

## Part I. Linear Algebra (50%)

1. (a) Find all numbers  $r$  such that the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & r & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  is invertible. (5%)

(b) Find the determinant of the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & -1 & 2 & 4 \\ 6 & 2 & 8 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 & 1 & 2 & 2 & -5 \\ 4 & 5 & 4 & 5 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 & -1 & 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 8 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ . (5%)

2. (a) Find the rank of matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 6 & 6 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 & -3 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . (7%)

(b) Find the nullity of matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -9 & -9 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 & -3 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . (8%)

3. (a) Find an orthogonal basis for the subspace  $\text{sp}(1, \sqrt{x}, x)$  of the vector space  $C_{0,1}$  of continuous functions with domain  $0 \leq x \leq 1$ , where inner product is defined by  $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_0^1 f(x)g(x)dx$ . (10%)

$$x'_1 = x_1 - x_2 - x_3$$

(b) Solve the linear differential system  $x'_2 = -x_1 + x_2 - x_3$ . (15%)

$$x'_3 = -x_1 - x_2 + x_3$$

## Part II. Discrete Mathematics (50%)

Note: (Write your answers on the answer sheet but not this question sheet.)

1. [5%] Given three arbitrary sets A, B, and C, please indicate whether each of the following statements is true or false:

- a.  $A \oplus A = \emptyset$
- b. If  $A = B - C$  then  $B = A \cup C$
- c.  $(A - B) \cap B = B$
- d.  $(A \cup B) - C = (A - C) \cup (B - C)$
- e.  $(A \cup B) \cap (B \cup C) \cap (C \cup A) = (A \cap B) \cap C$

2. [10%] Let R be a binary relation. Let  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  be the domains of the two components of R. Define  $D = D_1 \cup D_2$ . Please indicate whether each of the following statements is true or false.

- a. R is reflexive if and only if  $\forall x \in D (x R x)$ .
- b. R is irreflexive if and only if  $\neg (\forall x \in D (x R x))$ .
- c. Any relation must be either reflexive or irreflexive.
- d. R is symmetric if and only if  $\forall x, y \in D (x R x \Rightarrow y R y)$ .
- e. R is transitive if and only if  $\forall x, y, z \in D (x R y \wedge y R z \Rightarrow x R z)$ .

3. [15%] Let  $N = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ . Let  $P = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$  be a permutation of members in N if and only if

(1)  $X_i \neq X_j$  if  $i \neq j$  and (2) each  $X_i \in N$ .

We call  $j_1, j_2, \dots, j_k$  a cycle of P, if and only if

- (a)  $j_i \neq j_m$  for every  $i \neq m$  unless  $i = 1$  and  $m = k$
- (b)  $j_1 = j_k$
- (c)  $j_{i+1} = X_{j_i} \quad 1 \leq i < k$ .

For example, consider the permutation  $P = (2, 3, 6, 5, 4, 1, 7)$ . The cycle 1,2,3,6,1 satisfies conditions (a), (b), and (c). The permutation (2,3,6,5,4,1,7) has the three cycles:

1,2,3,6,1,  
4,5,4, and  
7,7.

Let R be a binary relation. For any permutation P of N, R is defined as  $R = \{(a, b) \mid a$  and b are in the same cycle of P}. Please answer yes (Y) or no (N) to each of the following questions. You will NOT get full grade UNLESS you justify (e.g. give an explanation to) each question.

- a. Is R reflexive?
- b. Is R symmetric?
- c. Is R transitive?
- d. Does the permutation (2, 4, 5, 7, 1, 8, 3, 6) have at least four cycles?
- e. Is the cycle 4, 5, 4 in the permutation (2, 4, 5, 3, 1)?

4. [20%] Solve the following recurrence relations.

- a.  $f(n) = k f(n/k) + n^* \log_k n$ , where n is a power of k and  $f(1) = 1$ .
- b. Please compute  $g(10)$ .  $g(n) = 3 g(n-1) + 2g(n-2) + g(n-3) + 4$ ,  $g(0) = 0$ ,  $g(1) = 2$ , and  $g(2) = 3$ .