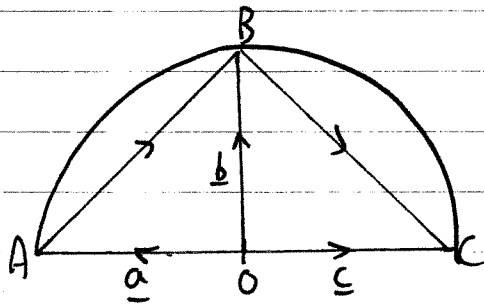


Part IA Mathematical Methods (Paper 4) Solutions

Section A

Q1.

(a) Vector geometry (Euclid)



$$\vec{AB} = (\underline{b} - \underline{a})$$

$$\vec{BC} = (\underline{c} - \underline{b}) = (-\underline{a} - \underline{b}) \quad \text{since } \underline{a} = -\underline{c}$$

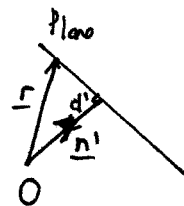
$$\therefore \vec{AB} \cdot \vec{BC} = (\underline{b} - \underline{a}) \cdot (-\underline{a} - \underline{b}) = -\underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} + \underline{a} \cdot \underline{b} + |\underline{a}|^2 - |\underline{b}|^2 = 0 \quad \text{since } |\underline{a}| = |\underline{b}| = |\underline{c}| \text{ since on circle}$$

(b) \therefore Angle subtended at B is 90° (QED)

(b) vector equations of lines and planes.

(i) $ax + by + cz = d$ can be rewritten as $\underline{r} \cdot \underline{n}' = d'$
 where $\underline{n}' = \frac{(a, b, c)}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$

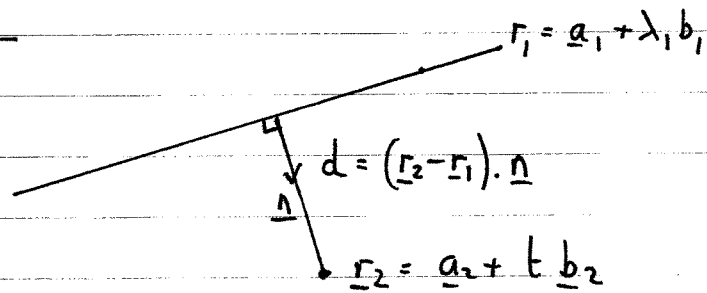
(6) (ii) distance to origin, $d' = \frac{d}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$



(iii) Closest point is at $\frac{d(a, b, c)}{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}$.

Q1(c) lines

(B)



Perpendicular distance is $d = \left| (\underline{a}_2 - \underline{a}_1) \cdot \underline{n} \right|$

where $\underline{n} = \frac{\underline{b}_1 \times \underline{b}_2}{|\underline{b}_1 \times \underline{b}_2|}$ is the perpendicular to both lines

Q2 (a) Series, approximations and limits

● L'Hôpital's rule:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{f'(a)}{g'(a)} \quad \text{if } f(a) = g(a) = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} (4) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{3}} \left(\frac{1 - 2 \cos(\pi x)}{1 - 3x} \right) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \frac{1}{3}} \left(\frac{2\pi \sin \pi x}{-3} \right) \\ &= \frac{2\pi}{-3} \sin \frac{\pi}{3} = \underline{\underline{-\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{3}}}} \end{aligned}$$

(b) Using power series expansion for $\sin x = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + O(x^5)$

$$\begin{aligned} (4) \quad \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{\sin^2 x} - \frac{1}{x^2} \right) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left[\frac{1}{\left(x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + O(x^5) \right)^2} - \frac{1}{x^2} \right] \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x^2} \left[\frac{1}{\left(1 - \frac{2x^2}{3!} + O(x^4) \right)} - 1 \right] \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{x^2} \left[\frac{1 - \left(1 - \frac{2x^2}{3!} + O(x^4) \right)}{1 - \frac{2x^2}{3!} + O(x^4)} \right] \\ &= \frac{2}{3!} \\ &= \underline{\underline{\frac{1}{3}}} \end{aligned}$$

(5) Complex numbers / hyperbolic fns

$$(i) \cosh z = \cosh(x+iy) \\ = \cosh x \cos y + i \sinh x \sin y$$

$$\text{since } \begin{cases} \cosh iy = \cos y \\ \sinh iy = i \sin y \end{cases}$$

$$\text{If } \cosh z = i;$$

$$\therefore \cosh x \cos y = 0 \implies \cos y = 0 \quad y = (2n+1)\frac{\pi}{2} \quad n=0, \dots$$

$$\sinh x \sin y = 1 \implies (-1)^n \sinh x = 1$$

$$\sinh x = (-1)^n$$

$$x = (-1)^n \sinh^{-1}(1)$$

$$\left(x = \pm \sinh^{-1}(1) = \pm 0.88 \right)$$

$$(6) \left. \begin{aligned} \therefore x &= (-1)^n \sinh^{-1}(1) \\ y &= (2n+1)\frac{\pi}{2} \end{aligned} \right\} n=0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

$$(ii) z^6 - 2z^3 + 2 = 0 \quad (6 \text{ roots.})$$

$$z^3 = 1 \pm \sqrt{1-2} = \sqrt{2} e^{\pm i\frac{\pi}{4}} = 2^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{\pm i(\frac{\pi}{4} + 2n\pi)}$$

$$z = 2^{\frac{1}{6}} \left\{ e^{\pm \frac{i(\frac{\pi}{4} + 2n\pi)}{3}} \right\}$$

$$= 2^{\frac{1}{6}} \left\{ e^{i\frac{\pi}{12}}, e^{i\frac{9\pi}{12}}, e^{i\frac{17\pi}{12}} \right\} \quad 6 \text{ roots}$$

$$(6) \text{ and } \underline{2^{\frac{1}{6}} \left\{ e^{-i\frac{\pi}{12}}, e^{i\frac{7\pi}{12}}, e^{i\frac{15\pi}{12}} \right\}}$$

Q3 Differential equations

$$(a) \quad 4 \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} + 4 \frac{dx}{dt} + x = 8 \cos^2\left(\frac{t}{4}\right) \quad x(0) = \left. \frac{dx}{dt} \right|_0 = 0$$

(i) Complementary function $x = e^{\lambda t}$

$$\therefore 4\lambda^2 + 4\lambda + 1 = 0$$

$$(2\lambda + 1)^2 = 0$$

$$\lambda = -\frac{1}{2} \quad (\text{repeated root})$$

$$\underline{x_{CF} = (A + B) e^{-\frac{t}{2}}}$$

(ii) Particular integral: $\underline{\text{RHS} = 4 \left(\cos^2 \frac{t}{2} + 1 \right)}$

Try:

$$x_{PI} = 4 + C \sin \frac{t}{2} + D \cos \frac{t}{2}$$

by substitution:

$$-C \frac{\sin(t/2)}{2} - D \cos \frac{t}{2} + 2C \cos \frac{t}{2} - 2D \sin \frac{t}{2} + C \sin \frac{t}{2} + D \cos \frac{t}{2} = 4 \cos \frac{t}{2}$$

$$\therefore -C - 2D + C = 0 \quad D = 0$$

$$-D + 2C + D = 4 \quad C = 2$$

$$\underline{x_{PI} = 4 + 2 \sin \frac{t}{2}}$$

(iii) General solution:

$$x(t) = (A + B) e^{-\frac{t}{2}} + 2 \sin \frac{t}{2} + 4$$

(12) $x = 0, t = 0 \rightarrow B = -4$

$\frac{dx}{dt} = 0, t = 0 \rightarrow A = -3$

$$\underline{\underline{x(t) = (-3t - 4) e^{-\frac{t}{2}} + 2 \sin \frac{t}{2} + 4}}$$

(6)

3(b) Linear difference equation.

$$4y_n + 4y_{n-1} + y_{n-2} = 0$$

$$y_n = \lambda^n \quad \therefore 4\lambda^2 + 4\lambda + 1 = 0$$

$$\lambda = -\frac{1}{2} \text{ repeated}$$

$$\therefore \underline{y_n = (An + B) \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^n}$$

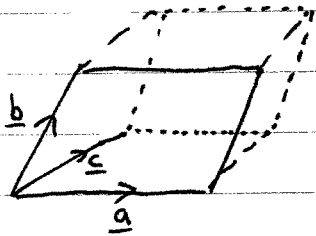
$$\begin{array}{l} y_0 = 1 \quad n=0 \quad B=1 \\ y_1 = -1 \quad n=1 \quad (A+B)\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = -1 \quad A=1 \end{array}$$

$$\therefore \underline{y_n = (n+1) \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^n}$$

$$(8) \text{ Check } y_2 = (3) \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = 0.75 \text{ . QED.}$$

Q4(a) Determinants

(i) $\underline{a} \cdot (\underline{b} \times \underline{c})$ is volume of parallelepiped with sides $\underline{a}, \underline{b}, \underline{c}$.



(3)

(ii) If $\underline{a}, \underline{b}$ and \underline{c} are coplanar $\underline{a} \cdot (\underline{b} \times \underline{c}) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{a}^T B \underline{c} = 0 \quad \text{where } B \underline{c} \equiv \underline{b} \times \underline{c}$$

$$\therefore B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -b_3 & b_2 \\ b_3 & 0 & -b_1 \\ -b_2 & b_1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and similarly for A and C since:

$$(5) \quad \underline{a} \cdot (\underline{b} \times \underline{c}) = \underline{c} \cdot (\underline{a} \times \underline{b}) = \underline{b} \cdot (\underline{c} \times \underline{a}) = 0$$

$$(b) \quad \begin{aligned} 2x + 3y + z &= 0 \\ x + 2z &= t \\ 5x + 4y &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

For no unique solution $\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 5 & 4 & 0 \end{vmatrix} = 0$

$$(4) \quad 2(-8) - 3(-2s) + 1(4) = 0 \Rightarrow s = 2.$$

Q4(b)(cont).

For planes to intersect in a line

$$2x + 3y + z = 2$$

$$x + 2z = t$$

$$2x + 4y = 2$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} 3x + 6y = 4 - t \\ 2x + 4y = 2 \end{array} \right\} \text{ must be same equation.}$$

$$(4) \quad \therefore \frac{4-t}{3} = 1 \Rightarrow t = 1.$$

$$(4) (c) \quad R \underline{L} = \underline{L} \quad \therefore \underline{L} \text{ is eigenvector with eigenvalue } \lambda = 1.$$

Q5 Matrices, eigenvectors and eigenvalues,

$$(a) A \underline{u}_i = \lambda_i \underline{u}_i \quad \text{and} \quad A \underline{u}_j = \lambda_j \underline{u}_j \quad \underline{u}_i \neq \underline{u}_j \quad \lambda_i \neq \lambda_j$$

Now consider $\underline{u}_j^T (A \underline{u}_i) = \underline{u}_j^T A \underline{u}_i = \lambda_i \underline{u}_j^T \underline{u}_i$

$$\underline{u}_i^T (A \underline{u}_j) = \underline{u}_i^T A \underline{u}_j = \underline{u}_j^T A^T \underline{u}_i = \lambda_j \underline{u}_i^T \underline{u}_j$$

Since $A = A^T$ and $\underline{u}_i^T \underline{u}_j = \underline{u}_j^T \underline{u}_i$

$$(\lambda_i - \lambda_j) \underline{u}_j \cdot \underline{u}_i = 0$$

(b) hence $\underline{u}_i \cdot \underline{u}_j = 0$ if $i \neq j$ and eigenvectors are perpendicular.

$$(b) A \underline{x} = \alpha \lambda_1 \underline{u}_1 + \beta \lambda_2 \underline{u}_2 + \gamma \lambda_3 \underline{u}_3$$

(i)

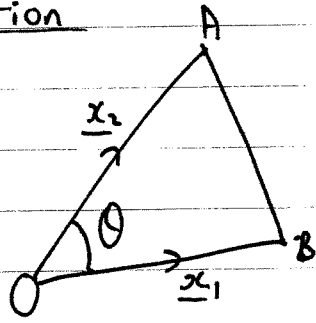
$$A^T A \underline{x} = \underline{x} \quad \therefore A^{-1} \underline{x} = \frac{\alpha \underline{u}_1}{\lambda_1} + \frac{\beta \underline{u}_2}{\lambda_2} + \frac{\gamma \underline{u}_3}{\lambda_3}$$

(2)

$$(2) (ii) \underline{A^N x} = \alpha \lambda_1^N \underline{u}_1 + \beta \lambda_2^N \underline{u}_2 + \gamma \lambda_3^N \underline{u}_3$$

$$(2) (iii) (A^{-1})^N = \frac{\alpha \underline{u}_1}{\lambda_1^N} + \frac{\beta \underline{u}_2}{\lambda_2^N} + \frac{\gamma \underline{u}_3}{\lambda_3^N}$$

Q5(c) Rotation



$$y_i = Q x_i$$

Check effect on lengths and angles:

$$\begin{aligned} y_i \cdot y_i &= |y_i|^2 = (Q x_i)^T Q x_i \\ &= x_i^T Q^T Q x_i \\ &= x_i^T x_i \\ &= |x_i|^2 \end{aligned}$$

\therefore lengths are unchanged

Check angles θ

$$\frac{y_2 \cdot y_1}{|y_2| |y_1|} = \cos \theta' = \frac{x_2^T Q^T Q x_1}{|Q x_1| |Q x_2|} = \frac{x_2 \cdot x_1}{|x_1| |x_2|} = \cos \theta$$

\therefore angles are unchanged

(8)

The area of triangle is given by $\frac{1}{2} |a \times b| = \frac{1}{2} |a| |b| \sin \theta$
 \therefore area is unchanged.

Solutions to IA Maths Exam 2001

Section B

Q 6

a) If the impulse response of a linear system is $g(t)$, then the output to any input $f(t)$ is

$$y(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t g(t-\tau) f(\tau) d\tau.$$

Results follow from approximating $f(t)$ by rectangular slices at sampled times, approximating each slice by a delta function, summing the relevant impulse responses, then taking the limit of sample interval $\rightarrow 0$

b) Step response = $\int_0^t g(\tau) d\tau \quad t > 0.$

direct from the expression in (a).

c) Impulse response $g(t) = H(t) - H(t-a)$

Input $x(t) = A e^{-bt} H(t)$.

Therefore, the output is:

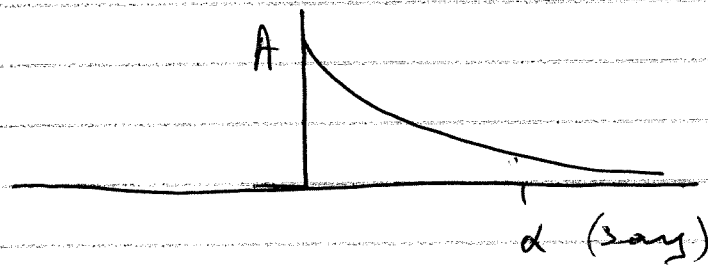
1) $t < a$, $y(t) = \int_0^t A e^{-bT} dT = \frac{A}{b} (1 - e^{-bt})$

2) $t > a$

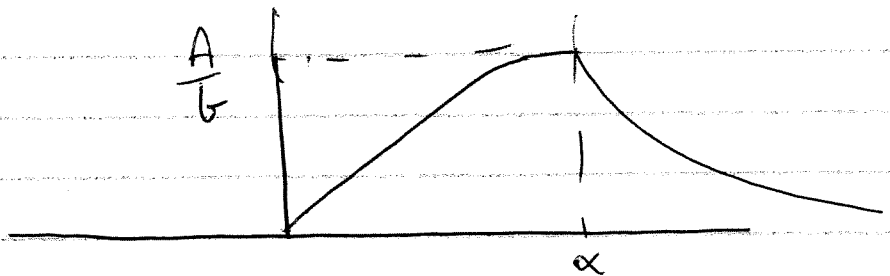
$$y(t) = \int_{t-a}^t A e^{-bT} dT = \frac{A}{b} e^{-bt} (e^{ab} - 1)$$

d)

Input



Output



Q7 a) $f(x) = x^2 \quad -2 \leq x \leq 2$ is even

\therefore cosine series

$$f(x) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos \frac{2n\pi x}{4}$$

$$= \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n \cos \frac{n\pi x}{2}$$

$$a_0 = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-2}^2 x^2 dx = \frac{8}{3}$$

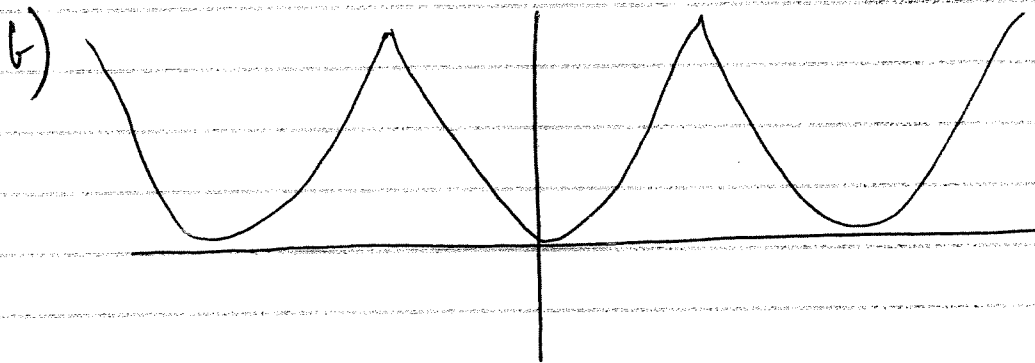
$$a_n = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-2}^2 f(x) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{2} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-2}^2 x^2 \cos \frac{n\pi x}{2} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[x^2 \frac{\sin \frac{n\pi x}{2}}{\frac{n\pi}{2}} \right]_{-2}^2 - \int_{-2}^2 2x \frac{2}{n\pi} \sin \frac{n\pi x}{2} dx$$

$$= -\frac{2}{n\pi} \int_{-2}^2 x \sin \frac{n\pi x}{2} dx$$

$$= -\frac{2}{n\pi} \left\{ \left[x \left(\frac{-2}{n\pi} \right) \cos \frac{n\pi x}{2} \right]_{-2}^2 + \frac{2}{n\pi} \int_{-2}^2 \cos \frac{n\pi x}{2} dx \right\}$$

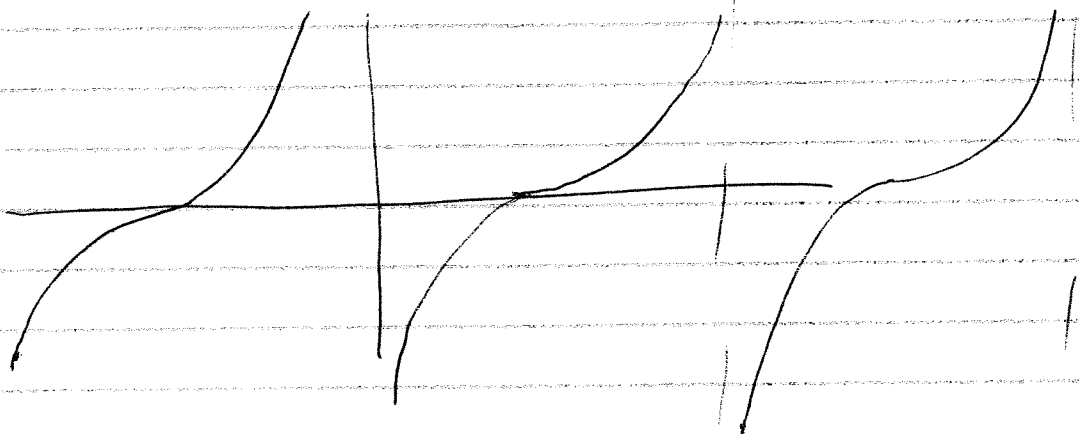
$$= \left(\frac{2}{n\pi} \right)^2 4 \cos n\pi + 0 = \frac{16(-1)^n}{n^2\pi^2}$$



Extended function has jumps in f'

So convergence goes as $\frac{1}{n^2}$ as found.

if extended as an odd $f^=$, f has jumps and we have $\frac{1}{n}$ convergence.



c) $f(x) = x$

$$f(x) = \sum c_n e^{in\pi x/2}$$

$$c_n = \frac{1}{4} \int_{-2}^2 f(x) e^{-in\pi x/2} dx$$

e cont)

$$\therefore c_n = \frac{1}{4} \int_{-2}^2 x e^{-in\pi x/2} dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \left\{ \left[x \left(\frac{-2}{in\pi} \right) \right]_{-2}^2 + \frac{2}{in\pi} \int_{-2}^2 e^{-in\pi x/2} dx \right\}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{in\pi} (e^{-in\pi} + e^{in\pi}) + \frac{1}{2in\pi} \left(\frac{-2}{in\pi} \right) \left[e^{-in\pi x/2} \right]_{-2}^2$$

$$= -\frac{2}{in\pi} (-1)^n + 0$$

$$\therefore c_n = \frac{2i}{n\pi} (-1)^n$$

Q 8 $F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f(t) dt$

$$\therefore \frac{dF(s)}{ds} = \int_0^{\infty} -t e^{-st} f(t) dt$$

$$= L\{-t f(t)\}$$

b) $t \frac{d^2 f(t)}{dt^2} + \frac{df(t)}{dt} + t f(t) = 0$

$f(0) = 1$, $\frac{df(0)}{dt} = 0$

Taking the Laplace transform of the above equation

$$L(t f'' + f' + t f) = 0$$

$$\therefore -\frac{d}{ds} L(f'') + L(f') - \frac{d}{ds} L(f) = 0$$

using the result from part (a).

$$L(f') = s F(s) - 1$$

$$L(f'') = s^2 F(s) - s f(0) - f'(0)$$

$$= s^2 F(s) - s$$

$$\therefore -\frac{d}{ds}(s^2 F - s) + sF - 1 - \frac{dF}{ds} = 0.$$

$$\therefore (s^2 + 1) \frac{dF}{ds} + sF = 0.$$

$$\therefore \frac{dF}{F} = -\frac{s ds}{s^2 + 1}$$

$$\therefore \ln F = -\frac{1}{2} \ln(s^2 + 1) + C.$$

$$\therefore F = C (s^2 + 1)^{-1/2}.$$

$$\therefore F = \frac{C}{s} \left(1 - \frac{1}{2} s^2 - \frac{\frac{1}{2}(-3/2)}{2!} \frac{1}{s^4} + \dots \right)$$

$$= C \left(\frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{s^3} + \frac{1 \cdot 3}{2^2 2!} \frac{1}{s^5} - \frac{1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5}{2^3 3!} \frac{1}{s^7} + \dots \right)$$

taking inverse Laplace transform,

$$f(t) = C \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n t^{2n}}{(2^n n!)^2}$$

Question 9.

$$f(x, y) = 2x^3 + 6xy^2 - 3y^3 - 150x.$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = 6x^2 + 6y^2 - 150$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = 12xy - 9y^2$$

For stationary points, these partial derivatives are zero and

$$\therefore x^2 + y^2 = 25$$

$$y(4x - 3y) = 0$$

From the second equation, either

$$y = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad 4x = 3y.$$

Putting $y = 0$ into the first eqⁿ gives

$$x = \pm 5$$

\therefore the points $(5, 0)$ and $(-5, 0)$ are solutions

Putting $x = \frac{3}{4}y$ into the first eqⁿ

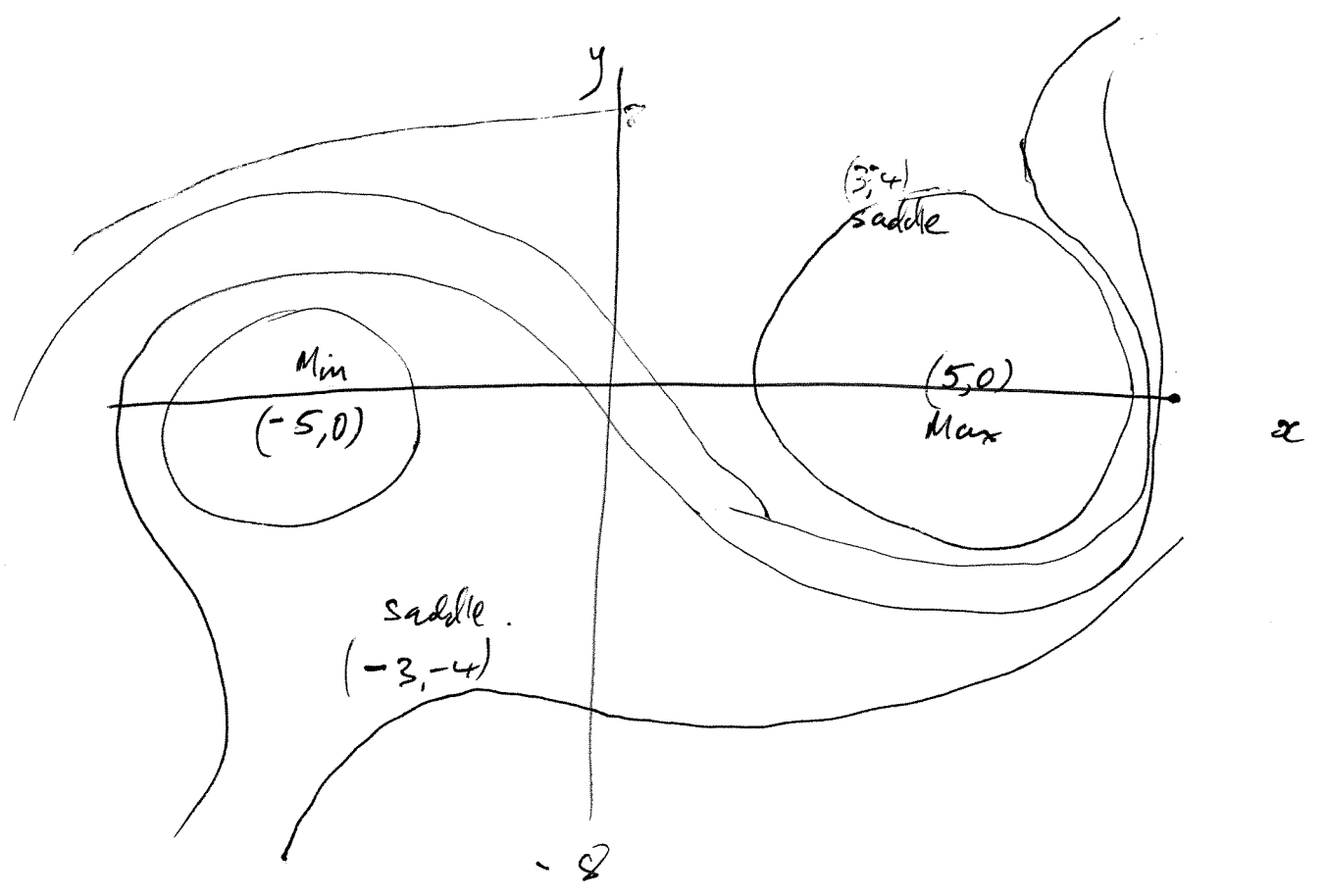
gives $y = \pm 4 \quad \therefore (3, 4)$ and $(-3, -4)$ are solutions

9 cont.

We need to classify these points by looking at

$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = 12x$, $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} = 12x - 8y$, $\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} = 12y$.

	$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}$	$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}$	$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y}$	$\left[\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} \cdot \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2} - \left(\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x \partial y} \right)^2 \right]$	nature	value
5,0	60	60	0	+	min	-500
-5,0	-60	-60	0	+	Max	500
3,4	36	-36	48	-	saddle pt.	-300
-3,-4	-36	36	-48	-	saddle pt.	300



Q 10

a) Book work

b) 1st person has any birthday they like, out of d

2nd person is different with probability

$$\left(\frac{d-1}{d}\right)$$

3rd person is different from both with probability

$$\left(\frac{d-2}{d}\right)$$

So prob that n people are all different is

$$P = \left(\frac{d-1}{d}\right) \left(\frac{d-2}{d}\right) \dots \left(\frac{d-n+1}{d}\right)$$

$$= \frac{(d-1)!}{(d-n)! d^{n-1}} = \frac{d!}{(d-n)! d^n}$$

But $\binom{d}{n} = \frac{d!}{n!(d-n)!}$, $\therefore P = \binom{d}{n} \frac{n!}{d^n}$

$d=20, n=3, \therefore P = 0.855$
 $\therefore 1-P = \underline{\underline{0.145}}$