

# QSOA - NSW

## 4 Unit Mathematics

### Trial HSC Examination 1985

1. (i) Sketch the curve  $y = \frac{x}{x^2-1}$  showing clearly the coordinates of any turning points or points of inflexion and the equations of any horizontal or vertical asymptotes.

(ii) Sketch the curve  $9y^2 = x(x-3)^2$  showing clearly the coordinates of any turning points.

(a) Show that the area enclosed between the  $x$  axis and that part of the curve which lies in the first quadrant between  $x = 0$  and  $x = 3$  is  $\frac{4\sqrt{3}}{5}$  square units.

(b) Show that the length of that part of the curve which lies in the first quadrant between  $x = 0$  and  $x = 3$  is  $2\sqrt{3}$  units. You may assume that the length required is given by the formula: Length  $= \int_0^3 \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2} dx$ .

2. (i) Find  $\int \frac{dx}{x\sqrt{x^2-1}}$

(ii) Evaluate  $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{1}{3+5\cos x} dx$ .

(iii) Show that  $\int_0^1 \frac{\sqrt{x}}{(1+x)} dx = 2 - \frac{\pi}{2}$ .

(iv) Given that  $I_n = \int \sec^n x dx$ , where  $n \geq 2$ , show that

$(n-1)I_n = \tan x \sec^{n-2} x + (n-2)I_{n-2}$ . Hence evaluate  $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \sec^6 x dx$ .

3. (i) The complex numbers  $z_1 = 4i$ ,  $z_2 = 2\sqrt{3} - 2i$ ,  $z_3 = -2\sqrt{3} - 2i$  are represented on an Argand diagram by the points  $A, B, C$  respectively.

(a) Show that the triangle  $ABC$  is equilateral.

(b) Show that  $z_1^2$  and  $z_2 z_3$  are represented by the same point on the Argand diagram.

(ii) Find the exact value of the modulus and argument of the complex number  $z = \frac{1+i}{\sqrt{3}-i}$ . Find the smallest possible integer  $n$  such that  $z^n$  is real. For this value of  $n$  find the value of  $z^n$ .

(iii) Given that, in the Argand diagram, the point  $P$  represents the complex number  $z$  and  $Q$  the complex number  $z^2$ , show that if  $P$  moves on a straight line parallel to (but not coinciding with) the imaginary axis then  $Q$  will move on a certain parabola, and that all such parabolas have a common focus. Also state what the locus of  $Q$  is when  $P$  describes the imaginary axis.

4. (i) Show that the point  $P(a \sec \theta, b \tan \theta)$  lies on the hyperbola  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$  for all values of  $\theta$ . If  $Q$  is the point  $(a \sec \phi, b \tan \phi)$  where  $\theta + \phi = \frac{\pi}{2}$  show that the locus of the midpoint of  $PQ$  is  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = \frac{y}{b}$ .

(ii) Show that the equation of the normal to the hyperbola  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} - \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$  at the point  $(a \sec \theta, b \tan \theta)$  is  $ax \tan \theta + by \sec \theta = (a^2 + b^2) \sec \theta \tan \theta$ . The ordinate at  $P$  meets an asymptote of the hyperbola at  $Q$ . The normal at  $P$  meets the  $x$  axis at  $G$ . Show that  $GQ$  is at right angles to the asymptote.

5. (i) A solid has a base in the form of an ellipse with major axis 10 units and minor axis 8 units. If every section perpendicular to the major axis is an isosceles triangle with altitude 6 units show that the volume of the solid is  $60\pi$  cubic units.

(ii) The region  $R$  in the first quadrant such that  $y \leq 4x^2 - x^4$  is rotated about the  $y$  axis to form a solid of revolution. Use the method of decomposition into cylindrical shells to show that the volume of the solid is  $\frac{32\pi}{3}$  cubic units.

6. (i) A car is travelling round a section of a race track which is banked at an angle of  $15^\circ$ . The radius of the track is 100 metres. What is the speed at which the car can travel without tending to slip?

(ii) A light inextensible string of length  $3L$  is threaded through a smooth vertical ring which is free to turn. The string carries a particle at each end. One particle  $A$  of mass  $m$  is at rest at a distance  $L$  below the ring. The other particle  $B$  of mass  $M$  is rotating in a horizontal circle whose centre is  $A$ . Find the angular velocity of  $B$  and find  $m$  in terms of  $M$ .

7. (i) The equation  $x^3 + 2x - 1 = 0$  has roots  $x = \alpha, \beta, \gamma$ . In each of the following cases find an equation with numerical coefficients having the roots stated.

(a)  $x = -\alpha, -\beta, -\gamma$

(b)  $x = \alpha, -\alpha, \beta, -\beta, \gamma, -\gamma$

(c)  $\alpha^2, \beta^2, \gamma^2$ .

(ii) Find the general solution of the equation  $\cos x + \cos 2x + \cos 3x = 0$ .

(iii) Write down, in modulus-argument form, the five roots of  $z^5 = 1$ . Show that when these five roots are plotted on an Argand diagram they form the vertices of a regular pentagon of area  $\frac{5}{2} \sin \frac{2\pi}{5}$ . By combining appropriate pairs of these roots show that for  $z \neq 1$ ,  $\frac{z^5 - 1}{z - 1} = (z^2 - 2z \cos \frac{2\pi}{5} + 1)(z^2 - 2z \cos \frac{4\pi}{5} + 1)$ . Deduce that  $\cos \frac{2\pi}{5}$  and  $\cos \frac{4\pi}{5}$  are the roots of the equation  $4x^2 + 2x - 1 = 0$ .

8. (i) By considering the stationary value of the function  $f(x) = x - \ln x$  show that for  $x > 0$ ,  $\ln x \leq x - 1$ . Deduce that if  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$  are positive numbers and  $A = \frac{1}{n} \sum_1^n a_n$  then  $\sum_1^n \ln \frac{a_n}{A} \leq \sum_1^n \frac{a_n}{A} - n = 0$ . Hence deduce that  $\frac{a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_n}{n} \geq (a_1 a_2 \dots a_n)^{\frac{1}{n}}$ . Hence, or otherwise, prove that if  $u, v, w$  are positive numbers and  $u + v + w = 1$  then  $\frac{1}{u^2} + \frac{1}{v^2} + \frac{1}{w^2} \geq 27$ .

(ii) Given that  $\sin^{-1} x, \cos^{-1} x$  and  $\sin^{-1}(1 - x)$  are acute:

(a) show that  $\sin(\sin^{-1} x - \cos^{-1} x) = 2x^2 - 1$ ;

(b) solve the equation  $\sin^{-1} x - \cos^{-1} x = \sin^{-1}(1 - x)$ .