

# COMPUTER ALGEBRA WITH MAPLE – ASSIGNMENT

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## Instructions

- This assignment should be completed out-of-class (not in-class).
- Please *email* me well before the deadline if you encounter any problems.
- Action will be taken if your file is exactly the same as any other student.
- Hint: if you don't know how to do part of a question, try to do the other parts.
- Please indicate **clearly** to which question your answer corresponds (up to 5 marks may be subtracted otherwise).
- Do everything within a single MAPLE document file (which has extension `.mw`) and submit the resulting file to blackboard.

## Questions

1. (a) [10 marks] Determine the following integral. One may need to use a numerical approximation.

$$\int_0^{\pi/4} \exp(x^3) \sin(x^4) dx$$

- (b) [10 marks] Using MAPLE, compute the 5th order Taylor series around  $x = 0$  for

$$\tanh(\sin(x))$$

and plot the accompanying polynomial.

- (c) [15 marks] i. Using MAPLE, calculate the following sum

$$\sum_{n=1}^N \sum_{m=1}^M \frac{(-2)^n}{x^{n+m}}$$

- ii. What is the sum for  $x = 3$ ,  $N = 20$  and  $M = 43$ ?

- (d) [15 marks] Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1-i & -i \\ -2 & x^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Using MAPLE, calculate  $A + B$  and  $(AB - BA)^2$ . For which value of  $x$  is the latter equal to the zero matrix?

2. [30 marks] Consider the following polynomial

$$f(x) = 3x^4 - 4x^3 - 2x^2 + x + \frac{1}{6}$$

Using MAPLE, define the function  $f(x)$ , plot the polynomial for  $x \in [-1, 2]$ , determine its (real) zeros (numerically), and determine its (analytical) derivative. Also plot in the same graph for  $f(x)$  the points  $(x, f(x))$  for which the function obtains local minima and maxima, as large red dots.

3. [20 marks] The Fibonacci numbers can be defined as:

$$F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}$$

with  $F_0 = 0$  and  $F_1 = 1$ . Alternatively, an explicit expression is

$$F_n = \frac{a^n - (-a)^{-n}}{\sqrt{5}}$$

with  $a = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$ . Plot the points  $(x_n, y_n) = (n, F_n)$  for the first 50 Fibonacci numbers.

If you don't submit the MAPLE document file with extension `.mw` file grading can not be carried out.