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HSC Extension 2 Mathematics Revision Questions - Set 2

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1. Let $w = \frac{z-z}{z}$. Find the locus of w when z is a point that moves around the circle with centre the origin and radius 3.
2. Let $S(ae, 0)$ and $S'(-ae, 0)$ be the foci on the ellipse $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$ and $P(x, y)$ be a point on the ellipse. Prove that the angle between the tangent at P and the line PS equals the angle between the tangent and the line PS' .
3. A resistance equal to $v + v^3$ is applied to a particle of unit mass moving in a straight line, where v is the velocity. The particle is initially at the origin and moving with velocity $u > 0$.
 - (i) Find an expression for the displacement in terms of v .
 - (ii) Find an expression for time t in terms of v .
 - (iii) Find an expression for v in terms of t .
 - (iv) Describe the motion of the particle.
4. The area bounded by $y = \frac{1}{x}$ and $y = \frac{1}{x-1}$ and the lines $y = 1$ and $y = 4$ is rotated around the y -axis. Find the volume of the solid so formed, using:
 - (i) the method of slicing
 - (ii) cylindrical shells
 - (iii) the standard approach using $V = \pi \int x^2 dy$
5. Given that α, β and γ are the roots of $x^3 + ax^2 + bx + c = 0$, find the equation that has roots α^2, β^2 and γ^2 . Hence find $\alpha^2 + \beta^2 + \gamma^2$. Compare your result using the usual method starting with $(\alpha + \beta + \gamma)^2$.
6. A simple pendulum consists of a particle P of mass m kg attached to a fixed point F by a string of length l metres. The particle moves along a circular arc in a fixed vertical plane through F with the point O being the lowest point of the arc. Let $\angle OFP = \theta$, arc length $OP = s$ metres, time t measured in seconds and g m/s² be gravitational acceleration.
 - (i) Show that the tangential acceleration of P be given by

$$\frac{d^2s}{dt^2} = l \frac{d}{d\theta} \left(\frac{1}{2} \dot{\theta}^2 \right)$$

where $\dot{\theta} = \frac{d\theta}{dt}$.

(ii) Show that the equation of motion of the pendulum is

$$l \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{1}{2} \dot{\theta}^2 \right) = -g \sin \theta$$

(iii) Suppose the pendulum is given an initial angular velocity of $\sqrt{\frac{g}{l}}$ radians/sec at $\theta = 0$. Show that

$$\frac{1}{2} l \dot{\theta}^2 = g \left(\cos \theta - \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

Hence deduce that the maximum value of θ attained by the pendulum is $\frac{\pi}{3}$.

(iv) Suppose that on the initial upward swing the angular velocity is better approximated from the equation

$$\frac{1}{2} l \dot{\theta}^2 = g \left(\cos \theta - \frac{1}{2} \right) - \frac{g}{10} (2 \sin \theta - \theta).$$

Use one application of Newton's method with $\theta_0 = \frac{\pi}{3}$ to find the maximum value of θ attained by the pendulum.

7. Let α, β, γ be the roots of $x^3 + ax^2 + bx + c = 0$. If $b - a - c = 7$ show that $\alpha\beta\gamma < 1$.
8. The probability that an manufacturing company experiences n industrial accidents in one month is given by $P_n = e^{-1.5} \frac{1.5^n}{n!}$ where n is an integer.
- (i) Find the probability that no accidents occur during a particular month.
- (ii) Find the probability that there are at least three months in a given year that no accidents occur.
- (iii) Find the most likely number of accidents per month.
9. Let $s_n = 1 + \sum_{r=1}^n \frac{1}{r!}$ for $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$
- (i) Prove using induction that

$$e - s_n = e \int_0^1 \frac{x^n}{n!} e^{-x} dx$$

(ii) Hence deduce that for $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

$$0 < e - s_n < \frac{3}{(n+1)!}$$

(iii) Hence deduce that $(e - s_n)n!$ is not an integer for $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

(iv) Show that there cannot exist positive integers p and q such that $e = \frac{p}{q}$.

10. By considering the exact area under the curve $f(x) = \ln x$ between $x = 1$ and $x = k$ with the estimate using the trapezoidal rule, show that

$$k! < e\sqrt{k} \left(\frac{k}{e} \right)^k$$