MATH1131/1141 Revision Sheet

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Sets, Inequalities & Functions

Essential Sets

- The set $\mathbb{N}$ of *natural numbers* is given by

$$\mathbb{N} = \{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, \ldots\}.$$

  Note well that 0 is by convention included within $\mathbb{N}$ at UNSW. Other institutions and websites online might *not* include 0 within $\mathbb{N}$.

- The set $\mathbb{Z}$ of *integers* is given by

$$\mathbb{Z} = \{\ldots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \ldots\}.$$

  Think of $\mathbb{Z}$ as the set of all negative and positive whole numbers with zero included.

- The set $\mathbb{Q}$ of *rational numbers* is the collection of all numbers of the form p/q, where p and q are integers and $q \neq 0$.

  That is, $\mathbb{Q}$ is the set of all numbers that can be represented as fractions where the numerator and denominator are integers.

- The set $\mathbb{R}$ of *real numbers* may be represented as the collection of all points lying on the number line.
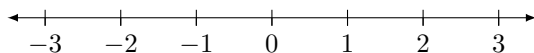

  The set $\mathbb{R}$ can be thought of as the metric completion of $\mathbb{Q}$. That is, it extends $\mathbb{Q}$ in such a way as to allow for the notion of distances to work and subsequently, that of limits and continuity.

Suppose that A and B are two sets. We say that A is a *subset* of B if $x \in A$ implies that $x \in B$. We write this as $A \subseteq B$.
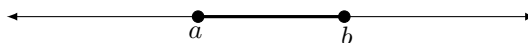
Interval Notation

Whenever there is an interval, a round bracket means *excluding* and a square bracket means *including*. This is demonstrated below.

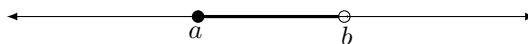- $(a, b) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : a < x < b\}$ is represented on the number line as:
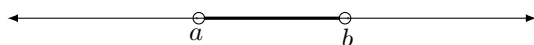
  This set contains all the real numbers between a and b *excluding both* a and b.

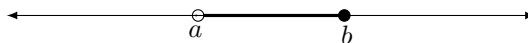- $[a, b] = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : a \leq x \leq b\}$ is represented on the number line as:

  This set contains all the real numbers between a and b *including both* a and b.

- $[a, b) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : a \leq x < b\}$ is represented on the number line as:

  This set contains all the real numbers between a and b *including* a but *excluding* b.

- $(a, b] = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : a < x \leq b\}$ is represnted on the number line as:

  This set contains all the real numbers between a and b *excluding* a but *including* b.

Note well that if there is an interval containing infinity, then the bracket adjacent to the ∞ should always be round because there is no $x \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $x = \infty$.

Some terminology regarding these intervals are as follows:

- a and b are called the *endpoints*.

- An interval $[a, b]$ that includes *both* its endpoints is called *closed*.

- An interval (a, b) that excludes *both* its endpoints is called *open*.

Absolute Values

The absolute value of a real number x is denoted by $|x|$ and defined by

$$|x| = \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x \geq 0, \\ -x & \text{if } x < 0. \end{cases}$$

Some useful properties of $|x|$ when x is real are:

- $|-x| = |x|$,

- $|xy| = |x||y|$,

- $\left|\dfrac{x}{y}\right| = \dfrac{|x|}{|y|}$,

- $|x + y| \leq |x| + |y|$. This property is known as the *triangle inequality* and is *extremely* useful to know.

- $|x| = \sqrt{x^2}$ and $|x|^2 = x^2$.

- $|x - a|$ can be thought of as the distance between x and a on the real number line.

- The statement $|y| < a$ is equivalent to

$$-a < y < a.$$

  Similarly, the statement $|y| > a$ is equivalent to

$$y < -a \ \text{ or } \ y > a.$$

Functions

A function is a rule, often denoted by f. It takes an element of one set, say A, and maps it to *exactly one element* belonging to the set B. This is commonly written as $f : A \to B$.

- The set A is called the *domain*. It is the set of all allowed inputs of the function f and can be written as $\text{Dom}(f) = A$.

- The set B is called the *co-domain*. This is the set that contains all possible outputs of f and can be written as $\text{Codom}(f) = B$.

- It is important to note that the *co-domain* is different from the *range*, which is the set of all actual outputs of f.

- The expression $f(x)$ is read as 'f of x'.

Function 'Operations'

Suppose that $f : A \to B$ and $g : A \to B$ are real valued functions. Then:

- $(f + g)(x) = f(x) + g(x)$ for all $x \in A$.

- $(f - g)(x) = f(x) - g(x)$ for all $x \in A$.

- $(f \cdot g)(x) = f(x)g(x)$ for all $x \in A$.

- $(f/g)(x) = \dfrac{f(x)}{g(x)}$ for all $x \in A$ provided that $g(x) \neq 0$.

- Suppose that $f : C \to D$ and $g : A \to B$ are functions such that $\text{Range}(g)$ is a subset of C. Then the *composition* $f \circ g : A \to D$ is defined by the rule

$$(f \circ g)(x) = f(g(x)) \text{ for all } x \in A.$$

Polynomials & Rational Functions

A function $f : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ is called a *polynomial* if it can be expressed in the form

$$f(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \cdots + a_1 x + a_0,$$

where n is a natural number, the constants $a_0, a_1, \ldots, a_n$ are real numbers and $a_n \neq 0$.

- We call n the *degree* of f.

- The constants $a_0, a_1, \ldots, a_n$ are called the *coefficients* of f.

- The constant a_n is called the *leading coefficient* of f.

Suppose p and q are polynomials. A function f is called a *rational function* if

$$\text{Dom}(f) = \{x \in \mathbb{R} : q(x) \neq 0\}$$

and

$$f(x) = \frac{p(x)}{q(x)}, \text{ for all } x \in \text{Dom}(f).$$

Trigonometric Functions & Identities

Defining Relations

- $\tan \theta = \dfrac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta}$.

- $\cot \theta = \dfrac{1}{\tan \theta} = \dfrac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta}$.

- $\sec \theta = \dfrac{1}{\cos \theta}$.

- $\csc \theta = \dfrac{1}{\sin \theta}$.

Pythagorean Identities

- $\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta = 1$.

- $1 + \tan^2 \theta = \sec^2 \theta$.

- $\cot^2 \theta + 1 = \csc^2 \theta$.

Sum & Difference Identities

- $\sin(x \pm y) = \sin x \cos y \pm \cos x \sin y$.

- $\cos(x \pm y) = \cos x \cos y \mp \sin x \sin y$.

- $\tan(x \pm y) = \dfrac{\tan x \pm \tan y}{1 \mp \tan x \tan y}$.

Complementary Angles

- $\cos\theta = \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right)$.

- $\sin\theta = \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right)$.

- $\cot\theta = \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right)$.

- $\tan\theta = \cot\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right)$.

- $\sec\theta = \csc\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right)$.

- $\csc\theta = \sec\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta\right)$.

Double Angle Formulas

- $\sin 2x = 2\sin x \cos x$.

- $\cos 2x = \cos^2 x - \sin^2 x$
$$= 2\cos^2 x - 1$$
$$= 1 - 2\sin^2 x.$$

- $\tan 2x = \dfrac{2\tan x}{1 - \tan^2 x}$.

Periodicity of Trig Functions

- $\sin(\theta + 2\pi) = \sin\theta$.

- $\cos(\theta + 2\pi) = \cos\theta$.

- $\tan(\theta + \pi) = \tan\theta$.

Identities for Negative Angles

- $\sin(-\theta) = -\sin\theta$.

- $\cos(-\theta) = \cos\theta$.

- $\tan(-\theta) = -\tan\theta$.

Half Angle Formulas

- $\sin\dfrac{\theta}{2} = \pm\sqrt{\dfrac{1 - \cos\theta}{2}}$.

- $\cos\dfrac{\theta}{2} = \pm\sqrt{\dfrac{1 + \cos\theta}{2}}$.

- $\tan\dfrac{\theta}{2} = \dfrac{\sin\theta}{1 + \cos\theta} = \dfrac{1 - \cos\theta}{\sin\theta}$.

Limits

Limits of Functions "at" Infinity

The following results are relevant when one considers the behaviour of $f(x)$ as $x \to \infty$.

Technical Definition

Suppose that L is a real number and f is a real-valued function defined on some interval (b, ∞). We say that $\lim\limits_{x\to\infty} f(x) = L$ if:

> For every positive real number ε, there exists a real number M, such that if $x > M$ then $|f(x) - L| < \varepsilon$.

Properties

Suppose that $\lim\limits_{x\to\infty} f(x)$ and $\lim\limits_{x\to\infty} g(x)$ exist and are finite real numbers. Then the following hold:

(i) $\lim\limits_{x\to\infty} [f(x) + g(x)] = \lim\limits_{x\to\infty} f(x) + \lim\limits_{x\to\infty} g(x)$.

(ii) $\lim\limits_{x\to\infty} [f(x) - g(x)] = \lim\limits_{x\to\infty} f(x) - \lim\limits_{x\to\infty} g(x)$.

(iii) $\lim\limits_{x\to\infty} [f(x)g(x)] = [\lim\limits_{x\to\infty} f(x)][\lim\limits_{x\to\infty} g(x)]$.

(iv) If $\lim\limits_{x\to\infty} g(x) \neq 0$ then

$$\lim_{x\to\infty} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{\lim\limits_{x\to\infty} f(x)}{\lim\limits_{x\to\infty} g(x)}.$$

The Pinching Theorem

Suppose that f, g and h are all defined on the interval (b, ∞), where $b \in \mathbb{R}$. If

$$f(x) \leq g(x) \leq h(x) \quad \forall x \in (b, \infty)$$

and

$$\lim_{x\to\infty} f(x) = \lim_{x\to\infty} h(x) = L$$

then

$$\lim_{x\to\infty} g(x) = L.$$

Limits of Functions at a Point

The following results are relevant when one considers the behaviour of $f(x)$ as $x \to a$.

Definition

If the left-hand limit $\lim\limits_{x\to a^-} f(x)$ and the right-hand limit $\lim\limits_{x\to a^+} f(x)$ both exist and equal the same real number L, then we say that the limit of $f(x)$ as $x \to a$ exists and is equal to L, and we write

$$\lim_{x\to a} f(x) = L.$$

If any one of the above conditions fail, then we say that $\lim\limits_{x\to a} f(x)$ does not exist.

Limits and Continuous Functions

- Suppose that f is defined on some interval containing the point a. If $\lim_{x \to a} f(x) = f(a)$, then we say f is *continuous* at a; otherwise, we say that f is *discontinuous* at a.

- If it is the case that $f : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ is continuous at every point a in $\mathbb{R}$ then we say that f is continuous everywhere.

- If $\lim_{x \to a} f(x) = L$ and g is continuous at L then

$$\lim_{x \to a} g(f(x)) = g\left(\lim_{x \to a} f(x)\right).$$

If the function f and g are continuous everywhere then the above result implies that

$$\lim_{x \to a} g(f(x)) = g\left(\lim_{x \to a} f(x)\right)$$

for any point a in $\mathbb{R}$.

Continuity Continued

Definition for Open Intervals

If f is defined on an open interval (a, b), then f is continuous on (a, b) if f is continuous at every point in (a, b).

Definition for Closed Intervals

Suppose f is defined on the closed interval $[a, b]$. If

- f is continuous at the endpoint a;

- f is continuous at the endpoint b;

- f is continuous on the open interval (a, b);

then f is continuous on $[a, b]$.

Intermediate Value Theorem

Suppose that f is continuous on the closed interval $[a, b]$. If z lies between $f(a)$ and $f(b)$ then there is at least one real number c in $[a, b]$ such that $f(c) = z$.

The Maximum Minimum Theorem

If f is continuous on a closed interval $[a, b]$ then f attains it's minimum and maximum on $[a, b]$. That is there exists points c and d in $[a, b]$ such that

$$f(c) \le f(x) \le f(d)$$

for all x in $[a, b]$.

Definition of a Bounded Function

A function f is said to be *bounded* on an interval I if there is some positive number M such that $|f(x)| \le M$ for all x in I.

Differentiable Functions

Definition of a Derivative

Suppose that f is defined on some open interval containing the point x. We say that f is differentiable at x if

$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(x + h) - f(x)}{h}$$

exists. If the limit exists we denote it by $f'(x)$.

Standard Derivatives of Common Functions

$f(x)$	$f'(x)$
C, where C is a constant	0
x^n where n is a positive integer.	nx^{n-1}
$\sin(x)$	$\cos(x)$
e^x	e^x

Definition of Stationary Point

If a function f is differentiable at a point c and $f'(c) = 0$ then c is called the *stationary point* of f.

The Mean Value Theorem

Suppose that f is continuous on $[a, b]$ and differentiable on (a, b). Then there is at least one real number c in (a, b) such that

$$\frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a} = f'(c).$$

The Sign of a Derivative

Suppose that f is defined on an interval I. We say that

(a) *f is increasing* on I if for x_1 and x_2 in I,

$$x_1 < x_2 \text{ implies that } f(x_1) < f(x_2);$$

(b) *f is decreasing* on I if for x_1 and x_2 in I,

$$x_1 < x_2 \text{ implies that } f(x_1) > f(x_2).$$

Second Derivative Test

Suppose that a function f is twice differentiable on (a, b) and that $c \in (a, b)$.

(i) If $f'(c) = 0$ and $f''(c) > 0$ then c is a local minimum point of f;

(ii) If $f'(c) = 0$ and $f''(c) < 0$ then c is a local maximum point of f.

Classification of Critical Points

Suppose that f is defined on $[a, b]$. We say that a point c in $[a, b]$ is a *critical point* for f on $[a, b]$ if c satisfies one of the following properties:

(a) c is an endpoint a or b of the interval $[a, b]$,

(b) f is not differentiable at c, or

(c) f is differentiable at c and $f'(c) = 0$.

N.B that the maximum and minimum values of a continuous function on a closed interval are critical values of said function.

L'Hôpital's Rule

Suppose that f and g are both differentiable functions and a is a real number. Suppose that either one of the following two conditions hold:

- $f(x) \to 0$ and $g(x) \to 0$ as $x \to a$;

- $f(x) \to \pm\infty$ and $g(x) \to \pm\infty$ as $x \to a$.

If

$$\lim_{x \to a} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}$$

exists then

$$\lim_{x \to a} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \lim_{x \to a} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)}.$$

This theorem holds when a is infinity and for one-sided limits as well.

Inverse Functions

Definition of One-to-One Functions

A function f is one-to-one (or *injective*) if

$$f(x_1) = f(x_2) \text{ implies that } x_1 = x_2$$

whenever $x_1, x_2 \in \text{Dom}(f)$.

One can check for injectivity by using the *horizontal line test*. If every horizontal line crosses the graph $y = f(x)$ at most once, the function is injective.

Definition of Onto Functions

A function f is onto (or *surjective*) if for every y in $\text{Codom}(f)$, there exists an x in $\text{Dom}(f)$ such that $f(x) = y$ (i.e. $\text{Codom}(f) = \text{Range}(f)$).

One can similarly check for surjectivity by seeing if every horizontal line (within $\text{Codom}(f)$) crosses the graph $y = f(x)$ at least once.

Definition of Inverse Function

Suppose that f is one-to-one and onto (or *bijective*). Then there exists a unique function f^{-1} satisfying

$$f^{-1}(f(x)) = x \quad \text{for all } x \in \text{Dom}(f),$$

and

$$f(f^{-1}(x)) = x \quad \text{for all } x \in \text{Range}(f).$$

Moreover,

$$\text{Dom}(f^{-1}) = \text{Range}(f), \quad \text{Range}(f^{-1}) = \text{Dom}(f)$$

and f^{-1} is also bijective.

Inverse Function Theorem

Suppose that I is an open interval, $f : I \to \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable and $f'(x) \neq 0$ for all x in I. Then,

(i) f is one-to-one and has an inverse function

$$f^{-1} : \text{Range}(f) \to \text{Dom}(f),$$

(ii) f^{-1} is differentiable at all points in $\text{Range}(f)$, and

(iii) the derivative of f^{-1} is given by the formula

$$[f^{-1}]'(x) = \frac{1}{f'(f^{-1}(x))}$$

for all x in $\text{Range}(f)$.

Applications to Trig Functions

Function	Domain	Range	Derivative
$\sin x$	$[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}]$	$[-1, 1]$	$\cos x$
$\sin^{-1} x$	$[-1, 1]$	$[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}]$	$\dfrac{1}{\sqrt{1 - x^2}}$
$\cos x$	$[0, \pi]$	$[-1, 1]$	$-\sin x$
$\cos^{-1} x$	$[-1, 1]$	$[0, \pi]$	$-\dfrac{1}{\sqrt{1 - x^2}}$
$\tan x$	$(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2})$	$(-\infty, \infty)$	$\sec^2 x$
$\tan^{-1} x$	$(-\infty, \infty)$	$(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2})$	$\dfrac{1}{1 + x^2}$

Curve Sketching

Even and Odd Functions

- An *even* function is one which satisfies the identity, $f(x) = f(-x)$ for all x in $\text{Dom}(f)$. Even functions are symmetric over the y-axis.

- An *odd* function is one which satisfies the identity, $f(-x) = -f(x)$ for all x in $\text{Dom}(f)$. Odd functions have rotational symmetry around the origin.

Definition of Oblique Asymptotes

Suppose that a and b are real numbers and that $a \neq 0$. We say that a straight line, given by the equation

$$y = ax + b,$$

is an oblique asymptote for a function f if

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} (f(x) - (ax + b)) = 0$$

Summary of Cartesian and Parametric Forms of Conic Sections

Conic	Cartesian Form	Parametric Form
Parabola	$4ay = x^2$	$x(t) = 2at$ $y(t) = at^2$
Circle	$x^2 + y^2 = a^2$	$x(t) = a\cos t$ $y(t) = a\sin t$
Ellipse	$\dfrac{x^2}{a^2} + \dfrac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$	$x(t) = a\cos t$ $y(t) = b\sin t$
Hyperbola	$\dfrac{x^2}{a^2} - \dfrac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$	$x(t) = a\sec t$ $y(t) = b\tan t$

Derivative of a Function's Parametrisation

Suppose that x and y are both differentiable functions of t and that y is a function of x. If $x'(t) \neq 0$ then

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x} = \frac{y'(t)}{x'(t)}.$$

Polar Coordinates

A polar coordinate (r, θ) of a point P is related to the Cartesian coordinate (x, y) of P by the formulae:

- $x = r\cos\theta$.

- $y = r\sin\theta$.

- $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$.

- $\tan\theta = \dfrac{y}{x}$, provided that $x \neq 0$.

Integration

Definition of partition

A finite set $\mathcal{P}$ of points in $\mathbb{R}$ is said to be a partition of $[a, b]$ if

$$\mathcal{P} = \{a_0, a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_n\}$$

and

$$a = a_0 < a_1 < a_2 < \cdots < a_n = b.$$

Definition of Riemann Integral

Suppose that a function f is bounded on $[a, b]$ and that $f(x) \geq 0$ for all x in $[a, b]$. If there exists a unique real number I such that

$$\underline{S}_{\mathcal{P}}(f) \leq I \leq \overline{S}_{\mathcal{P}}(f) \quad \text{for every partition } \mathcal{P} \text{ of } [a, b],$$

then we say that f is Riemann Integrable on the interval $[a, b]$.

I is found by the definite integral of f from a to b, written as

$$I = \int_a^b f(x)\, \mathrm{d}x.$$

Properties of the Riemann Integral

Suppose that f and g are integrable functions over $[a, b]$.

(i) For all real numbers α, we have

$$\int_a^b (\alpha f + \beta g)(x)\, \mathrm{d}x = \alpha \int_a^b f(x)\, \mathrm{d}x + \beta \int_a^b g(x)\, \mathrm{d}x.$$

(ii) If $a < c < b$ then

$$\int_a^b f(x)\, \mathrm{d}x = \int_a^c f(x)\, \mathrm{d}x + \int_c^b f(x)\, \mathrm{d}x.$$

(iii) If $f(x) \geq 0$ for all $x \in [a, b]$ then

$$\int_a^b f(x)\, \mathrm{d}x \geq 0.$$

(iv) If $f(x) \leq g(x)$ for all $x \in [a, b]$ then

$$\int_a^b f(x)\, \mathrm{d}x \leq \int_a^b g(x)\, \mathrm{d}x.$$

(v) If $m \leq f(x) \leq M$ for all $x \in [a, b]$ then

$$m(b - a) \leq \int_a^b f(x)\, \mathrm{d}x \leq M(b - a).$$

(vi) If $|f|$ is integrable on $[a, b]$, then

$$\left| \int_a^b f(x)\, \mathrm{d}x \right| \leq \int_a^b |f(x)|\, \mathrm{d}x.$$

(vii) For all $x \in [a, b]$ we have

$$\int_a^b f(x)\, \mathrm{d}x = -\int_b^a f(x)\, \mathrm{d}x.$$

(viii) For all $x \in [a, b]$ we have

$$\int_a^a f(x)\, \mathrm{d}x = 0.$$

The First Fundamental Theorem of Calculus

If f is a continuous function defined on $[a, b]$ then the function $F : [a, b] \to \mathbb{R}$, defined by

$$F(x) = \int_a^x f(t)\, \mathrm{d}t,$$

is continuous on $[a, b]$, differentiable on (a, b) and has a derivative F' given by

$$F'(x) = f(x)$$

for all $x \in (a, b)$.

The Second Fundamental Theorem of Calculus

Suppose that f is a continuous function on $[a, b]$. If F is an anti-derivative of f on $[a, b]$, then

$$\int_a^b f(t)\, \mathrm{d}t = F(b) - F(a).$$

Integration by Parts

The indefinite integral version is

$$\int u \frac{\mathrm{d}v}{\mathrm{d}x}\, \mathrm{d}x = uv - \int v \frac{\mathrm{d}u}{\mathrm{d}x}\, \mathrm{d}x$$

while for definite integrals it is

$$\int_a^b u \frac{\mathrm{d}v}{\mathrm{d}x}\, \mathrm{d}x = \left[uv \right]_a^b - \int_a^b v \frac{\mathrm{d}u}{\mathrm{d}x}\, \mathrm{d}x.$$

The Comparison Test

Suppose that f and g are integrable functions and that $0 \leq f(x) \leq g(x)$ whenever $x > a$.

(i) If $\int_a^\infty g(x)\, \mathrm{d}x$ converges then $\int_a^\infty f(x)\, \mathrm{d}x$ also converges.

(ii) If $\int_a^\infty f(x)\, \mathrm{d}x$ diverges then $\int_a^\infty g(x)\, \mathrm{d}x$ also diverges.

The Limit Form of the Comparison Test

Suppose that f and g are non-negative and bounded on $[a, \infty)$. If

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = L$$

and $0 < L < \infty$ then either

$$\int_a^\infty f(x)\, \mathrm{d}x \quad \text{and} \quad \int_a^\infty g(x)\, \mathrm{d}x$$

both converge or

$$\int_a^\infty f(x)\,\mathrm{d}x \quad \text{and} \quad \int_a^\infty g(x)\,\mathrm{d}x$$

both diverge.

The Logarithm and Exponential Functions

Definition of the Logarithm

Suppose that b is a positive real number not equal to one, c is a rational number and $a = b^c$. Then $\log_b a$ is defined by

$$\log_b a = c.$$

Properties of the Logarithm

In all the below, $x > 0, y > 0$ and $b > 0$ with $b \neq 1$.

- $\log_b 1 = 0$.

- $\log_b(xy) = \log_b x + \log_b y$.

- $\log_b(b^r) = r$.

- $\log_b(b) = 1$.

- $\log_b\left(\dfrac{x}{y}\right) = \log_b x - \log_b y$.

- $\log_b(x^r) = r \log_b(x)$.

Definition of the Natural Logarithm

The function $\ln : (0, \infty) \to \mathbb{R}$ is rigorously defined by the formula

$$\ln(x) = \int_1^x \frac{1}{x}\,\mathrm{d}t.$$

Properties of the Natural Logarithm

- $\ln$ is differentiable on $(0, \infty)$ and $\dfrac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}(\ln x) = \dfrac{1}{x}$.

- $\ln x > 0$ if $x > 1$, $\ln 1 = 0$ and $\ln x < 0$ if $x < 1$.

- $\ln x \to -\infty$ as $x \to 0^+$ and $\ln x \to \infty$ as $x \to \infty$.

- $\ln(xy) = \ln x + \ln y$ for all positive real numbers x and y.

- $\ln\left(\dfrac{x}{y}\right) = \ln x - \ln y$ for all positive real numbers x and y.

- $\ln(x^r) = r \ln(x)$ whenever r is a rational number and x is a positive real number.

Definition of the Number e

The real number e is defined to be the unique number x that satisfies the equation

$$\int_1^x \frac{1}{t}\,\mathrm{d}t = 1.$$

The Definition(s) of the Exponential Function

In the course notes the following definition is provided:

- The function $\exp : \mathbb{R} \to (0, \infty)$ is defined as the inverse of the function $\ln : (0, \infty) \to \mathbb{R}$.

This is necessary and sufficient to know for all students taking MATH1131/1141. However, if you're planning on taking more maths courses, the following definitions are equivalent to the one above, and are used just as regularly (but they are not necessary knowledge for this course).

- The function $\exp : \mathbb{R} \to (0, \infty)$ can be defined as the following power series,

$$\exp(x) = \sum_{k=0}^\infty \frac{x^k}{k!} = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{x^4}{24} + \cdots.$$

  An explanation of this result can be found in MATH1B.

- The function $\exp : \mathbb{R} \to (0, \infty)$ can be defined as

$$\exp(x) = \lim_{n\to\infty}\left(1 + \frac{x}{n}\right)^n.$$

  The keen eye can tell that this looks awfully similar to the compound interest formula.

Properties of the Exponential Function

- $\exp(\ln x) = x$ for all x in $(0, \infty)$ and $\ln(\exp x) = x$ for all x in $\mathbb{R}$.

- $\exp(1) = e$ and $\exp(0) = 1$.

- $\exp x \to \infty$ as $x \to \infty$ and $\exp x \to 0$ as $x \to -\infty$.

- $\exp$ is differentiable on $\mathbb{R}$ and $\dfrac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}\exp x = \exp x$ for all x in $\mathbb{R}$. (This property can also be used as a definition for the exponential!)

- $\exp(x + y) = \exp(x)\exp(y)$ for all x and y in $\mathbb{R}$.

- $\exp(rx) = (\exp x)^r$ for every real number x and every rational number r.

- $\exp x = e^x$.

Change of Base Formula

Suppose that b is a positive real number, $b \neq 1$. Then,

$$\log_b(x) = \frac{\ln x}{\ln b}$$

for all x in $(0, \infty)$.

Hyperbolic Trigonometry

Definition of sinh and cosh

The function $\cosh : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ is defined as

$$\cosh(x) = \frac{1}{2}(e^x + e^{-x}).$$

The function $\sinh : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ is defined as

$$\sinh(x) = \frac{1}{2}(e^x - e^{-x}).$$

The Hyperbolic Identity

It is very easy to verify that

$$\cosh^2 x - \sinh^2 x = 1.$$

Other Hyperbolic Trig Functions

- $\tanh x = \dfrac{\sinh x}{\cosh x}$.

- $\coth x = \dfrac{\cosh x}{\sinh x}$.

- $\operatorname{sech} x = \dfrac{1}{\cosh x} x$.

- $\operatorname{cosech} x = \dfrac{1}{\sinh x}$.

Hyperbolic Identities

Difference of squares identities:

- $1 - \tanh^2 x = \operatorname{sech}^2 x$.

- $\coth^2 x - 1 = \operatorname{cosech}^2 x$.

Sum and difference formula:

- $\sinh(x \pm y) = \sinh x \cosh y \pm \cosh x \sinh y$.

- $\cosh(x \pm y) = \cosh x \cosh y \pm \sinh x \sinh y$.

- $\tanh(x \pm y) = \dfrac{\tanh x \pm \tanh y}{1 \pm \tanh x \tanh y}$.

Double-angle formula:

- $\sinh(2x) = 2 \sinh x \cosh x$.

- $\cosh(2x) = \cosh^2 x + \sinh^2 x$.

- $\tanh(2x) = \dfrac{2 \tanh x}{1 + \tanh x}$.

Hyperbolic Derivatives

If you know the definitions of these functions then the following results can be recovered very quickly.

- $\dfrac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} \sinh(x) = \cosh(x)$.

- $\dfrac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} \cosh(x) = \sinh(x)$.

- $\dfrac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} \tanh(x) = \operatorname{sech}^2 x$.

- $\dfrac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} \coth(x) = -\operatorname{cosech}^2(x)$.

- $\dfrac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} \operatorname{sech}(x) = -\operatorname{sech} x \tanh x$.

- $\dfrac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} \operatorname{cosech} x = -\operatorname{cosech} x \coth x$.

By the first fundamental theorem of calculus, one can immediately construct the integrals of the hyperbolic trig functions.

Inverse Hyperbolic Trig

- $\sinh^{-1} x = \ln(x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1})$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$.
- $\cosh^{-1} x = \ln(x + \sqrt{x^2 - 1})$ for all $x \in [1, \infty)$.
- $\tanh^{-1} x = \dfrac{1}{2} \ln\left(\dfrac{1 + x}{1 - x}\right)$ for all $x \in (-1, 1)$.

Derivatives of Inverse Hyperbolic Trig

- $\dfrac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} \sinh^{-1}(x) = \dfrac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}}$.

- $\dfrac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} \cosh^{-1}(x) = \dfrac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 - 1}}$.

- $\dfrac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} \tanh^{-1}(x) = \dfrac{1}{1 - x^2}$.

Introduction to Vectors

- A **scalar** quantity can be represented by a single number while a **vector** quantity must have both a magnitude and a direction.

- Vector quantities are printed in bold ($\mathbf{u}$) and handwritten with either a tilde underneath ($\underset{\sim}{u}$) or an arrow above ($\vec{u}$).

- Vector and scalars have the following properties (where $\mathbf{u}$ and $\mathbf{v}$ are vectors and λ and μ are scalars):

  1. $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{u}$
  2. $(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) + \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{u} + (\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w})$
  3. $\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u} + (-\mathbf{v})$
  4. $0\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$
  5. $\lambda(\mu\mathbf{v}) = (\lambda\mu)\mathbf{v}$
  6. $(\lambda + \mu)\mathbf{v} = \lambda\mathbf{v} + \mu\mathbf{v}$
  7. $\lambda(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) = \lambda\mathbf{u} + \lambda\mathbf{v}$

Vector quantities and $\mathbb{R}^n$

- Vectors are often expressed in coordinate form:

$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix}.$$

- Vector addition and scalar multiplication can be performed element-wise:

$$\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 + b_1 \\ a_2 + b_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n + b_n \end{pmatrix}$$

  and

$$\lambda\mathbf{a} = \lambda\begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda a_1 \\ \lambda a_2 \\ \vdots \\ \lambda a_n \end{pmatrix}.$$

- $\mathbb{R}^n$ (where n is a positive integer) is the set of vectors with n real components.

- The zero vector in $\mathbb{R}^n$, denoted by $\mathbf{0}$, is the vector with all n components 0.

Parallel

- Two vectors $\mathbf{a}$ and $\mathbf{b}$ are parallel if and only if only $\mathbf{a} = \lambda\mathbf{b}$ for some non-zero real number λ.

- If $\lambda > 0$ the vectors are in the same direction and if $\lambda < 0$, the vectors are in opposite directions.

Magnitude

- The magnitude of a vector $\mathbf{a} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is defined by

$$|\mathbf{a}| = \sqrt{a_1^2 + a_2^2 + \cdots + a_n^2}$$

  $|\mathbf{a}| \geq 0$ with equality if and only if $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{0}$.

- $|\lambda\mathbf{a}| = |\lambda||\mathbf{a}|$ for all $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$

- A vector $\mathbf{a}$ is a unit vector if $|\mathbf{a}| = 1$.

- For geometric vectors, the magnitude can be interpreted as the length of the vector.

- The distance between points with coordinate vectors $\mathbf{a}$ and $\mathbf{b}$ is given by $|\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{b}|$.

Lines

A line in $\mathbb{R}^n$ is a set of vectors in the form

$$S = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{a} + \lambda\mathbf{v}, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}^n\}$$

where $\mathbf{a}$ and $\mathbf{v} \neq 0$ are fixed vectors in $\mathbb{R}^n$.

- $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{a} + \lambda\mathbf{v}, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ is known as the parametric vector form.

- Restricting λ can give rays and line segments.

Linear Combinations

A linear combination of vectors $\mathbf{v_1}, \mathbf{v_2}, \ldots, \mathbf{v_n}$ is a vector of the form

$$\lambda_1\mathbf{v_1} + \lambda_2\mathbf{v_2} + \cdots + \lambda_n\mathbf{v_n}$$

where $\lambda_i \in \mathbb{R}$ for $i = 1, 2, \ldots n$

- The vectors $\mathbf{v_1}, \mathbf{v_2}, \ldots, \mathbf{v_n}$ are linearly independent if the only solution to the equation

$$\lambda_1\mathbf{v_1} + \lambda_2\mathbf{v_2} + \cdots + \lambda_n\mathbf{v_n} = \mathbf{0}$$

  is $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \cdots = \lambda_n = 0$. Otherwise the vectors are linearly dependent, and each vector can be written as a linearly combination of the other vectors.

- The span of a set S, denoted by $\operatorname{span}(S)$, is the set of all linear combinations of vectors in S. That is,

$$\operatorname{span}(S) = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R} : \mathbf{x} = \lambda_1\mathbf{v_1} + \cdots + \lambda_n\mathbf{v_n},$$
$$\text{for all } \lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_n \in \mathbb{R}\}.$$

Vector Geometry

Dot Product

The dot product of two vectors $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + \ldots a_n b_n = \sum_{k=1}^{n} a_k b_k$$

Properties of the Dot Product

For any two vectors $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$,

- $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a} = |\mathbf{a}|^2$

- $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}$

- $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{a}$

- $\mathbf{a} \cdot (\lambda \mathbf{b}) = \lambda(\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b})$

- $\mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{c}) = \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{c}$

- The angle θ between $\mathbf{a}$ and $\mathbf{b}$ satisfies

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}}{|\mathbf{a}||\mathbf{b}|}, \text{ where } \theta \in [0, \pi]$$

- (Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality)

$$-|\mathbf{a}||\mathbf{b}| \leq \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} \leq |\mathbf{a}||\mathbf{b}|$$

- (Triangle Inequality)

$$|\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}| \leq |\mathbf{a}| + |\mathbf{b}|$$

Orthogonality and Projections

- Two vectors $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ are orthogonal if $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} = 0$.

- An orthonormal set of vectors in $\mathbb{R}^n$ is a set of mutually orthogonal unit vectors.

- For any two vectors $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $\mathbf{b} \neq 0$, the projection of $\mathbf{a}$ on $\mathbf{b}$ is the unique vector $\lambda \mathbf{b}$ that satisfies

$$(\mathbf{a} - \lambda \mathbf{b}) \cdot \mathbf{b} = 0.$$

- The formula is given by

$$\text{proj}_{\mathbf{b}} \mathbf{a} = \left(\frac{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}}{\|\mathbf{b}\|^2} \right) \mathbf{b} = \lambda \mathbf{b}.$$

Cross Product

The cross product of two vectors $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ is defined by

$$\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} a_2 b_3 - a_3 b_2 \\ a_3 b_1 - a_1 b_3 \\ a_1 b_2 - a_2 b_1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- $\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}$ is orthogonal to $\mathbf{a}$ and $\mathbf{b}$.

- The cross product is only defined in $\mathbb{R}^3$.

- $\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{0}$

- $\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} = -\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{a}$

- $\mathbf{a} \times (\lambda \mathbf{b}) = \lambda(\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b})$ and $(\lambda \mathbf{a}) \times \mathbf{b} = \lambda(\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b})$ for all $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$

- $\mathbf{a} \times (\lambda \mathbf{a}) = \mathbf{0}$

- $\mathbf{a} \times (\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{c}) = \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{c}$ and $(\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b}) \times \mathbf{c} = \mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{c} + \mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}$ for all $\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}^3$

- The standard basis in $\mathbb{R}^3$ satisfies

$$\mathbf{e_1} \times \mathbf{e_2} = \mathbf{e_3}, \mathbf{e_1} \times \mathbf{e_3} = \mathbf{e_2}, \mathbf{e_2} \times \mathbf{e_3} = \mathbf{e_1}$$

- $|\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}| = |\mathbf{a}||\mathbf{b}| \sin \theta$, where θ is the angle between $\mathbf{a}$ and $\mathbf{b}$

- $|\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}|$ is the area of a parallelogram with sides $\mathbf{a}$ and $\mathbf{b}$

Scalar Triple Product

For $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}^3$, the scalar triple product is

$$\mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}).$$

- $\mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}) = (\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}) \cdot \mathbf{c})$

- $\mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}) = -\mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{c} \times \mathbf{b})$

- $\mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}) = (\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{a}) \cdot \mathbf{b} = 0$

- $|\mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c})|$ is the volume of a parallelepiped spanned by $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}$ and $\mathbf{c}$

Planes

Let $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{v_1}$ and $\mathbf{v_2}$ be fixed vectors in $\mathbb{R}^n$ and suppose $\mathbf{v_1}$ and $\mathbf{v_2}$ are not parallel. Then the set

$S = \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{a} + \lambda_1 \mathbf{v_1} + \lambda_2 \mathbf{v_2}, \text{ for all } \lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{R}\}$

is the plane through the position vector $\mathbf{a}$, parallel to $\mathbf{v}_1$ and $\mathbf{v}_2$.

Equations of planes in $\mathbb{R}^3$

- Parametric vector form: $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{a} + \lambda_1 \mathbf{v_1} + \lambda_2 \mathbf{v_2}$

- Cartesian form: $a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2 + a_3 x_3 = b$

- Point-normal form: $\mathbf{n} \cdot (\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{c}) = 0$

Projections onto Planes

For $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}$ and $\mathbf{c}$ with $\mathbf{b}$ and $\mathbf{c}$ not parallel, the projection of $\mathbf{a}$ onto $\pi = \mathrm{span}(\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{c})$ is

$$\mathrm{proj}_\pi \mathbf{a} = \lambda \mathbf{b} + \mu \mathbf{c}$$

where $(\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{b})\lambda + (\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{c})\mu = \mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{a}$ and $(\mathbf{c} \cdot \mathbf{b})\lambda + (\mathbf{c} \cdot \mathbf{c})\mu = \mathbf{c} \cdot \mathbf{a}$.

Complex Numbers

Introduction to Complex Numbers

- Polynomial equations like $x^2 + 1 = 0$ have no solution over the real numbers. It would be useful to extend the number system to account for these roots. This can be solved by defining $i = \sqrt{-1}$.

- A complex number is a number of the form $z = a + ib$ where $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$. The set of complex numbers is denoted by $\mathbb{C}$.

- The real part of $z = a + ib$, where $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ is given by $\mathrm{Re}(z) = a$ and the imaginary part is $\mathrm{Im}(z) = b$.

- Suppose $z = a + ib$ and $w = c + id$ where $a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{R}$. Then:

  1. $z + w = (a + c) + i(b + d)$
  2. $z - w = (a - c) + i(b - d)$
  3. $zw = (ac - bd) + i(ad + bc)$
  4. $\frac{z}{w} = \frac{(ac+bd)+i(bc-ad)}{c^2+d^2}$

Complex Conjugate

If $z = a + ib$ where $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ then the complex conjugate of z is given by

$$\bar{z} = a - bi$$

- $\bar{\bar{z}} = z$

- $\mathrm{Re}(z) = \frac{1}{2}(z + \bar{z})$ and $\mathrm{Im}(z) = \frac{1}{2i}(z - \bar{z})$

- $z\bar{z}$ is a nonnegative real number

- $\overline{z + w} = \bar{z} + \bar{w}$ and $\overline{z - w} = \bar{z} - \bar{w}$

- $\overline{zw} = \bar{z}\bar{w}$ and $\overline{\left(\frac{z}{w}\right)} = \frac{\bar{z}}{\bar{w}}$

The Argand Diagram

A complex number $z = a + ib$ can be represented on the x-y plane with the coordinates (a, b). The x-axis is the real axis and y-axis the imaginary axis.

Polar Form and Euler's Formula

- The modulus of a complex number $z = x + iy$ is given by
  $$|z| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}.$$
  This can be interpreted as the distance from the origin on the Argand diagram.

- The principal argument of $z = x + iy, z \neq 0$, written $\mathrm{Arg}(z)$ is the angle θ such that
  $$\cos\theta = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}}, \ \sin\theta = \frac{y}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} \text{ and } -\pi < \theta \leq \pi.$$
  Geometrically, this is the angle z makes with the positive real axis.

- (Euler's Formula) For real θ,
  $$e^{i\theta} = \cos\theta + i\sin\theta.$$

- The polar form of a complex number z is $re^{i\theta} = r(\cos\theta + i\sin\theta)$ where $r = |z|$ and θ is the argument of z.

- $r_1 e^{i\theta_1} \times r_2 e^{i\theta_2} = r_1 r_2 e^{i(\theta_1 + \theta_2)}$

- (De Moivre's Theorem)
  $$(re^{i\theta})^n = r^n e^{in\theta}$$

Complex polynomials

- A complex polynomial is a function $p : \mathbb{C} \to \mathbb{C}$
  $$p(z) = a_0 + a_1 z + a_2 z^2 + \cdots + a_n z^n$$
  where $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $a_0, \ldots, a_n \in \mathbb{C}$.

- The degree of the polynomial $p(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{n} a_k z^k$, written $\deg(p)$ is the largest integer k such that $a_k \neq 0$.

- A number α is a root (or zero) of a polynomial p if $p(\alpha) = 0$.

- If there exists polynomials p_1 and p_2 such that $p(z) = p_1(z)p_2(z)$ for all $z \in \mathbb{C}$ then p_1 and p_2 are factors of p.

- (Fundamental Theorem of Algebra) Every non-constant polynomial has at least one root.

- (Factorisation Theorem) Every non-constant polynomial has a factorisation into n linear factors.

$$p(z) = a(z - \alpha_1)(z - \alpha_2) \ldots (z - \alpha_n)$$

where $\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n$ are roots of p and a is the leading coefficient.

- If α is a root of a polynomial p with real coefficients, then $\bar{\alpha}$ is also a root.

- A polynomial with real coefficients can be factorised into linear and quadratic factors with real coefficients. This uses the fact that

$$(z - \alpha)(z - \bar{\alpha}) = z^2 - (\alpha + \bar{\alpha})z + \alpha\bar{\alpha}$$

where $\alpha + \bar{\alpha} = 2\mathrm{Re}(\alpha)$ and $|\alpha|^2$ are real.

Matrices

Introduction to matrices

An $m \times n$ matrix A is a rectangular array with m rows and n columns. The set of all $m \times n$ matrices with real elements is denoted by $M_{m,n}(\mathbb{R})$.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \ldots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \ldots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \ldots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix}$$

- a_{ij} denotes the element in the ith row and jth column.

- The size of A is $m \times n$.

- If $m = n$, then A is a square matrix.

- The diagonal of a square matrix refers to the entries from the top left to bottom right.

- A and B are equal if and only if they have the same size and $a_{ij} = b_{ij}$ for all i, j.

- A column vector is an $n \times 1$ matrix and a row vector is a $1 \times m$ matrix.

Matrix Addition

Suppose $A, B, C \in M_{m,n}$

- The sum $M = A + B$ is the $m \times n$ matrix such that

$$m_{ij} = a_{ij} + b_{ij}$$

for all i, j.

- Matrix addition is commutative

$$A + B = B + A$$

- Matrix addition is associative

$$(A + B) + C = A + (B + C)$$

- A zero matrix $\mathbf{0}$ is a matrix with all entries being zero.

$$A + \mathbf{0} = A$$

Note that here it is assumed that the zero matrix is of size $m \times n$.

Scalar Multiplication

Suppose $A, B, C \in M_{m,n}(\mathbb{R})$ and λ, μ are scalars.

- The scalar multiple $M = \lambda A$ is the $m \times n$ matrix such that

$$m_{ij} = \lambda a_{ij}$$

for all i, j.

- Scalar multiplication is associative

$$\lambda(\mu A) = (\lambda\mu)A$$

- Scalar multiplication is distributive over scalar addition

$$(\lambda + \mu)A = \lambda A + \mu A$$

- Scalar multiplication is distributive over matrix addition

$$\lambda(A + B) = \lambda A + \lambda B$$

Matrix multiplication

- If $A \in M_{m,n}(\mathbb{R})$ and $B \in M_{n,p}(\mathbb{R})$, then the product $M = AB$ is the $m \times p$ matrix with entries given by

$$m_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^{n} a_{ik}b_{kj}.$$

- In general, $AB \neq BA$.

- If AB exists, then $A(\lambda B) = \lambda(AB) = (\lambda A)B$.

- Matrix multiplication is associative. If AB and BC exist, then

$$(AB)C = A(BC)$$

- Distributive laws $(A + B)C = AC + BC$ and $A(B + C) = AB + AC$ hold.

- An identity matrix I is a square matrix with 1's on the diagonal and 0's everywhere else.

- $AI = A$ and $IA = A$ where the I's represent identity matrices of appropriate sizes.

Transpose

Suppose $A, B, C \in M_{m,n}$ and λ, μ are scalars.

- The transpose of A, denoted by A^T, is the $n \times m$ matrix with entries given by

$$(a^T)_{ij} = a_{ji}.$$

- For two vectors $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}$, the scalar product can also be written as $\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{b}$.

- $(A^T)^T = A$.

- If $A, B \in M_{m,n}$ and λ, μ are scalars, then

$$(\lambda A + \mu B)^T = \lambda A^T + \mu B^T.$$

- If AB exists, then

$$(AB)^T = B^T A^T.$$

- A matrix A is said to be symmetric if $A = A^T$.

Inverse Matrix

- A matrix X is a left inverse of A if $XA = I$. A matrix Y is a right inverse of A if $AY = I$.

- If A has both a left inverse X and a right inverse Y, then $X = Y$.

- A matrix A is invertible if there exists a matrix X such that $XA = I$ and $AX = I$. X is the inverse of A, denoted by A^{-1}.

- An invertible matrix is called a non-singular matrix.

- Only square matrices are invertible.

- If A is invertible, then A^{-1} is also invertible and

$$(A^{-1})^{-1} = A.$$

- If A and B are invertible and AB exists, then

$$(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}.$$

- A matrix A is invertible if and only if it can be reduced by elementary row operations to an identity matrix I. If $(A|I)$ can be reduced to $(I|B)$, then $B = A^{-1}$.

- If A is a square matrix, then A is invertible if and only if $A\mathbf{x} = 0$ implies $\mathbf{x} = 0$.

- Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix. Then A is invertible if and only if the matrix equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ has a unique solution for all vectors $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$. The unique solution is $\mathbf{x} = A^{-1}\mathbf{b}$.

Elementary Row Operations

The three elementary row operations are:

- Multiplying row i by a scalar λ.

- Interchanging rows i and j.

- Adding λ times of row i to row j.

These operations can be effected by left multiplication by an invertible matrix.

Determinants

- The determinant of a 2×2 matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} \text{ is } \det(A) = |A| = a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}$$

- For a matrix A, the (row i, column j) minor, denoted by $|A_{ij}|$, is the determinant of the matrix obtained from A by deleting row i and column j.

- The determinant of an $n \times n$ matrix A is

$$|A| = \sum_{k=1}^{n} (-1)^{k+1} a_{1k} |A_{1k}|$$

- $\det(A^T) = \det(A)$

- Interchanging two rows (or two columns) reverses the sign of the determinant.

- If a matrix contains a zero row or column, then the determinant is zero.

- Multiplying a row (or column) by a scalar λ multiplies the determinant by λ. Hence

$$\det(\lambda A) = \lambda^n \det(A).$$

- Adding a multiple of a row (or column) to another row (or column) does not change the determinant.

- If A and B are square matrices such that AB exists, then

$$\det(AB) = \det(A)\det(B).$$

- The determinant of a row-echelon form matrix is the product of the diagonal entries.

- A square matrix A is invertible if and only if $\det(A) \neq 0$.

- If A is invertible, then

$$\det(A^{-1}) = \frac{1}{\det(A)}.$$