## **ANSWERS**

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## **SOLUTIONS**

1. We have

$$\det\begin{pmatrix} -2 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = (-2)(1)(-1) + (2)(3)(2) + (0)(-1)(3)$$
$$-(2)(1)(3) - (2)(-1)(-1) - (0)(3)(-2)$$
$$= 6, \boxed{D}.$$

2. We have

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2^n} & \frac{1}{3^n} \\ \frac{1}{4^n} & \frac{1}{5^n} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{3^n} \\ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{4^n} & \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{5^n} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} & \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{3}} \\ \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{4}} & \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{5}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & \frac{3}{2} \\ \frac{4}{3} & \frac{5}{4} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Therefore our answer is  $2 + \frac{3}{2} + \frac{4}{3} + \frac{5}{4} = \frac{73}{12}$ , [D.]

3. The span of the matrices is

$$\alpha \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \beta \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & 0 \\ 0 & \beta \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are real numbers. This is equivalent to  $\square$ .

4. Note that  $\det(AB) = \det A \cdot \det B$  for matrices A and B. Using this, we have

$$\det\begin{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & t \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & t^2 \end{bmatrix} = \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & t \end{pmatrix} \cdot \det \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & t^2 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= (t-1)(t^2 - 4)$$
$$= t^3 - t^2 - 4t + 4.$$

To minimize this, we differentiate this last expression and set the result equal to 0:

$$(t^{3} - t^{2} - 4t + 4)' = 3t^{2} - 2t - 4$$

$$= 0$$

$$\Rightarrow t = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{52}}{6} = \frac{1}{3} \pm \frac{\sqrt{13}}{3}.$$

After checking concavities we have  $t = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{\sqrt{13}}{3}$ , C.

5. Note that  $1,\cos(mx)$ , and  $\sin(nx)$  are each piecewise orthogonal over  $[-\pi,\pi]$  for  $m,n\in\mathbb{R}$ . Thus, nearly every term in the expansion of the product will integrate to 0. We are only left with

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} 1 \cdot 1 dx = 2\pi, \quad \boxed{\text{C.}}$$

6. We have

$$A^{2} = \int_{0}^{1} (x+1) \left(\frac{1}{x^{2}+1}\right) dx$$

$$= \int_{0}^{1} \frac{x}{x^{2}+1} + \frac{1}{x^{2}+1} dx$$

$$= \int_{0}^{1} \frac{x}{x^{2}+1} dx + \int_{0}^{1} \frac{1}{x^{2}+1} dx$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2} \ln \left(x^{2}+1\right)\right)_{0}^{1} + \left(\tan^{-1} x\right)_{0}^{1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \ln 2 + \frac{\pi}{4}, \quad \boxed{B}.$$

7. Note that the diagonal entries of A are the first n odd numbers. Thus our answer is just

$$\operatorname{tr}(A) = 1 + 3 + \dots + (2n-1)$$
$$= n^{2}, \ \boxed{\text{C.}}$$

8. We have

$$a(x^{2}-1)+b(x^{2}+5x+6)+c(x+3) = x^{2}(a+b)+x(5b+c)+(-a+6b+3c)$$
$$= 2x^{2}+7x+8.$$

Thus we have the system

$$a+b=2$$

$$5b+c=7$$

$$-a+6b+3c=8$$

which has a solution of  $(a,b,c) = \left(\frac{5}{8},\frac{11}{8},\frac{1}{8}\right)$ . For a proper integral spanning, however, we must have integral a,b,c. Thus, we require that n=8,  $\boxed{A}$ .

- 9. The vectors will be orthogonal if their dot product is equal to 0. Each vector has  $2^n$  possibilities, giving  $\left(2^n\right)^2=4^n$  possible dot products. Consider each term of the vectors one by one. We have 3 possibilities for these two terms to multiply out to 0: either the term of the first vector is 0, the term of the second vector is 0, or both terms are 0. Since this condition is uniform among all the terms, there are  $3^n$  possibilities where the dot product comes out to 0. This gives a probability of  $\frac{3^n}{4^n} = \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^n$ ,  $\boxed{A}$ .
- 10. The eigenvectors of A form the columns of P. Since  $Av = \lambda v$  for eigenvectors v and eigenvalues  $\lambda$ . Thus, we have

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 6 & 6 \\ -1 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = 2$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 6 & 6 \\ -1 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \lambda_2 = 2$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 6 & 6 \\ -1 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \lambda_3 = 1$$

Since the eigenvalues form the entries in the diagonal of the diagonal matrix D, we have that the trace is equal to tr(A) = 2 + 2 + 1 = 5, A.

11. We can write  $v_3 = -v_4 - v_5$ . Thus,  $v_1$  is dependent on one parameter, while  $v_3$  is dependent on two parameters, giving a total of three vectors in the basis. We can write

the basis as 
$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1\\1\\0\\0\\0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0\\0\\1\\-1\\0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0\\0\\1\\0\\-1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}, \quad \boxed{B.}$$

12. After performing row operations, we find that

$$\operatorname{rref}\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 1\\ 0 & 4 & 3 & 6\\ 2 & 0 & 1 & 0\\ -1 & 2 & 1 & 3\\ 1 & -2 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & -0.5\\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0.75\\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1\\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0\\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \ \boxed{A.}$$

- 13. The rank is the number of nonzero rows in the row-reduced echelon form, or 3, B.
- 14. The eigenvalues of A satisfy  $\det(A \lambda I) = 0$ . Similarly, for C, we have

$$\det(C - \lambda I) = \det(B^{-1}AB - \lambda I)$$

$$= \det(B^{-1}AB - \lambda IB^{-1}B)$$

$$= \det(B^{-1}(AB - \lambda IB))$$

$$= \det(B^{-1})\det(B)\det(A - \lambda I)$$

$$= \det(A - \lambda I).$$

Thus, A and C have the same eigenvalues. The sum of the eigenvalues of C is then 23, C.

15. Writing the vectors as rows of a matrix, we have  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 6 & 3 & 9 \\ 1 & 3 & 5 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & -2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$ . The dimension of the basis will be equal to the rank of A. Since rref A =  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -7 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , we have

$$\operatorname{rank}(A) = \dim(B) = 2, \ B.$$

- 16. The two vectors have a span of  $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ a & b \end{pmatrix}$  for  $a,b \in \mathbb{R}$ . The only vector given that matches this is  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\boxed{\mathbf{C}}$ .
- 17. The null space is given by the set of vectors  $v = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix}$  such that Av = 0. Thus, we have

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

This forces a and b to be 0, while putting no restrictions on c. Thus a basis describing this space is  $\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \}$ , [A]

18. We must solve  $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{vmatrix} 3 - \lambda & -2 \\ 4 & -1 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} \Rightarrow (3 - \lambda)(-1 - \lambda) + 8 = 0$ . This gives the quadratic  $\lambda^2 - 2\lambda - 3 + 8 = \lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 5 = 0$ . Using the quadratic formula, we have

$$\lambda = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{(-2)^2 - 4 \cdot 5}}{2} = 1 \pm 2i, \ A.$$

19. We wish to solve

$$\int_{-2}^{2} (x + c_1 x^2 + c_2 x^3) x dx = 0$$

$$\int_{-2}^{2} (x + c_1 x^2 + c_2 x^3) x^2 dx = 0$$

Using the fact that  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  are orthogonal over this range, we can simplify the integrals to

$$\int_{-2}^{2} x^{2} + c_{2}x^{4} dx = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{x^{3}}{3} \Big|_{-2}^{2} + c_{2} \frac{x^{5}}{5} \Big|_{-2}^{2} = \frac{16}{3} + \frac{64}{5} c_{2} = 0$$

$$\int_{-2}^{2} c_{1}x^{4} + c_{2}x^{5} dx = 0 \Rightarrow c_{1} \frac{x^{5}}{5} \Big|_{-2}^{2} + 0 = 0$$

Solving these equations gives  $(c_1, c_2) = \left(0, -\frac{5}{12}\right)$ . Therefore our answer is  $12c_2 = -5$ ,  $\boxed{\text{B.}}$ 

20. Since we are just considering a  $2 \times 2$  matrix, it's easiest just to do the summation out. First, consider k = 0. We only have one choice for  $A_k$ , namely  $A_0 = A$ . This means

$$P(A_0) = (a+b)(c+d) = \Sigma_0$$
. For  $k = 1$ , we have two choices for  $A_k$ , namely  $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ c \end{pmatrix}$  and

 $\begin{pmatrix} b \\ d \end{pmatrix}$ . This gives  $P(A_1) = ac, bd \Rightarrow \Sigma_1 = ac + bd$ . Thus, the permanent is

$$perm(A) = \sum_{k=0}^{1} (-1)^{k} \Sigma_{k}$$

$$= (-1)^{0} (a+b)(c+d) + (-1)^{1} (ac+bd)$$

$$= ad + bc, \boxed{B.}$$

21. This is just

$$L(g) = g' + g$$

$$= 2e^{2x} (2\cos x + 3\sin x) + e^{2x} (3\cos x - 2\sin x)$$

$$+ e^{2x} (2\cos x + 3\sin x)$$

$$= e^{2x} (9\cos x + 7\sin x), \boxed{D.}$$

22. In the general case, we have

$$L(f) = f' + f$$

$$= 2e^{2x} (\alpha \cos x + \beta \sin x) + e^{2x} (-\alpha \sin x + \beta \cos x)$$

$$+ e^{2x} (\alpha \cos x + \beta \sin x)$$

$$= e^{2x} [(3\alpha + \beta)\cos x + (3\beta - \alpha)\sin x].$$

We can write f and L(f) as vectors in terms of the given basis as  $\begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} 3\alpha + \beta \\ 3\beta - \alpha \end{pmatrix} = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \beta \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ . Thus L can be represented as  $L = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\boxed{B}$ .

23. Note that y' + y = L(y). Using the matrix we found in the previous problem, we can

write this as 
$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} y = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
. Letting  $y = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}$  gives

$$\begin{cases} 3a+b=1\\ -a+3b=0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow (a,b) = \left(\frac{3}{10},\frac{1}{10}\right).$$

Thus, a solution is  $y = \frac{3}{10}\cos x + \frac{1}{10}\sin x$ . Thus, our answer is  $\frac{\frac{3}{10}}{\frac{1}{10}} = 3$ ,  $\boxed{\text{C.}}$ 

24. We have to solve

$$M\begin{pmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_{n-1} \\ a_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ 2a_2 \\ \vdots \\ na_n \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Clearly, M is an  $n \times n$  matrix. Determining M can be done systematically. It is easy to see that the first row of M contains only 1 in the second entry. Continuing in this way,

we find that 
$$M = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \ddots & n \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
. We can write this as  $M_{i,j} = \begin{cases} i, & \text{if } j = i+1 \\ 0, & \text{if } j \neq i+1 \end{cases}$ , A.

25. We have to find reals  $c_1, c_2$  such that

$$c_{1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + c_{2} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} c_{1} + 3c_{2} = -2 \\ 2c_{1} + 5c_{2} = 4 \end{cases}$$

Solving this results in  $(c_1, c_2) = (22, -8)$ , which gives the vector  $\begin{pmatrix} 22 \\ -8 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\boxed{\text{D.}}$ 

26. Consider a vector in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ,  $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$ . Applying T to this vector results in

$$T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 6 & -3 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{pmatrix} 3x + 6y - 3z \\ x + 2y + z \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= x \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + y \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + z \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= (x + 2y) \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + z \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thus, the set of vectors is  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ ,  $\boxed{B}$ .

27. Note that  $||v|| = x^2 + y^2 + z^2 + 4$ . Furthermore note that 2(xy + yz + xz) + 4(x + y + z) = 2(xy + yz + xz + 2x + 2y + 2z), so we can write

$$2(xy + yz + xz + 2x + 2y + 2z) = (x + y + z + 2)^{2} - (x^{2} + y^{2} + z^{2} + 4),$$

where we have used the given equation. Thus we have

$$4(x^{2} + y^{2} + z^{2} + 4) = (x + y + z + 2)^{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4||v||^{2} = (x + y + z + 2)^{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 2||v|| = x + y + z + 2.$$

Consider the vector w = (1,1,1,1). Then we can write the last equation as  $\langle v,w\rangle = ||v|| \cdot ||w||$ . This equation is the equality case for the Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality, and thus we know that v and w are collinear. This implies that  $v = aw \Rightarrow (x,y,z,2) = (a,a,a,a) \Rightarrow a = 2$ . Thus, x,y,z=2, so we have  $xyz=2^3=8$ ,  $\boxed{A}$ .

28. Consider the two vectors  $v_1 = (a_1, a_2, ..., a_n)$  and  $v_2 = (a_2, a_3, ..., a_n, a_1)$ . Since we are given  $a_1^2 + a_2^2 + \cdots + a_n^2 = 2$ , we know that both of these vectors have magnitude  $\sqrt{2}$ . Thus, by the Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality, we have

$$\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle \le ||v_1|| \cdot ||v_2||$$
  
 $\Rightarrow a_1 a_2 + a_2 a_3 + \dots + a_{n-1} a_n + a_n a_1 \le \left(\sqrt{2}\right)^2 = 2, \quad \boxed{C}.$ 

29. Note that  $A^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 18 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $A^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , which implies that  $A^n = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  for

$$n \ge 3. \text{ Thus, } e^A = I + A + \frac{A^2}{2} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & \frac{18}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 13 \\ 0 & 1 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \boxed{\underline{A}}.$$

30. We can write  $B_n$  as

$$B_{n} = I + A_{n} + \frac{1}{2}A_{n}^{2} + \frac{1}{6}A_{n}^{3} + \cdots$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -n \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{2}\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -n \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{6}\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -n \end{pmatrix} + \cdots$$

Note that 
$$\begin{pmatrix} a_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a_2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & a_n \end{pmatrix}^k = \begin{pmatrix} a_1^k & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a_2^k & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & a_n^k \end{pmatrix}, \text{ so we have }$$

$$B_{n} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -n \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} (-1)^{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & (-2)^{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & (-n)^{2} \end{pmatrix} + \cdots$$

This is similar to the Taylor Series expansion for e, so we have

$$\begin{pmatrix}
1+(-1)+\frac{1}{2}(-1)^2+\frac{1}{6}(-1)^3+\cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 1+(-2)+\frac{1}{2}(-2)^2+\frac{1}{6}(-2)^3+\cdots & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & \ddots & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 1+(-n)+\frac{1}{2}(-n)^2+\frac{1}{6}(-n)^3+\cdots
\end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix}
\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^i}{i!} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\
0 & 0 & 0 & 0
\end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{i}}{i!} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-2)^{i}}{i!} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-n)^{i}}{i!} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Of course, this is equal to 
$$B_n = \begin{pmatrix} e^{-1} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & e^{-n} \end{pmatrix}$$
. Thus, we have a trace of

$$\operatorname{tr}(B_n) = e^{-1} + e^{-2} + \dots + e^{-n}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \to \infty} \left[ \operatorname{tr}(B_n) \right] = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} e^{-i}.$$

This is equal to 
$$\frac{e^{-1}}{1-\frac{1}{e}} = \frac{1}{e-1}$$
,  $\boxed{\text{C.}}$