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Department of Mathematics

Master' Degree Program Admission Examination

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1. Linear Algebra

1.1 Find the appropriate values for the following matrix:

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

1.2 Find a basis for the subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 generated by the vectors $(1, 2, 1)$, $(1, 3, 0)$, $(0, 1, 1)$ and $(1, 1, 2)$

1.3 Let A and B be real matrices $n \times m$ and $m \times n$, respectively. Prove that if $m < n$, then $\det(AB) \neq 0$.

2. Calculus

2.1 For each real number a, let be

$$f_a : [0, \infty) \longrightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ definida por } f_a(x) = e^{ax}.$$

Determine that the values for a in the function f_a is uniformly continuous on $[0, \infty)$.

2.2 For the function $f : \mathbb{R} \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ given by $f(x) = x^4 - 2x^2$ calculate the local extremes, inflexion points and intervals that is increasing, decreasing, concave or convex. Use this information to sketch out your graph.

2.3 Calculate the integral of the line:

$$\int_{\alpha} \frac{xdy - ydx}{x^2 + y^2}$$

where $\alpha : [0, 2\pi] \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is a curve given by $\alpha(t) = (\cos(t), \sin(t))$.

3. Optional Problems

- 3.1 Prove that each group of order 4 is isomorphic to \mathbb{Z}^4 or to $\mathbb{Z}^2 \times \mathbb{Z}^2$.
- 3.2 Let $\Delta = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z| < 1\}$ be the unit disk. Prove that if a holomorphic function $f : \Delta \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is bounded when $z \mapsto 0$, then f extends to a holomorphic function on Δ .
- 3.3 Given sets A and B of \mathbb{R}^n it is defined by $d(A, B) = \inf \{d(x, y) \mid x \in A, y \in B\}$. Prove that if A is compact, B is closed and $A \cap B = \emptyset$, then $d(A, B) > 0$. Provide an example that proves that if this condition is not met when A is only closed.
- 3.4 Provide an example of a succession of functions in $L_2(\mathbb{R})$ that accurately converges at 0 but that does not converge at 0 with norm L_2 .