

MIDTERM - MATH 2121, FALL 2018.

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Tutorial:    T1A        T1B        T2A        T2B        T3A        T3B

Problem #	Max points possible	Actual score
1	10	
2	10	
3	20	
4	10	
5	10	
6	20	
Total	80	

You have **120 minutes** to complete this exam.

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

Draw a  box around your answers or write your answers in the  boxes provided.

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

**Problem 1.** (10 points)

Assume  $h$  and  $k$  are real numbers and consider the linear system

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 + 3x_2 &= k \\4x_1 + hx_2 &= 8.\end{aligned}$$

Determine all values of  $h$  and  $k$  such that this system has (i) zero solutions, (ii) a unique solution, or (iii) infinitely many solutions.

**Solution:**

(i) The system has zero solutions when:

(ii) The system has a unique solution when:

(iii) The system has infinitely solutions when:



**Problem 2.** (10 points)

Assume  $A$  is a  $3 \times 3$  matrix. The first two columns of  $A$  are pivot columns and

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

What is the reduced echelon form of  $A$ ?

**Solution:**



**Problem 3.** (20 points) Indicate which of the following is TRUE or FALSE.

- (1) If a system of linear equations has two different solutions, then it must have infinitely many solutions.
- (2) If  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix and the equation  $Ax = b$  is consistent for every  $b$  in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ , then  $A$  has  $m$  pivot columns.
- (3) A linear system with no free variables has a unique solution.
- (4) If a linear system  $Ax = b$  has more than one solution, then so does the linear system  $Ax = 0$ .
- (5) If  $u, v, w \in \mathbb{R}^2$  are all nonzero, then  $w$  is a linear combination of  $u$  and  $v$ .
- (6) If  $A, B$ , and  $C$  are matrices with  $AB = AC$ , then  $B = C$ .
- (7) If  $A$  and  $B$  are  $m \times n$  matrices, then both  $AB^T$  and  $A^T B$  are defined.
- (8) If  $A$  and  $B$  are  $n \times n$  matrices with  $AB = BA$ , and if  $A$  is invertible, then  $A^{-1}B = BA^{-1}$ .
- (9) If two matrices are row equivalent, then they have the same column space.
- (10) If two matrices are row equivalent, then they have the same null space.

Each part will be graded as follows: 0 points for a wrong answer, 1 point for no answer, 2 points for the correct answer. Explanations are not required for answers.

**Solution:**

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|------|------|-------|
| (1)  | TRUE | FALSE |
| (2)  | TRUE | FALSE |
| (3)  | TRUE | FALSE |
| (4)  | TRUE | FALSE |
| (5)  | TRUE | FALSE |
| (6)  | TRUE | FALSE |
| (7)  | TRUE | FALSE |
| (8)  | TRUE | FALSE |
| (9)  | TRUE | FALSE |
| (10) | TRUE | FALSE |



**Problem 4.** (10 points) Let  $A$  and  $B$  be matrices.

Suppose  $AB = \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 8 \\ 7 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find  $A$ .

**Solution:**



**Problem 5.** (10 points)

- (a) Give an example of a  $4 \times 3$  matrix  $A$  such that the linear transformation  $T(v) = Av$  is a one-to-one function  $\mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$ . Justify your answer.

- (b) Give an example of a  $2 \times 3$  matrix  $A$  such that the linear transformation  $T(v) = Av$  is an onto function  $\mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ . Justify your answer.



**Problem 6.** (20 points) Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 5 & 9 & -2 \\ 6 & 5 & 1 & 12 \\ 3 & 4 & 8 & -13 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Remember that

- The *column space* of  $A$  is the span of its columns.
- The *null space* of  $A$  is the set of vectors  $v$  with  $Av = 0$ .

(a) Compute the reduced echelon form of  $A$ .

(b) Find a basis for the column space of

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 5 & 9 & -2 \\ 6 & 5 & 1 & 12 \\ 3 & 4 & 8 & -13 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(c) Find a basis for the null space of

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 5 & 9 & -2 \\ 6 & 5 & 1 & 12 \\ 3 & 4 & 8 & -13 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(d) What are the dimensions of the column space and null space of  $A$ ?