

This week's exercises are all from old exams (it's good practice!). The dates refer to which exams they were taken from.

1 (Exercise 1, December 2005) Let (X, d) be a metric space, and let  $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  and  $\{y_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be two sequences in (X, d), both converging towards  $a \in X$ . Let  $\{z_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be the sequence defined by

$$z_n = \begin{cases} x_{\frac{n+1}{2}} & n \text{ is odd,} \\ y_{\frac{n}{2}} & n \text{ is even,} \end{cases}$$

i.e.,  $\{z_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} = (x_1, y_1, x_2, y_2, ...)$ . Show that  $\{z_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is Cauchy in (X, d).

2 Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \cdots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

be a real  $n \times n$  matrix, and consider the linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$  given by  $x \mapsto Ax$ .

a) (Exercise 2a, November 2001) Show that

$$||Ax||_{l_{\infty}} \le (\max_{1\le i\le n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} |a_{ij}|) ||x||_{l_{\infty}}.$$

What is ||T|| (given that  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is equipped with the maximum norm)?

**b)** (Exercise 2a, December 2003) Show that

$$||Ax||_{l_1} \le (\max_{1\le j\le n} \sum_{i=1}^n |a_{ij}|) ||x||_{l_1}.$$

**3** (Exercise 3, November 2001) Find the LU-decomposition of

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 6 & 10 \\ 1 & 4 & 10 & 20 \end{bmatrix}$$

for which the diagonal elements of L are all ones.

4 (Exercise 2a, December 2005) The matrix A has an LU-decomposition as follows:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find bases for the subspaces ran(A) and  $ker(A^T)$  of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ; ker(A) and  $ran(A^T)$  of  $\mathbb{R}^5$ .

- **5** (Exercise 3, December 2000) Let A be a real  $m \times r$ -matrix such that its column vectors are linearly independent, and B be a real  $r \times n$ -matrix such that its row vectors are linearly independent. Show that:
  - **a)**  $\ker(AB) = \ker(B)$ .
  - **b)**  $\operatorname{ran}(AB) = \operatorname{ran}(A)$ .

6 (Challenge. Exercise 5, November 2002)

Let  $v_1, v_2 \colon \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  be defined by  $v_1(t) = e^t, v_2(t) = e^{-t}$ , and consider the vector space  $V = \{av_1 + bv_2 : a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}.$ 

Let A be the matrix realization of a linear transformation  $T: V \to V$  with respect to the basis  $\{v_1, v_2\}$ , and let B be its matrix realization with respect to the basis  $\{\cosh, \sinh\}$ . Find an invertible matrix S such that

$$A = S^{-1}BS.$$

Finally, calculate A and B when T is the derivation operator  $D = \frac{d}{dt}$ . Check that in this case  $A = S^{-1}BS$ .

Tip:

$$\cosh(t) = \frac{e^t + e^{-t}}{2} \qquad \sinh(t) = \frac{e^t - e^{-t}}{2}$$