

[1] (40pt)

Answer the following questions.

- (1) Let $0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$. Find the value θ such that $\cos \theta$ is not a rational number, but both $\cos 2\theta$ and $\cos 3\theta$ are rational numbers.
 You may use the result that if p is a prime number then \sqrt{p} is not rational.

(2) Find the values of

(i) $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{x}{\cos^2 x} dx$

(ii) $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{dx}{\cos x}$

- (1) Let $x = \cos \theta$, then $0 < x < 1$ for $0 < \theta < \frac{\pi}{2}$.

$$\cos 2\theta = 2 \cos^2 \theta - 1 = 2x^2 - 1$$

$$\cos 3\theta = 4 \cos^3 \theta - 3 \cos \theta = 4x^3 - 3x$$

Assume that x is not rational and that both $2x^2 - 1$ and $4x^3 - 3x$ are rational.

Since $2x^2 - 1$ is rational, $x^2 = \frac{(2x^2 - 1) + 1}{2}$ is also rational.

Then $4x^2 - 3$ is rational.

Since $4x^3 - 3x = x(4x^2 - 3)$ is rational and x is not rational, the rational number $4x^2 - 3$ must be 0.

$$4x^2 - 3 = 0$$

$$x^2 = \frac{3}{4}$$

$x = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ which is not rational, as required.

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

Hence

$$\theta = \frac{\pi}{6}$$

(2) (i)

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{x}{\cos^2 x} dx &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} x(\tan x)' dx \\ &= [x \tan x]_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} - \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \tan x dx \\ &= \frac{\pi}{4} \tan \frac{\pi}{4} - [-\log |\cos x|]_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \\ &= \frac{\pi}{4} + \log(\cos \frac{\pi}{4}) - \log(\cos 0) \\ &= \frac{\pi}{4} + \log \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\end{aligned}$$

(ii)

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{dx}{\cos x} &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\cos x}{\cos^2 x} dx \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\cos x}{1 - \sin^2 x} dx\end{aligned}$$

Substitute $u = \sin x$, then $\frac{du}{dx} = \cos x$, therefore $dx = \frac{du}{\cos x}$.

$$\text{And } \begin{array}{l|l} x & 0 \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4} \\ u & 0 \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{dx}{\cos x} &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \frac{\cos x}{1 - \sin^2 x} dx \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} \frac{\cos x}{1 - u^2} \frac{du}{\cos x} \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} \frac{1}{1 - u^2} du \\ &= \int_0^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} \frac{1}{(1 + u)(1 - u)} du \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} \left(\frac{1}{1 + u} + \frac{1}{1 - u} \right) du \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left([\log |1 + u| - \log |1 - u|]_0^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\log \left(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) - \log \left(1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}{1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{\sqrt{2} + 1}{\sqrt{2} - 1} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \log(\sqrt{2} + 1)^2 \\ &= \log(\sqrt{2} + 1)\end{aligned}$$

[2] (30pt)

Given that $f(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 + 2$. Find all integers n such that both $|f(n)|$ and $|f(n+1)|$ are prime numbers.

You see that either n or $n+1$ is even.

If $x = 2k$ is an even number,

$$f(2k) = (2k)^3 + 2(2k)^2 + 2 = 8k^3 + 8k^2 + 2 = 2(4k^3 + 4k^2 + 1)$$

is also an even number.

Then $|f(2k)|$ is prime, if and only if $4k^3 + 4k^2 + 1 = 1$ or $4k^3 + 4k^2 + 1 = -1$

Assume that $4k^3 + 4k^2 + 1 = -1$,

$$4k^3 + 4k^2 = -2, \quad 4k^2(k+1) = -2, \quad 2k^2(k+1) = -1$$

Since $2k^2(k+1)$ is even and that -1 is odd, there are no such integer k .

Assume that $4k^3 + 4k^2 + 1 = 1$,

$$4k^3 + 4k^2 = 0, \quad 4k^2(k+1) = 0$$

$$k = 0, \quad \text{or} \quad k = -1$$

Then

$$2k = 0, \quad \text{or} \quad 2k = -2$$

Since

$$|f(-3)| = |(-3)^3 + 2(-3)^2 + 2| = |-27 + 18 + 2| = |-7| = 7, \quad \text{then prime.}$$

$$|f(-2)| = |(-2)^3 + 2(-2)^2 + 2| = |-8 + 8 + 2| = |2| = 2, \quad \text{then prime.}$$

$$|f(-1)| = |(-1)^3 + 2(-1)^2 + 2| = |-1 + 2 + 2| = |3| = 3, \quad \text{then prime.}$$

$$|f(0)| = |0^3 + 2 \cdot 0^2 + 2| = |0 + 0 + 2| = |2| = 2, \quad \text{then prime.}$$

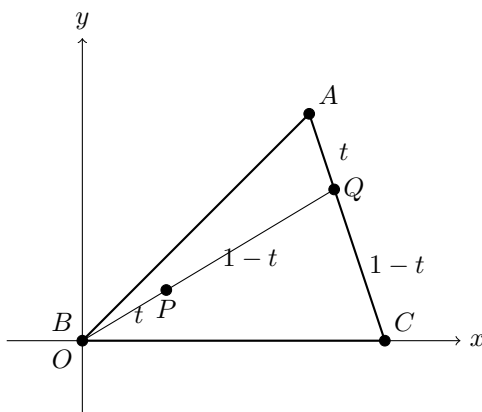
$$|f(1)| = |1^3 + 2 \cdot 1^2 + 2| = |1 + 2 + 2| = |5| = 5, \quad \text{then prime.}$$

Hence the required integers n are

$$n = -3, -2, -1, 0$$

[3] (35pt)

Let S be the area of an acute triangle ABC . Let Q be a point which divides internally in the ratio $t : 1 - t$ of the side AC and let P be a point which divides internally in the ratio $t : 1 - t$ of the segment BQ , where t is a real number such that $0 < t < 1$. Find the area surrounded by the locus of the point P when t varies and the line BC with respect to S .



We fix the coordinates system such that $A(v, w)$, $B(0, 0)$ and $C(u, 0)$ where u , v and w are positive numbers.

Then

$$\vec{OQ} = \vec{OA} + \vec{AQ} = \vec{OA} + t\vec{AC} = \vec{OA} + t(\vec{OC} - \vec{OA}) = (1-t)\vec{OA} + \vec{OC}$$

Therefore

$$\vec{OQ} = (1-t) \begin{pmatrix} v \\ w \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} u \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} (1-t)v + u \\ (1-t)w \end{pmatrix}$$

And

$$\vec{OP} = t\vec{OQ}$$

Then

$$\vec{OP} = t \begin{pmatrix} (1-t)v + u \\ (1-t)w \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} t(1-t)v + tu \\ t(1-t)w \end{pmatrix}$$

Therefore the equation of the locus of the point P is given as

$$\begin{cases} x = t(1-t)v + tu = (u+v)t - vt^2 \\ y = t(1-t)w = wt - wt^2 \end{cases}$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = (u+v) - 2vt, \quad dx = ((u+v) - 2vt) dt$$

Hence the required area A is

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \int_0^u y \, dx \\ &= \int_0^1 (wt - wt^2)((u + v) - 2vt) \, dt \\ &= \int_0^1 (w(u + v)t + (-w(u + v) - 2vw)t^2 + 2vwt^3) \, dt \\ &= \int_0^1 (w(u + v)t - w(u + 3v)t^2 + 2vwt^3) \, dt \\ &= w \left[\frac{1}{2}(u + v)t^2 - \frac{1}{3}(u + 3v)t^3 + \frac{1}{2}vt^4 \right]_0^1 \\ &= w \left(\frac{1}{2}(u + v) - \frac{1}{3}(u + 3v) + \frac{1}{2}v \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{6}uw \end{aligned}$$

Since $S = \frac{1}{2}uw$,

$$A = \frac{1}{3}S$$

[4] (30pt)

When we throw a die n times and let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be the consecutive number of face of a die. Find the probability satisfying the following condition (I) with respect to n . We assume that $X_0 = 0$.

Condition (I): Given that $1 \leq k \leq n$. There exist one and only one k such that $X_{k-1} \leq 4$ and $X_k \geq 5$.

The condition (I) means:

Before k , every number of the face of die are less than or equal to 4, and after k , once X_{i+1} is less than or equal to 4, after that every number of the face of die must be less than or equal to 4.

Then

$$X_0 = 0,$$

$$X_1 \leq 4, X_2 \leq 4, \dots, X_{k-1} \leq 4, \quad \text{probability} = \left(\frac{4}{6}\right)^k$$

$$X_k \geq 5, X_{k+1} \geq 5, \dots, X_i \geq 5, \quad \text{probability} = \left(\frac{2}{6}\right)^{i-k+1}$$

$$X_{i+1} \leq 4, X_{i+2} \leq 4, \dots, X_n \leq 4 \quad \text{probability} = \left(\frac{4}{6}\right)^{n-i}$$

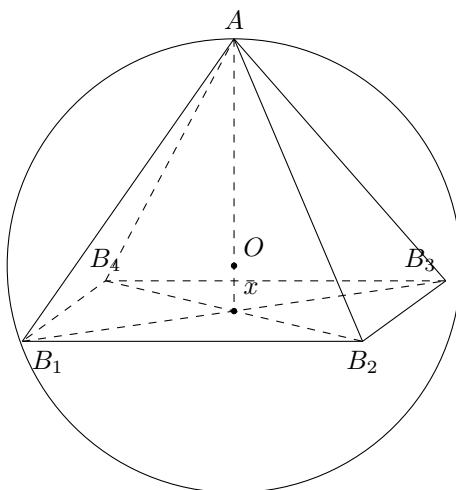
where $k \leq i \leq n$.

Therefore the required probability P is

$$\begin{aligned} P &= \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{i=k}^n \left(\frac{4}{6}\right)^{k-1} \left(\frac{2}{6}\right)^{i-k+1} \left(\frac{4}{6}\right)^{n-i} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{i=k}^n \frac{2^{n+k-i-1}}{3^n} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{2^{n+k-1}}{3^n} \sum_{i=k}^n 2^{-i} \right) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{2^{n+k-1}}{3^n} \frac{2^{-k}(1-2^{-(n-k+1)})}{1-2^{-1}} \right) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{2^n(1-2^{-n+k-1})}{3^n} \right) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{2^n - 2^{k-1}}{3^n} \right) \\ &= n \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n - \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^n \frac{(1-2^n)}{1-2} \\ &= \frac{n \cdot 2^n - 2^n + 1}{3^n} \\ &= \frac{(n-1)2^n + 1}{3^n} \end{aligned}$$

[5] (30pt)

Let five points A , B_1 , B_2 , B_3 and B_4 lie on the surface of the sphere whose radius is 1 and $B_1B_2B_3B_4$ forms a square which is the base of a pyramid $AB_1B_2B_3B_4$. Find the maximum volume of a pyramid $AB_1B_2B_3B_4$.



Let x be the distance from the center O of the sphere and the square $B_1B_2B_3B_4$. Then the length of the diagonal of the square is given by $2\sqrt{1-x^2}$. The area of the square $B_1B_2B_3B_4$ is

$$\frac{1}{2}(2\sqrt{1-x^2})^2 = 2(1-x^2)$$

The height of the pyramid $AB_1B_2B_3B_4$ is $1+x$. Then the volume V of the pyramid $AB_1B_2B_3B_4$ is $1+x$ is

$$V = \frac{1}{3} \cdot 2(1-x^2) \cdot (1+x) = \frac{2}{3}(1+x-x^2-x^3)$$

$$\frac{dV}{dx} = \frac{2}{3}(1-2x-3x^2) = -\frac{2}{3}(3x-1)(x+1)$$

Then $\frac{dV}{dx} = 0$, when $x = -1, \frac{1}{3}$. Since $0 < x < 1$, the variation of V is

x	0	$\frac{1}{3}$	1
$\frac{dV}{dx}$	+	0	-
V		$\nearrow \frac{64}{81}$	\searrow

Hence the maximum volume of a pyramid $AB_1B_2B_3B_4$ is $\frac{64}{81}$.

[6] (35pt)

Find the smallest positive integer n such that $(1+i)^n + (1-i)^n > 10^{10}$, where $i^2 = -1$.

Since

$$1+i = \sqrt{2}\left(\cos \frac{\pi}{4} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

and

$$1-i = \sqrt{2}\left(\cos \frac{\pi}{4} - i \sin \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

then

$$\begin{aligned}(1+i)^n + (1-i)^n &= \left(\sqrt{2}\left(\cos \frac{\pi}{4} + i \sin \frac{\pi}{4}\right)\right)^n + \left(\sqrt{2}\left(\cos \frac{\pi}{4} - i \sin \frac{\pi}{4}\right)\right)^n \\ &= 2^{\frac{n}{2}}\left(\cos \frac{n\pi}{4} + i \sin \frac{n\pi}{4}\right) + 2^{\frac{n}{2}}\left(\cos \frac{n\pi}{4} - i \sin \frac{n\pi}{4}\right) \\ &= 2^{\frac{n}{2}+1} \cos \frac{n\pi}{4}\end{aligned}$$

For $\cos \frac{n\pi}{4}$ is positive, $n = 8k$, $n = 8k + 1$ or $n = 8k + 7$, where k is a non-negative integer.

(i) When $n = 8k$,

$$\cos \frac{n\pi}{4} = \cos \frac{8k\pi}{4} = \cos 2k\pi = 1. \text{ Then}$$

$$(1+i)^n + (1-i)^n > 10^{10}$$

$$2^{\frac{n}{2}+1} \cos \frac{n\pi}{4} > 10^{10}$$

$$2^{\frac{8k}{2}+1} > 10^{10}$$

$$2^{4k+1} > 10^{10}$$

$$\log_{10} 2^{4k+1} > \log_{10} 10^{10}$$

$$(4k+1) \log_{10} 2 > 10$$

$$k > \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{10}{\log_{10} 2} - 1 \right)$$

$$k > 8.05$$

Therefore the smallest integer k is $k = 9$.

Then $n = 8k = 72$.

(ii) When $n = 8k + 1$,

$$\cos \frac{n\pi}{4} = \cos \frac{(8k+1)\pi}{4} = \cos\left(2k\pi + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}.$$

Then

$$(1+i)^n + (1-i)^n > 10^{10}$$

$$2^{\frac{n}{2}+1} \cos \frac{n\pi}{4} > 10^{10}$$

$$2^{\frac{8k+1}{2}+1} 2^{-\frac{1}{2}} > 10^{10}$$

$$2^{4k+1} > 10^{10}$$

$$\log_{10} 2^{4k+1} > \log_{10} 10^{10}$$

$$(4k+1) \log_{10} 2 > 10$$

$$k > \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{10}{\log_{10} 2} - 1 \right)$$

$$k > 8.05$$

Therefore the smallest integer k is $k = 9$.

Then $n = 8k + 1 = 73$.

(iii) When $n = 8k + 7$,

$$\cos \frac{n\pi}{4} = \cos \frac{(8k+7)\pi}{4} = \cos(2k\pi + \frac{7\pi}{4}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}.$$

Then

$$(1+i)^n + (1-i)^n > 10^{10}$$

$$2^{\frac{n}{2}+1} \cos \frac{n\pi}{4} > 10^{10}$$

$$2^{\frac{8k+7}{2}+1} 2^{-\frac{1}{2}} > 10^{10}$$

$$2^{4k+4} > 10^{10}$$

$$\log_{10} 2^{4k+4} > \log_{10} 10^{10}$$

$$(4k+4) \log_{10} 2 > 10$$

$$k > \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{10}{\log_{10} 2} - 4 \right)$$

$$k > 7.30$$

Therefore the smallest integer k is $k = 8$.

Then $n = 8k + 7 = 71$.

Hence the smallest positive integer n is

$$n = 71$$