

1. Let $P_2 = \{ax^2 + bx + c \mid a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}\}$ and $T : P_2 \rightarrow P_2$ be a mapping defined by $T(ax^2 + bx + c) = 2cx^2 - ax + b$ for all $ax^2 + bx + c \in P_2$.
- (a) Show that T is a linear transformation. (5%)
 - (b) Is T an isomorphism of P_2 ? (5%)
 - (c) Find the matrix representation $[T]_\alpha$ of T with respect to the ordered basis $\alpha = \{x^2, x, 1\}$. (5%)
 - (d) Find the determinant of T . (5%)

2. Let S be the vector subspace in \mathbb{R}^4 spanned by $\{(1,0,1,0), (0,1,0,1)\}$ and $v = (1,2,3,4) \in \mathbb{R}^4$.
- (a) Is $v \in S$? (5%)
 - (b) Find the orthogonal projection of v onto S . (10%)
 - (c) Find the minimum distance from v to S . (10%)

3. (a) Let A be a nonsingular (invertible) $n \times n$ real matrix. Show that the inverse matrix A^{-1} of A can be expressed as a polynomial in A , that is,

$$A^{-1} = a_k A^k + a_{k-1} A^{k-1} + \cdots + a_1 A + a_0 I,$$

for some positive integer k and $a_0, \dots, a_k \in \mathbb{R}$. (10%)

(b) Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Express A^{-1} as a polynomial in A . (5%)

4. Let A be an $n \times n$ square matrix of rank one. Show that $A^2 = \alpha A$ for some $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$. (10%)

5. Let A be an $n \times n$ real symmetric matrix. Show that

(a) All eigenvalues of A are real. (5%)

(b) Eigenvectors of A corresponding to distinct eigenvalues are orthogonal. (5%)

(c) A is positive definite if and only if $A = B^T B$ for some nonsingular matrix B . (10%)

6. Identify the conic $x^2 + 4xy + y^2 + 3x + y - 1 = 0$ and transform the conic into standard form. (10%)

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1. (a) Evaluate the integral $\iint_{R_a} e^{-(x^2+y^2)} dx dy$, where a is a positive constant and

$$R_a = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x^2 + y^2 \leq a^2\}.$$

(8%)

(b) Use (a) to evaluate the improper integral $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx$. (8%)
2. Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a differentiable function such that $0 \leq f'(x) \leq f(x), \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$. Show that

(a) the function $g(x) = e^{-x} f(x)$ is nonincreasing. (8%)

(b) if f vanishes at some point, then $f \equiv 0$ on \mathbb{R} . (8%)
3. Let $\{a_n\}$ be a real sequence. Prove or disprove the following statements:

(a) If $\sum |a_n|$ converges, then $\sum a_n^2$ converges. (8%)

(b) If $\sum a_n^2$ converges, then $\sum |a_n|$ converges. (8%)
4. (a) State the mean-value theorem for derivatives. (8%)

(b) Use (a) to deduce the inequality $|\cos x - \cos y| \leq |x - y|, \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}$. (8%)
5. For each $n = 1, 2, \dots$, let $f_n(x) = x^n, 0 \leq x \leq 1$.

(a) Prove that the sequence $\{f_n\}$ converges pointwise on $[0, 1]$. (8%)

(b) Does $\{f_n\}$ converge uniformly on $[0, 1]$? Justify your answer. (8%)
6. Use Lagrange's multiplier to prove that the minimum distance from a point (x_0, y_0, z_0) to a plane $ax + by + cz + d = 0$ is $\frac{|ax_0 + by_0 + cz_0 + d|}{\sqrt{a^2 + b^2 + c^2}}$. (10%)
7. Evaluate the line integral $\oint_C xy^3 dx + 2x^2 y^2 dy$, where C denotes the boundary of the region in the first quadrant enclosed by the x -axis, the line $x = 1$, and the curve $y = x^3$. (10%)