



Mathematical Economics – 1st Semester - 2023/2024

Regular Assessment - 17th of January 2024

Duration: $(120 + \varepsilon)$ minutes, $|\varepsilon| \leq 30$

Version A

Name:

Student ID #:

Part I

- Complete the following sentences in order to obtain true propositions. The items are independent from each other.
- There is no need to justify your answers.

(a) (4) The (maximal) domain of $f : D_f \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with analytical expression given by

$$f(x, y) = \frac{\ln(x - y^2 - 1)}{\sqrt{y}}$$

is the set $D_f = \{.....\}$

(b) (4) The set of accumulation points of $\{(\cos(n\pi), \sin(n\pi)), n \in \mathbb{N}\} \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ is

.....

(c) (4) Consider $C = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x^2 \leq y < 4 - x^2\}$. The topological border (frontier) of C is analytically defined by

$\partial C =$

- (d) (4) The map $f(x, y) = (x + 2y)^2$ has a global maximum and a global minimum when restricted to the set

$$M = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : \dots\dots\dots\}$$

This is a consequence of’s Theorem because f is continuous (f is polynomial) and M is compact.

- (e) (4) The equation $7x^{2024} + x^{2023} + x^{2022} - 1 = 0$ has at least one solution in the closed interval This is a consequence of the Theorem.

- (f) (4) Let $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ and $g : \mathbb{R} \setminus \{3\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by

$$f(x, y) = x + y^2 \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = 2 + \frac{5}{x - 3}$$

Then

$$\lim_{(x,y) \rightarrow (-1,3)} [g \circ f(x, y)] = \dots\dots\dots$$

- (g) (3) If $u_n = \left(\left(1 + \frac{3}{n}\right)^n, \frac{\pi}{n} \right)$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $f(x, y) = \ln x + \cos y$, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} f(u_n) = \dots\dots\dots$$

- (h) (4) The correspondence $H : [0, 1] \rightrightarrows [0, 1]$ defined by

$$H(x) = \begin{cases} \{4x(1 - x)\}, & x < \frac{1}{2} \\ [0, 1/4] \cup [3/4, 1], & x = \frac{1}{2} \\ \{2x - 1\} & x > \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

has fixed points, although H **does not** satisfy the following assumption of the Kakutani Fixed Point Theorem:

- (i) (4) The sets $I_1 = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x^2 + y^2 < \dots\dots\dots\}$ and $I_2 = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : y = 4\}$ are non-empty, disjoint and The Hyperplane Separation Theorem says that they can be separated by the line defined by the equation

- (j) (4) Consider the map \mathcal{R}_α geometrically described by a rotation around the origin of angle $\alpha \in [0, 2\pi[$, and $J = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : 1 \leq x^2 + y^2 \leq 4\}$. Then $\mathcal{R}_\alpha(J)$ has fixed points if and only if

- (k) (4) The gradient vector of $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is given by $(2xy^3, 3x^2y^2 - y)$. If $f(x, y)$ does not have constant terms in both components, then

$$f(x, y) = \dots\dots\dots$$

- (l) (3) With respect to the C^2 map $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, we know that $\nabla f(-2, 3) = (0, 0)$ and

$$H_f(-2, 3) = \begin{pmatrix} \dots\dots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots\dots \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then, $f(-2, 3)$ is a local minimum of f . Furthermore, if f is $\dots\dots\dots$, then $f(-2, 3)$ is a global minimum of f .

- (m) (5) We apply the Karush-Kuhn-Tucker technique to the following problem. The minimizer of $f(x, y, z) = x^3 + y^3 + z^3$ on the simplex $\Delta = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}_0^3 : x + y + z = 1\}$ should satisfy the following system:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \dots\dots\dots - \lambda + \mu_1 = 0 \\ \dots\dots\dots - \lambda + \mu_2 = 0 \\ \dots\dots\dots - \lambda + \mu_3 = 0 \\ \mu_1, \mu_2, \mu_3 \dots\dots\dots 0 \\ \mu_1 x = 0, \mu_2 y = 0, \mu_3 z = 0, \\ \dots\dots\dots = 0 \\ x \geq 0, y \geq 0, z \geq 0 \end{array} \right.$$

- (n) (4) The map $y(x) = 5e^{-3x}$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$, is a solution of the IVP $\begin{cases} \dot{y} = \dots\dots \\ y(\dots\dots) = \frac{5}{e^3} \end{cases}$.

- (o) (4) The absolute maximum of $f(x, y) = y^2$ when restricted to the set

$$M = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : (x - 5)^2 + y^2 = \dots\dots\}$$

occurs at $(x, y) = (\dots\dots, 2)$. The associated Lagrangian map is defined by

$$\mathcal{L}(x, y, \lambda) = \dots\dots\dots$$

- (p) (6) The logistic law (associated to a given population of size p that depends on the time $t \geq 0$) states that

$$p' = ap - bp^2, \quad a, b \in \mathbb{R}_0^+$$

If $p(0) = 1000$, $a = 1$ and $b = 0.002$, then the solution of the previous differential equation is monotonic $\dots\dots\dots$

If $a = 3$, $b = 0$ and $p(0) = 1000$, the solution of the ODE is

....., where $t \in \mathbb{R}_0^+$.

(q) (5) The linearisation of $\begin{cases} \dot{x} = -x + yx^{2024} \\ \dot{y} = -8y - xy^{2024} \end{cases}$ around $(0, 0)$ is $\begin{cases} \dot{x} = \dots\dots\dots \\ \dot{y} = \dots\dots\dots \end{cases}$

With respect to the Lyapunov's stability, we may conclude that $(0, 0)$ is

(r) (3) With respect to the linear differential equation defined by $\dot{X} = AX$, where $A \in M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$ and $X \in \mathbb{R}^2$, we know that $\det A = \dots\dots\dots$. Then, the origin is Lyapunov unstable.

(s) (4) Let $\varphi(t) = (x(t), y(t)) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ be a **non-constant** solution of $\begin{cases} \dot{x} = 4x \\ \dot{y} = -3y \end{cases}$ such that $\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \varphi(t) = (0, 0)$. One possible initial condition associated to φ might be $(\dots\dots, \dots\dots)$.

(t) (8) Consider the following problem of optimal control where $x : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is the *state* and $u : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is the *control*:

$$\max_{u(t) \in \mathbb{R}} \int_0^1 (1 - tx(t) - u(t)^2) dt, \quad x'(t) = u(t), \quad x(0) = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad x(1) \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Then the Hamiltonian is given by (*specify the formulas to the case under consideration*):

$$H(t, x, u, p) = \dots\dots\dots$$

The Pontryagin maximum principle says that the optimal control u^* should satisfy the equality which is equivalent to $u(t) = p(t)/2$.

The Hamiltonian equations are given by:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = \dots\dots\dots \\ \dot{p} = \dots\dots\dots \end{cases}$$

The *transversality condition* is given by

Integrating the differential equation above, using the initial conditions and the transversality condition, we conclude that

$$x^*(t) = \dots\dots\dots \quad \text{and} \quad u^*(t) = \dots\dots\dots$$

Since H is in (x, u) then the above solutions are the sought solutions.

Part II

- Give your answers in exact form. For example, $\frac{\pi}{3}$ is an exact number while 1.047 is a decimal approximation for the same number.
 - In order to receive credit, you must show all of your work. If you do not indicate the way in which you solve a problem, you may get little or no credit for it, even if your answer is correct.
-

1. Consider the map $f : [-1/3, 1/3] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by

$$f(x) = x^2 + \frac{2}{9}$$

- (a) Define the **inverse** of the restriction of f to the interval $[0, 1/3]$.
(*Define the domain, the range and the analytical expression*).
- (b) Show that f satisfies the hypotheses of the Banach fixed point Theorem and find the fixed point of f .

2. Let $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ a differentiable map such that $g'(1) = 0$. Identify and classify all critical points of

$$f(x, y) = (1 - x)y + \ln(g(x))$$

3. Consider the following IVP (y is a function of x):

$$\begin{cases} x^4 y' + 4x^3 y = \cos x \\ y(\pi) = \pi \end{cases}$$

Write the solution $y(x)$ of the IVP, identifying its maximal domain.

4. Consider the linear system in \mathbb{R}^2 given by (x and y depend on t):

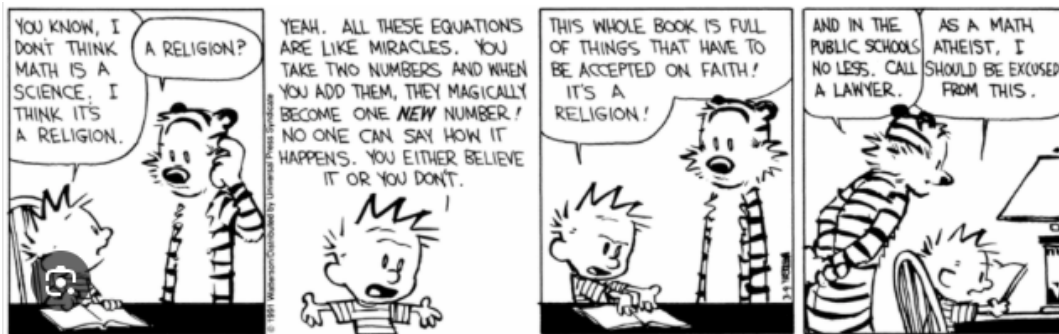
$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} = y \\ \dot{y} = 2x - y \end{cases}$$

- (a) Write the general form of the solution.
- (b) Find the particular solution such that $x(0) = -1$ and $y(0) = -3$.
- (c) Sketch the phase portrait and locate the solution $(x(t), y(t))$ found in (b), $t \in \mathbb{R}$.

5. Consider the following Problem on *Calculus of Variations*, where $x : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a smooth function on t :

$$\min_{x(t) \in \mathbb{R}} \int_0^1 (x^2 + \dot{x}^2 - 1) dt, \quad \text{with } x(0) = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad x(1) = 0.$$

- (a) Write the corresponding Euler-Lagrange equation applied to the case under consideration.
- (b) Find the solution of the problem.



Credits:

I	II.1(a)	II.1(b)	II.2	II.3	II.4(a)	II.4(b)	II.4(c)	II.5(a)	II.5(b)
85	10	15	20	20	15	5	5	10	15