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- 2401. Consider whether the statistics are measures of central tendency or spread.
- 2402. Since you are working near the origin, i.e. with small x values, use a small-angle approximation  $\sin x \approx x$ . Check error bounds at the end, to show that your root is correct to 1dp.
- 2403. (a) Use NIII.
  - (b) Use suvat.
  - (c) Add the accelerations from (b), and then use a single *suvat*.
- 2404. The point lies on the x axis, and is stationary. The question is the nature of the stationary point. You need to consider the fact that the curve is a cubic.
- 2405. Enact the differential operator, using the chain or quotient rule.
- 2406. Let the indefinite integral of y be F(x). This will allow you to perform the integrals and check the algebra.
- 2407. Consider the order of f(x)g(x), its sign, and the multiplicity of the roots.
- 2408. Go through the motions of solving to find A and B, and find a contradiction.
- 2409. (a) Substitute t and T.
  - (b) Rearrange the first equation for A.
  - (c) Divide the equations and solve a quadratic in  $2^{\lambda}$ .
  - (d) Take the limit by setting the exponential decay term to zero.
- 2410. Easiest is to rearrange to  $y \sin u = 0$ , and then differentiate implicitly with respect to y.
- 2411. (a) Sketch  $y = x^2 1$  first, and then consider the effect of applying the mod function to the y values.
  - (b) Both intersections appear on the same part of the graph (the bit that has been reflected). So, you only need to solve one equation.
- 2412. You don't need to use the fact that the vertices form a cyclic quadrilateral. Easier is simply to find the midpoints of the diagonals, and show that they coincide.
- 2413. Simplify the LHS using the binomial expansion. Then solve the boundary equation. Sketch a graph if you need to.

- 2414. The point of this question is that simultaneous solving requires *both* conditions to hold: note that the logical negation of "A and B are true" is not "A and B are false." Rather, it is "At least one of A and B is false."
- 2415. Find a counterexample: two prime numbers whose mean is prime.
- 2416. Use the compound-angle formula

 $\sin(\theta - \phi) \equiv \sin\theta\cos\phi - \cos\theta\sin\phi.$ 

Quote the exact values for  $45^{\circ}$  and  $30^{\circ}$ .

- 2417. Use an input transformation to reflect the parabola in the y axis. Note that, if the new parabola is a translation of P in the x direction, then it is also a reflection of P in the x direction.
- 2418. Write the numerator in terms of the denominator, i.e. 4x = 2(2x-1)+2. Then split the fraction up.
- 2419. A number line may help. In both, the limits are 0 and 1. In (b), the symbol is set subtraction.
- 2420. The *third difference* is the "difference between the differences between the differences between terms." Visually, this is

1		8		27		64	Terms
	7		19		37		First Diff.
		12		18			Second Diff.
			6				Third Diff.

Consider the polynomial order (highest power) of the second differences, first differences, and thus original terms.

- 2421. Calculate a definite integral.
- 2422. Express e as  $10^k$ , and then manipulate  $y = e^x$  into the form  $y = 10^{f(x)}$ .
- 2423. Solve f(x) = 1; it's a quadratic. Then differentiate either by the product rule or by first multiplying out. Then evaluate f' at the roots of f(x) = 1.
- 2424. Form an equation linking m and n, and so express  $m^2 + n^2$  in terms of one variable only.
- 2425. Newton-Raphson tends to be easiest. You might want to do some rearranging first: the equation can be manipulated to a quartic polynomial.
- 2426. This is a standard result known as integration by inspection. Inspections are justified (once you know the result) by running the process in reverse: differentiating to get the integrand.

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(b) Resolve along the string.

2428. Use log rules.

- 2429. The volume formula is  $V = \frac{1}{3}\pi r^2 h$ . Differentiate this implicitly with respect to t, then substitute in the various quantities.
- 2430. You need to show that the quadratic  $5x^2 3x 1$  is strictly greater than zero for all  $x \in [1, \infty)$ .
- 2431. Express the fraction as an integer plus a proper fraction: begin by writing the top in terms of the bottom.
- 2432. Show that  $\csc \theta$  has the same value whether the interior angle chosen is acute or obtuse. So, call the angle at the right-hand vertex  $\theta$ . Split this this in two, and think of the rhombus as four right-angled triangles. You'll need a double-angle formula.
- 2433. Both cubics have x = 0 as a root. The question is whether there are any possibilities other than x = 0.
- 2434. A logarithm is unaffected when raising both base and input to the same power.
- 2435. (a) Use NIII. If the boy exerts a force of 400 N on the sledge, then the sledge must exert a force of 400 N on the boy.
  - (b) Resolve horizontally for the sledge.
- 2436. Sketch the situation carefully: once you have found the relationship between the boundary line and the circle, no calculation is required.
- 2437. The even and odd cases are different.
- 2438. You can prove this by construction, which means laying out the means of finding the circle through the vertices, and establishing that there is only way of doing so.
- 2439. (a) For the LHS, write the first ten terms longhand and add them.
  - (b) For the RHS, quote the trapezium rule formula, and calculate it.
- 2440. Begin by finding the sum of the integers from 1 to 100 which *are* multiples of 5. You might want to use the fact that the sum of the first n integers is  $S_n = \frac{1}{2}n(n+1).$

- 2441. Differentiate by the chain rule to find the gradient at  $x = \frac{\pi}{3}$ . Find the y coordinate, and substitute into  $y y_1 = m(x x_1)$ .
- 2442. (a) Average the position vectors.
  - (b) You'll need the fact that  $\overrightarrow{AP} = \mathbf{p} \mathbf{a}$ .
  - (c) You should find that X and Y coincide when  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  are  $\frac{2}{3}$ . This means that the *centroid* (the point of intersection) divides both AP and BQ in the same ratio 2 : 1.
  - (d) To complete the proof, extend the argument by symmetry to CR.
- 2443. The basic sinusoids  $\sin(x)$  and  $\cos(x)$  have period  $2\pi$ . Consider e.g.  $\sin 5x$  as an input-transformed sine wave, whose period is  $\frac{2}{5}\pi$ .
- 2444. Use the quotient rule.
- 2445. (a) Take the RHS and simplify to get the LHS.
  - (b) Use integration by inspection, here the reverse chain rule.
- 2446. Use a log law to express the LHS as a single ln. Then undo the ln by exponentiating both sides. Then use a double-angle formula. There is one root in the given domain.
- 2447. Differentiate, and then find the equation of a generic tangent in the form y = mx + c, where both m and c depend on a. Then find the points at which this line crosses the axes, and calculate the area of  $\triangle AOB$ .
- 2448. This is mostly valid, but one special case has been ignored.
- 2449. Find the first derivative at  $x = \frac{\pi}{4}$ . If you try to find its negative reciprocal, something will go awry. But this isn't an error: think about the graph and interpret the result.
- 2450. (a) Use *suvat*.
  - (b) Use NII for the person.
  - (c) Use NII and *suvat* for the Earth.
  - (d) Use NII for the Earth, remembering that weight (gravitational attraction) also comes as a Newton III pair.
  - (e) Use *suvat*.
- 2451. You might first consider how y = x relates to (a) |y| = x and (b) y = |x|. All three pass through the origin. You can then translate them by vector  $p\mathbf{i} + q\mathbf{j}$ .

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- 2453. In a large population, the probability that any member lies above the upper quartile is 0.25.
- 2454. Consider the effect of the given transformation on the initial position vector  $5\mathbf{i}$  and on the direction vector  $\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j}$ .
- 2455. Find a counterexample. The statement is true for polynomials, so you need to look for something else. Note that nothing in the question says you can't define a graph *piecewise*, i.e. differently in different domains.
- 2456. Solve  $1170x^2 389x 165 = 0$  first using the quadratic formula, and then reverse engineer the factorisation.
- 2457. (a) Use Pythagoras.
  - (b) Calculate gradients.
  - (c) Consider that  $\mathbf{p}$  is the standard position vector on the unit circle, at angle  $\theta$ .
  - (d) Solve a pair of simultaneous equations for  $\mathbf{i}, \mathbf{j}$ .
- 2458. Divide top and bottom by  $x^2$  before taking the limit.
- 2459. The question is, in each case, whether the graph  $y = \cos x$  has one of the coordinate axes as a line of symmetry.
- 2460. Prove this by contradiction. Consider the cases p = 3k and p = 3k + 1 for  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , and show that each leads to a contradiction.
- 2461. This is best considered graphically.
- 2462. In each, find the range R of the denominator first. Then reciprocate, considering whether R contains 0 or not.
- 2463. This is a quadratic in  $x^{\frac{3}{2}}$ .
- 2464. In each case, fill the first gap, then the second, then the third.
- 2465. Integrate by the reverse chain rule, and use the exact values of sin.
- 2466. This is true. Consider the two linear equations ax + by = c and dx + ey = f as straight lines on a set of (x, y) axes.

- 2467. Use Pythagoras to find the radius of the circle in terms of l.
- 2468. Differentiate by the quotient rule, and then set the numerator to zero.
- 2469. Use the binomial expansion. Note that half of the terms will cancel, and don't need to be worked out explicitly.
- 2470. The student is correct. Consider NIII.
- 2471. Differentiate and solve  $\frac{dy}{dx} > 0$  for k.
- 2472. Consider the three transformations: input scaling, output scaling, translation. Only two affect areas.
- 2473. This can be done by drawing two individual force diagrams, or more efficiently by considering the equation of motion along the string.
- 2474. Explain why  $\arccos x = \theta$ , where  $\theta$  is the standard angle on the unit circle.
- 2475. Only (b) has insufficient information. In (a) and (c), proceed algebraically from the equation given.
- 2476. Consider the fact that the curves are reflections of each other in y = x.
- 2477. (a) Differentiate.
  - (b) Solve for intersections between the tangent line and the curve.
  - (c) Use the factor theorem. You already know one of the roots of the cubic.
- 2478. (a) Sketch the distribution.
  - (b) The inequality  $X^2 < k^2$  is a restriction of the possibility space. Again, a sketch will help.
- 2479. The functions are quadratic, so their derivatives are linear. Show that the derivatives must be the same for all x, then integrate.
- 2480. Consider whether the mod function is affecting the inputs or the outputs.
- 2481. The restrictions are only very small: most values of p and q, but not quite all, do give a stationary point at x = 0. Go about finding stationary points in the usual way, and substitute in the information given.
- 2482. Use the first Pythagorean trig identity to turn this into a quadratic in  $\sin x$ .

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- 2483. Find the relevant horizontal speed. Then, use a vertical *suvat* to find the time of flight for both. Substitute this into the horizontal.
- 2484. All orders of  $\{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4\}$  are equally likely, and this is exactly one of them.
- 2485. If in doubt, sketch y = g(x).
- 2486. (a) The ordinal formula is the nth term formula. Quote a standard GP result.
  - (b) Set up an equation in n and solve.
- 2487. (a) Use  $x = e^{\ln x}$ .
  - (b) Use index laws and the chain rule.
- 2488. In each case, the new graph contains the old one and some more points.
- 2489. Use the first Pythagorean trig identity to form a quadratic in  $\sin x$ .
- 2490. Write the information out longhand, and use the chain rule in the form  $\frac{dz}{dx} = \frac{dz}{dy} \times \frac{dy}{dx}$ .
- 2491. Calculate the two integrals. This will produce a quartic in k. Use your calculator's polynomial solver, or a numerical method, to solve for k.
- 2492. Find an expression for the area A in terms of t. Simplify it with a double-angle formula, and set its derivative to 0.
- 2493. Ask: "In the first equation, what do I replace x with?" and "In the first equation, what do I add to the outputs?" These give, respectively, the x and y transformations.
- 2494. With the minimum possible force, the sledge moves at constant velocity, so a = 0, and friction is at  $F_{\rm max}$ .

Draw a force diagram, including the reaction force. Calculate the reaction using vertical equilibrium. This gives the frictional force. Then consider the horizontal forces.

- 2495. There are three ways in which a set of three lines can be non-concurrent: none parallel, two parallel, or three parallel.
- 2496. The identity is automatically true for  $x \ge 0$ . So, consider the case x < 0.
- 2497. "Verify" means "Check that the given solution works." Multiply the equation of the curve out to simplify it. Then differentiate to find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  and substitute this and y into the DE.

- 2498. Find a counterexample: a quartic equation (left in factorised form) with precisely three roots.
- 2499. Let  $P = x^3 + y^3$ . Rearrange  $x^2 + y^2 = 1$  for y, and then substitute into  $P = x^3 + y^3$ . Then find  $\frac{dP}{dt}$  and set it to zero.
- $2500.\,$  These are instances of the chain rule.

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