

Suggested solutions for  
TMA4145 LINEAR METHODS

Midterm

English

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Time: 17:15 – 19:00

Permitted aids: Code D (HP30S only).

**Problem 1**

a) Since  $d(x, y) = |x - y|$  is a metric on  $(0, \infty)$  we get for all  $x, y, z \in X$

$$1) \quad \tilde{d}(x, y) = \left| \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{y} \right| \geq 0 \text{ for all } x, y \in X; \text{ and } \tilde{d}(x, y) = \left| \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{y} \right| = 0 \iff \frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{y} \\ \iff x = y.$$

$$2) \quad \tilde{d}(x, y) = \left| \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{y} \right| = \left| \frac{1}{y} - \frac{1}{x} \right| = \tilde{d}(y, x).$$

$$3) \quad \tilde{d}(x, y) = \left| \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{y} \right| \leq \left| \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{z} \right| + \left| \frac{1}{z} - \frac{1}{y} \right| = \tilde{d}(x, z) + \tilde{d}(z, y).$$

Thus  $\tilde{d}$  is a metric on  $X$ , and  $(X, \tilde{d})$  is a metric space.

b) If  $x_n = 2^n$  then  $\tilde{d}(x_m, x_n) = \left| \frac{1}{2^m} - \frac{1}{2^n} \right| \leq \frac{1}{2^m} + \frac{1}{2^n}$ , and hence given  $\epsilon > 0$  we have  $\tilde{d}(x_m, x_n) < \epsilon$  if  $m, n \geq N$  where  $N > \log_2\left(\frac{2}{\epsilon}\right)$ . Thus  $(x_n)_n$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $(X, \tilde{d})$ . If  $x_n \rightarrow x$  in  $X$ , then  $\tilde{d}(x_n, x) = \left| \frac{1}{2^n} - \frac{1}{x} \right| \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . But  $\left| \frac{1}{2^n} - \frac{1}{x} \right| \rightarrow \frac{1}{x} \neq 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , and  $(x_n)_n$  is not convergent. Hence  $(X, \tilde{d})$  is not complete.

**Problem 2**

a) We have  $|Fx(t) - Fy(t)| = \left| \int_0^t x(s) ds - \int_0^t y(s) ds \right| \leq \int_0^t |x(s) - y(s)| ds \leq \int_0^t d_\infty(x, y) ds = td_\infty(x, y)$ , and hence  $d_\infty(Fx, Fy) \leq ad_\infty(x, y)$ . If  $a < 1$ , then  $F$  is a contraction on  $C[0, a]$ .

Banach's Fixed Point Theorem: If  $X \neq \emptyset$  is a complete metric space and  $F: X \rightarrow X$  is a contraction, then  $F$  has a unique fixed point  $x^* \in X$ . ( $F$  is a contraction if there exists an  $\alpha < 1$  such that  $d(F(x), F(y)) \leq \alpha d(x, y)$  for all  $x, y \in X$ .)

Since  $C[0, a]$  is complete and  $F$  is a contraction,  $F$  has a unique fixed point  $x^*$ .

b) From  $x_1 = 1$  we get  $x_2(t) = Fx_1(t) = 1 + t - \frac{t^2}{2}$  and  $x_3(t) = Fx_2(t) = 1 - \frac{t^2}{2} + \int_0^t \left(1 + s - \frac{s^2}{2}\right) ds = 1 - \frac{t^2}{2} + t + \frac{t^2}{2} - \frac{t^3}{3!} = 1 + t - \frac{t^3}{3!}$ .

Assume by induction that  $x_n = 1 + t - \frac{t^n}{n!}$  which is true for  $n = 1$  (and  $n = 2, 3$ ). Then  $x_{n+1}(t) = Fx_n(t) = 1 - \frac{t^2}{2} + \int_0^t \left(1 + s - \frac{s^n}{n!}\right) ds = 1 - \frac{t^2}{2} + t + \frac{t^2}{2} - \frac{t^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} = 1 + t - \frac{t^{n+1}}{(n+1)!}$ . Thus  $x_n = 1 + t - \frac{t^n}{n!}$  for all  $n \geq 1$ . Let  $x^*(t) = 1 + t$ . Then  $d_\infty(x_n, x^*) = \max_t \left| \frac{t^n}{n!} \right| = \frac{a^n}{n!} \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , and we see that  $x^* = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$  in  $C[0, a]$ . We then know that  $x^*$  is the unique fixed point of  $F$ .

### Problem 3

a) We have

$$U \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and thus

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

is a basis for  $\ker A$ . From

$$A = P^T L U = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & -3 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & -4 & -5 \\ 1 & -2 & -3 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

we see that

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

is a basis for  $\text{im } A$ .

b) A basis for  $\text{im } A^T$  is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ -3 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

A basis for  $\ker A^T$  is the last row of  $L^{-1}P$  (since  $U$  has one row of zeroes). Since

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right],$$

$$L^{-1}P = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right],$$

and a basis for  $\ker A^T$  is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

c) Since  $y^T A = 0 \iff A^T y = 0$ , any such  $y$  has the form

$$y = \alpha \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Since  $[1 \ 0 \ 2]A = [1 \ -2 \ -2 \ -3]$  we get the solution

$$z = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}.$$