

**2018    Paper 3**

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### 2018.3 Question 1

1. By differentiation with respect to  $\beta$ , we have

$$f'(\beta) = 1 + \frac{1}{\beta^2} + \frac{2}{\beta^3}.$$

If  $f'(t) = 0$ , we must have

$$t^3 + t + 2 = 0.$$

Therefore,

$$(t+1)(t^2 - t + 2) = 0,$$

and hence the only real root to this is  $t = -1$ , since  $(-1)^2 - 2 \cdot 4 < 0$ .

This means the only stationary point of  $y = f(\beta)$  is  $(-1, f(-1) = -1)$ .

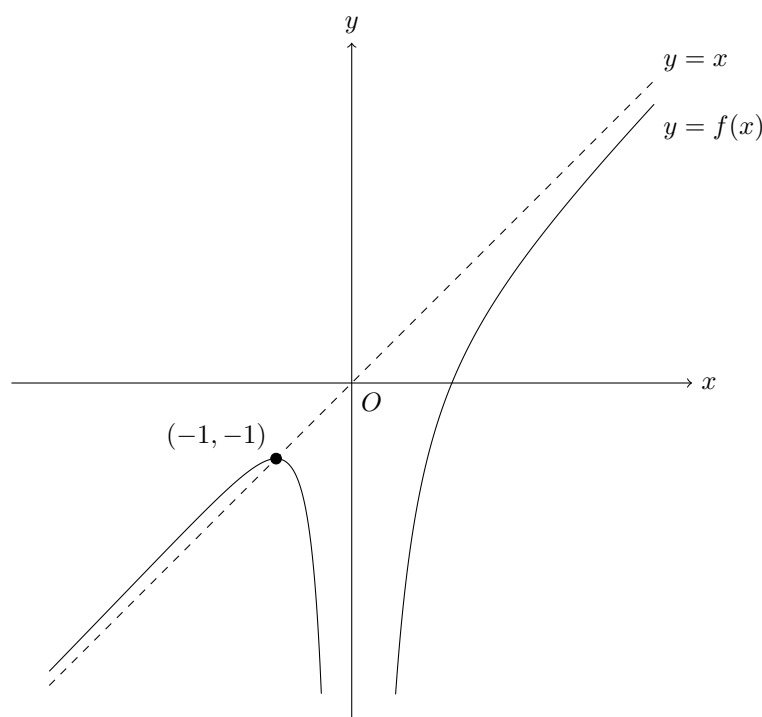
For the limiting behaviour of the function, we first look at the case where  $\beta > 0$ . As  $\beta \rightarrow \infty$ , we have  $f(\beta) \rightarrow \beta$  from below. As  $\beta \rightarrow 0^+$ , we have  $f(\beta) \rightarrow -\frac{1}{\beta} - \frac{1}{\beta^2} \rightarrow -\infty$ .

When  $\beta < 0$ , we use the substitution  $t = -\frac{1}{\beta}$  to make the behaviours more convincing, and hence

$$f(\beta) = \beta + t - t^2.$$

As  $\beta \rightarrow 0^-$ , we have  $t \rightarrow \infty$ , and  $f(\beta) \rightarrow t - t^2 \rightarrow -\infty$ . As  $\beta \rightarrow -\infty$ , we have  $t \rightarrow 0^+$ , and  $f(\beta) \rightarrow \beta$  from above, since  $t - t^2 = t(1 - t) > 0$  when  $0 < t < 1$ .

This means the curve  $y = f(\beta)$  is as below.



Similarly, by differentiation with respect to  $\beta$ , we have

$$g'(\beta) = 1 - \frac{3}{\beta^2} + \frac{2}{\beta^3}.$$

If  $g'(t) = 0$ , we must have

$$t^3 - 3t + 2 = 0.$$

Therefore,

$$(t-1)^2(t+2) = 0,$$

and hence the real roots to this is  $t = 1$  and  $t = -2$ .

This means the stationary points of  $y = g(\beta)$  is  $(1, g(1) = 3)$  and  $(-2, g(-2) = -\frac{15}{4})$ .

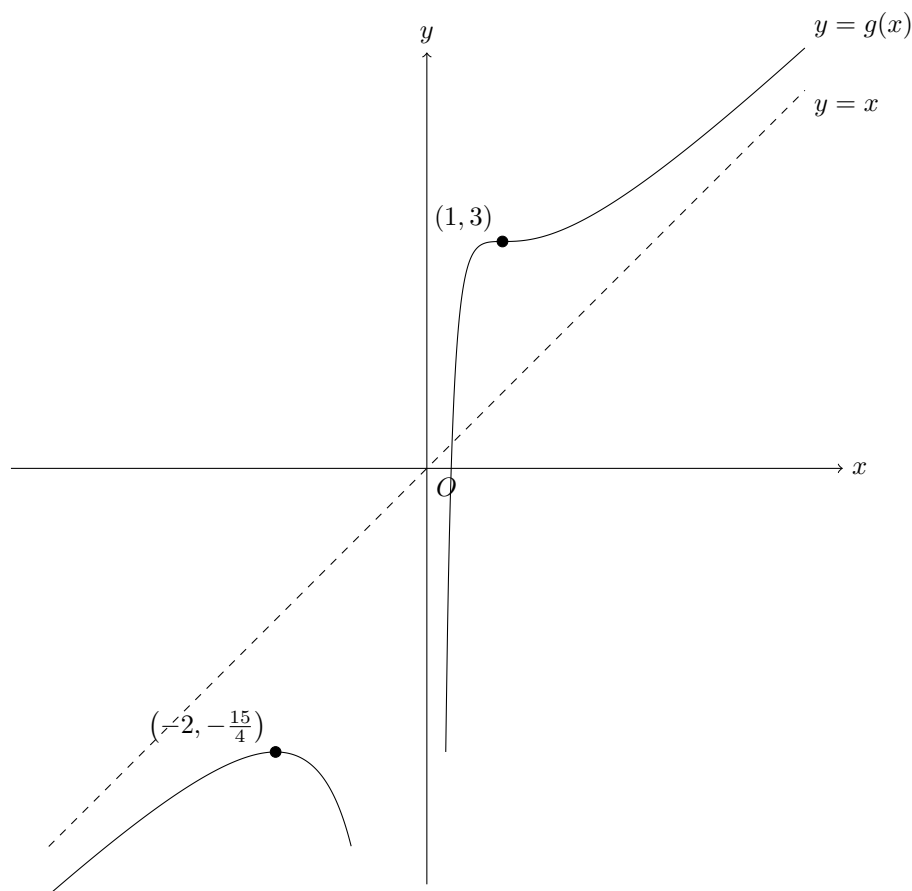
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$$g(\beta) = \beta - 3t - t^2.$$

As  $\beta \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $t \rightarrow 0^-$ , and hence  $f(\beta) \rightarrow \beta$  from below, since  $-3t - t^2 = -t(t+3) > 0$  for  $-3 < t < 0$ .  
As  $\beta \rightarrow 0^+$ ,  $t \rightarrow -\infty$ , and hence  $f(\beta) \rightarrow -3t - t^2 \rightarrow -\infty$ .

When  $\beta < 0$ , we have as  $\beta \rightarrow 0^-$ ,  $f(\beta) \rightarrow -\infty$ . As  $\beta \rightarrow -\infty$ ,  $f(\beta) \rightarrow \beta$  from below.

This means the curve  $y = g(\beta)$  is as below.



2. By Vieta's Theorem, we have  $u + v = -\alpha$ , and  $uv = \beta$ . Hence,

$$u + v + \frac{1}{uv} = -\alpha + \frac{1}{\beta},$$

and

$$\frac{1}{u} + \frac{1}{v} + uv = \frac{u+v}{uv} + uv = -\frac{\alpha}{\beta} + \beta.$$

3. By the given condition, we have

$$-\alpha + \frac{1}{\beta} = -1 \iff \alpha = 1 + \frac{1}{\beta}.$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1}{u} + \frac{1}{v} + uv &= -\frac{\alpha}{\beta} + \beta \\
 &= -\frac{1 + \frac{1}{\beta}}{\beta} + \beta \\
 &= \frac{\beta^2 - 1 - \frac{1}{\beta}}{\beta} \\
 &= \beta - \frac{1}{\beta} - \frac{1}{\beta^2} \\
 &= f(\beta).
 \end{aligned}$$

Also, since  $u, v$  are both real, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha^2 - 4\beta &= \left(1 + \frac{1}{\beta}\right)^2 - 4\beta \\
 &= 1 + \frac{2}{\beta} + \frac{1}{\beta^2} - 4\beta \\
 &= \frac{-4\beta^3 + \beta^2 + 2\beta + 1}{\beta^2} \\
 &\geq 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

Multiplying both sides by  $-\beta^2$  (which flips the sign) gives

$$\begin{aligned}
 4\beta^3 - \beta^2 - 2\beta - 1 &\leq 0 \\
 (\beta - 1)(4\beta^2 + 3\beta + 1) &\leq 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

This cubic has exactly one real root  $\beta = 1$ , so the solution to this inequality is  $\beta \leq 1$  and  $\beta \neq 0$ .

Notice that  $f$  is increasing on  $(0, 1] \subset (0, \infty)$ . Therefore, for  $\beta > 0$ ,

$$f(\beta) \leq f(1) = 1 - 1 - 1 = -1.$$

When  $\beta < 0$ , we have

$$f(\beta) \leq f(-1) = -1.$$

So for the range of  $\beta$  in this question, we always have  $f(\beta) \leq -1$ . But we also have  $\frac{1}{u} + \frac{1}{v} + uv \leq -1$  as shown before. These gives us exactly our desired statement.

4. By the given condition, we have

$$-\alpha + \frac{1}{\beta} = 3 \iff \alpha = -3 + \frac{1}{\beta}.$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1}{u} + \frac{1}{v} + uv &= -\frac{\alpha}{\beta} + \beta \\
 &= -\frac{-3 + \frac{1}{\beta}}{\beta} + \beta \\
 &= \beta + \frac{3}{\beta} - \frac{1}{\beta^2} \\
 &= g(\beta).
 \end{aligned}$$

Also, since  $u, v$  are both real, we have  $\beta \leq 1$  and  $\beta \neq 0$  as well.

$g$  must be increasing on  $(0, 1]$ . Hence, for  $\beta > 0$ , we have

$$g(\beta) \leq g(1) = 3.$$

When  $\beta < 0$ , we have

$$g(\beta) \leq g(-2) = -\frac{15}{4}.$$

Since  $3 > -\frac{15}{4}$ , we can conclude that the maximum value of  $\frac{1}{u} + \frac{1}{v} + uv$  is 3, and it is taken when  $\beta = 1$ , which corresponds to  $\alpha = -2$ .

### 2018.3 Question 2

1. Notice that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{dy_n}{dx} &= \frac{d(-1)^n \frac{1}{z} \frac{d^n z}{dx^n}}{dx} \\
 &= (-1)^n \left[ \frac{d\frac{1}{z}}{dx} \cdot \frac{d^n z}{dx^n} + \frac{1}{z} \cdot \frac{d\frac{d^n z}{dx^n}}{dx} \right] \\
 &= (-1)^n \left[ \frac{2x}{z} \cdot \frac{d^n z}{dx^n} + \frac{1}{z} \cdot \frac{d^{n+1} z}{dx^{n+1}} \right] \\
 &= 2x \cdot (-1)^n \frac{1}{z} \frac{d^n z}{dx^n} - (-1)^{n+1} \frac{1}{z} \frac{d^{n+1} z}{dx^{n+1}} \\
 &= 2xy_n - y_{n+1},
 \end{aligned}$$

as desired.

2. We first look at the base case where  $n = 1$ . What is desired is

$$y_2 = 2xy_1 - 2y_0.$$

We have  $y_0 = 1$ ,

$$y_1 = (-1)^1 \frac{1}{e^{-x^2}} \frac{de^{-x^2}}{dx} = -e^{x^2}(-2x)e^{-x^2} = 2x,$$

and

$$y_2 = 2xy_1 - \frac{dy_1}{dx} = 2x \cdot 2x - 2 = 4x^2 - 2.$$

Hence,

$$2xy_1 - 2y_0 = 2x \cdot 2x - 2 \cdot 1 - 4x^2 - 2 = y_2,$$

so the base case is satisfied.

Now assume this is true for some  $n = k \geq 1$ , i.e.

$$y_{k+1} = 2xy_k - 2ky_{k-1}.$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 y_{k+2} &= 2xy_{k+1} - \frac{dy_{k+1}}{dx} \\
 &= 2xy_{k+1} - \frac{d(2xy_k - 2ky_{k-1})}{dx} \\
 &= 2xy_{k+1} - 2y_k - 2x \frac{dy_k}{dx} + 2k \frac{dy_{k-1}}{dx} \\
 &= 2xy_{k+1} - 2y_k - 2x(2xy_k - y_{k+1}) + 2k(2xy_{k-1} - y_k) \\
 &= 2xy_{k+1} - 2y_k - 4x^2 y_k + 2xy_{k+1} + 4kxy_{k-1} - 2ky_k \\
 &= 4xy_{k+1} - 2(2x^2 + k + 1)y_k + 4kxy_{k-1} \\
 &= 4xy_{k+1} - 2(2x^2 + k + 1)y_k + 4kx \cdot \frac{2xy_k - y_{k+1}}{2k} \\
 &= 4xy_{k+1} - 2(2x^2 + k + 1)y_k + 2x(2xy_k - y_{k+1}) \\
 &= 2xy_{k+1} - 2(k + 1)y_k,
 \end{aligned}$$

which is exactly the statement for  $n = k + 1$ .

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, we have  $y_{n+1} = 2xy_n - 2ny_{n-1}$  for all  $n \geq 1$ .

We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{LHS} &= y_{n+1}^2 - y_n y_{n+2} \\
 &= y_{n+1}^2 - y_n(2xy_{n+1} - 2(n+1)y_n) \\
 &= y_{n+1}^2 - 2xy_n y_{n+1} + 2(n+1)y_n^2
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{RHS} &= 2n(y_n^2 - y_{n-1}y_{n+1}) + 2y_n^2 \\
 &= 2n\left(y_n^2 - \frac{2xy_n - y_{n+1}}{2n}y_{n+1}\right) + 2y_n^2 \\
 &= 2ny_n^2 - (2xy_n - y_{n+1})y_{n+1} + 2y_n^2 \\
 &= 2ny_n^2 - 2xy_ny_{n+1} + y_{n+1}^2 + 2y_n^2 \\
 &= y_{n+1}^2 - 2xy_ny_{n+1} + 2(n+1)y_n^2.
 \end{aligned}$$

3. This can be shown by induction on  $n$ . The base case for  $n = 1$  is

$$y_1^2 - y_0y_2 = (2x)^2 - 1 \cdot (4x^2 - 2) = 2 > 0$$

is true.

Now assume the statement is true for  $n = k \geq 1$ , i.e.

$$y_k^2 - y_{k-1}y_{k+1} > 0.$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 y_{k+1}^2 - y_ky_{k+2} &= 2n(y_k^2 - y_{k-1}y_k + 1) + 2y_n^2 \\
 &> 2n \cdot 0 + y_n^2 \\
 &= 0 + y_n^2 \\
 &\geq 0,
 \end{aligned}$$

which is the statement for  $n = k + 1$ .

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, we have  $y_n^2 - y_{n-1}y_{n+1} > 0$  for all  $n \geq 1$ .

### 2018.3 Question 3

Notice that

$$\begin{aligned}
 x^a(x^b(x^c y)')' &= x^a(x^b(cx^{c-1}y + x^c y'))' \\
 &= x^a [x^{b+c-1}(cy + xy')] ' \\
 &= x^a [(b+c-1)x^{b+c-2}(cy + xy') + x^{b+c-1}(cy' + y' + xy'')] \\
 &= x^{a+b+c-2} [(b+c-1)(cy + xy') + x(cy' + y' + xy'')] \\
 &= x^{a+b+c-2} [x^2 y'' + (b+2c)xy' + (b+c-1)cy].
 \end{aligned}$$

Comparing this with the left-hand side of the original equation, we must have

$$\begin{cases} a + b + c - 2 = 0, \\ b + 2c = 1 - 2p, \\ (b + c - 1)c = p^2 - q^2. \end{cases}$$

The second equation gives

$$b = 1 - 2p - 2c,$$

and putting this into the third equation gives

$$(1 - 2p - 2c + c - 1)c = p^2 - q^2,$$

and hence

$$c^2 + 2pc + p^2 - q^2 = 0.$$

This gives

$$(c + (p - q))(c + (p + q)) = 0,$$

and hence

$$c_1 = -p + q, c_2 = -p - q.$$

Putting this back, we get

$$b_1 = 1 - 2p - 2(-p + q) = 1 - 2q, b_2 = 1 - 2p - 2(-p - q) = 1 + 2q,$$

and since  $a = 2 - b - c$  from the first equation, we have

$$a_1 = 2 - (1 - 2q) - (-p + q) = 1 + p + q$$

and

$$a_2 = 2 - (1 + 2q) - (-p - q) = 1 + p - q$$

Hence, the solutions are

$$\begin{cases} a = p \pm q + 1, \\ b = \mp 2q + 1, \\ c = -p \pm q. \end{cases}$$

1. In the case where  $f(x) = 0$ . We must have

$$x^a(x^b(x^c y)')' = 0,$$

and hence

$$(x^b(x^c y)')' = 0.$$

Therefore, we must have by integration

$$x^b(x^c y)' = C_1$$

for some (real) constant  $C_1$ .

Hence,

$$(x^c y)' = C_1 x^{-b}.$$

There are two cases here:



- (a) When  $b = 1$  i.e.  $q = 0$ , the right-hand side is  $C_1 x^{-1}$ , and the left-hand side is  $(x^c y)'$ . Integrating both sides give

$$x^c y = C_1 \ln x + C_2$$

for some (real) constant  $C_2$ .

Hence,

$$y = x^{-c}(C_1 \ln x + C_2)$$

for some (real) constants  $C_1, C_2$ .

When  $q = 0$ ,  $c = -p$ , and hence

$$y = x^p(C_1 \ln x + C_2).$$

- (b) When  $b \neq 1$  i.e.  $q \neq 0$ , integrating both sides give

$$x^c y = \frac{C_1 x^{-b+1}}{-b+1} + C_2$$

for some (real) constant  $C_2$ .

Hence,

$$y = x^{-c} \left( \frac{C_1 x^{-b+1}}{-b+1} + C_2 \right)$$

for some (real) constant  $C_1, C_2$ .

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} y &= x^{-(-p \pm q)} \left( \frac{C_1 x^{-(\mp 2q+1)+1}}{-(\mp 2q+1)+1} + C_2 \right) \\ &= x^{p \mp q} \left( \frac{C_1 x^{\pm 2q}}{\pm 2q} + C_2 \right) \\ &= \frac{C_1}{\pm 2q} x^{p \pm q} + C_2 x^{p \mp q} \\ &= C_3 x^{p \pm q} + C_2 x^{p \mp q}, \end{aligned}$$

for some (real) constant  $C_2, C_3$ .

2. This is when  $q = 0$  and  $f(x) = x^n$ . We have  $a = p + 1, b = 1$  and  $c = -p$ , and the original differential equation reduces to

$$x^{p+1} \left( x (x^{-p} y)' \right)' = x^n,$$

and hence

$$\left( x (x^{-p} y)' \right)' = x^{n-p-1}.$$

There are two cases here:

- (a) If  $n - p - 1 = -1$ , i.e.  $n = p$ , we have, by integration,

$$x (x^{-p} y)' = \ln x + C_1.$$

This gives

$$(x^{-p} y)' = \frac{\ln x}{x} + \frac{C_1}{x},$$

and hence by integration

$$x^{-p} y = \frac{(\ln x)^2}{2} + C_1 \ln x + C_2.$$

This solves to

$$y = \frac{x^p (\ln x)^2}{2} + C_1 x^p \ln x + C_2 x^p.$$

(b) If  $n - p - 1 \neq -1$ , i.e.  $n \neq p$ , we have

$$x(x^{-p}y)' = \frac{x^{n-p}}{n-p} + C_1.$$

This gives

$$(x^{-p}y)' = \frac{x^{n-p-1}}{n-p} + \frac{C_1}{x}.$$

Since  $n - p - 1 \neq -1$ , by integration we have

$$x^{-p}y = \frac{x^{n-p}}{(n-p)^2} + C_1 \ln x + C_2,$$

and hence

$$y = \frac{x^n}{(n-p)^2} + C_1 x^p \ln x + C_2 x^p.$$

### 2018.3 Question 4

The hyperbola has parametric equation

$$\begin{cases} x = a \sec \theta, \\ y = b \tan \theta. \end{cases}$$

Hence, by differentiation, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{\frac{dy}{d\theta}}{\frac{dx}{d\theta}} \\ &= \frac{b \sec^2 \theta}{a \sec \theta \tan \theta} \\ &= \frac{b \cos \theta}{a \sin \theta \cos \theta} \\ &= \frac{b}{a \sin \theta}. \end{aligned}$$

The tangent to the hyperbola at  $P$  will be

$$y - b \tan \theta = \frac{b}{a \sin \theta}(x - a \sec \theta),$$

which simplifies to

$$ay \sin \theta - ab \tan \theta \sin \theta = bx - ab \sec \theta,$$

and hence

$$bx - ay \sin \theta = ab(\sec \theta - \tan \theta \sin \theta).$$

Notice that

$$\sec \theta - \tan \theta \sin \theta = \frac{1 - \sin^2 \theta}{\cos \theta} = \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{\cos \theta} = \cos \theta,$$

and so the equation of the tangent is

$$bx - ay \sin \theta = ab \cos \theta,$$

exactly as desired.

1. Let  $\frac{x}{a} = \frac{y}{b} = s$  for  $S$ , we have  $x = as$  and  $y = bs$ , and hence

$$abs - abs \sin \theta = ab \cos \theta,$$

which gives

$$s = \frac{\cos \theta}{1 - \sin \theta},$$

and hence

$$S \left( a \frac{\cos \theta}{1 - \sin \theta}, b \frac{\cos \theta}{1 - \sin \theta} \right).$$

- Let  $\frac{x}{a} = -\frac{y}{b} = t$  for  $T$ , we have  $x = at$  and  $y = -bt$ , and hence

$$abt + abt \sin \theta = ab \cos \theta,$$

which gives

$$t = \frac{\cos \theta}{1 + \sin \theta},$$

and hence

$$T \left( a \frac{\cos \theta}{1 + \sin \theta}, -b \frac{\cos \theta}{1 + \sin \theta} \right).$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{a \frac{\cos \theta}{1-\sin \theta} + a \frac{\cos \theta}{1+\sin \theta}}{2} &= \frac{a \cos \theta}{2} \left( \frac{1}{1-\sin \theta} + \frac{1}{1+\sin \theta} \right) \\ &= \frac{a \cos \theta}{2} \left( \frac{2}{\cos^2 \theta} \right) \\ &= \frac{a}{\cos \theta} \\ &= a \sec \theta,\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{a \frac{\cos \theta}{1-\sin \theta} - b \frac{\cos \theta}{1+\sin \theta}}{2} &= \frac{b \cos \theta}{2} \left( \frac{1}{1-\sin \theta} - \frac{1}{1+\sin \theta} \right) \\ &= \frac{b \cos \theta}{2} \left( \frac{2 \sin \theta}{\cos^2 \theta} \right) \\ &= \frac{b \sin \theta}{\cos \theta} \\ &= b \tan \theta.\end{aligned}$$

This means the midpoint of  $ST$  is  $(a \sec \theta, b \tan \theta)$ , which is exactly  $P$ .

2. Since the tangents are perpendicular, that means

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{\theta} \cdot \left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{\varphi} = -1,$$

and hence

$$\frac{b}{a \sin \theta} \cdot \frac{b}{a \sin \varphi} = -1,$$

which means

$$b^2 = -a^2 \sin \theta \sin \varphi.$$

The two tangents are

$$bx - ay \sin \theta = ab \cos \theta$$

and

$$bx - ay \sin \varphi = ab \cos \varphi.$$

Since  $bx = bx$ , we have

$$ay \sin \theta + ab \cos \theta = ay \sin \varphi + ab \cos \varphi,$$

and hence

$$y(\sin \theta - \sin \varphi) = b(\cos \varphi - \cos \theta),$$

which gives

$$y = b \cdot \frac{\cos \varphi - \cos \theta}{\sin \theta - \sin \varphi}.$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}x &= \frac{ab \cos \theta + ay \sin \theta}{b} \\ &= \frac{a}{b} \left( b \cos \theta + b \sin \theta \frac{\cos \varphi - \cos \theta}{\sin \theta - \sin \varphi} \right) \\ &= a \left( \cos \theta + \sin \theta \frac{\cos \varphi - \cos \theta}{\sin \theta - \sin \varphi} \right) \\ &= a \frac{\cos \theta (\sin \theta - \sin \varphi) + \sin \theta (\cos \varphi - \cos \theta)}{\sin \theta - \sin \varphi} \\ &= a \cdot \frac{\sin \theta \cos \varphi - \cos \theta \sin \varphi}{\sin \theta - \sin \varphi} \\ &= a \cdot \frac{\sin(\theta - \varphi)}{\sin \theta - \sin \varphi}.\end{aligned}$$

This means

$$\begin{cases} x^2 = a^2 \cdot \frac{\sin^2(\theta - \varphi)}{(\sin \theta - \sin \varphi)^2}, \\ y^2 = b^2 \cdot \frac{(\cos \varphi - \cos \theta)^2}{(\sin \theta - \sin \varphi)^2} = -a^2 \sin \theta \sin \varphi \cdot \frac{(\cos \varphi - \cos \theta)^2}{(\sin \theta - \sin \varphi)^2}. \end{cases}$$

Notice that

$$a^2 - b^2 = a^2 + a^2 \sin \theta \sin \varphi = a^2(1 + \sin \theta \sin \varphi).$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 + y^2 &= a^2 \left[ \frac{\sin^2(\theta - \varphi)}{(\sin \theta - \sin \varphi)^2} - \sin \theta \sin \varphi \cdot \frac{(\cos \varphi - \cos \theta)^2}{(\sin \theta - \sin \varphi)^2} \right] \\ &= \frac{a^2}{(\sin \theta - \sin \varphi)^2} \left[ \sin^2(\theta - \varphi) - \sin \theta \sin \varphi (\cos \varphi - \cos \theta)^2 \right]. \end{aligned}$$

What is desired is to show

$$(1 + \sin \theta \sin \varphi)(\sin \theta - \sin \varphi)^2 = \sin^2(\theta - \varphi) - \sin \theta \sin \varphi (\cos \varphi - \cos \theta)^2.$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RHS} &= (\sin \theta \cos \varphi - \cos \theta \sin \varphi)^2 - \sin \theta \sin \varphi (\cos^2 \varphi + \cos^2 \theta - 2 \cos \varphi \cos \theta) \\ &= \sin^2 \theta \cos^2 \varphi + \cos^2 \theta \sin^2 \varphi - 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta \sin \varphi \cos \varphi \\ &\quad - \sin \theta \sin \varphi \cos^2 \varphi - \sin \theta \sin \varphi \cos^2 \theta + 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta \sin \varphi \cos \varphi \\ &= \sin \theta \cos^2 \varphi (\sin \theta - \sin \varphi) + \cos^2 \theta \sin \varphi (\sin \varphi - \sin \theta) \\ &= (\sin \theta \cos^2 \varphi - \cos^2 \theta \sin \varphi)(\sin \theta - \sin \varphi). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, what is left to prove is that

$$(1 + \sin \theta \sin \varphi)(\sin \theta - \sin \varphi) = \sin \theta \cos^2 \varphi - \cos^2 \theta \sin \varphi$$

Notice that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{LHS} &= \sin \theta - \sin \varphi + \sin^2 \theta \sin \varphi - \sin \theta \sin^2 \varphi \\ &= \sin \theta (1 - \sin^2 \varphi) - \sin \varphi (1 - \sin^2 \theta) \\ &= \sin \theta \cos^2 \varphi - \sin \varphi \cos^2 \theta \\ &= \text{RHS}. \end{aligned}$$

This shows that

$$\frac{1}{(\sin \theta - \sin \varphi)^2} \left[ \sin^2(\theta - \varphi) - \sin \theta \sin \varphi (\cos \varphi - \cos \theta)^2 \right] = 1 + \sin \theta \sin \varphi,$$

and hence

$$x^2 + y^2 = a^2 - b^2,$$

as desired.

### 2018.3 Question 5

1. First, we notice that

$$G_{k+1}^{k+1} = \prod_{t=1}^{k+1} a_t = a_{k+1} G_k^k,$$

and hence

$$G_{k+1} = (a_{k+1} G_k^k)^{\frac{1}{k+1}}.$$

Similarly, notice that

$$(k+1)A_{k+1} = \sum_{t=1}^{k+1} a_t = a_{k+1} + kA_k.$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} (k+1)(A_{k+1} - G_{k+1}) &\geq k(A_k - G_k), \\ a_{k+1} + kA_k - (k+1)(a_{k+1} G_k^k)^{\frac{1}{k+1}} &\geq ka_k - kG_k, \\ a_{k+1} + kG_k &\geq (k+1)a_{k+1}^{\frac{1}{k+1}} G_k^{\frac{k}{k+1}}. \end{aligned}$$

Dividing both sides by  $G_k$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a_{k+1}}{G_k} + k &\geq (k+1)a_{k+1}^{\frac{1}{k+1}} G_k^{-\frac{1}{k+1}}, \\ \lambda_k^{k+1} + k &\geq (k+1) \left( \frac{a_{k+1}}{G_k} \right)^{\frac{1}{k+1}}, \\ \lambda_k^{k+1} + k &\geq (k+1)\lambda_k, \\ \lambda_k^{k+1} - (k+1)\lambda_k + k &\geq 0, \end{aligned}$$

as desired. (Notice that the condition for the equal sign is equivalent as well.)

2. By differentiation, we have

$$f'(x) = (k+1)x^k - (k+1) = (k+1)(x^k - 1).$$

When  $x \in (0, 1)$ ,  $x^k \in (0, 1)$ ,  $f'(x) < 0$ , and hence  $f$  is strictly decreasing.

When  $x \in (1, \infty)$ ,  $x^k \in (1, \infty)$ ,  $f'(x) > 0$ , and hence  $f$  is strictly increasing.

Hence,  $f(1)$  is the minimum for  $f$  on  $(0, \infty)$ . This means for all  $x \in (0, \infty)$ , we have

$$f(x) \geq f(1) = 1^{k+1} - (k+1) + k = 0,$$

taking the equal sign if and only if  $x = 1$ .

3. (a) We show this by induction. For the base case  $n = 1$ ,  $A_1 = G_1 = a_1$ , so naturally  $A_n \geq G_n$  is satisfied.

Assume that the statement holds for some  $n = k$ , i.e.  $A_k \geq G_k$ ,  $A_k - G_k \geq 0$ . Since  $k > 0$  as well, we must have

$$(k+1)(A_{k+1} - G_{k+1}) \geq k(A_k - G_k) \geq 0.$$

We also have  $k+1 > 0$ , and hence

$$A_{k+1} - G_{k+1} \geq 0 \iff A_{k+1} \geq G_{k+1},$$

meaning the statement holds for  $n = k+1$  as well.

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, we must have  $A_n \geq G_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , which finishes our proof.

(b) We show this by induction. For the base case  $n = 1$ , this condition is naturally satisfied.

Assume that the statement holds for some  $n = k$ , i.e.  $A_k = G_k \implies a_1 = a_2 = \cdots = a_k$ . We show this for  $n = k + 1$ . If  $A_{k+1} = G_{k+1}$ , then we must have

$$k(A_k - G_k) \leq (k+1)(A_{k+1} - G_{k+1}) = 0,$$

but since  $A_k \geq G_k$ , we must have then  $A_k = G_k$ , and hence the equal sign in the inequality being taken.

This must mean that

$$\lambda_k = \left( \frac{a_{k+1}}{G_k} \right)^{\frac{1}{k+1}} = 1,$$

and hence

$$a_{k+1} = G_k.$$

At the same time, since  $A_k = G_k$ , we must have  $a_1 = a_2 = \cdots = a_k$ , and hence  $G_k = a_1 = a_2 = \cdots = a_k$ . Therefore, we must also have

$$a_1 = a_2 = \cdots = a_k = a_{k+1},$$

which proves the statement that  $A_{k+1} = G_{k+1}$  implies  $a_1 = a_2 = \cdots = a_k = a_{k+1}$ , which is the original statement for  $n = k + 1$ .

Hence, by the principle of mathematical induction, we must have  $A_n = G_n$  implies  $a_1 = a_2 = \cdots = a_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , which finishes our proof.

### 2018.3 Question 6

1. Since  $A, Q, C$  lie on a straight line,  $\mathbf{AQ} = \lambda \mathbf{AC}$  for some  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ . This means

$$q - a = \lambda(c - a),$$

and hence

$$\frac{q - a}{c - a} = \lambda \in \mathbb{R},$$

as required.

Hence, we must have

$$\frac{q - a}{c - a} = \left( \frac{q - a}{c - a} \right)^* = \frac{q^* - a^*}{c^* - a^*}.$$

Cross-multiplying the terms out give

$$(c - a)(q^* - a^*) = (c^* - a^*)(q - a)$$

exactly as desired.

Substituting in  $a^* = 1/a$  and  $c^* = 1/c$ , we have

$$(c - a) \left( q^* - \frac{1}{a} \right) = \left( \frac{1}{c} - \frac{1}{a} \right) (q - a),$$

and expanding the brackets gives

$$cq^* - aq^* - \frac{c}{a} + 1 = \frac{q}{c} - \frac{a}{c} - \frac{q}{a} + 1,$$

and hence

$$cq^* - aq^* - \frac{c}{a} = \frac{q}{c} - \frac{a}{c} - \frac{q}{a}.$$

Multiplying by  $ac$  on both sides gives us

$$ac^2q^* - a^2cq^* - c^2 = aq - a^2 - cq,$$

and hence

$$ac(c - a)q^* = (a - c)q - (a^2 - c^2) = (a - c)q - (a - c)(a + c).$$

We can divide through  $(a - c)$  on both sides since  $a \neq c$ . Hence,

$$0 = q - (a + c) + acq^*,$$

and hence

$$acq^* + q = a + c,$$

as desired.

2. By part 1, we must have

$$acq^* + q = a + c, \quad bdq^* + q = b + d.$$

Since  $q = q$ , we have

$$acq^* - (a + c) = bdq^* - (b + d),$$

and rearranging gives

$$(ac - bd)q^* = (a + c) - (b + d),$$

exactly as desired.

We also have  $q^* = q^*$ , and hence

$$\frac{a + c - q}{ac} = \frac{b + d - q}{bd},$$

which gives

$$(bd)(a + c - q) = (ac)(b + d - q),$$



and rearranging gives

$$(ac - bd)q = ac(b + d) - bd(a + c).$$

Summing this with previously, we have

$$(ac - bd)(q + q^*) = (a + c) - (b + d) + ac(b + d) - bd(a + c).$$

We notice that

$$\begin{aligned} (a + c) - (b + d) + ac(b + d) - bd(a + c) &= a + c - b - d + abc + acd - abd - bcd \\ &= a - b + acd - bcd + c - d + abc - abd \\ &= (a - b)(1 + cd) + (c - d)(1 + ab), \end{aligned}$$

and hence

$$(ac - bd)(q + q^*) = (a - b)(1 + cd) + (c - d)(1 + ab),$$

exactly as desired.

3. By part 1, we must have

$$p + abp^* = a + b.$$

Since  $p$  is real,  $p = p^*$ , and hence

$$(1 + ab)p = a + b,$$

as desired.

Similarly, we must have

$$(1 + cd)q = c + d,$$

and putting this back into the result from part 2, we have

$$(ac - bd)(q + q^*) = \frac{(a - b)(c + d)}{p} + \frac{(c - d)(a + b)}{p},$$

and hence since  $ac - bd \neq 0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} p(q + q^*) &= \frac{(a - b)(c + d) + (c - d)(a + b)}{ac - bd} \\ &= \frac{ac + ad - bc - bd + ac + bc - ad - bd}{ac - bd} \\ &= \frac{2ac - 2bd}{ac - bd} \\ &= 2, \end{aligned}$$

as desired.

### 2018.3 Question 7

1. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{(\cot \theta + i)^{2n+1} - (\cot \theta - i)^{2n+1}}{2i} \\
 &= \frac{(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^{2n+1} - (\cos \theta - i \sin \theta)^{2n+1}}{2i \sin^{2n+1} \theta} \\
 &= \frac{(\cos(2n+1)\theta + i \sin(2n+1)\theta) - (\cos(2n+1)\theta - i \sin(2n+1)\theta)}{2i \sin^{2n+1} \theta} \\
 &= \frac{2i \sin(2n+1)\theta}{2i \sin^{2n+1} \theta} \\
 &= \frac{\sin(2n+1)\theta}{\sin^{2n+1} \theta},
 \end{aligned}$$

as desired.

By applying the binomial expansion formula on the numerator, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (\cot \theta + i)^{2n+1} - (\cot \theta - i)^{2n+1} \\
 &= \sum_{t=0}^{2n+1} \binom{2n+1}{t} \cot^t \theta \cdot i^{2n+1-t} - \sum_{t=0}^{2n+1} \binom{2n+1}{t} \cot^t \theta \cdot (-i)^{2n+1-t} \\
 &= \sum_{t=0}^{2n+1} \binom{2n+1}{t} \cot^t \theta \cdot [i^{2n+1-t} - (-i)^{2n+1-t}] \\
 &= (-1)^n \cdot i \cdot \sum_{t=0}^{2n+1} \binom{2n+1}{t} \cot^t \theta \cdot i^{-t} \cdot [1 - (-1)^{1-t}].
 \end{aligned}$$

Due to the existence of the final term, this means that only terms with even  $t$  will retain (give a 2), and odd  $ts$  will cancel. Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (\cot \theta + i)^{2n+1} - (\cot \theta - i)^{2n+1} \\
 &= (-1)^n \cdot i \cdot \sum_{t=0}^{2n+1} \binom{2n+1}{t} \cot^t \theta \cdot i^{-t} \cdot [1 - (-1)^{1-t}] \\
 &= (-1)^n \cdot 2i \cdot \sum_{t=0}^n \binom{2n+1}{2t} \cot^{2t} \theta \cdot i^{-2t} \\
 &= 2i(-1)^n \cdot \sum_{t=0}^n \binom{2n+1}{2t} \cot^{2t} \theta \cdot (-1)^t \\
 &= 2i(-1)^n \cdot \sum_{t=0}^n \binom{2n+1}{2n-2t+1} \cot^{2t} \theta \cdot (-1)^t \\
 &= 2i(-1)^n \cdot \sum_{t=0}^n \binom{2n+1}{2t+1} \cot^{2(n-t)} \theta \cdot (-1)^{n-t} \\
 &= 2i \cdot \sum_{t=0}^n \binom{2n+1}{2t+1} \cot^{2(n-t)} \theta \cdot (-1)^t.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{\sin(2n+1)\theta}{\sin^{2n+1} \theta} \\
 &= \frac{2i \cdot \sum_{t=0}^n \binom{2n+1}{2t+1} \cot^{2(n-t)} \theta \cdot (-1)^t}{2i} \\
 &= \sum_{t=0}^n \binom{2n+1}{2t+1} \cot^{2(n-t)} \theta \cdot (-1)^t.
 \end{aligned}$$

The left-hand side of the original equation is

$$\sum_{t=0}^n \binom{2n+1}{2t+1} x^{n-t} \cdot (-1)^t.$$

Let  $x = \cot^2 \theta$ , we have

$$\frac{\sin(2n+1)\theta}{\sin^{2n+1} \theta} = \sum_{t=0}^n \binom{2n+1}{2t+1} x^{n-t} \cdot (-1)^t = 0.$$

Therefore, we have  $\sin(2n+1)\theta = 0$ , and hence  $(2n+1)\theta = m\pi$  for  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

To avoid duplicate solutions for  $x = \cot^2 \theta$ , we restrict  $\theta \in (0, \frac{\pi}{2}]$ , and hence  $(2n+1)\theta \in (0, (n + \frac{1}{2})\pi]$ , and hence  $m = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

This solves to  $\theta = \frac{m\pi}{2n+1}$  for  $m = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , and hence this gives exactly

$$x = \cot^2 \left( \frac{m\pi}{2n+1} \right).$$

2. By Vieta's Theorem, we will have

$$\sum_{m=1}^n x_m = -\frac{\binom{2n+1}{3}}{\binom{2n+1}{1}} = \frac{(2n+1)(2n)(2n-1)}{(2n+1) \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1} = \frac{n(2n-1)}{3},$$

and since we have

$$x_m = \cot^2 \left( \frac{m\pi}{2n+1} \right),$$

we have

$$\sum_{m=1}^n \cot^2 \left( \frac{m\pi}{2n+1} \right) = \frac{n(2n-1)}{3}.$$

3. For  $0 < \theta < \frac{1}{2}\pi$ , we have  $0 < \sin \theta < \theta < \tan \theta$ , and squaring this gives

$$0 < \sin^2 \theta < \theta^2 < \tan^2 \theta,$$

and flipping to the reciprocal gives

$$0 < \cot^2 \theta < \frac{1}{\theta^2} < \csc^2 \theta = 1 + \cot^2 \theta,$$

which proves exactly what is desired.

Therefore, we have

$$\sum_{m=1}^n \cot^2 \left( \frac{m\pi}{2n+1} \right) < \sum_{m=1}^n \frac{1}{\left( \frac{m\pi}{2n+1} \right)^2} < \sum_{m=1}^n \left[ 1 + \cot^2 \left( \frac{m\pi}{2n+1} \right) \right],$$

and hence

$$\frac{n(2n-1)}{3} < \sum_{m=1}^n \frac{(2n+1)^2}{m^2 \pi^2} < \frac{2n(n+1)}{3},$$

and hence

$$\frac{n(2n-1)\pi^2}{3(2n+1)^2} < \sum_{m=1}^n \frac{1}{m^2} < \frac{2n(n+1)\pi^2}{3(2n+1)^2}.$$

Take the limit as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , the strict inequalities become weak, and hence

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n(2n-1)\pi^2}{3(2n+1)^2} \leq \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m^2} \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2n(n+1)\pi^2}{3(2n+1)^2},$$

and hence

$$\frac{2\pi^2}{3 \cdot 2^2} \leq \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m^2} \leq \frac{2n\pi^2}{3 \cdot 2^2},$$

and therefore

$$\frac{\pi^2}{6} \leq \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m^2} \leq \frac{\pi^2}{6},$$

and hence

$$\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{6},$$

as desired.

### 2018.3 Question 8

1. Using the substitution  $t = \frac{1}{x}$ , we have

$$\frac{dt}{dx} = -\frac{1}{x^2} \implies dx = -x^2 dt = -\frac{dt}{t^2},$$

and when  $x \rightarrow 0^+$ ,  $t \rightarrow \infty$ , and when  $x = 1$ ,  $t = 1$ . Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_0^1 \frac{f(x^{-1})}{1+x} dx \\ &= \int_1^\infty \frac{f(t)}{1+t^{-1}} \cdot \left(-\frac{dt}{t^2}\right) \\ &= \int_1^\infty \frac{f(t) dt}{t(1+t)} \\ &= \int_1^2 \frac{f(t) dt}{t(1+t)} + \int_2^3 \frac{f(t) dt}{t(1+t)} + \int_3^4 \frac{f(t) dt}{t(1+t)} + \cdots \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^\infty \int_n^{n+1} \frac{f(t) dt}{t(1+t)}, \end{aligned}$$

as desired.

Since  $f(x) = f(x+1)$  for all  $x$ , we must have that  $f(x) = f(x+n)$  for all  $x$  and integers  $n$ . Also, we have

$$\frac{1}{y(1+y)} = \frac{1}{y} - \frac{1}{1+y}.$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \sum_{n=1}^\infty \int_n^{n+1} \frac{f(t) dt}{t(1+t)} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^\infty \int_0^1 \frac{f(n+t) dt}{(n+t)(n+t+1)} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^\infty \int_0^1 f(t) \cdot \left[ \frac{1}{n+t} - \frac{1}{n+t+1} \right] dt \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^\infty \int_0^1 \frac{f(t) dt}{n+t} - \sum_{n=1}^\infty \int_0^1 \frac{f(t) dt}{n+t+1} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^\infty \int_0^1 \frac{f(t) dt}{n+t} - \sum_{n=2}^\infty \int_0^1 \frac{f(t) dt}{n+t} \\ &= \int_0^1 \frac{f(t) dt}{1+t}. \end{aligned}$$

2. For the first integral, simply consider  $f(x) = \{x\}$ , and we can immediately see that  $f(x)$  has period of 1 from the definition. Hence,

$$\int_0^1 \frac{\{x^{-1}\}}{1+x} dx = \int_0^1 \frac{f(x^{-1})}{1+x} dx = \int_0^1 \frac{f(x)}{1+x} dx = \int_0^1 \frac{\{x\}}{1+x} dx.$$

Since for  $0 < x < 1$ , we have  $\{x\} = x$ , and hence

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_0^1 \frac{\{x^{-1}\}}{1+x} dx &= \int_0^1 \frac{\{x\}}{1+x} dx \\
 &= \int_0^1 \frac{x}{1+x} dx \\
 &= \int_0^1 \left(1 - \frac{1}{1+x}\right) dx \\
 &= 1 - [\ln(1+x)]_0^1 \\
 &= 1 - (\ln(2) - \ln(1)) \\
 &= 1 - \ln 2.
 \end{aligned}$$

For the second integral, we let  $g(x) = \{2x\}$ , and we can see that  $g(x)$  has a period of  $\frac{1}{2}$ , and hence it also has a period of 1. Hence,

$$\int_0^1 \frac{\{2x^{-1}\}}{1+x} dx = \int_0^1 \frac{g(x^{-1})}{1+x} dx = \int_0^1 \frac{g(x)}{1+x} dx = \int_0^1 \frac{\{2x\}}{1+x} dx.$$

We split this integral into two parts,  $[0, 0.5]$  and  $[0.5, 1]$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_0^1 \frac{\{2x^{-1}\}}{1+x} dx &= \int_0^1 \frac{\{2x\}}{1+x} dx \\
 &= \int_0^{0.5} \frac{\{2x\}}{1+x} dx + \int_{0.5}^1 \frac{\{2x\}}{1+x} dx \\
 &= \int_0^{0.5} \frac{2x}{1+x} dx + \int_{0.5}^1 \frac{2x-1}{1+x} dx \\
 &= \int_0^{0.5} \left[2 - \frac{2}{1+x}\right] dx + \int_{0.5}^1 \left[2 - \frac{3}{1+x}\right] dx \\
 &= 1 - 2[\ln(1+x)]_0^{0.5} + 1 - 3[\ln(1+x)]_{0.5}^1 \\
 &= 2 - 2\ln 1.5 + 2\ln 1 - 3\ln 2 + 3\ln 1.5 \\
 &= 2 - 3\ln 2 + \ln 1.5 \\
 &= 2 - 3\ln 2 + \ln 3 - \ln 2 \\
 &= 2 - 4\ln 2 + \ln 3.
 \end{aligned}$$

### 2018.3 Question 12

1.  $P(Y_k) \leq y$  is the probability that there is at least  $k$  numbers that are less than equal to  $y$ .

If there are  $k \leq m \leq n$  numbers less than or equal to  $y$ , then there must be  $n - m$  numbers greater than or equal to  $y$ . The probability of the first thing happening for each number is  $y$ , and for the second thing happening for each number is  $1 - y$ . We also have to choose  $m$  numbers from the  $n$  to make them less than or equal to  $y$ . Therefore,

$$P(Y_k \leq y) = \sum_{m=k}^n \binom{n}{m} y^m (1-y)^{n-m}.$$

2. We have

$$m \binom{n}{m} = m \cdot \frac{n!}{m!(n-m)!} = \frac{n!}{(m-1)!(n-m)!} = n \cdot \frac{(n-1)!}{(m-1)!(n-m)!} = n \binom{n-1}{m-1}.$$

We have

$$(n-m) \binom{n}{m} = (n-m) \cdot \frac{n!}{m!(n-m)!} = \frac{n!}{m!(n-m-1)!} = n \cdot \frac{(n-1)!}{m!(n-m-1)!} = n \binom{n-1}{m}.$$

The cumulative distribution function  $F_{Y_k}$  is

$$F_{Y_k}(y) = \sum_{m=k}^n \binom{n}{m} y^m (1-y)^{n-m}.$$

Therefore, the probability density function  $f_{Y_k}$  is

$$\begin{aligned} f_{Y_k}(y) &= F'_{Y_k}(y) \\ &= \sum_{m=k}^n \binom{n}{m} [m y^{m-1} (1-y)^{n-m} - (n-m) y^m (1-y)^{n-m-1}] \\ &= \sum_{m=k}^n y^{m-1} (1-y)^{n-m-1} \left[ m \binom{n}{m} (1-y) - (n-m) \binom{n}{m} y \right] \\ &= n \left[ \sum_{m=k}^n \binom{n-1}{m-1} y^{m-1} (1-y)^{n-m} - \sum_{m=k}^{n-1} \binom{n-1}{m} y^m (1-y)^{n-m-1} \right] \\ &= n \left[ \sum_{m=k}^n \binom{n-1}{m-1} y^{m-1} (1-y)^{n-m} - \sum_{m=k+1}^n \binom{n-1}{m-1} y^{m-1} (1-y)^{n-m} \right] \\ &= n \binom{n-1}{k-1} y^{k-1} (1-y)^{n-k}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $Y_k \in [0, 1]$ , we must have

$$\int_0^1 f_{Y_k}(y) dy = 1,$$

and hence

$$n \binom{n-1}{k-1} \int_0^1 y^{k-1} (1-y)^{n-k} dy = 1,$$

and therefore we have

$$\int_0^1 y^{k-1} (1-y)^{n-k} dy = \frac{1}{n \binom{n-1}{k-1}}.$$

3. By the definition of the expectation,

$$\begin{aligned} E(Y_k) &= \int_0^1 y f_{Y_k}(y) \, dy \\ &= n \binom{n-1}{k-1} \int_0^1 y^k (1-y)^{n-k} \, dy \\ &= n \binom{n-1}{k-1} \cdot \frac{1}{(n+1) \binom{n}{k}} \\ &= \frac{n \cdot \frac{(n-1)!}{(k-1)!(n-k)!}}{(n+1) \cdot \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}} \\ &= \frac{\frac{n!}{(k-1)!(n-k)!}}{\frac{(n+1)n!}{k(k-1)!(n-k)!}} \\ &= \frac{k}{n+1}. \end{aligned}$$



### 2018.3 Question 13

By the definition of a probability generating function, we have

$$G(1) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P(X = n), \text{ and } G(-1) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n P(X = n).$$

Hence,

$$G(1) + G(-1) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} [1 + (-1)^n] P(X = n).$$

When  $n$  is odd,  $1 + (-1)^n = 0$ . When  $n$  is even,  $1 + (-1)^n = 2$ .

This means

$$G(1) + G(-1) = 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P(X = 2n),$$

which gives

$$\frac{1}{2}(G(1) + G(-1)) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P(X = 2n) = P(X = 0 \text{ or } X = 2 \text{ or } X = 4 \dots).$$

Since  $X \sim \text{Po}(\lambda)$ , we have

$$P(X = x) = e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^x}{x!},$$

and hence the probability generating function for  $X$ ,  $G(t)$ , must satisfy

$$\begin{aligned} G(t) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P(X = n) \cdot t^n \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^n}{n!} \cdot t^n \\ &= e^{-\lambda} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(\lambda t)^n}{n!} \\ &= e^{-\lambda} \cdot e^{\lambda t} \\ &= e^{-\lambda(1-t)}. \end{aligned}$$

1. Consider  $G(t) + G(-t)$ . By definition, we have

$$G(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P(X = n)t^n, G(-t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n P(X = n)t^n,$$

and hence

$$G(t) + G(-t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (1 + (-1)^n) P(X = n)t^n = 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P(X = 2n)t^{2n}.$$

Let  $H(t)$  be the probability generating function of  $Y$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} H(t) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P(Y = n) \cdot t^n \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P(Y = 2n) \cdot t^{2n} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} k P(X = 2n) \cdot t^{2n} \\ &= \frac{k}{2} (G(t) + G(-t)). \end{aligned}$$

To find  $k$ , we must have  $H(1) = 1$ . Hence,

$$1 = \frac{k}{2} (G(1) + G(-1)) = \frac{k}{2} (e^{-\lambda(1-1)} + e^{-\lambda(1+1)}) = \frac{k}{2} (1 + e^{-2\lambda}),$$

which gives

$$k = \frac{2}{1 + e^{-2\lambda}} = \frac{2e^\lambda}{e^\lambda + e^{-\lambda}} = \frac{e^\lambda}{\cosh \lambda}.$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} H(t) &= \frac{k}{2} (G(t) + G(-t)) \\ &= \frac{e^\lambda}{2 \cosh \lambda} (e^{-\lambda(1-t)} + e^{-\lambda(1+t)}) \\ &= \frac{1}{\cosh \lambda} \frac{e^{\lambda t} + e^{-\lambda t}}{2} \\ &= \frac{\cosh \lambda t}{\cosh \lambda}. \end{aligned}$$

Differentiating this with respect to  $t$ , we have

$$H'(t) = \frac{\lambda \sinh \lambda t}{\cosh \lambda},$$

and hence

$$E(Y) = H'(1) = \frac{\lambda \sinh \lambda \cdot 1}{\cosh \lambda} = \lambda \tanh \lambda.$$

Since  $-1 < \tanh \lambda < 1$ , we have  $\lambda \tanh \lambda < \lambda$ , and so  $E(Y) < \lambda$  for  $\lambda > 0$ .

2. Consider  $G(t) + G(-t) + G(it) + G(-it)$ . By definition, we have

$$G(t) + G(-t) + G(it) + G(-it) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (1 + (-1)^n + i^n + (-i)^n) P(X = n) \cdot t^n.$$

Let  $m$  be an integer. Consider the following four cases:

- $n = 4m$ ,  $1 + (-1)^n + i^n + (-i)^n = 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 = 4$ .
- $n = 4m + 1$ ,  $1 + (-1)^n + i^n + (-i)^n = 1 + (-1) + i + (-i) = 0$ .
- $n = 4m + 2$ ,  $1 + (-1)^n + i^n + (-i)^n = 1 + 1 + (-1) + (-1) = 0$ .
- $n = 4m + 3$ ,  $1 + (-1)^n + i^n + (-i)^n = 1 + (-1) + (-i) + i = 0$ .

Hence,

$$G(t) + G(-t) + G(it) + G(-it) = 4 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P(X = 4n) \cdot t^{4n}.$$

Let  $P(t)$  be the probability generating function of  $Z$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} P(t) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P(Z = n) \cdot t^n \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P(Z = 4n) \cdot t^{4n} \\ &= c \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P(X = 4n) \cdot t^{4n} \\ &= \frac{c}{4} (G(t) + G(-t) + G(it) + G(-it)). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $P(1) = 0$ , we must have

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 &= \frac{c}{4} (G(1) + G(-1) + G(i) + G(-i)) \\
 &= \frac{c}{4} (e^{-\lambda(1-1)} + e^{-\lambda(1+1)} + e^{-\lambda(1-i)} + e^{-\lambda(1+i)}) \\
 &= \frac{ce^{-\lambda}}{4} (e^{\lambda} + e^{-\lambda} + e^{i\lambda} + e^{-i\lambda}) \\
 &= \frac{ce^{-\lambda}}{2} (\cos \lambda + \cosh \lambda).
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$c = \frac{2e^{\lambda}}{\cos \lambda + \cosh \lambda}.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(t) &= \frac{c}{4} (G(t) + G(-t) + G(it) + G(-it)) \\
 &= \frac{e^{\lambda}}{2(\cos \lambda + \cosh \lambda)} [e^{-\lambda(1-t)} + e^{-\lambda(1+t)} + e^{-\lambda(1-it)} + e^{-\lambda(1+it)}] \\
 &= \frac{e^{\lambda t} + e^{-\lambda t} + e^{\lambda it} + e^{-\lambda it}}{2(\cos \lambda + \cosh \lambda)} \\
 &= \frac{\cos \lambda t + \cosh \lambda t}{\cos \lambda + \cosh \lambda}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Differentiating this with respect to  $t$  gives us

$$P'(t) = \frac{\lambda(-\sin \lambda t + \sinh \lambda t)}{\cos \lambda + \cosh \lambda},$$

and hence

$$E(Z) = P'(1) = \frac{\lambda(-\sin \lambda + \sinh \lambda)}{\cos \lambda + \cosh \lambda}.$$

$E(Z) < \lambda$  is equivalent to

$$\frac{\sinh \lambda - \sin \lambda}{\cosh \lambda + \cos \lambda} < 1,$$

which is then equivalent to

$$\sinh \lambda - \cosh \lambda < \sin \lambda + \cos \lambda,$$

which is

$$-e^{-\lambda} < \sin \lambda + \cos \lambda.$$

However, this is not necessarily true. Let  $\lambda = \pi$ . We have

$$\text{LHS} = -e^{-\pi} > -e^0 = -1,$$

and

$$\text{RHS} = \sin \pi + \cos \pi = -1,$$

which means  $\text{LHS} > \text{RHS}$  for  $\lambda = \pi$ , which means  $E(Z) > \lambda$ . Therefore, the statement is not true.