

# 1 Introduction

This is a self-test for you to see if you have the correct mathematical background to take the course : COMP0115 “Geometry of Images”

## 2 Test

### 2.1 Complex Numbers

In this section we define the *imaginary unit*  $i$  as

$$i = \sqrt{-1}$$

1. Show that  $e^{i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$ , and use this to prove *de Moivre's Theorem*

$$(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta)^n = \cos n\theta + i \sin n\theta$$

for integer  $n$ .

2. If  $z = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta$ , find the values of

$$z + \frac{1}{z}, \quad z^2 + \frac{1}{z^2}, \quad z^n + \frac{1}{z^n}, \quad z^n - \frac{1}{z^n}$$

in terms of  $\theta$ .

3. Show that

$$(1 + i)^n = 2^{n/2} \left( \cos \frac{n\pi}{4} + i \sin \frac{n\pi}{4} \right)$$

4. Show that

$$\left(1 + i\sqrt{3}\right)^n + \left(1 - i\sqrt{3}\right)^n = 2^{n+1} \cos \frac{n\pi}{3}$$

### 2.2 Calculus

1. If  $f(x) = x \ln x - x$  What is the derivative  $\frac{df}{dx}$  ?
2. If  $f(x) = xe^x$  what is the (indefinite) integral  $F(x) = \int_{y=-\infty}^x f(y)dy$ . (I.e.  $\frac{dF}{dx} = f(x)$ )?
3. If we define  $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$  and  $f(r) = \frac{1}{r}$  what is the *gradient*

$$\nabla f(r) := \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \\ \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \end{pmatrix} ?$$

## 2.3 Fourier Transforms

In this section we defined the one-dimensional Fourier Transform  $\mathcal{F}_{x \rightarrow k}$  of a function  $f(x)$  as

$$F(k) = \mathcal{F}_{x \rightarrow k}[f] := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{x=-\infty}^{x=\infty} f(x)e^{-ikx} dx.$$

1. What is the Fourier Transform of the *Rectangle function* ?

$$\text{Rect}(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } |x| \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \text{if } |x| > \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

2. What is the Fourier Transform of the *Triangle function* ?

$$\text{Triangle}(x) = \begin{cases} 1+x & \text{if } -1 \leq x \leq 0 \\ 1-x & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } |x| > 1 \end{cases}$$

3. If we define the *convolution* of two functions  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  as

$$h(x) = f(x) * g(x) := \int_{y=-\infty}^{y=\infty} f(y)g(x-y)dy$$

then prove the *convolution theorem* :

$$H(k) = \mathcal{F}_{x \rightarrow k}h(x), \quad G(k) = \mathcal{F}_{x \rightarrow k}g(x), \quad F(k) = \mathcal{F}_{x \rightarrow k}hf(x), \quad \Rightarrow \quad H(k) = G(k)F(k)$$

## 2.4 Vector Calculus

In this section we use the notation  $\times$  for the vector product, and  $\cdot$  for the scalar product.

1. Find an equation for the plane perpendicular to the vector  $\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$  that passes through

$$\text{the point } Q = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

What is the distance from the origin to this plane ?

2. Prove that (a)  $\mathbf{a} \times (\mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{c}) = \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{c}) - \mathbf{c}(\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b})$  and (b)  $(\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}) \times \mathbf{c} = \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{c}) - \mathbf{a}(\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{c})$ .
3. Prove that  $(\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}) \cdot (\mathbf{c} \times \mathbf{d}) = (\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{c})(\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{d}) - (\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{d})(\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{c})$ .

## 2.5 Differential Geometry

1. A particle moves along a curve such that its position at time  $t$  is given by

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} e^{-t} \\ 2 \cos 3t \\ 2 \sin 3t \end{pmatrix}$$

Derive expressions for a) the velocity, b) the acceleration of this particle.

2. Sketch the space curve  $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \cos t \\ 3 \sin t \\ 4t \end{pmatrix}$  and find

- (a) the *unit tangent vector*  $\hat{\mathbf{T}}$  (i.e. the tangent to the curve such that  $|\hat{\mathbf{T}}| = 1$ ),
- (b) the *principle normal*  $\hat{\mathbf{N}}$  (i.e. the component of the acceleration normal to the tangent and such that  $|\hat{\mathbf{N}}| = 1$ ),
- (c) the *binormal direction*  $\hat{\mathbf{B}}$  perpendicular to both  $\hat{\mathbf{T}}$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{N}}$ ,
- (d) the value of the *curvature*  $\kappa$  satisfying

$$\frac{d\hat{\mathbf{T}}}{dt} = \kappa\hat{\mathbf{B}},$$

- (e) the value of the *torsion*  $\tau$  satisfying

$$\frac{d\hat{\mathbf{B}}}{dt} = -\tau\hat{\mathbf{N}}.$$

## 2.6 Differential Equations

1. Show that any twice differentiable function of one variable  $f(s)$  is a solution of the *wave equation*

$$\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} = \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial t^2}$$

where  $c$  is a constant if either  $s = x - ct$  or  $s = x + ct$ .

2. Show that the *Green's function*  $G(x, t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4\pi\kappa t}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{4\kappa t}}$  solves the *diffusion equation*

$$\kappa \frac{\partial^2 G}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial G}{\partial t}$$

for all values of  $x$  and  $t$  except where both  $x = 0$  and  $t = 0$ . For a fixed value  $\kappa = 1$ , sketch the graph of  $G(x, t)$  as a function of  $x$  and  $t > 0$  and deduce the value of  $G(x, t)$  in the limit as  $x \rightarrow 0$  and  $t \rightarrow 0$ .