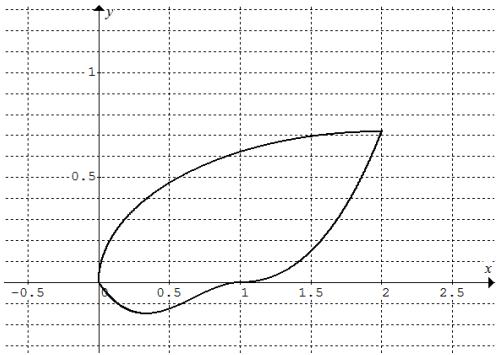
$$y = -\frac{2}{27} \therefore B\left(\frac{2}{3}, -\frac{2}{27}\right)$$

$$\text{Q1d } \frac{x-2}{2} = \cos t, \frac{y}{e-2} = \sin t, \text{ where } \frac{\pi}{2} \leq t \leq \pi$$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{x-2}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{y}{e-2}\right)^2 = 1 \text{ centred at } (2, 0)$$

When $t = \frac{\pi}{2}$, $x = 2$ and $y = e-2$; when $t = \pi$, $x = 0$ and $y = 0$

Q1e



$$\text{Q1fi } \int_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\pi} \sqrt{(-2 \sin t)^2 + ((e-2) \cos t)^2} dt$$

Q1fii 2.255 km

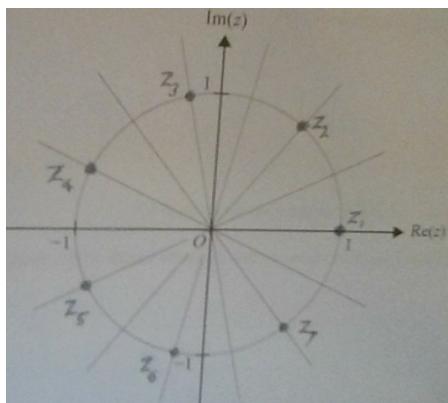
$$\text{Q2a } w^7 - 1 = \left(\operatorname{cis} \frac{2\pi}{7}\right)^7 - 1 = \operatorname{cis} \frac{7(2\pi)}{7} - 1 = 1 - 1 = 0$$

$\therefore w$ is a root of $z^7 - 1 = 0$

$$\text{Q2b } \operatorname{cis} \frac{4\pi}{7}, \operatorname{cis} \frac{6\pi}{7}, \operatorname{cis} \frac{8\pi}{7}, \operatorname{cis} \frac{10\pi}{7}, \operatorname{cis} \frac{12\pi}{7}, \operatorname{cis} \frac{14\pi}{7}$$

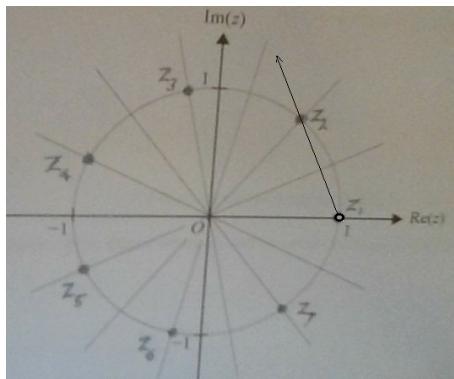
$$\text{or } \operatorname{cis} \frac{4\pi}{7}, \operatorname{cis} \frac{6\pi}{7}, \operatorname{cis} \frac{-6\pi}{7}, \operatorname{cis} \frac{-4\pi}{7}, \operatorname{cis} \frac{-2\pi}{7}, \operatorname{cis} 0$$

Q2c



$$\text{where } z_1 = \operatorname{cis} 0, z_2 = \operatorname{cis} \frac{2\pi}{7}, z_3 = \operatorname{cis} \frac{4\pi}{7}, z_4 = \operatorname{cis} \frac{6\pi}{7}, \\ z_5 = \operatorname{cis} \frac{-6\pi}{7}, z_6 = \operatorname{cis} \frac{-4\pi}{7}, z_7 = \operatorname{cis} \frac{-2\pi}{7}$$

Q2di



$$\text{Q2dii } \frac{2\pi}{7} + \phi = \pi - \phi = \theta, \phi = \frac{5\pi}{14} \therefore \theta = \pi - \frac{5\pi}{14} = \frac{9\pi}{14}$$

$$\text{Ray: } \operatorname{Arg}(z-1) = \frac{9\pi}{14}$$

Q2e Verify by expansion:

$$\begin{aligned} & (z-1)(z^6 + z^5 + z^4 + z^3 + z^2 + z + 1) \\ &= z(z^6 + z^5 + z^4 + z^3 + z^2 + z + 1) - (z^6 + z^5 + z^4 + z^3 + z^2 + z + 1) \\ &= (z^7 + z^6 + z^5 + z^4 + z^3 + z^2 + z) - (z^6 + z^5 + z^4 + z^3 + z^2 + z + 1) \\ &= z^7 - 1 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Q2fi } \operatorname{cis} \frac{2\pi}{7} + \operatorname{cis} \frac{12\pi}{7} = \operatorname{cis} \frac{2\pi}{7} + \operatorname{cis} \frac{-2\pi}{7} = 2 \cos \frac{2}{7}\pi$$

$$\text{Q2fii From part e: } z^6 + z^5 + z^4 + z^3 + z^2 + z + 1 = 0 \\ (z^6 + z) + (z^4 + z^3) + (z^5 + z^2) = -1$$

$$\therefore 2 \cos \frac{2\pi}{7} + 2 \cos \frac{4\pi}{7} + 2 \cos \frac{6\pi}{7} = -1$$

$$\therefore \cos \frac{2\pi}{7} + \cos \frac{4\pi}{7} + \cos \frac{6\pi}{7} = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Q3ai } \int_2^5 \pi y^2 dx = \int_2^5 \pi(x-1) dx$$

$$\text{Q3aii } V = \frac{15\pi}{2}$$

$$\text{Q3bi } \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x-1}} \text{ Surface area} = \int_2^5 2\pi \sqrt{x-1} \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{x-1}}\right)^2} dx \\ = \pi \int_2^5 \sqrt{4(x-1)} \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{4(x-1)}} dx = \pi \int_2^5 \sqrt{4x-3} dx$$

Q3bii Surface area ≈ 30.846

$$\text{Q3c Efficiency ratio} \approx \frac{\pi 1^2 + \pi 2^2 + 30.846}{\frac{15\pi}{2}} \approx 1.98$$

$$\text{Q3d } V = \int_2^k \pi(x-1) dx = 24\pi, k = 8$$

$$\text{Surface area} = \pi \int_2^8 \sqrt{4x-3} dx \approx 24.1646\pi$$

$$\text{Efficiency ratio} \approx \frac{\pi 1^2 + \pi (\sqrt{7})^2 + 24.1646\pi}{24\pi} \approx 1.34$$

$$Q4a \int \frac{1}{P\left(1 - \frac{P}{1000}\right)} dP = \int dt, \quad \frac{A}{P} + \frac{B}{1 - \frac{P}{1000}} = \frac{1}{P\left(1 - \frac{P}{1000}\right)}$$

$$\frac{A\left(1 - \frac{P}{1000}\right) + BP}{P\left(1 - \frac{P}{1000}\right)} = \frac{1}{P\left(1 - \frac{P}{1000}\right)} \quad \therefore A = 1 \text{ and } B = \frac{1}{1000}$$

$$Q4b \quad t = 0, P = 200, P = \frac{1000}{1+4e^{-t}} \quad \therefore D = 4$$

$$Q4c \quad t = 0, Q = n, Q = \frac{1000}{1+9e^{-1.1t}} \quad \therefore n = \frac{1000}{1+9} = 100$$

$$Q4d \quad t = 6, Q = \frac{1000}{1+9e^{-1.1\times 6}} \approx 988$$

$$Q4ei \quad \frac{dQ}{dt} = \frac{11}{10} Q \left(1 - \frac{Q}{1000}\right), \quad \frac{d^2Q}{dt^2} = \frac{11}{10} \left(1 - \frac{Q}{500}\right) \frac{dQ}{dt}$$

$$Q4eii \quad \text{For max } \frac{dQ}{dt}, \text{ let } \frac{d^2Q}{dt^2} = \frac{11}{10} \left(1 - \frac{Q}{500}\right) \frac{dQ}{dt} = 0 \quad \therefore Q = 500$$

$$Q = \frac{1000}{1+9e^{-1.1t}} = 500 \quad \therefore t \approx 2$$

Q4f



$$Q4g \quad \text{Let } \frac{dQ}{dt} = \frac{11}{10} Q \left(1 - \frac{Q}{1000}\right) - 0.055Q = 0, \quad Q = 950$$

$$Q5a \quad \overrightarrow{AB} = \overrightarrow{OB} - \overrightarrow{OA} = \tilde{i} + \tilde{k}, \quad \overrightarrow{AC} = \overrightarrow{OC} - \overrightarrow{OA} = 2\tilde{i} + \hat{j} + 2\tilde{k}$$

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} |\overrightarrow{AB} \times \overrightarrow{AC}| = \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} \tilde{i} & \tilde{j} & \tilde{k} \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} |\tilde{i} + 2\tilde{j} - 2\tilde{k}| = \frac{3}{2}$$

Q5b Let \tilde{u} be a unit vector in the direction of \overrightarrow{AC} ,

$$\tilde{u} = \frac{1}{3}(2\tilde{i} + \hat{j} + 2\tilde{k}). \quad \overrightarrow{AB} \cdot \tilde{u} = 1 \text{ and } AB = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\therefore \text{shortest distance} = \sqrt{(\sqrt{2})^2 - 1^2} = 1$$

Q5c Vector perpendicular to ψ is $\tilde{n} = 2\tilde{i} - 2\tilde{j} - \tilde{k}$

The given line is parallel to $\tilde{b} = \tilde{i} - 2\tilde{j} + 2\tilde{k}$.

$$\text{Angle } \phi \text{ between } \tilde{b} \text{ and } \tilde{n}: \quad \tilde{n} \cdot \tilde{b} = |\tilde{n}||\tilde{b}| \cos \phi, \quad \phi \approx 63.61^\circ$$

$$\text{Angle } \theta \text{ between } \tilde{b} \text{ and plane } \psi: \quad \theta = 90^\circ - 63.61^\circ \approx 26^\circ$$

Q5d Vector equation of L is $\tilde{r} = t \tilde{n} = 2t \tilde{i} - 2t \tilde{j} - t \tilde{k}$

Parametric form: $x = 2t, y = -2t, z = -t$

Q5e The point D is on L and $\psi \therefore 2(2t) - 2(-2t) - (-t) = -18$

$$\therefore t = -2 \quad \therefore \overrightarrow{OD} = -4\tilde{i} + 4\tilde{j} + 2\tilde{k}$$

Shortest distance from O to $\psi = |\overrightarrow{OD}| = 6$

$$Q5f \quad \overrightarrow{OD} = -4\tilde{i} + 4\tilde{j} + 2\tilde{k} \quad \therefore D(-4, 4, 2)$$

Q6a Population $\sigma = 1$

$$\text{Sample } n = 20, \bar{x} = 11.39, \text{ sd}(\bar{X}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{20}}$$

$$95\% \text{ confidence interval} \left(11.39 - 1.96 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{20}}, 11.39 + 1.96 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{20}} \right)$$

simplify to (10.95, 11.83)

Q6b 95% of 60 = 57

$$Q6c \quad \text{Required width} = 40\% \text{ of } = 2 \times 1.96 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{20}}$$

$$\therefore 2 \times 1.96 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} = 0.40 \times 2 \times 1.96 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{20}} \quad \therefore n = 125$$

Q6d $H_0: \mu = 12, H_1: \mu < 12$

$$Q6ei \quad E(\bar{X}) = \mu = 12, \text{ sd}(\bar{X}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{40}}, \bar{x} = 11.6$$

$$p\text{-value} = \Pr(\bar{X} \leq 11.6 | \mu = 12) \approx 0.0057$$

Q6eii Since the p -value is less than 0.01

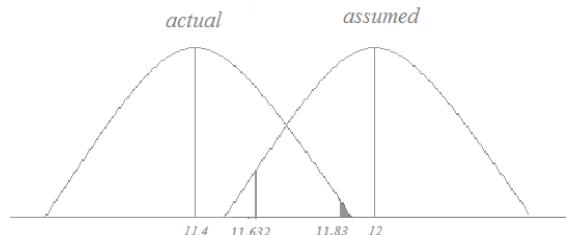
\therefore strong evidence against H_0

Q6f $p\text{-value} = \Pr(\bar{X} \leq c | \mu = 12) \geq 0.01, c \geq 11.63217$

Critical sample mean $\bar{x} \approx 11.632$

$$Q6g \quad \Pr(\bar{X} \geq 11.63217 | \mu = 11.4) \approx 0.071$$

Q6h Type II error: H_1 is considered as H_0



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