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3 Hours

Solutions

Unless otherwise indicated, you can use results covered in lecture and homework, provided they are clearly stated.

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Note: work sheets are provided for your convenience, but will not be graded

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1 (a) (2 points): Calculate the determinant of

$$\begin{pmatrix} 11 & 12 & 13 & 426 \\ 2001 & 2002 & 2003 & 421 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & -419 \\ 101 & 101 & 102 & 2000 \end{pmatrix}$$

No calculators: Clearly state all column/row operations.

Solution:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 11 & 12 & 13 & 426 \\ 2001 & 2002 & 2003 & 421 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & -419 \\ 101 & 101 & 102 & 2000 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_2 \mapsto c_2 - c_1 \\ c_3 \mapsto c_3 - c_1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 11 & 1 & 2 & 426 \\ 2001 & 1 & 2 & 421 \\ 2 & -1 & -2 & -419 \\ 101 & 0 & 1 & 2000 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} r_2 \mapsto r_2 - r_1 \\ r_3 \mapsto r_3 - r_1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 11 & 1 & 2 & 426 \\ 1990 & 0 & 0 & -5 \\ 13 & 0 & 0 & 7 \\ 101 & 0 & 1 & 2000 \end{pmatrix}$$

Now none of the above operations changes the determinant so we can just compute the determinant of the last matrix above, and expanding this down the second column gives

$$-\det \begin{pmatrix} 1990 & 0 & -5 \\ 13 & 0 & 7 \\ 101 & 1 & 2000 \end{pmatrix} = +\det \begin{pmatrix} 1990 & -5 \\ 13 & 7 \end{pmatrix} = 7 \times 1990 + 5 \times 13 = 13,930 + 65 = 13,995.$$

(b) (3 points): Find the matrix of the orthogonal projection onto the plane $V = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : 2x + y - z = 0\}$.

Hint: Start by finding the orthogonal projection onto the (1-dimensional) normal space V^\perp .

The given plane V is $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = 0$, i.e. the plane is the set of all points orthogonal to

the vector $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$, and so V^\perp is the 1-dimensional space spanned by the unit vector $\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$,

and the orthogonal projection onto the normal space is the map taking the vector $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$ to the

vector $\frac{1}{6} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ which is the linear transformation with matrix $\frac{1}{6} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} (2, 1, -1) =$

$\frac{1}{6} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 2 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ -2 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, and the orthogonal projection onto V has matrix $I -$ this matrix; i.e. $\frac{1}{6} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 & 2 \\ -2 & 5 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$.

2. (a) (2 points): If $u : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is C^1 and if $\gamma : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is also C^1 , prove that the velocity vector $\Gamma'(t)$ of the curve $\Gamma(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma(t) \\ u(\gamma(t)) \end{pmatrix}$ is orthogonal to the vector $\begin{pmatrix} \nabla u(\gamma(t)) \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ for each $t \in \mathbb{R}$.

Solution: By the chain rule $\frac{d}{dt}(u(\gamma(t))) = \sum_{j=1}^n D_j u(\gamma(t)) \gamma'_j(t) = \gamma'(t) \cdot \nabla u(\gamma(t))$, so $\Gamma'(t) = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma'(t) \\ \gamma'(t) \cdot \nabla u(\gamma(t)) \end{pmatrix}$, and hence $\Gamma'(t) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \nabla u(\gamma(t)) \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \nabla u(\gamma(t)) \cdot \gamma'(t) - \nabla u(\gamma(t)) \cdot \gamma'(t) = 0$.

(b) (3 points) Let e^x be defined as usual by $e^x = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{n!}$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Prove:

(i) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} |x|^{-p} e^{-1/x^2} = 0$ for each $p > 0$.

Note: You can of course assume, without giving the proof, the standard property $e^{u+v} = e^u e^v$ (so in particular $e^{-u} = 1/e^u$).

(ii) If $f(x) = e^{-1/x^2}$ for $x \neq 0$ and $f(0) = 0$, find the Taylor series $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(0)}{n!} x^n$ of f .

Hint for (ii): Start by checking (by induction on n) that for $x \neq 0$ each derivative $f^{(n)}(x)$ has the form $p_n(1/x)e^{-1/x^2}$, where p_n is a polynomial.

Solution (i): Observe first that, for $y > 0$, $e^y = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{y^n}{n!} \geq \frac{y^q}{q!}$ for each $q = 1, 2, \dots$, so in particular $e^{-1/x^2} \leq q! x^{2q}$ for any $x \neq 0$ and any $q = 1, 2, \dots$, and hence $|x|^{-p} e^{-\frac{1}{x^2}} \leq q! |x|^{2q-p} \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow 0$ if we take $q > p/2$.

Solution (ii): Let P_n be the proposition that the hint is true, $n = 1, 2, \dots$. By the chain rule $f'(x) = 2x^{-3} e^{-1/x^2}$ for $x \neq 0$, so P_1 is true with $p_1(t) = 2t^3$. If P_n is true then we have $f^{(n)}(x) = p_n(1/x)e^{-1/x^2}$ for $x \neq 0$, and by the product rule for differentiation we get $f^{(n+1)}(x) = (2x^{-3} p_n(1/x) - x^{-2} p'_n(1/x))e^{-1/x^2}$, so P_{n+1} is true with $p_{n+1}(t) = 2t^3 p_n(t) - t^2 p'_n(t)$. Now by (i) all derivatives $f^{(n)}(0) = 0$ because (i) implies $f^{(n+1)}(0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^{-1} (f^{(n)}(x) - f^{(n)}(0)) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} x^{-1} p_n(1/x) e^{-1/x^2} = 0$ (and the limit does exist by induction on n starting at $n = 0$). Hence the Taylor series is 0 (the identically zero function).

3 (a) (2 points): Define the term “open set” in \mathbb{R}^n , and prove that the intersection $U \cap V$ of 2 open sets U, V is again an open set.

Solution: Let $(x_0, y_0) \in U \cap V$. Then since $(x_0, y_0) \in U$ there is $\delta_1 > 0$ such that the ball $B_{\delta_1}(x_0, y_0) \subset U$ and similarly there is a ball $B_{\delta_2}(x_0, y_0) \subset V$ for some $\delta_2 > 0$, and so taking $\delta = \min\{\delta_1, \delta_2\} (> 0)$ we have $B_{\delta}(x_0, y_0) \subset$ both U and V ; i.e. $B_{\delta}(x_0, y_0) \subset U \cap V$.

3 (b) (3 points): If $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are both continuous, and if $S = \{\underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \varphi(\underline{x}) = 0\}$ is bounded, prove there is a point $\underline{a} \in S$ such that $f(\underline{x}) \leq f(\underline{a}) \forall \underline{x} \in S$.

Solution: We claim that S is closed. Let \underline{y} be a limit point of S , so there is a sequence $\underline{x}_k \rightarrow \underline{y}$ with $\underline{x}_k \in S$ for each k . Then $\varphi(\underline{x}_k) = 0$ and by continuity of φ we have $\varphi(\underline{y}) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(\underline{x}_k) = 0$, so $\underline{y} \in S$ and we have shown that S is closed. Thus S is a closed bounded set (i.e. a compact set), and hence by a theorem from lecture $f|_S$ attains its maximum value somewhere on S ; that is, there is a point $\underline{a} \in S$ such that $f(\underline{x}) \leq f(\underline{a})$ for each $\underline{x} \in S$.

4(a) (3 points): State (without proof) the Spectral Theorem for a real symmetric $n \times n$ matrix A , and use it to prove that for a given quadratic form $H(\underline{x}) = \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij}x_ix_j$ ($a_{ij} = a_{ji}$ real) there is a change of coordinates $\underline{y} = Q^T \underline{x}$ with Q orthogonal (i.e. $Q^T Q = Q Q^T = I$) such that the quadratic form $H(\underline{x})$ is transformed to an expression of the form $\sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j y_j^2$ for suitable real $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$.

Solution: The spectral theorem states that if A is a symmetric $n \times n$ matrix then there is an orthonormal basis $\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_n$ for \mathbb{R}^n such that for each j there is a real λ_j with $A\underline{v}_j = \lambda_j \underline{v}_j$ (i.e. each \underline{v}_j is an eigenvector of A).

Let Q be the matrix with columns $\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_n$ and observe that the j 'th column of AQ is then $A\underline{v}_j = \lambda_j \underline{v}_j$ and hence $Q^T(AQ)$ has entry $\underline{v}_i \cdot (\lambda_j \underline{v}_j)$ in the i 'th row and j 'th column; i.e. $\lambda_j \delta_{ij}$, where $\delta_{ij} = 1$ if $i = j$ and $= 0$ if $i \neq j$. That is $Q^T A Q$ is the diagonal matrix with the eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ down the leading diagonal. Observe also that the entry of $Q^T Q$ in the i 'th row and j 'th column is $\underline{v}_i \cdot \underline{v}_j = \delta_{ij}$; that is $Q^T Q = I$, so Q is indeed an orthogonal matrix.

The quadratic form $\sum_{i,j} a_{ij}x_ix_j = \underline{x}^T A \underline{x}$, and with $\underline{y} = Q^T \underline{x}$ (i.e. $\underline{x} = Q \underline{y}$), this is $\underline{y}^T Q^T A Q \underline{y} = \underline{y}^T D \underline{y}$, where D is the diagonal matrix with entries $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ down the leading diagonal, so in terms of \underline{y} the quadratic form is just $\sum_{j=1}^n \lambda_j y_j^2$ as claimed.

(b) (2 points). Find the inverse of the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Solution:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 & | & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & | & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & | & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \\ r_3 \mapsto \frac{1}{2}r_3 \\ \end{matrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 & | & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & | & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} r_1 \mapsto r_1 + r_3 \\ \\ \end{matrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 & | & 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & | & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{matrix} r_1 \mapsto r_1 - 3r_2 \\ \\ \end{matrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & | & 1 & -3 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & | & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

so the inverse is $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$

5(a) (2 points): Give the “ (ε, δ) definition” of continuity of a function $f : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ at a point $c \in (a, b)$, and using the definition prove that if $f : (0, 1) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous at a point $c \in (0, 1)$ and if $f(c) = 1$ then there is $\delta > 0$ such that $f(x) > \frac{1}{2}$ for all $x \in (c - \delta, c + \delta)$.

Solution: Definition: For each $\varepsilon > 0$ there is a $\delta \in (0, \min\{c, 1 - c\})$ such that $|x - c| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(c)| < \varepsilon$. Thus $f(c) - \varepsilon < f(x) < f(c) + \varepsilon$ whenever $|x - c| < \delta$, so in particular using this with $f(c) = 1$ and $\varepsilon = \frac{1}{2}$ we have that there is a $\delta > 0$ such that $\frac{1}{2} < f(x)$ whenever $|x - c| < \delta$.

5(b) (3 points): Prove that the function $f(x, y) = 1 - 2x - y + 4x^2 + 4xy + 2y^2 + 3xy \sin xy$ has a critical point at $(x, y) = (\frac{1}{4}, 0)$ and that f has a local minimum there.

Solution: The gradient $\nabla f(x, 0)$ is $(-2 + 8x, -1 + 4x)^T = \underline{0}$ at $x = \frac{1}{4}$, so $(x, y) = (\frac{1}{4}, 0)$ is a critical point as claimed. Now the Hessian at $(x, y) = (\frac{1}{4}, 0)$ is $\begin{pmatrix} 8 & 4 \\ 4 & 4 + \frac{6}{16} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 8 & 4 \\ 4 & \frac{35}{8} \end{pmatrix}$ and hence the Hessian quadratic form is $8y_1^2 + (\frac{35}{8})y_2^2 + 8y_1y_2 \geq 4y_1^2 + 4(y_1^2 + y_2^2 + 2y_1y_2) = 4y_1^2 + (y_1 + y_2)^2 > 0$ for $(y_1, y_2) \neq (0, 0)$, so by the second derivative test f has a strict local min at $(x, y) = (\frac{1}{4}, 0)$. (We proved generally that if \underline{a} is a critical point f and if the Hessian of f at \underline{a} is positive definite, then the function has a strict local minimum at \underline{a} .)

6 (a) (2 points): Find an orthonormal basis for the subspace of \mathbb{R}^4 spanned by the vectors $v_1 = (1, 1, 0, 0)^T$, $v_2 = (0, 1, 1, 0)^T$, $v_3 = (0, 0, 1, 1)^T$.

Solution: It is better to use the order v_1, v_3, v_2 , because v_1, v_3 are already orthogonal, and so the normalized vectors $w_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}v_1, w_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}v_3$, are already orthonormal, and the Gram-Schmidt process requires only one further step $w_3 = \frac{v_2 - w_1 \cdot v_2 w_1 - w_2 \cdot v_2 w_2}{\|v_2 - w_1 \cdot v_2 w_1 - w_2 \cdot v_2 w_2\|} = \frac{v_2 - w_1 \cdot v_2 w_1 - w_2 \cdot v_2 w_2}{\|(0, 1, 1, 0)^T - (\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})^T\|} = (-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2})^T$.

Thus the required orthonormal basis is $(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0, 0)^T, (0, 0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}})^T, (-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2})^T$.

(b) (3 points): Find the set of all solutions of the inhomogeneous system $Ax = y$ where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad y = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

(Give your answer as an affine space.)

Solution: Consider the augmented matrix

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & 3 & 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right)$$

To compute the solution set, as in lecture we use elementary row operations on the augmented matrix which reduce A to reduced row echelon form:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & 3 & 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right) \begin{array}{l} r_2 \mapsto r_2 - 2r_1 \\ r_3 \mapsto r_3 - r_1 \end{array} \left(\begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right) \begin{array}{l} r_3 \mapsto r_3 - r_2 \end{array} \left(\begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -2 & 2 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right) \\ & \begin{array}{l} r_3 \mapsto r_3/2 \\ r_4 \mapsto r_4 - r_3/2 \end{array} \left(\begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \begin{array}{l} r_1 \mapsto r_1 - r_3 \\ r_2 \mapsto r_2 + r_3 \end{array} \left(\begin{array}{ccccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Thus $(x, y, z, u, v)^T$ is a solution of $Ax = y \iff z = u - v - 1, y = -v + 1, x = -2u + 2 \iff (x, y, z, u, v)^T = (-2u, -v, u - v, u, v)^T + (2, 1, -1, 0, 0)^T = u(-2, 0, 1, 1, 0)^T + v(0, -1, -1, 0, 1)^T + (2, 1, -1, 0, 0)^T$, where u, v are arbitrary real constants, so the solution set is the 2-dimensional affine space $\text{span}\{(-2, 0, 1, 1, 0)^T, (0, -1, -1, 0, 1)^T\} + (2, 1, -1, 0, 0)^T$.

7(a) (2 points): Find all eigenvalues and corresponding eigenvectors for the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$.

Solution: The eigenvalues are the roots of $\det \begin{pmatrix} 1-\lambda & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1-\lambda & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2-\lambda \end{pmatrix} = 0$; i.e. $(1-\lambda)^2(2-\lambda) = 0$;

i.e. eigenvalues are $\lambda = 1$ (with multiplicity 2) and $\lambda = 2$. If $\lambda = 1$ the eigenvectors are the non-zero solutions of the homogeneous linear system with matrix $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ which has the null space

spanned by \underline{e}_1 ; i.e. the set of all eigenvectors is just the set of all non-zero multiples of the vector \underline{e}_1 .

For $\lambda = 2$ the eigenvectors are the non-zero solutions of the homogeneous linear system with matrix

$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ which has rref $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and hence the null space is spanned by $(5, 1, 1)^T$; i.e.

the set of all eigenvectors is just the set of all non-zero multiples of the vector $(5, 1, 1)^T$.

7 (b) (3 points): Show that the system of two non-linear equations

$$\begin{aligned} (x^2 - y^2)y + 7x &= 1 \\ (x^2 - y^2)x + 5y &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

has a solution (x, y) with $x^2 + y^2 < 1$.

Hint: Define $f(x, y) = (\frac{1}{7}(1 - (x^2 - y^2)y), \frac{1}{5}(1 - (x^2 - y^2)x))$ and start by proving that f is a contraction mapping $D \rightarrow D$, where $D = \{(x, y) : x^2 + y^2 \leq 1\}$.

Solution: With f as in the hint we have $\|f(x, y)\| \leq |\frac{1}{7}(1 - (x^2 - y^2)y)| + |\frac{1}{5}(1 - (x^2 - y^2)x)| \leq \frac{2}{7} + \frac{2}{5} < 1$, so in fact f maps the closed disc D into the open disc $\overset{\circ}{D}$. Also the derivative matrix $Df(x, y)$ (with columns $D_x f^T(x, y)$ and $D_y f^T(x, y)$) is $\begin{pmatrix} -2xy/7 & (-x^2 + 3y^2)/7 \\ (-3x^2 + y^2)/5 & 2xy/5 \end{pmatrix}$ and so $\|Df(x, y)\|^2 = 4x^2y^2(1/49 + 1/25) + (3y^2 - x^2)^2/49 + (y^2 - 3x^2)^2/25 \leq 4/49 + 4/25 + 9/49 + 9/25 = 13/49 + 13/25 < 1$ for $x^2 + y^2 \leq 1$, so since (from lecture) $\|f(x, y) - f(a, b)\| \leq \max_{(\xi, \eta) \in D} \|Df(\xi, \eta)\| \|(x, y) - (a, b)\|$ for each $(x, y), (a, b) \in D$, we have shown that f is a contraction. The contraction mapping theorem then tells us that f has a fixed point in D and a fixed point (x, y) of f clearly satisfies the given equations. Notice that the fixed point is actually in the open disk $x^2 + y^2 < 1$ because we proved above that f maps D into the open disk.

8(a) (2 points): Let A be an $n \times n$ real matrix (a_{ij}) . Define the adjoint matrix $\text{adj } A$ and give the proof that $A \text{adj } A = (\det A)I$.

Solution: $\text{adj } A$ is the $n \times n$ matrix which has $(-1)^{i+j} \det A_{ji}$ in the i -th row and j -th column, where A_{ij} is the $(n-1) \times (n-1)$ matrix obtained by deleting the i -th row and j -th column of A .

From lecture we have the formulae for the expansion of $\det A$ along the j -th row of A :

$$(*) \quad \sum_{k=1}^n a_{jk}((-1)^{j+k} \det A_{jk}) = \det A, \quad j = 1, \dots, n,$$

and hence

$$\sum_{k=1}^n a_{\ell k}((-1)^{j+k} \det A_{jk}) = 0 \quad \ell \neq j$$

because by $(*)$ it is the expression for determinant of the matrix \tilde{A} which is the same as A except that it has row ℓ of A in both the ℓ -th and the j -th row. Thus

$$\sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik}((-1)^{j+k} \det A_{jk}) = \det A \delta_{ij}, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, n.$$

On the other hand the expression on the left of the previous identity is exactly the element which appears in the i -th row and j -th column of $A \text{adj } A$ and the expression on the right is exactly the element which appears in the i -th row and j -th column of $\det A I$, so we have proved $A \text{adj } A = \det A I$.

8(b) (3 points): Show that $S = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x^2 + 4y^2 + z^2 = 1\}$ is a 2-dimensional C^1 manifold and find a point $\underline{a} \in S$ at which the function $f(x, y, z) = xyz$ takes its maximum.

Note: You should begin by discussing the existence of such a point $\underline{a} \in S$.

Solution: Let $g(x, y, z) = x^2 + 4y^2 + z^2 - 1$, so $S = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : g(x, y, z) = 0\}$, and note that $Dg(x, y, z) = (2x, 8y, 2z) \neq (0, 0, 0)$ on S , hence by a result of lecture (the corollary of the implicit function theorem) S is a 2 dimensional C^1 manifold. S is clearly closed and bounded (indeed $(x, y, z) \in S \Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 + z^2 \leq x^2 + 4y^2 + z^2 \leq 1$ and of course any limit point of S is evidently in S by continuity of g). Thus $f|_S$ attains its maximum (since a continuous function on a closed bounded set attains its maximum).

According to the Lagrange multiplier result, at any critical point of $f|_S$ (and in particular at any local max/min of $f|_S$) we must have $\nabla f(x, y, z) = \lambda \nabla g(x, y, z)$, where as above $g = x^2 + 4y^2 + z^2 - 1$. Thus at any local max/min of $f|_S$ we must have $(yz, xz, xy) = \lambda(2x, 8y, 2z)$; i.e. we have the 3 equations $yz = 2\lambda x, xz = 8\lambda y, xy = 2\lambda z$ and by multiplying the first by x , the second by y , and the third by z we get either $\lambda = 0$ or $x^2 = 4y^2 = z^2$. But $\lambda = 0$ implies that $yz = xz = xy = 0$ which implies that $xyz = 0$ so this cannot happen at a maximum of xyz because there are values where xyz is positive on S and hence the maximum (which exists by the discussion above) must be positive. Thus at a max we have $x^2 = 4y^2 = z^2$, which, since $x^2 + 4y^2 + z^2 = 1$, gives $x^2 = 4y^2 = z^2 = \frac{1}{3}$, and the value of f at any such point is $\pm \frac{1}{6\sqrt{3}}$ so the maximum is $\frac{1}{6\sqrt{3}}$ and is attained at $(x, y, z) = (\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}})$ (and also at several other points, e.g. $(x, y, z) = (\frac{-1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{-1}{2\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}})$).