

Instructions:

- During the exam you may not use any textbook, class notes, or any other supporting material.
- Non-graphical calculators will be provided for the exam by the department. Other calculators may not be used.
- In all solutions, justify your answers.
- Use natural language, not just mathematical symbols. Write clearly and legibly
- Mark your final answer to each question clearly by putting a a box around it.
- **Do not write two exercises on the same sheet.**

Grades: Each solved problem is awarded by up to 10 points. At least 35 points would guarantee grade E, 42 for D, 49 for C, 56 for B and 63 for A. Note that the problems are not ordered according to the difficulty!

1. (a) Find all the real values x satisfying the following inequality

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & x \\ x & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & x & 1 \end{vmatrix} \geq \begin{vmatrix} 2x & -1 \\ -8 & x \end{vmatrix}.$$

- (b) Determine the value of the parameter b such that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{bx} - x - 1}{2x} = -3$.

Solution (a) $x \geq -2$.
(b) $b = -5$.

2. Calculate, arguing your answer, the integrals

$$\text{a) } \int \left(e^{\sqrt{x}} + \frac{1}{x-1} \right) dx \qquad \text{b) } \int_0^{+\infty} \frac{x^2 + 5}{(x^3 + 15x + 8)^{4/3}} dx$$

Solution

$$\int \left(e^{\sqrt{x}} + \frac{1}{x-1} \right) dx = 2e^{\sqrt{x}}(\sqrt{x} - 1) + \log(x - 1) + C. \quad C \in \mathbb{R}.$$

$$\int_0^{+\infty} \frac{x^2 + 5}{(x^3 + 15x + 8)^{4/3}} dx = \frac{1}{2}.$$

3. Let f be the function

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 2x + 5}{1 - x}.$$

- (a) Determine its domain of definition, and find all its stationary points.
- (b) Determine the intervals where the function is increasing (respectively decreasing).
- (c) Determine the intervals of convexity and concavity of the function.

Solution (a) The function is well defined for all $x \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{1\}$. The stationary points are $x = -1$ and $x = 3$.
(b) A sign table gives that

- i. For $x < -1$ and $x > 3$, $f'(x) < 0$ so the function is decreasing there;
- ii. For $-1 < x < 1$ and $1 < x < 3$, $f'(x) > 0$ so the function is increasing there.

(c) The function is convex in $(-\infty, 1)$ and concave in $(1, +\infty)$.

4. The expression

$$y^3 - x^2y = 6,$$

defines y as a function of x : $y = y(x)$.

- (a) Find all the possible values of $y(1)$.
- (b) Find the Taylor polynomial of degree one of y about the point $x = 1$.

Solution (a) $y(1) = 2$.

(b) $p(x) = 2 + \frac{4}{11}(x - 1)$.

5. Determine the minimum natural number $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that the value of $\sum_{k=n}^{+\infty} 2^{-k}$ is smaller or equal than e^{-1000} .

Tip: You may use that $(\ln 2)^{-1} \approx 1.44269504089$.

Solution $n = 1444$

6. Let

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 4 & 6 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Find a matrix $N = (n_{i,j})$ with 2 rows and 3 columns such that $M \cdot N$ satisfies

$$M \cdot N = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Solution

$$N = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{4} & -\frac{1}{8} & -1 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

7. Let $F(x, y) = x^2 + xy - 5x + 2y^2 - 6y$.

- (a) Find all stationary points for this function and determine whether they are local maximum, minimum, or saddle points. Does the function have a global maximum for $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$? Argue your answer.
- (b) Find the maximum and minimum value of F on the set

$$L = \{(x, y) : x \geq 0, y \geq 0, x + y = 5\}.$$

Solution There is only one stationary point $x = (2, 1)$, and it is a global minimum point.

The function has no global maximum, since $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} F(x, 0) = +\infty$.

The maximum value of f on L is 20, and the minimum $-25/4$.

GOOD LUCK!
