

PERSONAL TUTORIAL 3.

1. QUESTION SHEET 1

Qu 1. A journalist wants to write an article about the island of Knights and Knaves. All the n islanders are either Knights (that is, they **never** lie) or Knaves (that is, they **always** lie). Everyone on the island knows each other. The journalist interviews every islander and obtains the following answers

A_1 : there is at least 1 Knave on the island.

A_2 : there are at least 2 Knaves on the island.

\vdots \vdots

A_{n-1} : there are at least $n - 1$ Knaves on the island.

A_n : there are n Knaves on the island.

Is it possible for the journalist to know if there are more Knights or Knaves on the island?

Qu 2. **Extra question if time remains** Let f be the function on the positive integers defined by

$$\begin{cases} f(1) = 0 \\ f(2n) = 2f(n) + 1 \\ f(2n + 1) = f(2n) - 1. \end{cases}$$

Prove that the value of $f(m)$ is 0 for infinitely many m and that there is x such that $f(x) = 2022$.

2. QUESTION SHEET 2

Qu 1. (MATH40003 Linear Algebra and Groups)

Let $V = \{a_0 + a_2x^2 + a_4x^4 + a_6x^6 : a_0, a_2, a_4, a_6 \in \mathbb{R}\}$, the vector space over \mathbb{R} with standard addition and scalar multiplication.

- Show that V is a subspace of $\mathbb{R}[x]$ (the set of polynomials in x with co-efficients in \mathbb{R}).
- Find a basis for V . *Justify your answer fully i.e. prove the basis you find is in fact a basis.*

Qu 2. (MATH40004 Calculus and Applications)

Consider the function $f(x) = x^{-p} \log x$, $x > 0$, and $p > 0$ a constant.

- Find all zeros of $f(x)$ and also find $\max_{x>0} f(x)$.
- Sketch the graph of the function - make sure you identify the relevant points.
- Determine all values of p , such that $\int_0^1 f(x)dx$ exists.
- Determine all values of p , such that $\int_1^\infty f(x)dx$ exists.
- If $p = 1/2$, find α such that $\int_0^\alpha f(x)dx = 0$. If $p = 2$, find β such that $\int_\beta^\infty f(x)dx = 0$.

Qu 3. (Extra question)

- Simplify the expression

$$(a + b)^2 - 4ab,$$

where a and b are non-negative real numbers.

Hence, prove that the arithmetic mean of a and b , $\frac{a+b}{2}$, is greater than or equal to their geometric mean, \sqrt{ab} .

- Given that

$$16^{x+y^2} + 16^{x^2+y} = 1,$$

where x and y are real, find all possible values of x and y .

[Hint: find in terms of x and y a lower bound for $16^{x+y^2} + 16^{x^2+y}$, and express this bound as a power of 4.]