

## MA4002 Final Exam Answers, Spring 2025

**1.(a)** An object has acceleration  $a(t) = \frac{3}{\sqrt{t+1}}$  metres/second<sup>2</sup> at time  $t$ . The initial velocity at time  $t = 0$  is  $v = 1$  metres/second. How far does it travel in the first 8 seconds?

Velocity:  $v(t) = 1 + \int_0^t \frac{3}{\sqrt{s+1}} ds = 1 + 6\sqrt{s+1} \Big|_0^t = -5 + 6\sqrt{t+1}$ .

Distance  $s = \int_0^8 v(t) dt = (-5t + 4(t+1)^{3/2}) \Big|_0^8 = -40 + 4(9^{3/2} - 1) = 64$ m so  $\boxed{s = 64 \text{ m}}$ .

**(b)** Consider the plane region bounded by the curve  $y = \sqrt{x^2 + 4}$  and the  $x$ -axis for  $0 \leq x \leq 2$ .

Find the volume of each of the two solids obtained by rotating this plane region **(i)** about the  $x$ -axis;

**(ii)** about the  $y$ -axis.

**(i)** The cross-sectional area:  $\pi[(\sqrt{x^2 + 4})^2] = \pi(x^2 + 4)$ .

$$V = \pi \int_0^2 (x^2 + 4) dx = \pi \left(\frac{1}{3}x^3 + 4x\right) \Big|_0^2 = \boxed{\frac{32}{3}\pi \approx 33.51032165.}$$

**(ii)** Using cylindrical shells and then  $u = x^2 + 4$ :

$$V = \int_0^2 2\pi x [\sqrt{x^2 + 4}] dx = \pi \int_{u=4}^8 u^{1/2} du = \pi \frac{2}{3}u^{3/2} \Big|_{u=4}^8 = \pi \frac{2}{3}(8^{3/2} - 8) = \boxed{\pi \frac{16}{3}(\sqrt{8} - 1) \approx 30.63559054.}$$

**(c)** Obtain an iterative reduction formula for  $I_n = \int_1^e x^{-2} (\ln x)^n dx$ , where  $n \geq 0$  (Hint: integrate by parts.) Evaluate  $I_0$ . Then, using the reduction formula obtained, evaluate  $I_1$  and  $I_2$ .

Integrating by parts using  $u = (\ln x)^n$  and  $dv = x^{-2}dx$  yields  $du = n(\ln x)^{n-1}/x$  and  $v = -x^{-1}$ ,

and the reduction formula for  $n \geq 1$ :

$$I_n = (\ln x)^n \cdot (-x^{-1}) \Big|_1^e - \int_1^e (-x^{-1}) \cdot n(\ln x)^{n-1}/x dx = \boxed{-e^{-1} + nI_{n-1}} \text{ for } n \geq 1.$$

Next,  $I_0 = \int_1^e x^{-2} dx = -[e^{-1} - 1^{-1}] = 1 - e^{-1} \approx 0.6321205588$  implies

$$I_1 = -e^{-1} + 1 \cdot I_0 = -e^{-1} + 1 \cdot [1 - e^{-1}] = 1 - 2e^{-1} \approx 0.2642411176, \text{ and}$$

$$I_2 = -e^{-1} + 2I_1 = -e^{-1} + 2 \cdot [1 - 2e^{-1}] = 2 - 5e^{-1} \approx 0.160602794.$$

**(d)** Find all first and second partial derivatives of  $f(x, y) = \sqrt{x - y^2}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} f_x &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x-y^2}}, & f_y &= \frac{-y}{\sqrt{x-y^2}}, & f_{xx} &= \frac{-1}{4(x-y^2)^{3/2}}, & f_{xy} &= \frac{y}{2(x-y^2)^{3/2}}, & f_{yy} &= -\frac{1 \cdot \sqrt{x-y^2} - y \cdot f_y}{x-y^2} = \\ &\quad -\frac{(x-y^2)+y^2}{(x-y^2)^{3/2}} = \frac{-x}{(x-y^2)^{3/2}}. \end{aligned}$$

**(e)** Find the linearization of the function  $f(x, y) = \sqrt{x - y^2}$  about the point  $(2, 1)$ . (You may use the results of part (d).)

$$f(2, 1) = 1, \quad f_x(2, 1) = \frac{1}{2}, \quad f_y(2, 1) = -1.$$

Answer:  $f(2 + h, 1 + k) = 1 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot h + (-1) \cdot k = 1 + \frac{1}{2}h - k$ .

(f) Solve the differential equation  $x \frac{dy}{dx} + 2y = 3x \ln x$  (for  $x > 1$ ), with the initial condition  $y(1) = \frac{2}{3}$ .

To solve  $y' + \frac{2}{x}y = 3 \ln x$ , find the integrating factor:  $v = \exp\{\int \frac{2}{x} dx\} = x^2$ .

So  $(x^2 \cdot y)' = 3x^2 \ln x$ . Therefore  $x^2 \cdot y = \int 3x^2 \ln x dx = x^3 \ln x - \int x^3 x^{-1} dx = x^3 \ln x - \frac{1}{3}x^3 + C$

(where we used an integration by parts with  $u = \ln x$  and  $v dv = 3x^2 dx$ , so  $du = x^{-1} dx$  and  $v = x^3$ ), so  $y = x \ln x - \frac{1}{3}x + Cx^{-2}$ . The initial condition yields:  $\frac{2}{3} = 0 - \frac{1}{3} + C$  so  $C = 1$ , so

$$y = x \ln x - \frac{1}{3}x + x^{-2}.$$

(g) Evaluate the three determinants

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & -5 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}, \quad \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}, \text{ and } \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & 1 & -5 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & -2 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}.$$

Answers: [12] and [15],

and then, using the third row expansion,  $0 - (3) \cdot [12] + 0 - (-2) \cdot [15] + 0 = [-6]$ .

(h) Evaluate the determinant

$$\begin{vmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 & a_4 \\ b_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ c_1 & c_2 & 0 & 0 \\ d_1 & 0 & d_3 & d_4 \end{vmatrix}.$$

Use, e.g., the second row expansion; for the resulting  $3 \times 3$  determinant, use the second row expansion:

$$\det = -b_1 \begin{vmatrix} a_2 & a_3 & a_4 \\ c_2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & d_3 & d_4 \end{vmatrix} = (-b_1) \cdot (-c_2) \begin{vmatrix} a_3 & a_4 \\ d_3 & d_4 \end{vmatrix} = b_1 c_2 (a_3 d_4 - a_4 d_3).$$

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**2.(a)** A solid of revolution is obtained by rotating about the x-axis the area bounded between  $y =$

$\frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 3x + 2}}$  and the x-axis for  $0 \leq x \leq 1$ . Find the volume of the solid obtained.

Cross-sectional area:  $\pi \left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 3x + 2}} \right]^2 = \pi \frac{1}{x^2 + 3x + 2}$ . So, using  $x^2 + 3x + 2 = (x+1)(x+2)$ ,

$$V = \pi \int_0^1 \left( \frac{1}{x+1} - \frac{1}{x+2} \right) dx = \pi (\ln|x+1| - \ln|x+2|) \Big|_0^1 = \pi ([\ln 2 - \ln 1] - [\ln 3 - \ln 2])$$

$$= \pi(2 \ln 2 - \ln 3) \approx 0.9037798841.$$

**(b)** Find the arc-length of the curve  $y = \frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{1}{2x}$  for  $1 \leq x \leq 2$ .

$$y'(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^2 - \frac{1}{2}x^{-2} \text{ and } y'^2 = \left(\frac{1}{2}x^2 - \frac{1}{2}x^{-2}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{4}x^4 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4}x^{-4}.$$

$$1 + y'^2 = \frac{1}{4}x^4 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4}x^{-4} = \left(\frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{2}x^{-2}\right)^2, \text{ so } \sqrt{1 + y'^2} = \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{2}x^{-2}.$$

$$\text{Arc-length } s = \int_1^2 \left( \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \frac{1}{2}x^{-2} \right) dx = \left( \frac{1}{6}x^3 - \frac{1}{2}x^{-1} \right) \Big|_1^2 = \frac{7}{6} - \frac{1}{2}\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) = \left[ \frac{17}{12} \approx 1.416666667 \right].$$

**(c)** Find the mass and the centre of mass of a rod with mass density  $\rho(x) = e^{-x}$  for  $0 \leq x \leq 1$ .

Mass:

$$m = \int_0^1 \rho dx = \int_0^1 e^{-x} dx = -e^{-x} \Big|_0^1 = \left[ 1 - e^{-1} \approx 0.6321205588 \right].$$

Moment (using integration by parts with  $u = x$  and  $v = -e^{-x}$ ):

$$M = \int_0^1 x \rho dx = \int_0^1 x e^{-x} dx = x (-e^{-x}) \Big|_0^1 - \int_0^1 (-e^{-x}) dx = (-xe^{-x} - e^{-x}) \Big|_0^1 = -(x+1)e^{-x} \Big|_0^1 = \left[ 1 - 2e^{-1} \approx 0.2642411176 \right].$$

$$\text{Center of mass: } \bar{x} = M/m = \frac{1-2e^{-1}}{1-e^{-1}} \approx 0.4180232931.$$

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**3.(a)** Find general solutions of the given differential equations:

$$(i) \quad y'' + 2y' + 5y = 0, \quad (ii) \quad y'' + 2y' + y = 0.$$

**(i)** Roots:  $-1 + 2i$  and  $-1 - 2i$  so  $y = e^{-x}(C_1 \cos(2x) + C_2 \sin(2x))$ .

**(ii)** Roots:  $-1$  and  $-1$  so  $y = C_1 e^{-x} + C_2 x e^{-x}$ .

**(b)** Find a particular solution for each of the given differential equations:

$$(i) \quad y'' + 2y' + 5y = 4e^{-x} + 5,$$

$$(ii) \quad y'' + 2y' + y = 4e^{-x} + 5.$$

Then find the general solutions of these equations.

(You may use the results of part (a).)

**(i)** Look for a particular solution in the form  $y_p = A e^{-x} + B$ , which yields

$$4A e^{-x} + 5B = 4e^{-x} + 5 \text{ so } y_p = e^{-x} + 1.$$

General solution:  $y = e^{-x} + 1 + e^{-x}(C_1 \cos(2x) + C_2 \sin(2x))$ .

**(ii)** Look for a particular solution  $y_p = A x^2 e^{-x} + B$ , which yields

$$2A e^{-x} + B = 4e^{-x} + 5 \text{ so } y_p = 2x^2 e^{-x} + 5.$$

General solution:  $y = 2x^2 e^{-x} + 5 + C_1 e^{-x} + C_2 x e^{-x}$ .

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**4.(a)** Find the Taylor Series, up to and including quadratic terms, of  $z = f(x, y) = (x + 1)e^{xy}$  about the point  $(0, 0)$ .

Answer:  $f(h, k) \approx 1 + h + hk$ .

$$f_x = 1 \cdot e^{xy} + y(x+1)e^{xy}, \quad f_y = x(x+1)e^{xy} = (x^2 + x)e^{xy},$$

$$f_{xx} = y e^{xy} + y f_x = (2y + y^2(x+1))e^{xy},$$

$$f_{xy} = [(x^2 + x)e^{xy}]_x = (2x + 1)e^{xy} + (x^2 + x)y e^{xy},$$

$$f_{yy} = x^2(x+1)e^{xy}.$$

$$\text{So, } f(0, 0) = 1, \quad f_x(0, 0) = 1, \quad f_y(0, 0) = 0, \quad f_{xx}(0, 0) = 0, \quad f_{xy}(0, 0) = 1, \quad f_{yy}(0, 0) = 0.$$

$$f(h, k) \approx 1 + 1 \cdot h + 0 \cdot k + \frac{1}{2}(0 \cdot h^2 + 2 \cdot 1 \cdot hk + 0 \cdot k^2).$$

**(b)** It is known that the quantities  $z > 0$  and  $t > 0$  are related by the formula  $z = \alpha t^\beta$ , with some unknown constants  $\alpha > 0$  and  $\beta$ . By writing this as  $\ln z = \beta \ln t + \ln \alpha$ , one can use the method of least squares to find the best-fit line relating  $\ln z$  to  $\ln t$  and hence find an approximation of the constants  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ . For the given data points

$$(t, z) = (1, 5), (3, 3), (5, 2), (7, 1), (9, 1),$$

use this method to find an approximation of the constants  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .

$$n = 5, \quad (\ln t, \ln z) \approx$$

$$(0, 1.609437912), (1.098612289, 1.098612289), (1.609437912, 0.6931471806), (1.945910149, 0),$$

$$(2.197224578, 0).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^5 \ln t_k &\approx 6.851184928, & \sum_{k=1}^5 (\ln t_k)^2 &\approx 12.41160151, & \sum_{k=1}^5 \ln z_k &\approx 3.401197382, \\ \sum_{k=1}^5 \ln t_k \cdot \ln z_k &\approx 2.322526313. \\ a &\approx \frac{n \cdot (2.322526313) - (6.851184928) \cdot (3.401197382)}{n \cdot (12.41160151) - (6.851184928)^2} \approx [-0.7731589321], \\ b &\approx \frac{(3.401197382) - a \cdot (6.851184928)}{n} \approx 1.739650441, \end{aligned}$$

so  $\alpha = e^b \approx [5.695352213]$  and  $\beta = a \approx [-0.7731589321]$ .

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**5 NOTE:** For detailed evaluations, see the **Maple solutions attached**.

**(a)** Find all solutions of each system of linear equations:

$$(i) \begin{array}{rcl} x + 2y - 2z + t & = & 2 \\ 2x + 5y - 5z + t & = & 6 \\ 4x - y + 2z + 9t & = & -7 \\ x + 2y - 2z + 2t & = & 0 \end{array}; \quad (ii) \begin{array}{rcl} x + 2y - 2z + t & = & 2 \\ 2x + 5y - 5z + t & = & 6 \\ 4x - y + 2z + 9t & = & -7 \end{array}$$

**(i)** This system reduces from

$$\left[ \begin{array}{rrrr|r} 1 & 2 & -2 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 & -5 & 1 & 6 \\ 4 & -1 & 2 & 9 & -7 \\ 1 & 2 & -2 & 2 & 0 \end{array} \right] \text{ to } \left[ \begin{array}{rrrr|r} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \end{array} \right]$$

so it has a UNIQUE solution  $x = 4, y = -5, z = -5, t = -2$ .

**(ii)** This system can reduces from

$$\left[ \begin{array}{rrrr|r} 1 & 2 & -2 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 & -5 & 1 & 6 \\ 4 & -1 & 2 & 9 & -7 \end{array} \right] \text{ to } \left[ \begin{array}{rrrr|r} 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -5 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -4 & 3 \end{array} \right] \text{ so, letting } t = s \text{ (a free variable), one gets } \boxed{x = -2 - 3s, y = 5 + 5s, z = 3 + 4s, t = s} \text{ where } s \in \mathbb{R}.$$

**(b)** Find the inverse of the matrix

$$\left[ \begin{array}{rrrr} 1 & 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 5 & 8 & -2 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & -5 & 8 \end{array} \right].$$

From  $\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & 2 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & 8 & -2 & 4 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & 6 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & -5 & 8 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$ , using elementary row operations, one gets:

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|cccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 62 & -27 & 14 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & -75 & 33 & -17 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -33 & 14 & -7 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -19 & 8 & -4 & -1 \end{array} \right],$$

$$\text{and then } A^{-1} = \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} 62 & -27 & 14 & 4 \\ -\frac{75}{2} & \frac{33}{2} & -\frac{17}{2} & -\frac{5}{2} \\ -33 & 14 & -7 & -2 \\ -19 & 8 & -4 & -1 \end{array} \right].$$