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09:30–12:30

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Credit will be given for the best THREE questions attempted IN EACH SECTION.  
Use a different answer book for each section.

Log tables are available from the invigilators, if required.

Non-programmable calculators are permitted for this examination.  
Please indicate the make and model of your calculator on each answer book used.

## SECTION A

1. Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(a) [14 marks] Use Gauss-Jordan elimination to find the inverse of the matrix  $A$ .

(b) [3 marks] Verify that your result is correct.

(c) [3 marks] Verify that you obtain the same result by applying Cramer's rule.

Write the augmented matrix and use row operations to determine  $A^{-1}$

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \begin{array}{cc|cc} 2 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 5 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) & \xrightarrow{R_2 - 3/2 R_1} \left( \begin{array}{cc|cc} 2 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{3}{2} & 1 \end{array} \right) \\ & \xrightarrow{2R_2} \left( \begin{array}{cc|cc} 2 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 2 \end{array} \right) \\ & \xrightarrow{R_1 - 3R_2} \left( \begin{array}{cc|cc} 2 & 0 & 10 & -6 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 2 \end{array} \right) \\ & \xrightarrow{R_1/2} \left( \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 0 & 5 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 2 \end{array} \right) \end{aligned}$$

So,

$$A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -3 \\ -3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

To check this is correct, check  $AA^{-1} = A^{-1}A = I$ , ie

$$AA^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -3 \\ -3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2(5) + 3(-3) & 2(-3) + 3(2) \\ 3(5) + 5(-3) & 3(-3) + 5(2) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

and similarly for  $A^{-1}A$ .

By Cramer's rule, if

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \text{ then } A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det A} \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix}.$$

Checking,  $\det(A) = 2(5) - 3(3) = 1$  so

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{1} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -3 \\ -3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

as before.

2. Consider the following statement:

*Theorem: Suppose the largest eigenvalue of a Leslie matrix is  $r$ . Then the relative growth rate of the population described approaches  $r$  as the number of years approaches infinity ie the long-term growth rate is the largest eigenvalue of the system.*

Now, given the Leslie matrix for a particular bird population in central Missouri is

$$G = \begin{pmatrix} 0.728 & 1.302 \\ 0.52 & 0.62 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- (a) [6 marks] What is the defining equation of an eigenvalue  $\lambda$  of an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$ ?
- (b) [14 marks] Find the long-term (percentage) growth rate from the Leslie matrix  $G$  given here.

The characteristic equation is  $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$  and  $Av = \lambda v$ .

For % growth rate, first find eigenvalues from  $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \det \begin{pmatrix} 0.728 - \lambda & 1.302 \\ 0.52 & 0.62 - \lambda \end{pmatrix} \\ &= (0.728 - \lambda)(0.62 - \lambda) - (0.52)(1.302) \\ &= 0.45136 - 1.348\lambda + \lambda^2 - 0.67704 \\ &= \lambda^2 - 1.348\lambda - 0.22568 \end{aligned}$$

Finding roots gives

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda &= \frac{-(-1.348) \pm \sqrt{(-1.348)^2 - 4(1)(-0.22568)}}{2(1)} \\ &= \frac{1.348 \pm \sqrt{2.719824}}{2} \\ &= (1.348 \pm 1.6492)/2 \end{aligned}$$

So, the eigenvalues are  $\lambda_1 = 1.4985$  and  $\lambda_2 = -0.1506$ . The largest eigenvalue is  $\lambda_1 = 1.4985$  giving a % growth rate of 49.85% ie  $\approx 50\%$ .

3. Consider the following experiment. A box contains five tickets labelled

1, 0, 0, 0, 1

Six tickets are drawn randomly from this box with replacement. That means that a ticket is drawn, observed and then replaced before the next ticket is drawn.

- (a) [5 marks] Define a binomial experiment.
- (b) [5 marks] Explain why the experiment described is binomial.
- (c) [5 marks] Find the probability that the sum of the six tickets drawn is 3.
- (d) [5 marks] What is the standard deviation for this experiment?

A binomial experiment is one for which

- there is a fixed number,  $n$  of trials.
- each trial can be characterised a success or failure.
- the probability for success in each trial is constant/
- the central problem is to count the number of successes that occur.

The experiment above is binomial since: there is a fixed number of trials ie six tickets are drawn; each trial is either a success (a 1 is drawn) or a failure (a 0 is drawn); the probability for success is constant, ie for each trial  $P(\text{draw } 1) = 2/5$ ; the sum of tickets is 3 only if exactly 3 tickets labelled 1 are drawn.

To find the probability: let  $X$  be the number of 1s drawn.  $X$  has a binomial  $(6, 2/5)$

distribution ie  $n = 6, p = 0.4$  and  $q = 1 - p = 0.6$ . So,

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(X = k) &= \binom{n}{k} p^k q^{n-k} \\
 P(X = 3) &= \binom{6}{3} (0.4)^3 (0.6)^{6-3} \\
 &= \frac{6!}{3!3!} (0.064)(0.216) \\
 &= (20)(0.064)(0.216) \\
 &= 0.27648
 \end{aligned}$$

so, an  $\approx 28\%$  probability that the sum of six tickets drawn is 3.

4. Consider a large class of students. Each student in the class is given an identical box containing three tickets, marked  $\diamond$ ,  $\heartsuit$  and  $\square$ . Students are asked to draw two tickets from the box without replacing the first ticket back into the box. A prize is given to those who draw a  $\diamond$  first and a  $\square$  second.
- (a) [3 marks] State the principle of equally likely outcomes.
  - (b) [5 marks] State the multiplication rule for the probability that two events,  $A$  and  $B$ , both occur. Explain what the probability  $P(B|A)$  means.
  - (c) [4 marks] Considering the experiment described above, what proportion of students draw the  $\diamond$  ticket first?
  - (d) [4 marks] Of the students that drew the  $\diamond$  first, what proportion draw the  $\square$  second?
  - (e) [4 marks] What proportion of the students in the class will win the prize?

Principle of equally likely outcomes: *from notes*

Multiplication rule:  $P(A \text{ and } B) = P(A)P(B|A)$

$P(B|A)$  is the conditional probability that  $B$  occurs given  $A$  has occurred.

$P(\diamond) = 1/3$ : a third of the class draw a  $\diamond$ .

$P(\text{these students draw a } \square) = 1/2$ : half the students that drew a  $\diamond$  will draw a  $\square$ .

$P(\diamond \text{ first followed by } \square) = (1/3)(1/2) = 1/6$ : a sixth of the class win the prize.

## SECTION B

5. (a) [6 marks] Find an equation for the straight line which is parallel to  $y = 3x - 4$  and passes through the point  $(1, 2)$ .
- (b) [7 marks] Simplify the expression  $\sqrt[4]{16x^3e^{\ln(x)}}$ .
- (c) [7 marks] What is the average rate of change of the function  $f(x) = x^2 - 3x$  as  $x$  varies from  $-1$  to  $2$ ?
6. (a) Find the derivatives of the following expressions:
- (i). [4 marks]  $\frac{\sin(x)}{1+x}$
- (ii). [4 marks]  $5 - 6e^{1+x^2} + x \ln(x)$
- (iii). [4 marks]  $(x^2 + \sin(2\pi x))^{0.3}$
- (b) [8 marks] Evaluate the indefinite integral  $\int e^x - 4x \sin(x^2) dx$ .
7. Let  $f(x) = 12x - x^3 + 10$ .
- (a) [10 marks] Compute the coordinates of the absolute maximum and the absolute minimum of  $f(x)$  over the interval  $[0, 3]$ .
- (b) [10 marks] What is the average value of  $f(x)$  over the interval  $[0, 3]$ ?
8. The number of bacteria  $P(t)$  in a Petri dish grows according to

$$P(t) = (3 \times 10^5)e^{0.04t}$$

where  $t$  is the time, in hours, since the bacteria were introduced to the Petri dish.

- (a) [2 marks] How many bacteria were introduced to the Petri dish?
- (b) [4 marks] What is the generation time for this population?
- (c) [7 marks] Compute the instantaneous rate of change of  $P(t)$  24 hours after the bacteria were introduced to the Petri dish.
- (d) [7 marks] When does the population reach  $2 \times 10^6$  bacteria?