

1. Fill up the blanks.

- (1 pt.) (a) The dimension of the space of all $n \times n$ real symmetric matrices with trace zero is $\boxed{\frac{1}{2}n(n+1) - 1 = \frac{1}{2}[n^2 + n - 2]}$
- (1 pt.) (b) Let A be an $n \times n$ upper triangular matrix with $a_{ij} = 1$ for all $i \leq j$. Then the geometric multiplicity of 1 as an eigenvalue of A is $\boxed{1}$
- (1 pt.) (c) If the vector space $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^4 : x_1 + x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 0, x_1 + x_3 = 0, x_2 + x_4 = 0 \right\}$ is isomorphic to \mathbb{R}^n , then n equals $\boxed{2}$
- (1 pt.) (d) Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous such that for each $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $f(x) \in \mathbb{Q}$. If $f(1) = 1$ then $f(0) = \boxed{1}$
- (1 pt.) (e) If $0 < a < b$, then the sequence $\left(\frac{a^{n+1} + b^{n+1}}{a^n + b^n} \right)$ converges to \boxed{b}
- (1 pt.) (f) The radius of convergence of the power series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{nx^n}{2^n}$ is $\boxed{2}$
- (1 pt.) (g) Let $f : [1, 3] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \text{ is rational} \\ 2 & \text{if } x \text{ is irrational.} \end{cases}$ Then, for any partition P of $[1, 3]$, $U(P, f) - L(P, f)$ equals $\boxed{2}$
- (1 pt.) (h) A limit point of $\left\{ \left(-\frac{n+1}{n} \right)^n + \left(\frac{n+1}{n} \right)^n : n \in \mathbb{N} \right\}$ is $\boxed{2e}$
- (1 pt.) (i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{1}{\sin x} - \frac{1}{x} \right)$ equals $\boxed{0}$
- (1 pt.) (j) Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be given by $f(x) = x^5 + 2x + 3$. Then $(f^{-1})'(6)$ equals $\boxed{\frac{1}{7}}$

- (2 pts.) 2. Prove or disprove: There is a linear transformation $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ such that none of T and T^2 is the identity transformation, but T^3 is the identity transformation.

True.

Example:

Rotation of \mathbb{R}^2 about the origin by an angle $\frac{2\pi}{3}$

.5 Mark

Formally, take $T(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$ where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}.$$

1.5 Marks

- (2 pts.) 3. If A is a 3×3 matrix with eigenvalues 0, 1 and 10 and D is a 2×2 matrix with eigenvalues 0 and 10, then show that the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ \mathbf{0} & D \end{bmatrix}$ has eigenvalues 0, 1, 10 with algebraic multiplicities 2, 1 and 2, respectively.

Given, the characteristic polynomials of the matrix A and D as $\det(A - \lambda I_3) = (-1)^3(\lambda - 0)(\lambda - 1)(\lambda - 10)$ and $\det(D - \lambda I_2) = (\lambda - 0)(\lambda - 10)$ respectively. The characteristic polynomial of the given matrix say X is

$$\begin{aligned} \det(X - \lambda I_5) &= \det \begin{bmatrix} A - \lambda I_3 & B \\ \mathbf{0} & D - \lambda I_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \det(A - \lambda I_3) \cdot \det(D - \lambda I_2) \\ &= (-1)^3(\lambda - 0)(\lambda - 1)(\lambda - 10)(\lambda - 0)(\lambda - 10) \\ &= (-1)^3\lambda^2(\lambda - 10)^2(\lambda - 1) \end{aligned}$$

1.5 Mark

Since 0, 1 and 10 are the zeroes of the characteristic polynomial of the given matrix X with multiplicities 2, 1 and 2, the eigenvalues of the given matrix are 0, 1, 10 with algebraic multiplicities 2, 1 and 2 respectively.

.5 Mark

- (3 pts.) 4. Let A be an $n \times n$ upper triangular matrix with all diagonal entries equal to a . If A is diagonalizable then show that A is a diagonal matrix.

Since A is upper triangular with all diagonal entries equal to a , a is the only eigenvalue of A with algebraic multiplicity n . **1 Mark**

Since A is diagonalizable, the geometric multiplicity of a is same as the algebraic multiplicity is equal to n (or A has n linearly independent eigenvectors corresponding to the eigenvalue a) which implies $\text{nullity}(A - aI) = n$. **1 Mark**

Hence $\text{rank}(A - aI) = 0$ or $A - aI$ is the zero matrix, i.e., $A = aI$ is a diagonal matrix. **1 Mark**

Alternative

Since A is upper triangular with all diagonal entries equal to a , a is the only eigenvalue of A with algebraic multiplicity n . **1 Mark**

Since A is diagonalizable A has n linearly independent eigenvectors corresponding to the eigenvalue a , hence there exists an invertible matrix P , such that $P^{-1}AP = D = aI$. **1 Mark**

Hence $A = (P(aI))P^{-1} = (aP)P^{-1} = aI$. **1 Mark**

Note: For claiming that $P = I$, without any justification and then carrying out further calculation, was not given any credit. Since for any diagonalizable matrix A , P need not be I , although the columns of P forms a basis of R^n .

(2 pts.) 5. Show that $x^5 + 4x - \sin x = 0$ has exactly one real solution.

Let $f(x) = x^5 + 4x - \sin x$.

Observe that $f(x)$ is differentiable (hence continuous) in $(-\infty, \infty)$.

Also, $f(\frac{\pi}{2}) = (\frac{\pi}{2})^5 + 2\pi - 1 > 0$, and $f(-\frac{\pi}{2}) = -(\frac{\pi}{2})^5 - 2\pi + 1 < 0$

Alternatively Since $|\sin x| \leq 1$ and $x^5 + 4x \rightarrow \infty$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$ and $x^5 + 4x \rightarrow -\infty$ as $x \rightarrow -\infty$, $f(x) \rightarrow \infty$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$ and $f(x) \rightarrow -\infty$ as $x \rightarrow -\infty$.

Therefore, by Intermediate Value Theorem (IVT) for continuous functions, $f(x)$ must be 0 for some $x \in (-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2})$. 1 Mark

Alternatively By verification, $f(0) = 0$. 1 Mark

Since $f'(x) = 5x^4 + 4 - \cos x > 0$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$, f is strictly increasing, $f(x) = 0$ can have at most one real solution, hence the equation $f(x) = 0$ has exactly one real solution. 1 Mark

Alternatively since $f'(x) > 0$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$, by Rolle's theorem $f(x) = 0$ can have at most one real solution, hence the equation $f(x) = 0$ has exactly one real solution. 1 Mark

Note: 1/2 Marks have been deducted for writing expressions such as $f(\infty) = \infty$, $f(-\infty) = -\infty$, etc.

- (3 pts.) 6. Determine whether the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} (\sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n})$ converges absolutely, converges conditionally or diverges.

Let $x_n = \sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n}}$

For absolute convergence, consider the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |(-1)^{n+1} x_n| = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$

Note that $0 \leq \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}\sqrt{n}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+n} + \sqrt{n+n}} \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n}}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Using comparison test and result about p series, we conclude that

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |(-1)^{n+1} (\sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n})|$ is divergent.

1.5 Marks

Observe that $x_n > 0$, $x_{n+1} < x_n$ and $x_n \rightarrow 0$. Therefore Leibniz test is applicable and the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{n+1} x_n$ is convergent.

Hence, the given series is conditionally convergent.

1.5 Marks

Alternative

Telescopic summation can be used conclude divergence of $\sum |(-1)^{n+1} x_n|$.

Let $y_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$. Then, $\frac{x_n}{y_n} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}$. Since $\sum y_n$ is divergent, by limit comparison test, $\sum x_n$ is divergent.

Marks Deduction

For missing one of the condition for Leibniz test, 0.5 is deducted.

Application of Leibniz test without checking conditions is not awarded any mark.

- (3 pts.) 7. Suppose that $f : (0, 1) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable and that f' is bounded. Show that $(f(1/n))$ is a Cauchy sequence and that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(1/n)$ exists.

By Mean Value Theorem (MVT)

$$|f(1/n) - f(1/m)| = |f'(x_{mn})| |1/n - 1/m|$$

for all $m \geq 2, n \geq 2$, where x_{mn} lies between $1/n$ and $1/m$.

1 Mark

We are given that f' is bounded. Let $\alpha > 0$ be such that $|f'(x)| \leq \alpha$ for $x \in (0, 1)$. Therefore,

$$|f(1/n) - f(1/m)| \leq \alpha |1/n - 1/m|$$

for all $m \geq 2, n \geq 2$.

Hence it follows that $(f(1/n))$ is a Cauchy sequence.

1 Mark

Since a Cauchy sequence is convergent, $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(1/n)$ exists.

1 Mark

Incorrect Solution

Use of integration such as $\int_0^{1/n} f'$ is not correct. This is because f' may not be integrable. Moreover, the domain of f does not include 0.

- (3 pts.) 8. Let $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous such that $f(0) = f(1)$. Show that there exists $x_1, x_2 \in [0, 1]$ such that $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$ and $x_1 - x_2 = \frac{1}{3}$.

Consider the function $g(x) = f(x + \frac{1}{3}) - f(x)$ for all $x \in [0, \frac{2}{3}]$.

1 Mark

Since f is continuous, $g : [0, \frac{2}{3}] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is also continuous.

Observe that $g(\frac{1}{3}) = f(\frac{2}{3}) - f(\frac{1}{3})$ and $g(\frac{2}{3}) = f(1) - f(\frac{2}{3})$

Also $g(0) + g(\frac{1}{3}) + g(\frac{2}{3}) = f(1) - f(0) = 0$. If at least one of $g(0)$, $g(\frac{1}{3})$ and $g(\frac{2}{3})$ is 0, then the result follows immediately.

1 Mark

Otherwise, at least two of $g(0)$, $g(\frac{1}{3})$ and $g(\frac{2}{3})$ are of opposite signs.

Hence by the intermediate value theorem, there exists $c \in (0, \frac{2}{3})$ such that $g(c) = 0$, *i.e.* $f(c + \frac{1}{3}) = f(c)$. We take $x_1 = c + \frac{1}{3}$ and $x_2 = c$.

1 Mark

Alternative

(Proof by contradiction) Define $g(x) = f(x + \frac{1}{3}) - f(x)$.

Suppose $g(x) \neq 0$ for all $x \in [0, \frac{2}{3}]$.

Then, either $g(x) > 0$ for all $x \in [0, \frac{2}{3}]$ or $g(x) < 0$ for all $x \in [0, \frac{2}{3}]$. [If it takes both negative and positive value then by IVT $g(x)$ must be 0 in the interval.]

Thus, either $f(x + \frac{1}{3}) > f(x)$ for all $x \in [0, \frac{2}{3}]$ or $f(x + \frac{1}{3}) < f(x)$ for all $x \in [0, \frac{2}{3}]$.

Consider $x = 0, \frac{1}{3}$ and $\frac{2}{3}$, then we have $f(1) > f(\frac{2}{3}) > f(\frac{1}{3}) > f(0)$ which contradicts the given property that $f(0) = f(1)$.

Similarly for the other case.

(3 pts.) 9. Find the points of local extrema of the function $f(x) = 1 - (1 - x)^{\frac{2}{3}}$ for $0 \leq x \leq 2$.

In $[0, 2]$, $f(x) \geq 0$ and $f(x) = 0$ at $x = 0, 2$. Hence, f has (global) minimum at $x = 0, 2$. **1.5 Marks**

We have $f'(x) = \frac{2}{3}(1 - x)^{-1/3}$ at $[0, 2] \setminus \{1\}$. Moreover, $f'(x) > 0$ for $x < 1$ and $f'(x) < 0$ for $x > 1$. Hence, f has local maxima at $x = 1$. **1.5 Marks**

Alternative

For local minima at 0 and 2, the argument that f is increasing on interval $[0, 1]$ and decreasing on $[1, 2]$ using property of derivative is also accepted.

Marks Deduction

No marks are awarded for merely stating that the function attains minima at 0 and 2.

(3 pts.) 10. Show that for $x > 0$, $1 + \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{8}x^2 \leq \sqrt{1+x} \leq 1 + \frac{1}{2}x$.

Let $f(x) = \sqrt{1+x}$. Then,

By Taylor's theorem, $f(x) = f(0) + xf'(0) + \frac{x^2}{2}f''(c_x)$ for some $c_x \in (0, x)$. **1 Mark**

Now, $f'(x) = \frac{1}{2}(1+x)^{-1/2}$ $f''(x) = -\frac{1}{4}(1+x)^{-3/2}$.

Therefore, $f(x) = 1 + \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{8}x^2(1+c_x)^{-3/2}$ for some $c_x \in (0, x)$. **1 Mark**

Note that $-\frac{1}{8}x^2 < -\frac{1}{8}x^2(1+c)^{-3/2} < 0$ for any $x, c > 0$.

Therefore, $1 + \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{8}x^2 \leq \sqrt{1+x} \leq 1 + \frac{1}{2}x$. **1 Mark**

Alternative

Similarly, $f(x) = f(0) + xf'(0) + \frac{x^2}{2}f''(0) + \frac{x^3}{3!}f'''(d_x)$ for some $d_x \in (0, x)$.

Since $f'''(x) > 0$, we have $f(x) \geq f(0) + xf'(0) + \frac{x^2}{2}f''(0) = 1 + \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{8}x^2$ for all $x > 0$.

(2 pts.) 11. Let $f : [0, 2] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be differentiable in $[0, 2]$ and let $f(0) = 0$, $f(1) = 2$ and $f(2) = 1$. Show that there exist $c, d \in (0, 2)$ such that $f'(c) = 2$ and $f'(d) = 1$.

By Mean Value Theorem (MVT), we have $f(1) - f(0) = f'(c)(1 - 0)$ for some $c \in (0, 1)$.

This gives $f'(c) = 2$. **1 Mark**

Again by MVT $f(2) - f(1) = f'(s)(2 - 1)$ for some $s \in (1, 2)$. Consequently, we have $f'(s) = -1$. Since $f'(s) = -1$ and $f'(c) = 2$, by Intermediate Value Theorem (IVT) of derivatives, there exists d between c and s such that $f'(d) = 1$.

Since s and c are contained in $(0, 2)$, it follows that $c, d \in (0, 2)$. **1 Mark**

- (2 pts.) 12. Let $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous. If $\int_0^x f(t)dt = \int_x^1 f(t)dt$ for all $x \in [0, 1]$ then show that $f(x) = 0$ for all $x \in [0, 1]$.

Let $F(x) = \int_0^x f(t)dt.$

Since f is continuous, F is differentiable, and $F'(x) = f(x)$ for $x \in [0, 1]$. **1 Mark**

By the given condition, $F(x) = F(1) - F(x)$, that is, $2F(x) = F(1)$.
This gives $2F'(x) = 0$, that is, $f(x) = 0$ for $x \in [0, 1]$. **1 Mark**

- (3 pts.) 13. Let $f, g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous and let $g(x) \geq 0$ for $x \in [a, b]$. Show that there exists $c \in (a, b)$ such that $\int_a^b f(x)g(x)dx = f(c) \int_a^b g(x)dx$.

Let $m = f(x_1)$ and $M = f(x_2)$ be the global minimum and global maximum of f , respectively.

Since $g(x) \geq 0$, we have $m g(x) \leq f(x)g(x) \leq M g(x)$.

Then, $m \int_a^b g(t)dt \leq \int_a^b f(t)g(t)dt \leq M \int_a^b g(t)dt$. **1 Mark**

If $L := \int_a^b g(t)dt = 0$, then, $\int_a^b f(t)g(t)dt = 0$ and so the result holds for any $c \in [a, b]$. **0.5 Mark**

If $L := \int_a^b g(t)dt \neq 0$, then $L > 0$. Therefore, $m \leq \int_a^b f(t)g(t)dt/L \leq M$. Thus, by the IVT there exists $c \in [a, b]$ such that $f(c) = \int_a^b f(t)g(t)dt/L$. **1.5 Marks**

(2 pts.) 14. Let $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous. Show that

$$\lim_{a \rightarrow 0} \int_0^{\sqrt{a}} \frac{af(x)}{a^2 + x^2} dx = \frac{\pi}{2} f(0).$$

[**Hint.** Use Question 13.]

By Question 13, we have

$$I(a) := \int_0^{\sqrt{a}} \frac{af(x)}{a^2 + x^2} dx = f(c) \int_0^{\sqrt{a}} \frac{a}{a^2 + x^2} dx = f(c) \tan^{-1}(1/\sqrt{a}),$$

for some $c \in (0, \sqrt{a})$.

1 Mark

Now, $\tan^{-1}(1/\sqrt{a}) \rightarrow \pi/2$ as $a \rightarrow 0$. **Since f is continuous and $0 < c < \sqrt{a}$, it follows that $f(c) \rightarrow f(0)$ as $a \rightarrow 0$.** Hence $\lim_{a \rightarrow 0} I(a) = \frac{\pi}{2} f(0)$.

1 Mark

(3 pts.) 15. Examine the convergence of the improper integral $\int_0^\infty \frac{\sin^2 x}{x^2} dx$.

Since $0 \leq \frac{\sin^2 x}{x^2} \leq \frac{1}{x^2}$ and $\int_1^\infty \frac{1}{x^2} dx$ converges. Therefore, by comparison test, $\int_1^\infty \frac{\sin^2 x}{x^2} dx$ converges.

1.5 Marks

Also note that $\frac{\sin^2 x}{x^2}$ is continuous on $(0, 1]$ and $\rightarrow 1$ as $x \rightarrow 0$. Thus, the integrand can be defined to be 1 at 0 to get a continuous (and so bounded) function on $[0, 1]$. Thus, $\int_0^1 \frac{\sin^2 x}{x^2} dx$ exists in the sense of Riemann,

1.5 Marks

Thus the improper integral converges.

Note: (1) $\int_0^1 \frac{1}{x^2} dx$ is not convergent, and therefore $\int_0^\infty \frac{1}{x^2} dx$ is not convergent.

So, one does not get convergence of $\int_0^\infty \frac{\sin^2 x}{x^2} dx$ comparing with $\int_0^\infty \frac{1}{x^2} dx$.

(2) Dirichlet test is not applicable to $\int_0^\infty \frac{\sin^2 x}{x^2} dx$ (with $\sin^2 x$ and $\frac{1}{x^2}$ as the two functions), because $\{\int_0^x \sin^2 t dt : x \in \mathbb{R}\}$ is not bounded.

(2 pts.) 16. Find the arc length of the curve: $y = \int_0^x \sqrt{\cos(2t)} dt$, $0 \leq x \leq \pi/4$.

$$\text{Length} = \int_0^{\pi/4} \sqrt{1 + (y')^2} dx = \int_0^{\pi/4} \sqrt{1 + \cos(2x)} dx$$

1 Mark

$$= \sqrt{2} \int_0^{\pi/4} |\cos x| dx = 1.$$

1 Mark

(2 pts.) 17. Let R be the region in the first quadrant bounded by the curve $y = x - x^2$ and the line $y = 0$. Find the volume generated by revolving the region R about the x -axis.

$$V = \int_0^1 \pi y^2 dx = \pi \int_0^1 (x - x^2)^2 dx$$

1 Mark

$$\dots = \frac{\pi}{30}.$$

1 Mark