

B. Stat Admission Test 2007

1.  $a^4 + a^3 + a^2 + a + 1 = 0$

$\Rightarrow a^5 - 1 = 0$

hence,  $a$  is the fifth root of unity  $a = \left(\cos \frac{2k\pi}{5} + i \sin \frac{2k\pi}{5}\right)$

$a^{5m} + a^m + \frac{1}{a^m} + \frac{1}{a^{2m}} = 5$

If  $m$  is a multiple of 5  $a^{4m} + a^{3m} + a^{2m} + a^m = -1$

QED

2.

3.  $\int_1^n [u]([u]+1)f(u)du = \int_1^2 1 \cdot 2 f(u)du + \int_2^3 2 \cdot 3 f(u)du + \dots + \int_{[n]}^n [n]([n]+1)du$

$2 \sum_{i=1}^{[n]} i \int_i^n f(u)du = 2 \left( 1 \int_1^n f(u)du + 2 \int_2^n f(u)du + \dots + [n] \int_{[n]}^n ([n]+1) f(u)du \right)$   
 $= 2 \left\{ \left( 1 \int_1^2 f(u)du + 1 \int_2^3 f(u)du + \dots + 1 \int_{[n]}^n f(u)du \right) + \left( 2 \int_2^3 f(u)du + \dots + 2 \int_{[n]}^n f(u)du \right) + \dots + \left( [n] \int_{[n]}^n f(u)du \right) \right\}$

$= 2 \left\{ \left( 1 \int_1^2 f(u)du \right) + (1+2) \int_2^3 f(u)du + \dots + (1+2+\dots+[n]) \int_{[n]}^n f(u)du \right\}$

$= 2 \left\{ 1 \int_1^2 f(u)du + 3 \int_2^3 f(u)du + \dots + \frac{[n]([n]+1)}{2} \int_{[n]}^n f(u)du \right\}$

$= 1 \cdot 2 \int_1^2 f(u)du + 2 \cdot 3 \int_2^3 f(u)du + \dots + [n]([n]+1) \int_{[n]}^n f(u)du$

4. using barycentric coordinates,

Proved

moment of inertia of  $\Delta ABC$  wrt centroid  $G$  is

$\frac{1}{9} (m_a^2 + m_b^2 + m_c^2) = \frac{1}{9} (a^2 + b^2 + c^2) > \frac{1}{9} \left( \frac{1}{9} a^2 + \frac{1}{9} a^2 + \frac{1}{6 \cdot 25} c^2 \right)$

$$5. \quad y = \cos \theta (\sin \theta + \sqrt{\sin^2 \theta + 3})$$

$$\Rightarrow y \sec \theta = (\sin \theta + \sqrt{\sin^2 \theta + 3})$$

$$\Rightarrow (y \sec \theta)^2 + \sin^2 \theta - 2y \tan \theta = 3 + \sin^2 \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow (y \tan \theta)^2 - 2y \tan \theta + y^2 - 3 = 0$$

$$D = (2y)^2 - 4y^2(y^2 - 3) \geq 0 \Rightarrow 4 - 4(y^2 - 3) \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow y^2 \leq 4$$

$$\therefore -2 \leq y \leq 2$$

6. Arrange values of  $k$  in  $n \times n$  matrix. Each row is a permutation of  $S$  (ii)

$\Rightarrow$  Every  $k$  from  $S$  shows  $n$  times, odd times, in the matrix

Suppose  $k$  is not on the main diagonal

( $f(r, r)$ ):  $r$  belong to  $S$  ( $S$ )

Since matrix is symmetric (i),  $k$  shows in the matrix even number of times.

Contradiction!

7. Let,  $a, b, h$  be the three edges meeting at the particular vertex, such that  $a, b$  are sides of a base triangle, having an angle  $\theta$  b/w them and  $h$  is the height of the prism, we have the prism's volume

$$V = hab \sin \theta$$

$$K = \frac{1}{2} ab \sin \theta + ah + bh$$

$$\geq \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{2} ab \sin \theta \cdot ah \cdot bh} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{54 (hab \sin \theta)^2}{\sin \theta}}$$

$$\geq \sqrt[3]{54 V^2}$$

$$\text{hence } V \leq \sqrt{\frac{K^3}{\sin \theta 54}}$$

equality holds if  $\sin\theta=1$  and  $\frac{1}{2}ab\sin\theta = ah = bh$

$$\text{or, } a=b=2h$$

in that case,  $K=6h^2 \Rightarrow h = \sqrt{\frac{K}{6}}$  for the largest prism

method 2:

If you put 4 such prisms together the question becomes:  
considering a prism with parallelogram base and total surface  $4K$  show that the maximum possible volume is  $\sqrt[4]{\frac{K^3}{54}}$

The prism times 4 with maximum volume is obviously a cube

$$V(h, b, c, A) = \frac{1}{2} hbc \sin A \text{ subject to constraint}$$

$$K(h, b, c, A) = \frac{1}{2} hbc \sin A + hb + hc$$

$$F(h, b, c, A) = V(h, b, c, A) - \lambda K(h, b, c, A)$$

$\lambda$  was maximum for —

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial h} = \frac{1}{2} bc \sin A - \lambda(b+c) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial b} = \frac{1}{2} hc \sin A - \lambda\left(h + \frac{1}{2} c \sin A\right) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial c} = \frac{1}{2} hb \sin A - \lambda\left(h + \frac{1}{2} b \sin A\right) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial F}{\partial A} = \frac{1}{2} hbc \cos A - \lambda\left(\frac{1}{2} bc \cos A\right) = 0$$

last question gives

$$\text{either } \lambda = h \text{ or } \cos A = 0$$

Trying  $\lambda = h$  in 2nd/3rd equation leads to  $h^2 = 0$  which is not maximum and not acceptable

$$\cos A = 0$$

$$\text{and } \sin A = 1$$

subtracting from 2nd and 3rd equation then gives

$$h(c-b) = \lambda(c-b) \text{ since } \lambda \neq h \therefore b = c$$

First solution gives,  $\lambda = b/4$

and using this in the 2nd/3rd equation yields  $h = b/2$

Consequently,

for max. volume

$$x^2/k^3 = \left(\frac{b^3}{4}\right)^2 \left(\frac{2}{3}b^2\right) = \frac{1}{54}$$

6. Alternative:

Take  $n \times n$  grid. Enter  $f(r,s)$  in the cell  $f(r,s)$  you can see the total picture is symmetric w.r.t one of its diagonal. If any element of  $S$  is not present on the diagonal then it should be even number of times in the grid since the figure is symmetric w.r.t the diagonal.

But each element of  $S$  is present exactly  $n$  times in the grid so this gives a contradiction since  $n$  is odd.

7. Alternative:

Suppose the area of the face is  $S$ . The two sides be  $a$  and  $b$ . The height is  $h$ .

So the volume is  $sh$ .

$$\text{and } K = S + (a+b)h$$

$$S \leq \frac{ab}{2}$$

$$\frac{S + \frac{(a+b)h}{2}}{2} \geq \left( \frac{Sh^2(a+b)^2}{4} \right)^{1/2} \geq (Sabh^2)^{1/3} \geq (2S^2h^2)^{1/3}$$

$$\therefore Sh \leq \sqrt{K^3/54}$$

8.

|   |   |   |
|---|---|---|
| A | B | C |
| D | E | F |
| G | H | I |

$G \times D \times A \times H \times I \times E \times B \times F \times C$

$9 \times 6 \times 3 \times 6 \times 3 \times 4 \times 2 \times 2 \times 1$  ways

9. If  $(x, y)$  is any of  $(a_1, b_1)$  and  $(a_2, b_2)$  then nothing to prove, so, suppose not

then suppose  $(x, y)$  does not lie on the straight line passing through  $(a_1, b_1)$  and  $(a_2, b_2)$  then the triangular region formed by these 3 points ~~is not~~ \* contained ~~is~~ in  $X$  by the condition (iii)

But given any nondegenerate triangle we can always find points interior in the triangular region  $(x_1, y_1)$  and  $(x_2, y_2)$  s.t.  $x_1 \neq x_2$  and  $y_1 = y_2$  but they belong to  $X$  and do not satisfy (i), hence contradiction.

So  $(x, y)$  lie on the st. line passing through  $(a_1, b_1)$  and  $(a_2, b_2)$  now as  $a_1 \leq x \leq a_2$  and  $b_1 \leq y \leq b_2$  — hence the result.

10. There are  $n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k$  such that  $(n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k) = 1$ . Let

$\sum_i a_i n_i = 1$  If given  $n = \sum_i (a_i n_i) n_i$ . If  $\sum_i b_i n_i = 0$  then we had another solution  $n = \sum_i (a_i n_i + b_i) n_i$

because we can choose  $(b_i) = ((0, \dots, n_j), (0, \dots, -n_i), (0, \dots, 0))$

and make  $(a_i n_i + b_i) \geq 0$

for any  $n > (s - n_i - k + 1) n_i$  where  $s = \sum_i n_i$

alternative:

1) case 1: If  $(n_1, n_2) = 1$  then as  $n_1 x + n_2 y = 1$  has infinitely many solutions in  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$

so we get  $c_1, c_2 > 0$  integers such that  $c_1 n_1 + c_2 n_2 = 1$

let wlog  $c_1 < c_2$  so,  $c_2(n_1 + n_2) - (c_2 - c_1)n_1 = 1$

set  $m_2 = c_2(n_1 + n_2)$ ;  $m_1 = (c_2 - c_1)n_1$

case 2: If  $(n_1, n_2) = d > 1$  then by condition (ii)

there is  $n_3 < n_4$  s.t.  $(n_3, n_4) = d_1$  and

$d$  don't divide  $d_1$  let  $e = (d, d_1)$  then by the argument given earlier we have

$$p_1, q_1, p_2, q_2 \in A \text{ s.t.}$$

$$p_2 - p_1 = d \text{ and } q_2 - q_1 = d \text{ then}$$

since  $(dx + d_1y) = e$  has infinitely many solutions

we get  $(p_2 - p_1)x + (q_2 - q_1)y = e$  where  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

$$\text{set } m_2 = p_2x + q_2y; m_1 = p_1x + q_1y$$

$$\text{then } m_2 - m_1 = e < d \leq k = n_2 - n_1$$

ii) If  $n_2 - n_1 = k_1 > 1$  then by this method we get  $k_1, k_2 > 0$

since going on like this we eventually get  ~~$k_2 = 1$~~

$k_2 = 1$  in the  $l$ th step.

so,  $m_2 - m_1 = 1$ , hence we get two consecutive

integers.

iii) any number from  $n_0^2, \dots, n_0^2 + n_0$  can be obtained by

$$(n_0 - k)n_0 + k(n_0 + 1) \text{ varying } k \text{ from } 0 \text{ to } n_0 - 1$$

any number from  $n_0^2 + n_0, \dots, n_0^2 + 2n_0$  can be obtained

$$\text{by } (n_0 - k)n_0 + k(n_0 + 1) + n_0 \text{ varying } k \text{ from } 0$$

to  $(n_0 - 1)$  and like this way