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MATHEMATICS

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1. Let a_1, a_2, \dots be positive real numbers in geometric progression. For each n let A_n, G_n, H_n be respectively, the arithmetic mean, geometric mean, and harmonic mean of a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n . Find an expression for the geometric mean of G_1, G_2, \dots, G_n in terms of $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n, H_1, H_2, \dots, H_n$.

2. Let a, b, c be positive real numbers such that $b^2 - 4ac > 0$ and let $a_1 = c$. Prove by induction that

$$a_{n+1} = (a a_n^2) / ((b^2 - 2a(\alpha_1 - \alpha_2 + \dots + \alpha_n)))$$

is well-defined and $a_{n+1} < \alpha_{n/2}$ for all $n = 1, 2, \dots$

(Here, 'well-defined' means that the denominator in the expression for a_{n+1} is not zero.)

3. Let $-1 < p < 1$. Show that the equation $4x^2 - 3x - p = 0$ has a unique root in the interval $[1/2, 1]$ and identify it.

4. Let $2x^2 + y^2 - 3xy = 0$ be the equation of a pair of tangents drawn from the origin O to a circle of radius 3 with centre in the first quadrant. If A is one of the points of contact, find the length of OA .

5. Evaluate $\int \sin^{-1}((2x+2)/\sqrt{(4x+2+8x+13)}) dx$.

6. Let $f(x), x > 0$, be a non-negative continuous function, and let $F(x) = \int_0^x f(t) dt, x > 0$. If for some $c > 0, f(x) < cF(x)$ for all $x > 0$, then show that $f(x) = 0$ for all $x > 0$.

7. Let $b > 0$ and for $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$, let S_j be the area of the region bounded by the y -axis and the curve $xy = \sin by$, $\pi/b \leq y \leq ((j+1)\pi)/b$.

Show that $S_0, S_1, S_2, \dots, S_n$ are in geometric progression. Also, find their sum for $a = -1$ and $b = \pi$.

8. Let $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$. Prove that a function $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable at α if and only if there is a function $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ which is continuous at α and satisfies $f(x) - f(\alpha) = g(x)(x - \alpha)$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

9. Let C_1 and C_2 be two circles with C_2 lying inside C_1 . A circle C lying inside C_1 touches C_1 internally and C_2 externally. Identify the locus of the centre of C .

10. Show, by vector methods, that the angular bisectors of a triangle are concurrent and find an expression for the position vector of the point of concurrency in terms of the position vectors of the vertices.

11. (a) a, b, c be real numbers with $a \neq 0$ and let α, β be the roots of the equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$. Express the roots of $a^2x^2 + abcx + c^3 = 0$ in terms of α, β .

(b) Let a, b, c real numbers with $a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 1$. Show that the equation

$$\begin{vmatrix} ax - by - c & bx + ay & cx + a \\ bx - ay & -ax + by - c & cy + b \\ cx - a & cy + b & -ax - by + c \end{vmatrix} = 0 \text{ represents a straight line.}$$

12. (a) Let P be a point on the ellipse $x^2/a^2 + y^2/b^2 = 1, 0 < b < a$. Let the line parallel to y -axis passing through P meet the circle $x^2 + y^2 = a^2$ at the point Q such that P and Q are on the same side of x -axis. For two positive real numbers r and s , find the locus of the point R on PQ such that $PR : PQ = r : s$ as P varies over the ellipse.

(b) If D is the area of a triangle with side lengths a, b, c then

show that $D < 1/4 \sqrt{((a+b+c)abc)}$.

Also show that the equality occurs in the above inequality if and only if $a = b = c$.

- 13.** A hemispherical tank of radius 2 metres is initially full of water and has an outlet of 12cm^2 cross sectional area at the bottom. The outlet is opened at some instant.

The flow through the outlet is according to the law $v(t) = 0.6\sqrt{2gh(t)}$, where $v(t)$ and $h(t)$ are respectively the velocity of the flow through the outlet and the height of water level above the outlet at time t , and g is the acceleration due to gravity. Find the time it takes to empty the tank.

(Hint : Form a differential equation by relating the decrease of water level to the outflow).

- 14.** (a) An urn contains m white and n black balls. A ball is drawn at random and is put back into the urn along with k additional balls of the same colour as that of the ball drawn. A ball is again drawn at random. What is the probability that the ball drawn now is white?

- (b) An unbiased die, with faces numbered 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 is thrown n times and the list of n numbers showing up is noted. What is the probability that, among the numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 only three numbers appear in this list?

- 15.** (a) Find 3-dimensional vectors $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3$ satisfying

$$\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_1 = 4, \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2 = -2, \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_3 = 6, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_2 = 2, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3 = -5, \vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_3 = 29.$$

- (b) Let $\vec{A}(t) = f_1(t)\hat{i} + f_2(t)\hat{j}$ and $\vec{B}(t) = g_1(t)\hat{i} + g_2(t)\hat{j}, t \in [0, 1]$, where f_1, f_2, g_1, g_2 are continuous functions. If $\vec{A}(t)$ and $\vec{B}(t)$ are non-zero vectors for all t and $\vec{A}(0) = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}, \vec{A}(1) = 6\hat{i} + 2\hat{j}, \vec{B}(0) = 3\hat{i} + 2\hat{j}$ and $\vec{B}(1) = 2\hat{i} + 6\hat{j}$. The show that $\vec{A}(t)$ and $\vec{B}(t)$ are parallel for some t .