

BULGARIAN NATIONAL MATHEMATICAL OLYMPIAD FOR UNIVERSITY STUDENTS

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GROUP B

Problem 1. The matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ a & 1 & 0 \\ a^k & -a & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ is given, $a > 0$ and $k > 0$. Let n be a natural number.

- a) Find A^n ;
- b) Find the values of n for which the sum of the elements of A^n has the largest value if $a = 2$ and $k = 2021$?

Solution: a) Sequentially we calculate

$$A^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2a & 1 & 0 \\ 2a^k - a^2 & -2a & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3a & 1 & 0 \\ 3a^k - 3a^2 & -3a & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A^4 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 4a & 1 & 0 \\ 4a^k - 6a^2 & -4a & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$A^5 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 5a & 1 & 0 \\ 5a^k - 10a^2 & -5a & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

We can conclude that $A^n = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ na & 1 & 0 \\ na^k - \frac{n(n-1)}{2}a^2 & -na & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

This result can be proved by induction.

b) When $a = 2$ and $k = 2021$ $f(n) = -2n^2 + 2(1+2^{2020})n + 3$.

The maximum of this function is obtained for $n_0 = \frac{-2(1+2^{2020})}{2 \cdot (-2)} = \frac{1+2^{2020}}{2} = 2^{2019} + \frac{1}{2}$.

As the value of n is not an integer, the largest value of $f(n)$ is obtained when

$$n_1 = n_0 - \frac{1}{2} = 2^{2019} \text{ and } n_1 = n_0 + \frac{1}{2} = 2^{2019} + 1.$$

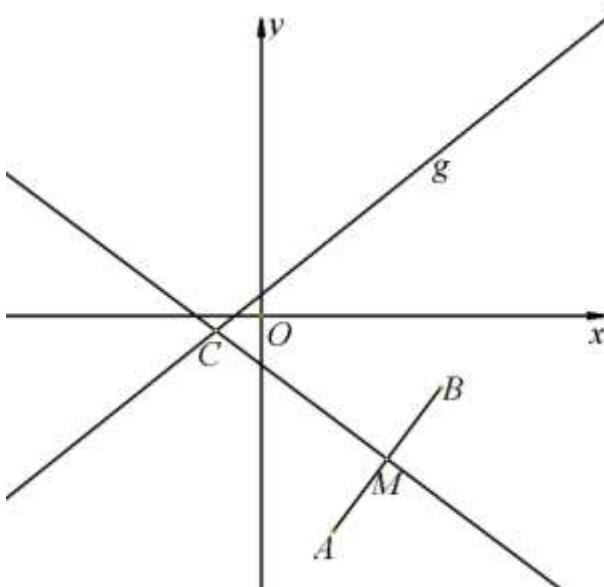
Notice: The problem also makes sense when $n \leq 0$.

Problem 2. In the plane Oxy the line $g: 4x - 5y + 3 = 0$ and the points $A(2, -6)$ and $B(5, -2)$ are given. Find:

- a) point C on the line g such that ΔABC is an isosceles triangle ($AC=BC$);
- b) point D on the line g such that ΔABD has an area of 10;
- c) point P on the line g such that ΔABP has the smallest possible perimeter.

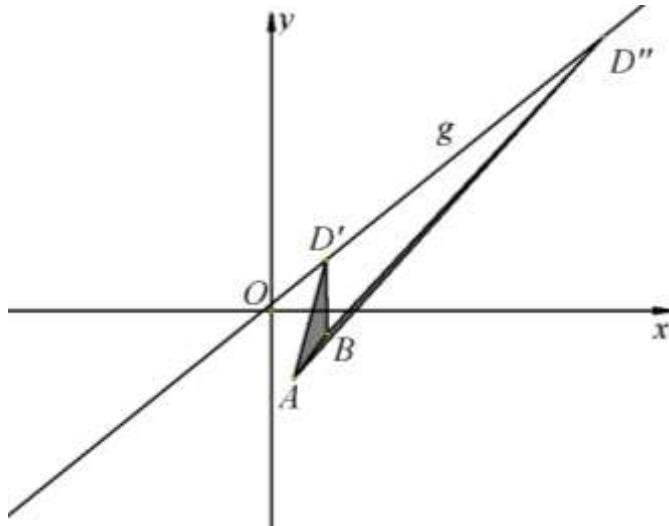
Solution: a) The point C lies on the bisector s of the line segment AB . The line s goes through the midpoint $M\left(\frac{7}{2}, -4\right)$ of the line segment AB and it is perpendicular to the vector $\overrightarrow{AB}(3, 4)$, so it has the following equation $s: 6x + 8y + 11 = 0$.

The coordinates of C are the solution of the system $\begin{cases} g: 4x - 5y + 3 = 0 \\ s: 6x + 8y + 11 = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow C\left(-\frac{79}{62}, -\frac{13}{3}\right)$.



b) Let $D(x_D, y_D)$. The area of the triangle ΔABC $S_{\Delta ABC} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & -6 & 1 \\ 5 & -1 & 1 \\ x_D & y_D & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 10$, which is equivalent to $-4x_D + 3y_D + 26 \pm 20 = 0$. Since $D \in g$ the equality $4x_D - 5y_D + 3 = 0$ is satisfied.

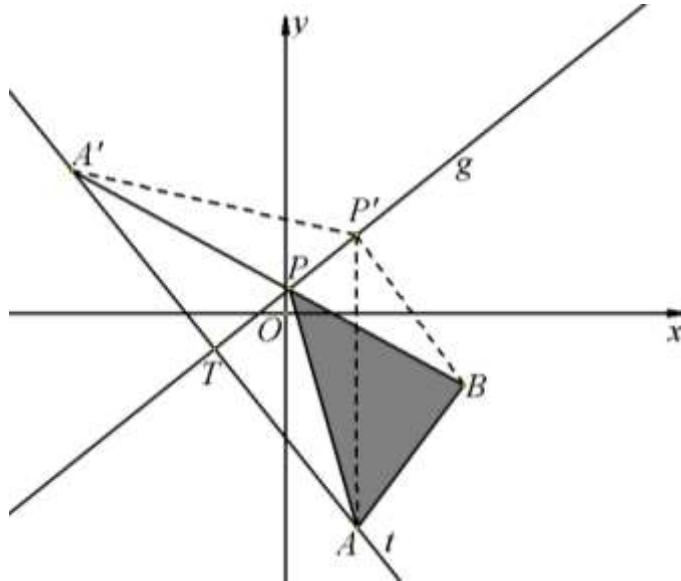
The system of the last two equations has two solutions: $D'\left(\frac{39}{8}, \frac{9}{2}\right)$ and $D''\left(\frac{239}{8}, \frac{49}{2}\right)$.



c) Let A' is the point, which is symmetric to A across g . Let P is the intersection of $A'B$ and g , and P' is an arbitrary point from g . If the perimeters of $\triangle ABP$ and $\triangle ABP'$ are respectively p and p' then

$$p' = AB + AP' + BP' = AB + A'P' + BP' \geq AB + A'B = AB + A'P + PB = AB + AP + PB = p.$$

The equality $p' = p$ is satisfied then and only then $P' \equiv P$. Hence the sought point is $P = g \cap A'B$.



Let the line t goes through point $A(2, -6)$ and it is perpendicular to the line g ($t \perp g$). The equation of t is $5x + 4y + 14 = 0$. Therefore $\begin{cases} g: 4x - 5y + 3 = 0 \\ t: 5x + 4y + 14 = 0 \end{cases}$ and $T(-2, -1)$. From the coordinates of A and T we obtain $A'(-6, 4)$ and the equation of the line $A'B$ is $A'B: 6x + 11y - 8 = 0$.

From the system $\begin{cases} g : 4x - 5y + 3 = 0 \\ A'B : 6x + 11y - 8 = 0 \end{cases}$ we get $P\left(\frac{7}{74}, \frac{25}{37}\right)$.

Problem 3. Prove the inequalities:

- a) $\operatorname{tg} x \geq x$ if $x \in \left[0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$;
- b) $\ln\left(\frac{2\cos x}{\sqrt{3}}\right) \leq \frac{\pi^2}{72} - \frac{x^2}{2}$ if $x \in \left[\frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$.

Solution: a) Let $f(x) = \operatorname{tg} x - x$, $x \in \left[0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$.

Its derivative $f'(x) = \frac{1}{\cos^2 x} - 1 = \operatorname{tg}^2 x > 0$. Therefore $f(x)$ is increasing and $f(x) \geq f(0) = 0$ i.e. $\operatorname{tg} x \geq x$.

b) Let $f_1(u) = \operatorname{tg} u$ and $f_2(u) = u$. From a) we have $f_1(u) \geq f_2(u)$, $\frac{\pi}{6} \leq u \leq x < \frac{\pi}{2} \Rightarrow$

$$\int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^x f_1(u) du \geq \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^x f_2(u) du , \quad \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^x \operatorname{tg} u du \geq \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^x u du , \quad \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^x \frac{\sin u}{\cos u} du \geq \frac{u^2}{2} \Big|_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^x , \quad -\int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^x \frac{d \cos u}{\cos u} \geq \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{\pi^2}{72} ,$$

$$\ln(\cos u) \Big|_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^x \leq \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{\pi^2}{72} , \quad \ln(\cos x) - \ln\left(\cos \frac{\pi}{6}\right) \leq \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{\pi^2}{72} , \quad \ln(\cos x) - \ln \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \leq \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{\pi^2}{72} ,$$

$$\ln\left(\frac{2\cos x}{\sqrt{3}}\right) \leq \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{\pi^2}{72} .$$

Problem 4. Prove: $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}} \int_1^{x^2+1} \ln\left(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}\right) dt = 2$.

Solution: First we will calculate the integral $I = \int_1^{x^2+1} \ln\left(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}\right) dt$.

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_1^{x^2+1} \ln\left(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}\right) dt = t \cdot \ln\left(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}\right) \Big|_1^{x^2+1} - \int_1^{x^2+1} t d \ln\left(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}\right) = \\ &= \left(x^2 + 1\right) \ln\left(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}}\right) - \ln 2 - \int_1^{x^2+1} \frac{t \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) t^{-\frac{3}{2}}}{1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}} dt = \end{aligned}$$

$$= (x^2 + 1) \ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}} \right) - \ln 2 + \frac{1}{2} \int_1^{x^2+1} \frac{1}{1+\sqrt{t}} dt.$$

In the last integral we make a substitution $y = \sqrt{t}$ and we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int_1^{x^2+1} \frac{1}{1+\sqrt{t}} dt &= \int_1^{\sqrt{x^2+1}} \frac{2y}{1+y} dy = 2 \int_1^{\sqrt{x^2+1}} \left(1 - \frac{1}{1+y} \right) dy = 2 \left(\int_1^{\sqrt{x^2+1}} dy - \int_1^{\sqrt{x^2+1}} \frac{d(1+y)}{1+y} \right) = \\ &= 2 \left(y \left| \begin{array}{l} \sqrt{x^2+1} \\ 1 \end{array} \right. - \ln(1+y) \left| \begin{array}{l} \sqrt{x^2+1} \\ 1 \end{array} \right. \right) = 2 \left(\sqrt{x^2+1} - 1 - \ln \sqrt{x^2+1} + \ln 2 \right). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} I &= (x^2 + 1) \ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}} \right) - \ln 2 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2 \cdot \left(\sqrt{x^2 + 1} - 1 - \ln \sqrt{x^2 + 1} + \ln 2 \right) = \\ &= (x^2 + 1) \ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}} \right) - \ln 2 - \sqrt{x^2 + 1} + 1 + \ln \sqrt{x^2 + 1} - \ln 2 = \\ &= (x^2 + 1) \ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}} \right) - \sqrt{x^2 + 1} + 1 + \ln \sqrt{x^2 + 1}. \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}} \int_1^{x^2+1} \ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \right) dt &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}} I = \frac{x^2 + 1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}} \ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}} \right) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}} + 1 + \frac{\ln \sqrt{x^2 + 1}}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}} = \\ &= \sqrt{x^2 + 1} \ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}} \right) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}} + 1 + \frac{\ln \sqrt{x^2 + 1}}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}} = \\ &= \ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}} \right)^{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}} + 1 + \frac{\ln \sqrt{x^2 + 1}}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}}. \end{aligned}$$

Let $u = \sqrt{x^2 + 1}$. Then $u \rightarrow \infty$ and

$$L = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}} \int_1^{x^2+1} \ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \right) dt = \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \left[\ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{u} \right)^u - \frac{1}{u} + 1 + \frac{\ln u}{u} \right].$$

$$\lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \ln \left(1 + \frac{1}{u} \right)^u = \ln \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{u} \right)^u = \ln e = 1, \quad \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{u} = 0 \text{ and } \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\ln u}{u} = \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\frac{1}{u}} = \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} 1 = 0 \quad \text{hence}$$

$$L = 2.$$