

- 19 (a) Compute the inverse of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 6 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$  as if it exists. Explain your reasoning.

**Solution:** The simplest way to do this is to row reduce  $[A \mid I]$  into  $[I \mid A^{-1}]$ , then read the inverse matrix from this form.

We perform this calculation:

$$\begin{aligned} [A \mid I] &= \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 6 & 5 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \\ &\longrightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & -2 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 4 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] && \begin{array}{l} R_2 = r_2 - r_1 \\ R_3 = r_3 - r_1 \end{array} \\ &\longrightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1/2 & -1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 4 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] && R_2 = -\frac{1}{2}r_2 \\ &\longrightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1/2 & -1/2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 & 2 & 1 \end{array} \right] && R_3 = r_3 - 4r_2. \end{aligned}$$

Now we're stymied by this row of zeros to the left of the vertical bar. We can't possibly reduce this to  $[I \mid A^{-1}]$ , and this means that there is no inverse of  $A$ . (Notice that every step we've done is reversible, so we haven't lost any information at any step.)

- (b) Compute the inverse of  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  if it exists. Explain your reasoning.

**Solution:** The simplest way to do this is to row reduce  $[B \mid I]$  into  $[I \mid B^{-1}]$ , then read the inverse matrix from this form.

We perform this calculation:

$$\begin{aligned} [B \mid I] &= \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \longrightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] && R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2 \\ &\longrightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right] && R_3 = r_3 - r_1 \\ &\longrightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right] && R_3 = r_3 + r_2 \\ &\longrightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right] && \begin{array}{l} R_1 = r_1 + r_3 \\ R_2 = r_2 - r_3 \end{array} \\ &\longrightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right] && R_1 = r_1 + r_2 \\ &\longrightarrow [I \mid B^{-1}]. \end{aligned}$$

Thus the inverse of  $B$  is  $B^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

20 Compute the integral  $\int_0^\infty \frac{e^x}{(e^x + 1)^2} dx$ .

**Solution:** In order to compute the indefinite integral  $\int \frac{e^x}{(e^x + 1)^2} dx$ , we make the substitution  $u = e^x + 1$ . Then  $du = u' dx = e^x dx$ , or

$$\int \frac{e^x}{(e^x + 1)^2} dx = \int \frac{du}{u^2} = \int u^{-2} du.$$

Integrating, this is  $-u^{-1} + K = -\frac{1}{u} + K = -\frac{1}{e^x + 1} + K$ .

Thus, for the improper integral, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\infty \frac{e^x}{(e^x + 1)^2} dx &= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^b \frac{e^x}{(e^x + 1)^2} dx \\ &= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[ -\frac{1}{e^x + 1} \right]_0^b \\ &= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[ -\frac{1}{e^b + 1} - \left( -\frac{1}{e^0 + 1} \right) \right] \\ &= -0 + \frac{1}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

This is the value of our improper integral:  $\int_0^\infty \frac{e^x}{(e^x + 1)^2} dx = \frac{1}{2}$ .

21 Compute each of the following integrals.

(a)  $\int_0^1 x^2 e^x dx$

**Solution:** Let's begin by computing the indefinite integral  $\int x^2 e^x dx$ . We do this using the technique of integration by parts. Let

$$\begin{aligned} u &= x^2 & dv &= e^x dx \\ du &= 2x dx & v &= e^x. \end{aligned}$$

Plugging this into the integration by parts formula gives us

$$\int x^2 e^x dx = \int u dv = uv - \int v du = x^2 e^x - \int e^x \cdot 2x dx.$$

This is *still* an integral we can't compute directly, but it is simpler than the original integral. We use integration by parts again, this time with

$$\begin{aligned} u &= x & dv &= e^x dx \\ du &= dx & v &= e^x. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \int x^2 e^x dx &= x^2 e^x - 2 \int x e^x dx \\ &= x^2 e^x - 2 \left( x e^x - \int e^x dx \right) \\ &= x^2 e^x - 2(x e^x - e^x + K) \\ &= x^2 e^x - 2x e^x + 2e^x + C \\ &= (x^2 - 2x + 2) e^x + C. \end{aligned}$$

Thus the definite integral may be calculated as

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^1 x^2 e^x dx &= (x^2 - 2x + 2) e^x \Big|_0^1 \\ &= (1^2 - 2(1) + 2) e^1 - (0^2 - 2(0) + 2) e^0 \\ &= e - 2 \approx 0.71828183.\end{aligned}$$

(b)  $\int_0^\infty \frac{x}{(1+x^2)^2} dx$

**Solution:** We again compute the indefinite integral first. Let's make the substitution

$$u = 1 + x^2 \quad \text{so} \quad du = 2x dx \quad \text{or} \quad x dx = \frac{1}{2} du.$$

Plugging this in, we get

$$\begin{aligned}\int \frac{x}{(1+x^2)^2} dx &= \int \frac{\frac{1}{2} du}{u^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int u^{-2} du \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{-1} u^{-1} + K \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{1+x^2} + K.\end{aligned}$$

Thus the definite (but improper) integral is

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^\infty \frac{x}{(1+x^2)^2} dx &= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^b \frac{x}{(1+x^2)^2} dx \\ &= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left( -\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{1+x^2} \right) \Big|_0^b \\ &= \lim_{b \rightarrow \infty} \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{1+b^2} - \left( -\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{1+0^2} \right) \right] \\ &= 0 + \frac{1}{2}.\end{aligned}$$

Thus the value of the integral is  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

22 The probability density function for the random variable  $X$  is given by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{k}{\sqrt{x}} & \text{for } 0 < x < 4 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

(a) Find the value of that makes a probability density function.

**Solution:** The idea here is that the total probability must be 1. That is, the integral of  $f(x)$  over its entire domain is 1:

$$\int_0^4 \frac{k}{\sqrt{x}} dx = 1.$$

We compute this integral to find  $k$ :

$$1 = \int_0^4 kx^{-1/2} dx = k \frac{1}{1/2} x^{1/2} \Big|_0^4 = 2k \sqrt{x} \Big|_0^4 = 2k (\sqrt{4} - \sqrt{0}) = 4k.$$

Thus  $1 = 4k$ , or  $k = 1/4$ .

(b) Calculate  $\Pr(X < 1/4)$ .

**Solution:** This is simply a computation, with one observation. This is that the probability that  $X < 1/4$  is the integral up to  $1/4$ . Since  $f(x)$  is only positive from  $x = 0$  to  $x = 4$ , this probability is the integral from  $x = 0$  to  $x = 1/4$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\Pr(X < 1/4) &= \int_0^{1/4} \frac{1}{4} x^{-1/2} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{x} \Big|_0^{1/4} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \sqrt{\frac{1}{4}} - \sqrt{0} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{4}.\end{aligned}$$

Thus this probability is  $1/4$ , or 25%.

23 Solve the initial value problem  $yy' = t \sin(t^2 - 1)$  with  $y(1) = 0$ .

**Solution:** This is a separable differential equation. Let's write  $y' = \frac{dy}{dt}$  and separate the  $y$  terms and the  $t$  terms:

$$y \frac{dy}{dt} = t \sin(t^2 - 1) \quad \text{or} \quad y dy = t \sin(t^2 - 1) dt.$$

Now we integrate both sides:

$$\int y dy = \int t \sin(t^2 - 1) dt.$$

The integral on the right-hand side requires a substitution  $u = t^2 - 1$ , so  $du = 2t dt$  or  $\frac{1}{2} du = t dt$ . Thus

$$\int y dy = \int \sin(t^2 - 1) \cdot t dt = \int \sin(u) \cdot \frac{1}{2} du,$$

and so

$$\frac{1}{2} y^2 = -\frac{1}{2} \cos(u) + K \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{1}{2} y^2 = -\frac{1}{2} \cos(t^2 - 1) + K.$$

Solving for  $y$ , we get  $y = \pm \sqrt{2K - \cos(t^2 - 1)}$ . We use the initial condition ( $y = 0$  when  $t = 1$ ) to find  $K$ :

$$0 = \pm \sqrt{2K - \cos(1^2 - 1)} = \pm \sqrt{2K - \cos(0)} = \pm \sqrt{2K - 1}.$$

Thus  $2K = 1$ , so  $y = \pm \sqrt{1 - \cos(t^2 - 1)}$ .

Notice that we've really deduced two solutions here:  $y = \sqrt{1 - \cos(t^2 - 1)}$  and  $y = -\sqrt{1 - \cos(t^2 - 1)}$ . Usually there is only one solution. This case is different because the initial condition (that  $y = 0$ ) doesn't dictate a choice of sign.

24 Find the general solution of  $y' + \frac{3x}{x^2 + 1}y = \frac{6x}{x^2 + 1}$ .

**Solution:** This is a first-order linear differential equation in the standard form

$$y' + P(x)y = G(x).$$

Thus, in our case,  $P(x) = \frac{3x}{x^2 + 1}$  and  $G(x) = \frac{6x}{x^2 + 1}$ . We solve this by multiplying the equation by the integrating factor  $h(x) = e^{\int P(x) dx}$ . This integral requires some work (via the substitution  $u = x^2 + 1$ , so  $du = 2x dx$ ):

$$\int P(x) dx = \int \frac{3x}{x^2 + 1} dx = \frac{3}{2} \int \frac{2x dx}{x^2 + 1} = \frac{3}{2} \int \frac{du}{u} = \frac{3}{2} \ln(u) = \frac{3}{2} \ln(x^2 + 1) = \ln\left((x^2 + 1)^{3/2}\right).$$

We've written it like this so the integrating factor  $h(x)$  will be easier to compute:

$$h(x) = e^{\int P(x) dx} = e^{\ln((x^2+1)^{3/2})} = (x^2 + 1)^{3/2}.$$

We multiply the differential equation by this integrating factor, and the real trick is that the left-hand side of the product is a derivative:

$$(x^2 + 1)^{3/2} \cdot \left( y' + \frac{3x}{x^2 + 1}y = \frac{6x}{x^2 + 1} \right) \quad \text{or} \quad \left( (x^2 + 1)^{3/2}y \right)' = (x^2 + 1)^{3/2} \cdot \frac{6x}{x^2 + 1} = 6x(x^2 + 1)^{1/2}.$$

Now we integrate both sides of this equation:

$$(x^2 + 1)^{3/2}y = \int 6x(x^2 + 1)^{1/2} dx.$$

This integral requires the same substitution as before (namely,  $u = x^2 + 1$ ,  $du = 2x dx$ , and so on):

$$(x^2 + 1)^{3/2}y = \int 6x(x^2 + 1)^{1/2} dx = \int 3(x^2 + 1)^{1/2} \cdot 2x dx = 3 \int (u)^{1/2} du = 3 \frac{1}{3/2} (u)^{3/2} + K = 2(x^2 + 1)^{3/2} + K.$$

We solve for  $y$  by dividing by  $(x^2 + 1)^{3/2}$  and get the general solution

$$y = 2 + \frac{K}{(x^2 + 1)^{3/2}}.$$

This is our final answer.

(Notice that this differential is also separable, if you want to work at it. That is, you can write the equation as

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{6x}{x^2 + 1} - \frac{3x}{x^2 + 1}y = \frac{3x}{x^2 + 1} (2 - y) \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{dy}{2 - y} = \frac{3x}{x^2 + 1} dx.$$

Feel free to finish this computation.)