## EXAMINATION QUESTION PAPER - Take-home examination

# ELE 07811 Mathematics - Elective

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This exam consists of 11 problems. You must give reasons for all your answers. To get full score, your answers should be short, clear, and precise.

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#### Question 1.

We consider the matrix given by

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 & 10 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (a) (6p) Find a base of Null(A), and determine the eigenvalues of A.
- (b) (6p) Find a base of Col(A). If possible, find a vector in  $\mathbb{R}^4$  not in Col(A).
- (c) (6p) Determine the definiteness of the quadratic form  $f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x}$ .
- (d) (6p) Explain how to use eigenvalues and eigenvectors to find the maximal and minimal value of  $f(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^T A \mathbf{x}$  on  $D = {\mathbf{x} : \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} = 1}$ . You should lay out a procedure for how to do this, and express the answers in terms of eigenvalues and eigenvectors (numerical values are not necessary).

#### Question 2.

- (a) (6p) Solve max  $f(x, y, z) = \ln(5 x^2 + xy y^2 + yz z^2 xz)$ .
- (b) (6p) Determine whether  $D = \{(x, y, z, w) : xw + yz \le -2\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^4$  is a compact set.
- (c) (6p) Find all points satisfying the Kuhn-Tucker conditions, and the value of the objective function at each of these points:

$$\min f(x, y, z, w) = x^2 + 4y^2 + 9z^2 + w^2$$
 subject to  $xw + yz \le -2$ 

### Question 3.

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- (a) (6p) Solve the difference equation  $y_{t+2} y_{t+1} 2y_t = 4t$ , and find  $y_{17}$  when  $y_0 = y_1 = 1$ .
- (b) (6p) Determine whether  $t^2y' + 2ty = 1$  is (i) separable, (ii) linear, (iii) exact. Use this to solve the differential equation in at least two different ways.
- (c) (6p) Find a linear second order differential equation with  $y = 3e^{-2t} 5e^t + 12e^{-3t}$  as solution.
- (d) (6p) Find a  $3 \times 3$  matrix A such that  $\mathbf{y}' = A\mathbf{y}$  has a solution  $\mathbf{y} = (y, y', y'')$  with y as in (c).