

BULGARIAN NATIONAL MATHEMATICAL OLYMPIAD FOR UNIVERSITY STUDENTS

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GROUP C

Problem 1. Let $MNPQ$ be a square. The points $A(2,1)$ and $B(3,5)$ lie respectively on lines MN and PQ and the points $C(0,1)$ and $D(-3,-1)$ lie respectively on lines MQ and NP . Find the equations of lines MN , PQ , MQ , and NP and the area of $MNPQ$.

Solution: $A \in MN$, $B \in PQ$, $C \in NP$, $D \in MQ$. Then $MN: y-1=k(x-2)$, i.e. $MN: kx-y+1-2k=0$. The line NP goes through point C and it is perpendicular to the line MN , hence its slope is $-\frac{1}{k}$. For the equation of NP we obtain $NP: y-1=-\frac{1}{k}x$, i.e. $x+ky-k=0$.

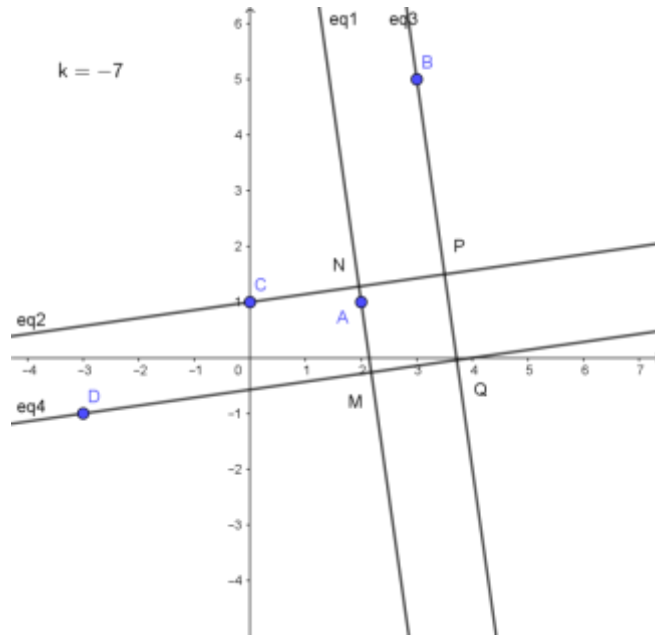
To determine k we will use the property of the square: $d(B, MN) = d(D, NP)$.

$$d(B, MN) = \frac{|3k-5+1-2k|}{\sqrt{k^2+1}} = \frac{|k-4|}{\sqrt{k^2+1}}, \text{ and } d(D, NP) = \frac{|-3-k-k|}{\sqrt{1+k^2}} = \frac{|3+2k|}{\sqrt{1+k^2}}. \text{ Therefore}$$
$$\frac{|k-4|}{\sqrt{k^2+1}} = \frac{|3+2k|}{\sqrt{1+k^2}}, \quad k-4 = \pm(3+2k), \quad k = -7 \text{ or } k = \frac{1}{3}.$$

I) $k = -7$:

$MN: 7x+y-15=0$, $NP: x-7y+7=0$, $PQ: 7x+y-26=0$, $QM: x-7y-4=0$. Then

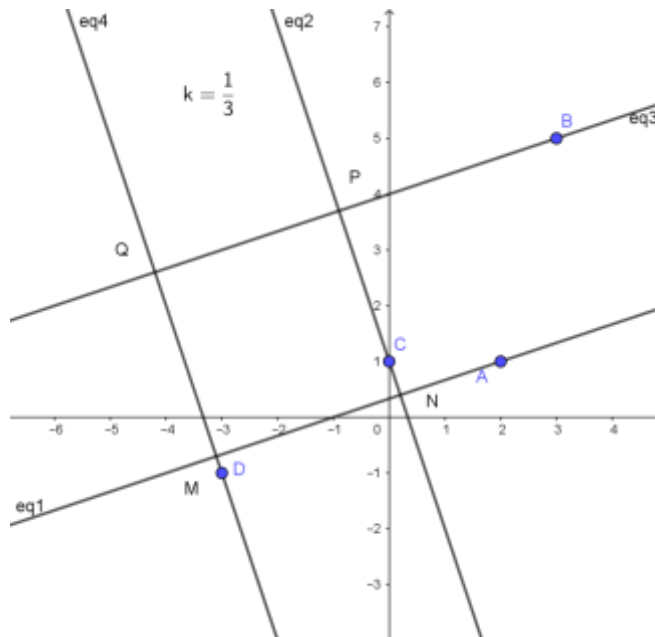
$$MN \cap NP = N\left(\frac{49}{25}, \frac{32}{25}\right), \quad PQ \cap NP = P\left(\frac{7}{2}, \frac{3}{2}\right) \text{ and } S = NP^2 = \left(\frac{11\sqrt{2}}{10}\right)^2 = \frac{121}{50}.$$



II) $k = \frac{1}{3}$:

$MN : x - 3y + 1 = 0$, $NP : 3x + y - 1 = 0$, $PQ : x - 3y + 12 = 0$, $QM : 3x + y + 10 = 0$. Then

$$MN \cap NP = N\left(\frac{1}{5}, \frac{2}{5}\right), \quad PQ \cap NP = P\left(-\frac{9}{10}, \frac{37}{10}\right) \text{ and } S = NP^2 = \left(\frac{11\sqrt{10}}{10}\right)^2 = \frac{121}{10}.$$



Problem 2. The functions $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ are given:

$$f(x) = ax^3 - 2bx^2 + (4+c)x + d - 2, \quad g(x) = x^3 - 2x^2 + ax - 2a - 3b + 1,$$

where a, b, c and d are real parameters. Find the values of the parameters a, b, c and d , for which each of the functions has in the point $x=1$ a local minimum equal to 5.

Solution: It follows from the condition that:

$$\begin{cases} f(1) = a - 2b + c + d + 2 = 5 \\ g(1) = -a - 3b = 5 \\ f'(1) = 3a - 4b + c + 4 = 0 \\ g'(1) = -1 + a = 0 \end{cases}$$

The solution of the system is: $a=1; b=-2; c=-15; d=13$.

Indeed, each of the functions $f(x) = x^3 + 4x^2 - 11x + 11$ and $g(x) = x^3 - 2x^2 + x + 5$ has a local minimum in the point $x=1$, because $f'(1)=0$ and $f''(1)=12 \cdot 1 + 8 = 20 > 0$, $g'(1)=0$ and $g''(1)=12 \cdot 1 - 4 = 8 > 0$.

Problem 3. The function $f(x) = x^{2021} - x^{2020} + 1$ and the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2 & 2 \\ 4 & 5 & -4 \\ 3 & 3 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$ are given. Find $f(A)$.

Solution: $A^2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & -2 & 2 \\ 4 & 5 & -4 \\ 3 & 3 & -2 \end{pmatrix} = A$, so $A^n = A$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Therefore $f(A) = A^{2021} - A^{2020} + E$

i.e. $f(A) = A - A + E = E$ (E is the identity matrix of a third order).

Problem 4. The function $f(x) = \frac{\ln x}{x}$ is given.

a) Find the intervals in which $f(x)$ is monotonic.

b) Prove that $f(x) \leq \frac{1}{e}$ for each $x > 0$.

c) Determine which of the numbers 2020^{2021} or 2021^{2020} is greater.

Solution: a) The function is defined for $x \in (0, +\infty)$ and its derivative $f'(x) = \frac{1 - \ln x}{x^2} = 0$ when $x = e$. In the interval $(0, e)$ $f'(x) > 0$ and $f(x)$ is increasing, in the interval $(e, +\infty)$ $f'(x) < 0$ and $f(x)$ is decreasing.

b) From a) we obtain $\text{MAX}_{x>0} f(x) = f(e) = \frac{1}{e}$. Then $f(x) \leq \text{MAX}_{x>0} f(x) = \frac{1}{e}$ for each

$x > 0$.

c) The function $f(x)$ is decreasing in the interval of $(e, +\infty)$. Therefore

$$f(2020) = \frac{\ln 2020}{2020} > \frac{\ln 2021}{2021} = f(2021), \quad 2021 \cdot \ln 2020 > 2020 \cdot \ln 2021, \\ \ln 2020^{2021} > \ln 2021^{2020}, \quad 2020^{2021} > 2021^{2020}.$$