

FINAL EXAMINATION - MATH 2121, FALL 2017.

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Problem #	Max points possible	Actual score
1	15	
2	15	
3	10	
4	15	
5	15	
6	15	
7	10	
8	10	
9	15	
Total	120	

You have **180 minutes** to complete this exam.

**No books, notes, or electronic devices can be used on the test.**

Clearly label your answers by putting them in a  box.

Partial credit can be given on some problems if you show your work. Good luck!

**Problem 1.** (3 + 3 + 3 + 3 + 3 = 15 points) Write complete, precise definitions of the following italicised terms.

(1) a *linear transformation*  $T$  from a vector space  $V$  to a vector space  $W$ .

(2) the *span* of a finite set of vectors  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  in a vector space.

(3) a *linearly independent* set of vectors  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  in a vector space.

(4) a *subspace*  $W$  of a vector space  $V$ .

(5) a *basis* for a vector space  $V$ .

**Problem 2.** (15 points) In the following statements,  $A, B, C$ , etc., are matrices (with all real entries), and  $u, v, w, x$ , etc., are vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , unless otherwise noted.

Indicate which of the following is TRUE or FALSE.

One point will be given for each correct answer (no penalty for incorrect answers).

- (1) Any system of  $n$  linear equations in  $n$  variables has at least  $n$  solutions.

TRUE          FALSE

- (2) If a linear system  $Ax = b$  has more than one solution, then so does  $Ax = 0$ .

TRUE          FALSE

- (3) If  $A$  and  $B$  are  $n \times n$  matrices with  $AB = 0$ , then  $A = 0$  or  $B = 0$ .

TRUE          FALSE

- (4) If  $AB = BA$  and  $A$  is invertible, then  $A^{-1}B = BA^{-1}$ .

TRUE          FALSE

- (5) If  $A$  is a square matrix, then  $\det(-A) = -\det A$ .

TRUE          FALSE

- (6) If  $A$  is a nonzero matrix then  $\det A^T A > 0$ .

TRUE          FALSE

- (7) If  $A$  is  $m \times n$  and the transformation  $x \mapsto Ax$  is onto, then  $\text{rank}(A) = m$ .

TRUE          FALSE

(8) If  $V$  is a vector space and  $S \subset V$  is a subset whose span is  $V$ , then some subset of  $S$  is a basis of  $V$ .

TRUE      FALSE

(9) If  $A$  is square and contains a row of zeros, then 0 is an eigenvalue of  $A$ .

TRUE      FALSE

(10) Each eigenvector of a square matrix  $A$  is also an eigenvector of  $A^2$ .

TRUE      FALSE

(11) If  $A$  is diagonalisable, then the columns of  $A$  are linearly independent.

TRUE      FALSE

(12) Every  $2 \times 2$  matrix (with all real entries) has an eigenvector in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

TRUE      FALSE

(13) Every  $3 \times 3$  matrix (with all real entries) has an eigenvector in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

TRUE      FALSE

(14) If  $\|u - v\|^2 = \|u\|^2 + \|v\|^2$  then vectors  $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^m$  are orthogonal.

TRUE      FALSE

(15) If the columns of  $A$  are orthonormal then  $AA^T$  is an identity matrix.

TRUE      FALSE

**Problem 3.** (5 + 5 = 10 points)

(a) Compute the determinant of

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & 0 & b & 0 \\ c & 0 & d & 0 \\ 0 & a & 0 & b \\ 0 & c & 0 & d \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $a, b, c, d$  are real numbers.

For full credit, express your answer in as simple a form as possible.

(b) Find a matrix  $M$  such that  $M \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $M \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$ .



**Problem 4.** (5 + 5 + 5 = 15 points) Let  $\mathcal{V}$  be the vector space of  $3 \times 3$  matrices.

Define  $L : \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{V}$  as the linear transformation  $L(A) = A + A^T$ .

- (a) Find a basis for the subspace  $\mathcal{N} = \{A \in \mathcal{V} : L(A) = 0\}$ . What is  $\dim \mathcal{N}$ ?

(b) Find a basis for the subspace  $\mathcal{R} = \{L(A) : A \in \mathcal{V}\}$ . What is  $\dim \mathcal{R}$ ?

- (c) Find two numbers  $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$  and two nonzero matrices  $A, B \in \mathcal{V}$  such that
- $$L(A) = \lambda A \quad \text{and} \quad L(B) = \mu B.$$



**Problem 5.** (3 + 4 + 4 + 4 = 15 points) Let

$$I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

In this problem  $A$  refers to a  $3 \times 3$  matrix with all real entries satisfying

$$(A - I)(A - 2I)(A - 3I) = 0.$$

- (a) Does there exist a  $3 \times 3$  matrix  $A$  with  $(A - I)(A - 2I)(A - 3I) = 0$  which is not diagonal? If there does, produce an example. Otherwise, give a short explanation for why no such matrix exists.

- (b) Does there exist a  $3 \times 3$  matrix  $A$  with  $(A - I)(A - 2I)(A - 3I) = 0$  which has exactly 2 distinct eigenvalues? If there does, produce an example. Otherwise, give a short explanation for why no such matrix exists.

- (c) Does there exist a  $3 \times 3$  matrix  $A$  with  $(A - I)(A - 2I)(A - 3I) = 0$  which does not have any of the numbers 1, 2, or 3 as an eigenvalue? If there does, produce an example. Otherwise, give a short explanation for why no such matrix exists.

- (d) Does there exist a  $3 \times 3$  matrix  $A$  with  $(A - I)(A - 2I)(A - 3I) = 0$  which is not diagonalisable? If there does, produce an example. Otherwise, give a short explanation for why no such matrix exists.



**Problem 6.** (4 + 7 + 4 = 15 points)

- (a) Compute the distinct eigenvalues of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} .4 & -.3 \\ .4 & 1.2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(b) Again let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} .4 & -.3 \\ .4 & 1.2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Find an invertible matrix  $P$  and a diagonal matrix  $D$  such that  $A = PDP^{-1}$ .

(c) Continue to let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} .4 & -.3 \\ .4 & 1.2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Find real numbers  $a, b, c, d$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A^n = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ .



**Problem 7.** (5 + 5 = 10 points)

(a) Find an orthonormal basis for the subspace of vectors of the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} a + 2b + 3c \\ 2a + 3b + 4c \\ 3a + 4b + 5c \\ 4a + 5b + 6c \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $a, b, c$  are real numbers.

(b) Find the vector in  $W = \mathbb{R}\text{-span}\{u, v\}$  which is closest to  $y$  where

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 13 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad u = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad v = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$



**Problem 8.** (10 points) Describe all least-squares solutions to the linear equation

$$Ax = b$$

where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 6 \\ 5 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$



**Problem 9.** (3 + 5 + 7 = 15 points) Consider the matrix

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

(a) Find the eigenvalues of  $A^T A$ .

- (b) Find an orthonormal basis  $v_1, v_2$  for  $\mathbb{R}^2$  consisting of eigenvectors of  $A^T A$ .

- (c) Find a singular value decomposition for  $A$ . In other words, find the singular values  $\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2$  of  $A$  and then express  $A$  as a product

$$A = U\Sigma V^T$$

where  $U$  and  $V$  are invertible matrices with

$$U^{-1} = U^T \quad \text{and} \quad V^{-1} = V^T \quad \text{and} \quad \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

