STEP MATHEMATICS 2 2021 Mark Scheme

(i)

 $cos(3a + a) \equiv cos 3a cos a - sin 3a sin a$ **M1** $cos(3a - a) \equiv cos 3a cos a + sin 3a sin a$ $\cos 4a + \cos 2a \equiv 2\cos 3a\cos a$ $\cos a \cos 3a \equiv \frac{1}{2}(\cos 4a + \cos 2a) \quad \mathbf{AG}$ **A1** $\sin(3a + a) \equiv \sin 3a \cos a + \cos 3a \sin a$ $\sin(3a - a) \equiv \sin 3a \cos a - \cos 3a \sin a$ $\sin 4a - \sin 2a \equiv 2 \cos 3a \sin a$ $\sin a \cos 3a \equiv \frac{1}{2} (\sin 4a - \sin 2a)$ **B1** $2\cos 2x (2\cos x \cos 3x) = 1$ $2\cos 2x(\cos 4x + \cos 2x) = 1$ **M1** $2\cos 2x (2\cos^2 2x + \cos 2x - 1) = 1$ **M1**

 $2\cos 2x (2\cos^2 2x + \cos 2x - 1) = 1$ $4\cos^3 2x + 2\cos^2 2x - 2\cos 2x - 1 = 0$ $(2\cos^2 2x - 1)(2\cos 2x + 1) = 0$ M1
A1

Either $\cos^2 2x = \frac{1}{2}$:

$$2x = \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{3\pi}{4}, \frac{5\pi}{4}, \frac{7\pi}{4}$$

$$x = \frac{\pi}{8}, \frac{3\pi}{8}, \frac{5\pi}{8}, \frac{7\pi}{8}$$
A1

Or $\cos 2x = -\frac{1}{2}$:

$$2x = \frac{2\pi}{3}, \frac{4\pi}{3}$$

$$x = \frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{2\pi}{3}$$
A1

Therefore:

$$x = \frac{\pi}{8}, \frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{3\pi}{8}, \frac{5\pi}{8}, \frac{2\pi}{3}, \frac{7\pi}{8}$$

M1

A1

B1

$$\tan x = \tan 2x \tan 3x \tan 4x$$
 M1

 $\sin x \cos 2x \cos 3x \cos 4x = \cos x \sin 2x \sin 3x \sin 4x$

$$(2\sin x \cos 3x)\cos 2x \cos 4x = (2\cos x \sin 3x)\sin 2x \sin 4x$$

 $(\sin 4x - \sin 2x)\cos 2x\cos 4x = (\sin 4x + \sin 2x)\sin 2x\sin 4x$

$$\sin 4x (\cos 2x \cos 4x - \sin 2x \sin 4x) = \sin 2x (\cos 2x \cos 4x + \sin 2x \sin 4x)$$
$$\sin 4x \cos 6x = \sin 2x \cos 2x$$

$$n 4x \cos 6x = \sin 2x \cos 2x
\sin 4x \cos 6x = \frac{1}{2} \sin 4x$$
M1
M1
M1

$$\sin 4x (2\cos 6x - 1) = 0$$

Therefore $\cos 6x = \frac{1}{2} \text{ or } \sin 4x = 0$. AG

 $\cos 6x = \frac{1}{2}$:

$$6x = \frac{\pi}{3}, \frac{5\pi}{3}, \frac{7\pi}{3}, \frac{11\pi}{3}, \frac{13\pi}{3}, \frac{17\pi}{3}$$
$$x = \frac{\pi}{18}, \frac{5\pi}{18}, \frac{7\pi}{18}, \frac{11\pi}{18}, \frac{13\pi}{18}, \frac{17\pi}{18}$$

 $\sin 4x = 0$:

$$4x = 0, \pi, 2\pi, 3\pi, 4\pi$$
$$x = 0, \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{4}, \pi$$

tan x is undefined at $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$

 $\tan x$ is undefined at $x=\frac{\pi}{2}$ $\tan 2x$ is undefined at $x=\frac{\pi}{4}$, $\frac{3\pi}{4}$

So these are not solutions of the equation.

$$x = 0, \frac{\pi}{18}, \frac{5\pi}{18}, \frac{7\pi}{18}, \frac{11\pi}{18}, \frac{13\pi}{18}, \frac{17\pi}{18}, \pi$$

(i)
$$3pq - p^3 = 3(a+b)(a^2+b^2) - (a+b)^3$$
 M1
$$= 2a^3 + 2b^3$$

$$= 2r \quad AG$$
 A1

(ii)
$$2x^2 - 2px + (p^2 - q) = 0$$

The roots of the equation a and b satisfy:

$$a + b = p$$

$$2ab = p^{2} - q$$

$$a^{2} + b^{2} = (a + b)^{2} - 2ab$$

$$= p^{2} - (p^{2} - q) = q$$

$$a^{3} + b^{3} = (a + b)^{3} - 3ab(a + b)$$

$$= p^{3} - \frac{3}{2}(p^{2} - q)p$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(3pq - p^{3}) = r$$
B1

M1

E1

M1

B1

M1

So the three equations hold.

(iii)
$$a + b = s - c (= p)$$

$$a^{2} + b^{2} = t - c^{2} (= q)$$

$$a^{3} + b^{3} = u - c^{3} (= r)$$

By part (i):

$$3(s-c)(t-c^2) - (s-c)^3 = 2(u-c^3)$$

$$3st - 3ct - 3c^2s + 3c^3 - s^3 + 3cs^2 - 3c^2s + c^3 = 2u - 2c^3$$

$$6c^3 - 6sc^2 + 3(s^2 - t)c + 3st - s^3 - 2u = 0$$
A1

Therefore *c* is a root of the equation

$$6x^3 - 6sx^2 + 3(s^2 - t)x + 3st - s^3 - 2u = 0$$
 E1

The other roots are a and b.

The constant term is $-6 \times$ the product of the roots:

$$-6abc = 3st - s^3 - 2u$$

 $s^3 - 3st + 2u = 6v$ **AG**

(iv) By (iii)
$$a$$
, b and c are the roots of

$$6x^3 - 18x^2 + 24x - 12 = 0$$
 A1
 $6(x-1)(x^2 - 2x + 2) = 0$ M1
 $1, 1+i, 1-i$ A1

$$1 + (1+i) + (1-i) = 3$$

$$1^{2} + (1+i)^{2} + (1-i)^{2} = 1 + (1+2i-1) + (1-2i-1) = 1$$

$$1^{3} + (1+i)^{3} + (1-i)^{3} = 1 + (-2+2i) + (-2-2i) = -3$$

$$1(1+i)(1-i) = 2$$
B1

A1

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(i)
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = xe^x + e^x$$
 M1

Since $e^x > 0$ for all x, the only stationary point is when x = -1 Coordinates of stationary point are $(-1, -\frac{1}{e})$

Sketch showing:

$$y \to \infty$$
 as $x \to \infty$ and $y \to 0^-$ as $x \to -\infty$ G1
Curve passing through $(0,0)$ with stationary point at $(-1, -\frac{1}{e})$ indicated.

(ii) -1 B1

Sketch showing reflection of the correct portion of the graph in the line y=x. G1 domain $\left[-\frac{1}{e},\infty\right)$ and range $\left[-1,\infty\right)$

(iii)

(a)
$$e^{-x} = 5x$$

 $xe^x = \frac{1}{5}$
 $f(x) = \frac{1}{5}$
Since $f(x) > 0$ there is only one solution A1

 $x = g\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)$

(b)
$$2x \ln x + 1 = 0$$

Let $u = \ln x$:

 $ue^u=-\frac{1}{2}$ The minimum value of f(x) is $-\frac{1}{e}$ and $-\frac{1}{2}<-\frac{1}{e'}$, so there are no solutions. E1

M1

(c)
$$3x \ln x + 1 = 0$$

Let $u = \ln x$:

$$ue^u = -\frac{1}{3}$$
 M1

$$-\frac{1}{e} < -\frac{1}{3} < 0$$
 so there are two solutions for u and the greater of the two will be when $u = g\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)$.

$$x = e^{g\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)}$$
 is the larger value.

(d) $x = 3 \ln x$ Let $u = \ln x$:

$$ue^{-u} = \frac{1}{3}$$
 M1

 $(-u)e^{-u}=-\frac{1}{3}$, so (as in (c)) $g\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)$ is the greater of the two possible values for -u. M1

Therefore
$$x=e^{-g\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)}$$
 is the smaller value.

(iv)
$$x \ln x = \ln 10$$

Let $u = \ln x$:

$$ue^u = \ln 10 \qquad \qquad \mathbf{M1}$$

$$u = g(\ln 10)$$

$$x = e^{g(\ln 10)}$$

(i)
$$\frac{dy}{dx} = (x - a)\frac{du}{dx} + u$$
 A1

$$(x-a)\left((x-a)\frac{du}{dx}+u\right) = (x-a)u - x$$

$$(x-a)^{2} \frac{du}{dx} = -x$$

$$u = \int \frac{-x}{(x-a)^{2}} dx = \int \frac{-(x-a) - a}{(x-a)^{2}} dx$$

$$u = -\ln|x-a| + \frac{a}{x-a} + c$$

$$y = -(x-a)\ln|x-a| + a + c(x-a)$$

$$y = -(x - a) \ln|x - a| + a + c(x - a)$$
 A1 (ft)

M1

A1

(ii)

The gradient of the line through (1,t) and (t,f(t)) is $\frac{f(t)-t}{t-1}=f'(t)$ Applying the result from (i), with a=1 or solving the d.e. directly: (a) **M1**

$$f(x) = -(x-1)\ln|x-1| + 1 + c(x-1)$$
 B1 (ft)

$$f(0) = 0$$
, so $c = 1$

$$y = -(x - 1)\ln|x - 1| + x$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\ln|x - 1|$$

$$-\ln|x-1|=0$$
 when $x=0$ only (since $x<1$) and $y=0$

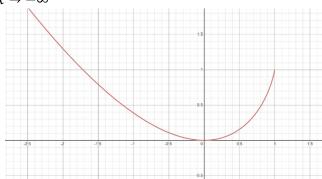
As
$$x \to 1^-$$
, $y \to 1^-$ and $\frac{dy}{dx} \to \infty$.

Sketch showing:

Curve approaching (1,1) with a vertical tangent at that point. G1 (ft)

Minimum point at (0,0). G1 (ft)

$$y \to \infty$$
 as $x \to -\infty$



(b)
$$f(2) = 2$$
, so $c = 1$

$$y = -(x - 1) \ln|x - 1| + x$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\ln|x - 1|$$

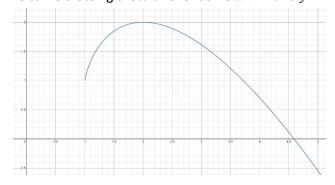
$$-\ln|x - 1| = 0 \text{ when } x = 2 \text{ only (since } x > 1) \text{ and } y = 2.$$

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As
$$x \to 1^+$$
, $y \to 1^+$ and $\frac{dy}{dx} \to \infty$.

Sketch showing:

The curve crossing the *x*-axis for some x>2 and $y\to -\infty$ as $x\to \infty$ G1 (ft)



(i) The shortest distance from
$$O$$
 to the line AB is $(R+w)\cos\alpha$ B1 Since $\frac{1}{3}\pi \le \alpha \le \frac{1}{2}\pi$, $0 \le \cos\alpha \le \frac{1}{2}$. M1 Since $w < R$, $(R+w)\cos\alpha < \frac{1}{2}(R+R) = R$, so the midpoint of the line AB lies inside the smaller circle.

(ii)
$$(R+d)^2 = (R+w)^2 + d^2 - 2d(R+w)\cos(\pi - \alpha)$$
 M1

$$R^2 + 2Rd + d^2 = R^2 + 2Rw + w^2 + d^2 + 2d(R + w)\cos\alpha$$

$$d = \frac{w(2R + w)}{2(R - (R + w)\cos\alpha)}$$
 M1

A1

E1

(b)
$$\frac{\angle O'AO = \alpha - \theta}{\frac{\sin(\alpha - \theta)}{d}} = \frac{\sin(\pi - \alpha)}{\frac{R + d}{R + d}}$$
 M1
$$\sin(\alpha - \theta) = \frac{d \sin \alpha}{R + d}$$
 A1

(iii)
$$\frac{d}{R} = \frac{\left(\frac{w}{R}\right)\left(2 + \frac{w}{R}\right)}{2\left(1 - \left(1 + \frac{w}{R}\right)\cos\alpha\right)} \approx \frac{1}{1 - \cos\alpha} \times \frac{w}{R}$$
 A1

 $1-\cos\alpha>\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{w}{p}$ is much less than 1, so $\frac{d}{p}$ is much less than 1.

$$\sin(\alpha - \theta) = \frac{\left(\frac{d}{R}\right)\sin\alpha}{1 + \left(\frac{d}{R}\right)} < \frac{d}{R}$$
 M1

 $\sin(\alpha - \theta)$ is much less than 1 and so $(\alpha - \theta)$ is a small angle. **M1** Therefore $\sin(\alpha - \theta) \approx \alpha - \theta$, so $\alpha - \theta$ is much less than 1. **E1**

The longer length is $(R + w) \times 2\alpha$ (iv)

The shorter length is $(R + d) \times 2\theta$

$$S = 2\alpha(R+w) - 2\theta(R+d)$$

$$S = 2(R+d+w-d)\alpha - 2(R+d)\theta$$

$$S = 2(R+d)(\alpha-\theta) + 2(w-d)\alpha$$
B1

$$\alpha - \theta \approx \frac{w \sin \alpha}{R(1 - \cos \alpha)}$$

$$d - w \approx \frac{\cos \alpha}{(1 - \cos \alpha)} \times \frac{w}{R}$$
M1

So $S \approx 2(R + d) \frac{w \sin \alpha}{R(1 - \cos \alpha)} - 2\left(\frac{\cos \alpha}{(1 - \cos \alpha)} \times \frac{w}{R}\right) \alpha$
As a fraction of the longer path length:

$$\frac{S}{2\alpha(R+w)} = \frac{R+d}{R+w} \times \frac{\alpha-\theta}{\alpha} + \frac{w-d}{R+w} \approx \frac{\sin\alpha}{\alpha(1-\cos\alpha)} \frac{w}{R} - \frac{\cos\alpha}{(1-\cos\alpha)} \frac{w}{R}$$

$$S \approx \left(\frac{\sin\alpha - \alpha\cos\alpha}{\alpha(1-\cos\alpha)}\right) \frac{w}{R} \quad AG$$

Which represents a rotation through 120° or 240°

A1

A1

(i)
$$\frac{d}{dt}(t^n(1-t)^n) = nt^{n-1}(1-t)^n - nt^n(1-t)^{n-1}$$

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2}(t^n(1-t)^n) = n(n-1)t^{n-2}(1-t)^n - n^2t^{n-1}(1-t)^{n-1}$$

$$-n^2t^{n-1}(1-t)^{n-1} + n(n-1)t^n(1-t)^{n-2}$$

$$= nt^{n-2}(1-t)^{n-2}[(n-1)(1-t)^2 - 2nt(1-t) + (n-1)t^2]$$

$$= nt^{n-2}(1-t)^{n-2}[(4n-2)t^2 - (4n-2)t + (n-1)]$$

$$= nt^{n-2}(1-t)^{n-2}[(n-1) - 2(2n-1)t(1-t)] \quad AG$$
 A1

(ii) Integrating by parts:

$$u = t^{n} (1 - t)^{n}, \frac{dv}{dx} = \frac{e^{t}}{n!}$$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = nt^{n-1} (1 - t)^{n-1} (1 - 2t), v = \frac{e^{t}}{n!}$$

$$T_{n} = \left[t^{n} (1 - t)^{n} \frac{e^{t}}{n!} \right]_{0}^{1} - \int_{0}^{1} nt^{n-1} (1 - t)^{n-1} (1 - 2t) \frac{e^{t}}{n!} dt$$

$$= -\int_{0}^{1} nt^{n-1} (1 - t)^{n-1} (1 - 2t) \frac{e^{t}}{n!} dt$$
M1

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$$T_n = -\left[nt^{n-1}(1-t)^{n-1}\frac{e^t}{n!}\right]_0^1$$

$$+ \int_0^1 nt^{n-2}(1-t)^{n-2}[(n-1)-2(2n-1)t(1-t)]\frac{e^t}{n!}dt \qquad \mathbf{M1}$$

$$= \int_0^1 nt^{n-2}(1-t)^{n-2}[(n-1)-2(2n-1)t(1-t)]\frac{e^t}{n!}dt$$

$$= \int_0^1 t^{n-2}(1-t)^{n-2}\frac{e^t}{(n-2)!} - 2(2n-1)t^{n-1}(1-t)^{n-1}\frac{e^t}{(n-1)!}dt \qquad \mathbf{M1}$$

$$T_n = T_{n-2} - 2(2n-1)T_{n-1} \quad for \ n \ge 2 \quad \mathbf{AG} \qquad \mathbf{A1}$$

(iii)
$$T_0 = \int_0^1 e^t \, dt = e - 1$$

$$T_1 = \int_0^1 t(1 - t)e^t \, dt$$

$$= \int_0^1 te^t - t^2 e^t \, dt$$

$$\int_0^1 te^t dt = [te^t]_0^1 - \int_0^1 e^t \, dt = 1$$

$$\int_0^1 t^2 e^t dt = [t^2 e^t]_0^1 - 2 \int_0^1 te^t \, dt = e - 2$$

$$T_1 = 1 - (e - 2) = 3 - e$$
 A1

 T_0 and T_1 are both of the given form.

If T_{n-2} and T_{n-1} are both of the given form, then by part (ii):

$$a_n = a_{n-2} - 2(2n-1)a_{n-1}$$

 $b_n = b_{n-2} - 2(2n-1)b_{n-1}$

 $b_n=b_{n-2}-2(2n-1)b_{n-1}$ If a_{n-2},a_{n-1},b_{n-2} and b_{n-1} are all integers, so a_n and b_n will also be integers. **E1**

(iv) For
$$0 \le t \le 1$$
:
$$0 \le t^n (1-t)^n \le 1$$
 M1
$$0 \le e^t \le e$$
 M1
$$0 \le \frac{t^n (1-t)^n}{n!} e^t \le \frac{e}{n!}$$
 and equality can only occur at t=0 or t=1, so $T_n > 0$ and is less than the area of a rectangle with width 1 and height $\frac{e}{n!}$.

$$0 < T_n < \frac{e}{n!}$$
 E1

A1

B1

Therefore $a_n + b_n e \to 0$ as $n \to \infty$ Therefore $-\frac{a_n}{b_n} \to e$ as $n \to \infty$ **E1** (i)

The forces acting on the particle at *P* are: (a)

$$W=Mg$$
 (directed downwards) M1 $T_1=m_1g$ (directed towards Q) A1 $T_2=m_2g$ (directed towards R)

$$Mg < m_1g + m_2g$$

$$M < m_1 + m_2$$
 A1

$$T_1^2 = T_2^2 + W^2 - 2T_2W\cos\theta_2$$
 Since θ_2 is acute $\cos\theta_2 > 0$, so M1

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$$T_1^2 < T_2^2 + W^2$$

$$M^2g^2 > m_1^2g^2 - m_2^2g^2$$
 E1
$$\sqrt{m_1^2 - m_2^2} < M$$

(b)
$$QS=PS an heta_1$$
 and $SR=PS an heta_2$ If S divides QR in the ratio r : 1, then $QS=rSR$
$$r=\frac{ an heta_1}{ an heta_2}$$
 M1

By the sine rule:

$$\frac{\sin\theta_2}{m_1g} = \frac{\sin\theta_1}{m_2g}$$
 M1

By the cosine rule:

$$\cos\theta_1 = \frac{T_1^2 + W^2 - T_2^2}{2T_1W} = \frac{m_1^2 + M^2 - m_2^2}{2m_1M}$$
 M1

Similarly:

$$\cos\theta_2 = \frac{m_2^2 + M^2 - m_1^2}{2m_2M} \hspace{1cm} \textbf{M1}$$

Therefore:

$$\begin{split} r &= \frac{\sin\theta_1}{\sin\theta_2} \times \frac{\cos\theta_2}{\cos\theta_1} \\ &= \frac{m_2}{m_1} \times \frac{\frac{m_2^2 + M^2 - m_1^2}{2m_2M}}{\frac{m_1^2 + M^2 - m_2^2}{2m_1M}} = \frac{m_2^2 + M^2 - m_1^2}{m_1^2 + M^2 - m_2^2} \quad \textit{AG} \end{split}$$

(ii) From the triangle of forces, the angle between
$$T_1$$
 and T_2 must be 90° (Pythagoras) Therefore $\theta_1+\theta_2=90^\circ$

By (i)(b)

$$r=rac{m_2^2}{m_1^2}$$
 M1

Let d be such that $QS = m_2^2 d$ and $SR = m_1^2 d$. M1

Since triangles PSQ and RSP are similar: **M1**

$$\frac{SP}{QS} = \frac{RS}{SP}$$
 M1
$$PS^2 = m_1^2 m_2^2 d^2$$
 A1

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 A1

Therefore, $SP = m_1 m_2 d$ and QR= $(m_1^2 + m_2^2) d$, so the ratio of QR to SP is: $M^2: m_1 m_2$ **A1**

- (i) To remain stationary relative to the train the bead would have to have horizontal acceleration a.
 - There is no horizontal force on the bead at the origin, so this is impossible.
- (ii) When the particle is at the point (x, y):

Let the angle that the tangent to the curve makes with the horizontal be θ : The wire is smooth, so gravity will be the only force with a component in the direction of the tangent to the curve.

The acceleration of the particle will be $\begin{pmatrix} \ddot{x}-a \\ \ddot{y} \end{pmatrix}$

Therefore, resolving in the tangential direction: M1

$$m(\ddot{x} - a)cos\theta + m\ddot{y}sin\theta = -mgsin\theta$$
 A1

$$(\ddot{x} - a) + (\ddot{y} + g)tan\theta = 0$$
$$\dot{y} = \dot{x}tan\theta$$
 M1

Therefore

$$\dot{x}(\ddot{x}-a) + (\ddot{y}+g)\dot{x}tan\theta = 0$$
 M1

$$\dot{x}(\ddot{x}-a)+(\ddot{y}+g)\dot{y}=0$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{1}{2} (\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2) - ax + gy \right) = \dot{x} (\ddot{x} - a) + (\ddot{y} + g) \dot{y} = 0$$
 M1

So the expression is constant during the motion.

(iii) Initially, $\frac{1}{2}(\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2) - ax + gy = 0$ (and throughout the motion since it is constant) M1 At the maximum vertical displacement $\dot{y} = 0$.

 $\dot{x}=0$ as well would only be possible at the origin (which is not maximum vertical displacement, therefore $\dot{x}=0$ and $x\neq0$

Therefore, ax = gy

and so
$$g^2y^2 = a^2x^2 = a^2ky$$

Therefore, b satisfies

$$g^2b^2 = a^2kb$$

$$b = \frac{a^2k}{g^2}$$
 A1

A1

M1

(iv) The square of the speed relative to the train is

$$\dot{x}^2 + \dot{y}^2 = 2(ax + gy)$$
 M1

$$2\left(ax - \frac{gx^2}{k}\right)$$

$$-\frac{2g}{k}\left(x - \frac{ak}{2g}\right)^2 + \frac{a^2k}{2g}$$
 A1

Maximum speed is
$$a\sqrt{\frac{k}{2g}}$$

When
$$x = \frac{ak}{2a}$$

(i)
$$P_2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

 T_3 can sit in seat S_3 if T_1 chooses seat S_2 , then T_2 chooses seat S_1 **M1**

$$P_3 = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

If passenger T_1 sits in seat S_k (1 < k < n) then passengers T_2 to T_{k-1} all sit in their (ii) **E1** allocated seats.

The situation just before T_k arrives is then the same as for a train that did not have **E1** the (k-1) seats that have been taken and for which T_k had been allocated seat S_1

 T_1 sits in seat S_1 with probability $\frac{1}{n}$, after which all the remaining passengers will get their allocated seats.

$$P(T_1 \text{ sits in } S_1 \cap T_n \text{ sits in } S_n) = \frac{1}{n}$$

For 1 < k < n, T_1 sits in seat S_k with probability $\frac{1}{n}$, so

$$P(T_1 \text{ sits in } S_k \cap T_n \text{ sits in } S_n) = \frac{1}{n} P_{n-k+1}$$
 M1

If T_1 sits in \mathcal{S}_n then it will not be possible for T_n to sit in

$$P_n = \frac{1}{n} + \sum_{k=2}^{n-1} \frac{1}{n} P_{n-k+1} = \frac{1}{n} \left(1 + \sum_{r=2}^{n-1} P_r \right) \quad AG$$
 A1

(iii)
$$P_n = \frac{1}{2}$$

Case where n=1 is shown in part (i)

Suppose $P_k = \frac{1}{2}$ for $1 \le k < n$:

$$P_n = \frac{1}{n} \left(1 + (n-2) \times \frac{1}{2} \right) = \frac{1}{2}$$
 M1

E1 Therefore, by induction $P_n = \frac{1}{2}$

(iv)
$$Q_2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

For n > 2:

For 1 < k < n - 1:

$$P(T_{n-1} \text{ sits in } S_{n-1} | T_1 \text{ sits in } S_k) = Q_{n-k+1}$$
 M1

(by similar reasoning as in part (ii))

$$P(T_{n-1} \text{ sits in } S_{n-1} | T_1 \text{ sits in } S_1 \text{ or } S_n) = 1$$

Therefore

$$Q_n = \frac{1}{n} \left(2 + \sum_{k=2}^{n-2} Q_{n-k+1} \right) = \frac{1}{n} \left(2 + \sum_{r=3}^{n-1} Q_{n-k+1} \right)$$
 A1

Base case:

If n=3, then T_2 sits in seat \mathcal{S}_2 in any case where T_1 does not sit in seat \mathcal{S}_2 **B1**

Suppose
$$Q_k = \frac{2}{3}$$
 for some $3 \le k < n$:

$$Q_n = \frac{1}{n} \left(2 + (n-3) \times \frac{2}{3} \right) = \frac{2}{3}$$

Therefore, by induction
$$Q_n = \frac{2}{3}$$
 for $n \ge 3$

- (i) Player A wins the match on game n with probability $p_A(1-p_A-p_B)^{n-1}$ B1 The probability that A wins the match is the sum to infinity of a geometric series with $a=p_A, r=1-p_A-p_B$ M1 $\frac{p_A}{p_A+p_B}$ AG
- (ii) The difference between the number of games won by the two players is initially 0 and either increases or decreases by 1 after each game. **E1** Therefore, it can only be an even number (and so the match can only be won) after an even number of games. **E1** Considering pairs of turns at a time **M1** The game is equivalent to that in part (i), with $p_A=p^2$ and $p_B=q^2$, M1 **M1** and $0 < p_A + p_B < 1$ so the probability that A wins the match is $\frac{p^2}{p^2+q^2} \quad AG$ **A1**
- (iii) Version 1:

The player has to win round 1 for the game to continue (with probability p). M1 Following that the game is equivalent to that in part (ii), so the probability that the player wins overall is

$$\frac{p^3}{p^2+q^2}$$
 A1

Version 2:

The only way for the player to win is by winning two rounds in a row, so with probability M1

$$p^2$$
 A1

$$\begin{split} p^2 - \frac{p^3}{p^2 + q^2} &= \frac{p^4 + p^2 q^2 - p^3}{p^2 + q^2} \\ &= \frac{p^4 + p^2 - 2p^3 + p^4 - p^3}{p^2 + q^2} \\ &= \frac{2p^4 - 3p^3 + p^2}{p^2 + q^2} \\ &= \frac{p^2 (2p - 1)(p - 1)}{p^2 + q^2} \end{split}$$
 M1

If $1 > p > \frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{p^2(2p-1)(p-1)}{p^2+q^2} < 0$, so the player is more likely to win in version 1 (the cautious version) **AG**If $0 , <math>\frac{p^2(2p-1)(p-1)}{p^2+q^2} > 0$, so the player is more likely to win in version 2 (the

If $0 , <math>\frac{p^2(2p-1)(p-1)}{p^2+q^2} > 0$, so the player is more likely to win in version 2 (the bold version) AG