

# Elliptic Integrals and Elliptic Functions

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- If there are errors in the problems, please fix *reasonably* and solve them.
- The rule of evaluation is:

$$(\text{your final mark}) = \min \left\{ 15 \times \frac{\text{total points you get}}{\text{max. possible points}}, 10 \right\}$$

- About twenty problems will be given till the end of the semester.
- This rule is subject to change and the latest rule applies.
- The deadline of **4 – 6**: 28 September 2021.

**4.** (1 pt.) Let  $R(x, s)$  be a rational function of  $x$  and  $s$  and  $\varphi(x)$  be a polynomial of degree four without multiple roots. Show that the elliptic integral  $\int R(x, \sqrt{\varphi(x)}) dx$  is rewritten in the form  $\int \tilde{R}(y, \sqrt{\psi(y)}) dy$ , where  $\tilde{R}(y, s')$  is a rational function in  $(y, s')$  and  $\psi(y)$  is a polynomial of degree three. (Hint: Use a fractional linear transformation of the variable  $x \mapsto y$ , which sends one of the roots of  $\varphi(x)$  to  $\infty$ .)

**5.** (1 pt.) In the lecture, we claimed that an elliptic integral  $\int R(x, \sqrt{\varphi(x)}) dx$  with  $\varphi(x) = (x - \alpha_1)(x - \alpha_2)(x - \alpha_3)(x - \alpha_4)$  can be transformed into  $\int \tilde{R}(y, \sqrt{\varphi_k(y)}) dy$  with  $\varphi_k(y) = (1 - y^2)(1 - k^2 y^2)$  ( $k \neq 0, \pm 1$ ) by a fractional linear transformation.

(i) Assuming that such a fractional linear transformation exists, express  $k$  in terms of the cross-ratio (the anharmonic ratio)  $\lambda = \frac{(\alpha_1 - \alpha_3)(\alpha_2 - \alpha_4)}{(\alpha_1 - \alpha_4)(\alpha_2 - \alpha_3)}$  of  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_4$ . (The answer is not unique, but you have only to find one. Hint: show and use the fact that the fractional linear transformation preserves the anharmonic ratio.)

(ii) Show that such a linear transformation really exists.

**6.** (1 pt.) Reduce the elliptic integral  $\int \frac{x^4 dx}{\sqrt{(1-x^2)(1-2x^2)}}$  to the standard form (a linear combination of an elementary function, the elliptic integrals of the first/second/third kinds).