

# STUDENT SOLUTION MANUAL

VECTOR CALCULUS, LINEAR ALGEBRA, AND DIFFERENTIAL FORMS:  
A UNIFIED APPROACH, 5TH EDITION

NOTES AND ERRATA, COMPLETE AS OF NOVEMBER 7, 2017

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The most recent addition is the entry for Solution 1.9.1, page 29.

PAGE 18 Solution 1.5.5, part d: In the third line, “the rationals aren’t closed” should be “the irrationals aren’t closed”. In the fourth line, “the irrationals aren’t closed” should be “the rationals aren’t closed”.

PAGE 18 [\[added May 27, 2017\]](#) Exercise 1.5.7 b: “inside the parabola” should be “outside the parabola”.

PAGE 21 Solution 1.5.21: Part b corresponds to an exercise that was dropped from the text, so

a in the text corresponds to a in the solutions.

b in the text has no solution.

c in the text corresponds to d in the solutions.

d in the text corresponds to e in the solution,

or,

a in the solution manual remains a

c in the solution manual becomes b

d in the solution manual becomes c

e in the solution manual becomes d

PAGE 22 In the margin note on page 22, “part d of Solution 1.5.21” should be “part c of Solution 1.5.21”.

PAGE 22 Parentheses are missing in the first displayed equation of Solution 1.5.23, part b; the equation should be

$$|(I + H - I)^{-1}((I + H)^2 - I^2) - 2I| < \epsilon. \quad (2)$$

The mistake is repeated in the next equation; the left side should be

$$|(I + H - I)^{-1}((I + H)^2 - I^2) - 2I|$$

PAGE 27 In the first margin note, “absolute value” should be “length”.

PAGE 29 [added Nov. 7, 2017] In Solution 1.9.1, the formula for  $D_2f\left(\begin{smallmatrix} x \\ y \end{smallmatrix}\right)$  is missing a 2 in the numerator; the formula should be

$$D_2f\left(\begin{smallmatrix} x \\ y \end{smallmatrix}\right) = \frac{4x^2y^3 - 2x^4y + 2y^5}{(x^2 + y^2)^2},$$

with  $-2x^4y$  rather than  $-x^4y$ .

PAGE 38 In the next-to-last line of Solution 1.37, “no such solution” should be “no such solutions”.

PAGES 59–60 There are errors in Solution 2.7.5, parts a and b. In part a, the correction starts with the second line of the displayed equation introduced by “and finally”. Starting with this equation, the solution should be

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}^n &= S \begin{bmatrix} (1 + \sqrt{2})^n & 0 \\ 0 & (1 - \sqrt{2})^n \end{bmatrix} S^{-1} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} \begin{bmatrix} (\sqrt{2} - 1)(1 + \sqrt{2})^n + (\sqrt{2} + 1)(1 - \sqrt{2})^n & (1 + \sqrt{2})^n - (1 - \sqrt{2})^n \\ (\sqrt{2} - 1)(1 + \sqrt{2})^{n+1} + (\sqrt{2} + 1)(1 - \sqrt{2})^{n+1} & (1 + \sqrt{2})^{n+1} - (1 - \sqrt{2})^{n+1} \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Multiplying this by  $\begin{bmatrix} b_0 \\ b_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  we find

$$b_n = \frac{(1 + \sqrt{2})^n + (1 - \sqrt{2})^n}{2}$$

The corrected solution to part b is:

b. Since  $|1 - \sqrt{2}| < 1$ , it will contribute practically nothing to  $b_{1000}$ , and  $\frac{1}{2}(1 + \sqrt{2})^{1000}$  has the same number of digits and the same leading digits as  $b_{1000}$ . You will find that your calculator will refuse to evaluate this, but using logarithms base 10 for a change, you find

$$\log_{10} b_{1000} \approx 382.475,$$

so  $b_{1000}$  has 382 digits, starting with 2983.

PAGE 61 Line 2: there should be no plus sign before  $\lambda_1^n$ .

PAGE 62 Solution 2.8.5, first line:  $x_{n+1} = \frac{2x_n s + 9}{3x_n^2}$  should be

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{2x_n^3 + 9}{3x_n^2}.$$

Last line of part b:  $\sup_{x \in U_1} x$  should be  $\sup_{x \in U_1}$ .

PAGE 66 Solution 2.9.5, fourth line: It should be “i.e.,  $2x^2 + x - 1 = 0$ ”, not “i.e.,  $x^2 + x - 1 = 0$ ”.

PAGE 78 Solution 2.23, line after the first displayed equation: “ $n + m \times n$  matrix” should be “ $(n + m) \times n$  matrix”.

PAGE 84 Solution 2.41: The next-to-last displayed equation is missing a  $-n^2 + n$  on the left. It should be

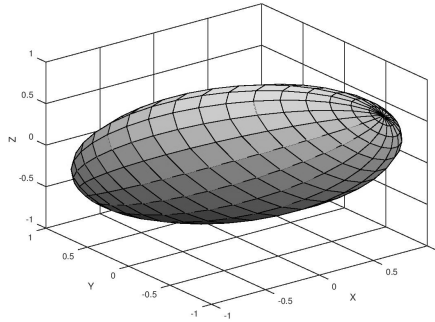
$$2n^3 - 2n^2 + n + 2n^2 - n = 2n^3.$$

PAGES 106–107 [added July 14, 2017] The solution to Exercise 3.5.17 part b is wrong; the quadratic form was computed incorrectly. The correct solution, courtesy of Chester Balestra, is:

b. The quadratic form corresponding to the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  is

$$2(x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + xy + yz) = 2 \left( \left(x + \frac{y}{2}\right)^2 + \left(z + \frac{y}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{y}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^2 \right),$$

which has signature  $(3, 0)$ . This formula describes an ellipsoid. It is shown in the figure below, also provided by Chester Balestra.



PAGE 131 Solution 3.29: In the first displayed equation,  $Q_{i,j}^\top A^t op Q_{i,j}$  should be  $Q_{i,j}^\top A^\top Q_{i,j}$ .

PAGE 131 Solution 3.29: The last term in the 7th line should be

$$a_{i,j}(\cos^2 \theta - \sin^2 \theta), \text{ not } a_{i,j}(\cos \theta - \sin \theta).$$