

MAT 300/500

Midterm Exam

Spring 2019

Note: For True-False questions, a statement is only True if it must always be True under the given assumptions, otherwise it is False.

1. The control points of a Bezier curve $\gamma(t)$ of degree d are:

- i) values of $\gamma(t)$ for $0 \leq t \leq 1$
- ii) point-coefficients of $\gamma(t)$ with respect to the Bernstein basis
- iii) basis functions for P_d .

True or False (answers are in the order i),ii),iii))

- a) FTF b) TTT c) TFT d) FFF e) TTF

Correct Answer: FTF

2. A linear combination of polynomials $p_0(t), \dots, p_n(t)$ is a sum $a_0p_0(t) + \dots + a_np_n(t)$, with real number coefficients a_i . The derivative of a Bernstein polynomial of degree d can be written as a linear combination of:

- i) Bernstein polynomials of degree d
- ii) two Bernstein polynomials of degree $d - 1$
- iii) $d + 1$ polynomials of the form $(t - t_i)^d$ for some real numbers t_i .

True or False (answers are in the order i),ii),iii))

- a) FTF b) TTT c) TFT d) FFF e) TTF

Correct Answer: TTT

3. Let $P_0 = (0, 0)$, $P_1 = (2, 0)$, $P_2 = (1, 1)$, $P_3 = (0, 2)$, and $P_4 = (0, 0)$, and let $\gamma(t)$ be the Bezier curve with control points P_0, P_1, P_2, P_3 , and P_4 .

True or False (answers are in the order i),ii),iii))

- i) $\gamma(t)$ has degree 4 ii) $\gamma(0) = \gamma(1)$ iii) $\gamma'(0) \bullet \gamma'(1) = 0$
 a) TTT b) FFF c) TTF d) FTT e) FTF

Correct Answer: TTT

4. Same $\gamma(t)$ as in the previous question. Find the Bezier point P_0^2 which is used to compute $\gamma(\frac{1}{2})$. (Sketch the NLI steps.)

- a) $(\frac{5}{8}, \frac{3}{4})$ b) $(\frac{3}{8}, \frac{5}{8})$ c) $(\frac{1}{8}, \frac{7}{8})$ d) $(\frac{5}{4}, \frac{1}{4})$ e) $(\frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{4})$

Correct Answer: $(\frac{5}{4}, \frac{1}{4})$

5. Same $\gamma(t)$ as in the previous question. Find $\gamma(\frac{1}{2})$.

- a) $(\frac{5}{8}, \frac{5}{8})$ b) $(\frac{3}{8}, \frac{3}{8})$ c) $(\frac{1}{8}, \frac{1}{8})$ d) $(\frac{7}{8}, \frac{7}{8})$ e) $(\frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{4})$

Correct Answer: $(\frac{7}{8}, \frac{7}{8})$

6. Suppose $g(0) = -5$, $g(1) = 3$, and $g(5) = 7$. Find the divided difference: $[0, 1, 5]g$:

- a) $\frac{8}{5}$ b) $-\frac{7}{5}$ c) $\frac{9}{5}$ d) $\frac{7}{5}$ e) $-\frac{9}{5}$

Correct Answer: $-\frac{7}{5}$

7. Recall that a function f has a zero of multiplicity $r + 1$ at $t = c$ if $f^{(k)}(c) = 0$ for $k = 0, \dots, r$. We say that f has a zero of *exact* multiplicity $r + 1$ if additionally $f^{(r+1)}(c) \neq 0$. Suppose the Bernstein polynomial $B_i^d(t)$ has a zero of exact multiplicity 4 at $t = 0$ and a zero of exact multiplicity 3 at $t = 1$.

True or False (answers are in the order i),ii),iii))

- i) $d = 4$ ii) $i = 3$ iii) $d - i = 4$
 a) FFT b) TFF c) FFF d) TTT e) TTF

Correct Answer: FFF

8. Let $\gamma(t) = \gamma_{[P_0, P_1, P_2]}(t)$ be a quadratic Bezier curve with control points $P_0 = (0, 4)$ and $P_2 = (3, -5)$. Find P_1 if $\gamma(\frac{1}{2}) = (\frac{3}{2}, \frac{7}{4})$.

- a) (1, 3) b) (2, 6) c) ($\frac{3}{2}, 4$) d) (1, 4) e) ($\frac{1}{2}, \frac{13}{2}$)

Correct Answer: ($\frac{3}{2}, 4$)

9. Compute the following Vandermonde determinant:
- $$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2^2 & 2^3 & 2^4 \\ 1 & 3 & 3^2 & 3^3 & 3^4 \\ 1 & 4 & 4^2 & 4^3 & 4^4 \\ 1 & 5 & 5^2 & 5^3 & 5^4 \\ 1 & 6 & 6^2 & 6^3 & 6^4 \end{vmatrix}.$$

- a) 2 b) $2^4 3^3$ c) $2^5 3^2$ d) 2^3 e) $2^5 3^3$

Correct Answer: $2^5 3^2$

10. Let $B_i^d(t) = \binom{d}{i}(1-t)^{d-i}t^i$ be the general Bernstein polynomial, and suppose that $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ is the coordinate vector of a polynomial $p(t)$ with respect to the Bernstein basis $\{B_0^2(t), B_1^2(t), B_2^2(t)\}$ of P_2 . Find the coordinate vector of $p(t)$ with respect to the standard basis $\{1, t, t^2\}$.

- a) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ b) $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ c) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ d) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ e) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$

Correct Answer: $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$

11. Suppose that $\mathbf{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ is the coordinate vector of a polynomial $p(t)$ with respect to the standard basis of P_2 .

Find the coordinate vector of $p(t)$ with respect to the Bernstein basis of P_2 . (Hint: solve for the two standard basis vectors that sum up to this vector, since they each have simple Bernstein representations.)

- a) $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ b) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ c) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ d) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ e) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Correct Answer: $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$

12. Let $q(t)$ be a polynomial of degree at most 3 such that $q(0) = 1$, $q'(0) = -1$, $q''(0) = 4$, and $q(2) = 0$. What is $q(1)$? (Don't forget to divide by 2 when entering the second derivative into the divided difference table.)

- a) $\frac{1}{8}$ b) $\frac{9}{8}$ c) 1 d) $-\frac{7}{4}$ e) $\frac{7}{4}$

Correct Answer: $\frac{9}{8}$

13. If $p(t) = 2 + 3(t-1) + 5(t-1)(t-2)$ is the Newton form of the interpolating polynomial that matches a data function $g(t)$ for data values $t_0 = 1$, $t_1 = 2$, and $t_2 = 3$, what is $[1, 2, 3]g$?

a) 2 b) 3 c) 5 d) 6 e) 4

Correct Answer: 5

14. Same $p(t)$ and $g(t)$ as in the previous question. Suppose that another interpolation point is added so that $q(t)$ is the new interpolating polynomial in P_3 which satisfies the same information as $p(t)$ and also: $q(4) = -1$. Find $[1, 2, 3, 4]g$:

a) -6 b) -5 c) -4 d) -7 e) -8

Correct Answer: -7

15. Find a quadratic Bezier curve $\gamma(t)$ which agrees with the graph of $y = x^3$ at the points $(0, 0)$ and $(2, 8)$ and also has the same tangent slopes as this graph at those points. If $\gamma(0) = (0, 0)$ and $\gamma(1) = (2, 8)$ find the control point P_1 .

a) $(\frac{4}{3}, 0)$ b) $(\frac{4}{3}, \frac{1}{3})$ c) $(\frac{2}{3}, 0)$ d) $(\frac{3}{4}, 0)$ e) $(\frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{9})$

Correct Answer: $(\frac{4}{3}, 0)$

16. Let S be the set $\{(t-1)^2, t, t^2+1\}$ of polynomials in P_2 . Determine whether the following statements are True or False. The answers are in order i),ii), iii).

i) S is a basis of P_2 ii) S spans P_2 iii) S is linearly independent

a) FFT b) TTT c) FFF d) TFT e) TFF

Correct Answer: FFF

17. Find the derivative: $\frac{d}{dt}B_2^4(t)$.

a) $12t(1-t)(1-2t)$ b) $12t^2(1-2t)$ c) $12t(1-2t)^2$ d) $6t(1-t)^2$ e) $6t(1-t)(1-2t)$

Correct Answer: $12t(1-t)(1-2t)$

18. Solve for a_3 : $(t-3)^2(t-1)_+^2 = a_2(t-1)_+^2 + a_3(t-1)_+^3 + a_4(t-1)_+^4$.

a) 4 b) 2 c) -4 d) -2 e) 0

Correct Answer: -4

19. To find an implicit quadratic curve $f(x, y) = L_0(x, y)L_2(x, y) + cL(x, y)^2 = 0$ for a Bezier curve with control points $P_0 = (0, 2)$, $P_1 = (0, 0)$, and $P_2 = (1, 0)$, we could use which of the following implicit forms for $f(x, y)$:

a) $x(x+y) + c(x-2y)^2$ b) $x(x-2y) + c(2x+y-2)^2$ c) $x(y-2) + c(2y-2)^2$ d) $xy + c(2x+y-2)^2$
e) $xy + c(x-y-2)^2$

Correct Answer: $xy + c(2x+y-2)^2$

20. Same curve as in the previous question. Solve for c :

a) 1 b) $\frac{1}{4}$ c) -1 d) $-\frac{1}{4}$ e) $-\frac{1}{8}$

Correct Answer: $-\frac{1}{8}$