

**BASIC EXAM: FALL 2018**

**Test instructions:**

Write your UCLA ID number on the upper right corner of *each* sheet of paper you use. Do not write your name anywhere on the exam.

The final score will be the sum of **FOUR** analysis problems (Problems 1–6) and **FOUR** linear algebra problems (Problems 7–12). *On the front of your paper indicate which 8 problems you wish to have graded.* Please be reminded that to pass the exam you need to show mastery of both subjects.

Please staple your problems in the order they are listed in the exam.

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5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12

**Problem 1.** Let  $\{a_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  be a sequence of non-negative numbers such that

$$\sum_{n \geq 1} a_n \text{ diverges.}$$

Show that

$$\sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{a_n}{2a_n + 1} \text{ diverges.}$$

**Problem 2.** Let  $A$  be a connected subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  such that the complement of  $A$  is the union of two separated sets  $B$  and  $C$ , that is

$$\mathbb{R}^n \setminus A = B \cup C \quad \text{with} \quad \overline{B} \cap C = B \cap \overline{C} = \emptyset.$$

Show that  $A \cup B$  is a connected subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

**Problem 3.** Let  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $g : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  be two Riemann integrable functions. Assume that

$$|g(x) - g(y)| \geq \alpha|x - y| \quad \text{for any } x, y \in [0, 1]$$

and some fixed  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ . Show that  $f \circ g$  is Riemann integrable.

**Problem 4.** Let  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous function on the closed interval  $[0, 1]$  and differentiable on the open interval  $(0, 1)$ . Assume that  $f(0) = 0$  and  $f'$  is a decreasing function on  $(0, 1)$ . Show that

$$g(x) = \frac{f(x)}{x}$$

is a decreasing function on  $(0, 1)$ .

**Problem 5.** Let  $B := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid |x| \leq 1\}$  and let  $g : \partial B \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a 1-Lipschitz function.

(a) Show that the function  $f : B \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  given by

$$f(x) := \inf_{y \in \partial B} [g(y) + |x - y|]$$

is 1-Lipschitz.

(b) Show that the set  $M(g) := \{h : B \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid h \text{ is 1-Lipschitz and } h|_{\partial B} = g\}$  is compact in the space of continuous functions on  $B$  endowed with the supremum norm.

**Problem 6.** For  $x \in (0, \infty)$ , let

$$F(x) = \int_0^\infty \frac{1 - e^{-tx}}{t^{\frac{3}{2}}} dt.$$

Show that  $F : (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$  is well-defined, bijective, of class  $C^1$  (i.e. differentiable with continuous derivative), and that its inverse is of class  $C^1$ .

**Problem 7.** Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  be a linear transformation with the property that

$$T(T(x)) = T(x) \quad \text{for all } x \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

Show that there exists  $1 \leq m \leq n$  and a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  such in this basis the entries of  $T$  satisfy

$$T_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = j \text{ and } 1 \leq i \leq m, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

**Problem 8.** Let  $X$  be an  $n \times n$  symmetric (real) matrix and  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $\text{Im } z > 0$ . Define

$$G = (X - z)^{-1}.$$

Show that

$$\sum_{1 \leq j \leq n} |G_{ij}|^2 = \frac{\text{Im } G_{ii}}{\text{Im } z}.$$

**Problem 9.** Let  $f, g : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be linearly independent elements of the vector space (over  $\mathbb{R}$ ) of linear mappings from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}$ . Show that for any  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , there exist  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  such that

$$v = v_1 + v_2, \quad f(v) = f(v_1), \quad \text{and} \quad g(v) = g(v_2).$$

**Problem 10.** Let  $A := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix}$ . Calculate  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A^n$ .

**Problem 11.** Let  $V$  be the space of all  $3 \times 3$  real matrices that are skew-symmetric, i.e.  $A^t = -A$  (where  $A^t$  denotes the transpose of  $A$ ). Prove that the expression

$$\langle A, B \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr}(AB^t)$$

defines an inner product on  $V$ . Exhibit an orthonormal basis of  $V$  with respect to this inner product; rigorously justify your answer.

**Problem 12.** Let  $V$  be a finite-dimensional vector space. Let  $T : V \rightarrow V$  be a linear transformation such that  $T(W) \subseteq W$  for every subspace  $W$  of  $V$  with  $\dim(W) = \dim(V) - 1$ . Prove that  $T$  is a scalar multiple of the identity operator.