

IMS - M.S. Entrance Exam (1998)

Calculus

1. (10%) Find all values of  $x$  for which the series  $\sum \frac{(x-2)^n}{n}$  converges. Distinguish between absolute and conditionally convergence.
2. (10%) Explain why L'Hôpital's rule does not apply to  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^{\cos x}}{x}$ , evaluate the limit.
3. (10%) Find the volume generated by the region below the curve  $y = \sin x$ ,  $0 \leq x \leq \pi/2$ , is rotated about the  $y$ -axis, or conclude that it does not exist.
4. (10%) Sketch the graph of  $y = x^4 - 4x^3 + 15$ , including all turning points and points of inflection.
5. (10%) What is the maximum value of  $f(x) = 1 - x^{3/2}$  in the domain  $[0, 1]$ ? What is the minimum value? Does  $f'(x) = 0$  at the points where these extreme values occur?

6.(10%) Prove that if  $A$  is symmetric and invertible, then  $A^{-1}$  is also symmetric.

7.(10%) The function  $g: P_2 \rightarrow P_3$  is defined as follows:

$$g(a_2x^2 + a_1x + a_0) = (a_2 - a_1)x^3 - a_1x + 2a_0$$

a) Prove that  $g$  is linear.

b) Find the kernel and range of  $g$  and give bases for these subspaces.

8.(10%) Let  $T: U \rightarrow V$  be a linear transformation. Let  $T$  be defined relative to bases  $\{u_1, u_2\}$  and  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  of  $U$  and  $V$  as follows:  $T(u_1) = v_1 + 5v_2 - 2v_3$ ,  $T(u_2) = 3v_2 - v_2 + 2v_3$ .

a) Find the matrix of  $T$  with respect to these bases.

b) Use this matrix to find the image of vector  $u = 2u_1 - 3u_2$ .

9.(10%) Diagonalize the symmetric matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 7 & -2 & 1 \\ -2 & 10 & -2 \\ 1 & -2 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$ . Give the similarity transformation.

10.(10%) Determine a) the point-normal form and b) the general form of the equation of the plane through the points  $(1, -3, 2)$  and having normal  $(1, -1, 3)$