

MTL 101
LINEAR ALGEBRA AND DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS
RE-MINOR

Total Marks: 20

Time: 70 Minutes

Question 1: Let $\mathcal{P}_5(\mathbb{R})$ denote the space of all polynomials of degree less than or equal to 5 with real-coefficients. Consider the linear transformation $L : \mathcal{P}_5(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^6$ defined by

$$L(f) = (f(1), f(2), f(3), f(4), f(5), f(6)).$$

- a) (1 Mark) Find the kernel of L .
- b) (1 Mark) Is L bijective (one-one and onto) ?
- c) (3 Marks) Using your answers to items (a), (b) above, answer the following questions (Do not use any other method).

Does there exist a polynomial $f(x) \in \mathcal{P}_5(\mathbb{R})$ such that

$$f(1) = 1, f(2) = 9, f(3) = 2, f(4) = 0, f(5) = 2 \text{ and } f(6) = 0?$$

If so, how many?

Question 2: (5 Marks) Let V be a finite dimensional inner product space over \mathbb{R} and $T : V \rightarrow V$ be a map such that

- a) $T(0) = 0$
- b) $\|T(x) - T(y)\| = \|x - y\|$ for all $x, y \in V$, where $\|\cdot\|$ denotes the norm (length) induced by the inner product.

Prove that T is a linear transformation and $\langle T(x)|T(y) \rangle = \langle x|y \rangle$ for all $x, y \in X$.

Does the conclusion hold if the condition $T(0) = 0$ is dropped ? Justify.

Question 3: Let $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{C})$ be the vector space of all polynomials with complex coefficients over \mathbb{C} . Let T be a function from $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{C})$ into $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{C})$ such that

$$T(p(x) + q(x)) = T(p(x)) + T(q(x)), \quad T(\alpha p(x)) = \bar{\alpha} T(p(x)), \quad \text{and} \quad T^2(p(x)) = p(x),$$

for all $p(x), q(x) \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{C})$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$. Then,

- a) (2 Marks) Show that $U = \{p(x) \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{C}) : T(p(x)) = p(x)\}$ is a vector space over \mathbb{R} with respect to operations defined on $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{C})$.
- b) (3 Marks) Prove that $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{C}) = U \oplus iU$, where $i = \sqrt{-1}$.

Question 4: Let $f : \mathbb{C}^n \times \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be defined by $f(x, y) = \sum_{j=1}^n x_j \bar{y}_{n+1-j}$, where $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ and $y = (y_1, \dots, y_n)$. Then

- a) (2 Marks) Prove or disprove: f defines an inner product on \mathbb{C}^n .
- b) (1+2 Marks) Let $M = \text{span}(\{e_1\})$, where $e_1 = (1, 0, \dots, 0) \in \mathbb{C}^n$, and consider the subspace $M^\circ = \{v \in \mathbb{C}^n : f(v, w) = 0 \text{ for all } w \in M\}$. Prove or disprove that $\mathbb{C}^n = M \oplus M^\circ$. Find a basis for M° . Justify.