

PART 2

PAST EXAMINATION QUESTIONS: PARAMETRIC + CARTESIAN EQNS.

1. A is the point $(0, 4)$ and B is the variable point $(2t, 0)$. The perpendicular bisector of AB meets AB at M and the y -axis at R . Find, in terms of t , the co-ordinates of the midpoint, P , of MR and hence find the equation of the locus of P as t varies. (J74/P1/14)
2. A line through the point $(3, 0)$ meets the variable line $y = tx$ at right angles at the point P . Find, in terms of t , the co-ordinates of P . Find the value of k for which P lies on the curve $x^2 + y^2 = kx$. (N74/P1/14)
3. Find the equation of the straight line having a gradient of $\frac{1}{t}$ and passing through the point $(2t, 0)$. This line meets the line $y = t(x - 2)$ in the point A . Find, in terms of t , the co-ordinates of A . Hence determine the locus of A as t varies. (J75/P2/14)
4. The parametric equations of a curve are $x = 2t(t - 1)$, $y = 2 + t$. Find a relation between x and y which is independent of t . (N75/P2/16b)
5. The operation M , defined by $(x, y) \rightarrow (x + y, x - y)$, maps the point P on to the point Q . (i) State in the same form the operation which maps Q on to P . (ii) Describe the geometrical transformation represented by M^2 . (J76/P2/8)
6. An operation maps $P(x, y)$ on to the point $P'(2x - y, y - x)$. Find the locus of P' as P moves along (i) the line $y = x$, (ii) the y -axis, (iii) the x -axis. (J78/P1/10)
7. The line $x + y = t$ meets the line $y = tx$ at the point P . Find the co-ordinates of P in terms of t . Hence, or otherwise, show that the equation of the locus of P as t varies is $x^2 + xy - y = 0$. At the point on the locus where $x = 3$, find the value of y and the value of t . (J78/P2/14)
8. Find the equations of (i) the line through the point $(t, 0)$ with gradient t , (ii) the line through the point $(0, t)$ with gradient $-t$. These two lines intersect at the point P . Find the co-ordinates of P in terms of t , and the cartesian equation of the locus of P as t varies. (N78/P2/14)
9. A point moves so that the sum of its distance from the origin and its distance from the y -axis is 3 units. Show that the equation of its locus is $y^2 = 9 - 6x$. (J79/P1/14a)
10. An operation maps $P(x, y)$ onto the point $P'(x + y, 2x)$. Find the locus of P' as P moves along (i) the line $y = x$, (ii) the line $y = -x$, (iii) the y -axis. (N79/P2/10)
11. A point $P(x, y)$ moves so that $\frac{PA}{PB} = 2$, where A is the point $(-3, 0)$ and B the point $(3, 0)$. Show that the equation of the locus of P is $x^2 + y^2 - 10x + 9 = 0$. (N79/P2/12a)

1. $(\frac{t}{2}, 2 - \frac{t^2}{4}); y = 2 - x^2$

2. $(\frac{3}{1+t^2}, \frac{3t}{1+t^2}); 3$

3. $ty = x - 2t, (\frac{2t}{t+1}, \frac{-2t}{t+1}), y = -x$

4. $x = 2y^2 - 10y + 12$

5. (i) $(x, y) \rightarrow (\frac{x+y}{2}, \frac{x-y}{2})$

(ii) enlargement, centre the origin,
scale factor 2

6. (i) x -axis

(ii) $y = -x$

(iii) $y = -\frac{1}{2}x$

7. $(\frac{t}{t+1}, \frac{t^2}{t+1}), y = -4\frac{1}{2}, t = -1\frac{1}{2}$

8. (i) $y = tx - t^2$

(ii) $y = t - tx; (\frac{t+1}{2}, \frac{t-t^2}{2}),$

$y = -2x^2 + 3x - 1.$

10. (i) $y = x$

(ii) $x = 0$

(iii) $y = 0$