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**(Simulation 4 of) Written Examination**

**Rules:** you cannot use any textbook, lecture notes, neither any electronic device (very welcome a traditional watch). Write your solutions on the enclosed sheets. You will receive additional sheets for the preliminary drafts. The solutions of the exercises must be detailed. One of the exercises requires the proof of a theorem. For the quizzes you have simply to indicate your choice in the True-False alternative. You have **two hours and half** to finish your work. An **identity card** or a passport is needed to participate.

**Quiz 1.** *Correct answer: points 2. Wrong answer: points -1. No answer: points 0.*

$$\cos(5) \leq |e^{5i}|$$

TRUE      FALSE

**Quiz 2.**

If  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of the real matrix  $A$  then  $\lambda^2$  is an eigenvalue of the matrix  $A^2$ .

TRUE      FALSE

**Quiz 3.**

If  $A, B$  are real matrices and  $AB = BA$  then  $A$  and  $B$  are  $1 \times 1$  matrices (namely they are numbers).

TRUE      FALSE

**Quiz 4.**

Suppose that  $f \in \mathcal{C}^1(\mathbb{R})$  (this means that the derivative of  $f$  exists and is continuous on  $\mathbb{R}$ ) and that  $f$  is not constant. Then the number of stationary points of  $f$  is always finite.

TRUE      FALSE

**Quiz 5.**

If the complex number  $1 + i$  is an eigenvalue of the real matrix  $A$  then there exists a  $\mathcal{C}^2$  function  $f$  and a point  $P_0$  such that for the Hessian matrix one has  $H_f(P_0) = A$ .

TRUE      FALSE

**Quiz 6.**

If  $A^c, B$  are independent events then also  $A, B^c$  are independent events.

TRUE      FALSE

**Quiz 7.**

The correlation coefficient of two random variables is scale invariant.

TRUE      FALSE

**Exercise 1. 6 points**

Solve the Cauchy problem

$$\begin{cases} y' = \sqrt{x}y & x \geq 0 \\ y(0) = 2 \end{cases}$$

**Exercise 2. 6 points**

Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 8 & 8 \\ 3 & 8 & 19 \end{pmatrix}, \quad X = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}, \quad b = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}.$$

i) Find the Cholesky decomposition  $A = LL^t$ .

ii) For  $L$  given by the point i) solve the system  $LX = b$ .

**Exercise 3. 6 points**

Find the stationary points of the following function and discuss the behavior of the function in those points.

$$f(x, y, z) = y^2 + z^4 + z^2 + x^3 - 2xy$$

**Exercise 4. 6 points**

The function  $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is defined by

$$g(x) = b \cdot \cos x \cdot 1_{[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}]}(x)$$

a) Fix  $b$  so that  $g$  is a density.

b) Let  $X$  be a random variable such that  $g$  is its density: calculate the c.d.f  $F_X(\cdot)$

b) Solve the equation  $F_X(t) = \frac{1}{2}$ .

**Exercise 5. 6 points**

Prove the (weak) Law of Large Numbers.