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*“An Aggie does not lie, cheat or steal or tolerate those who do.”*

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This exam consists of **ten** problems, the total point value of which is 100 points.

The answer to each question must be **justified in detail**, unless otherwise specified.

The time length of this exam is 1 hour and 15 minutes.

The use of electronic devices, such as cellphones, tables, laptops, and calculators is prohibited.

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**Good luck!**

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**Problem 1.** Let  $P_3$  denote the vector space of polynomials of degree at most two and consider  $q_1(x) = 1$ ,  $q_2(x) = x + 1$ ,  $q_3(x) = x^2 - 1$ .

(i) Write the Wronskian of  $q_1(x)$ ,  $q_2(x)$ , and  $q_3(x)$ . *3 pts.*

(ii) Are  $q_1(x)$ ,  $q_2(x)$ , and  $q_3(x)$  linearly independent? *3 pts.*

(iii) Is  $F = \{q_1(x), q_2(x), q_3(x)\}$  a basis of  $P_3$ ? *3 pts.*

(iv) If  $p_1(x) = 1$ ,  $p_2(x) = x$ ,  $p_3(x) = x^2$ , it is given that  $E = \{p_1(x), p_2(x), p_3(x)\}$  is a basis of  $P_2$ . Write the coordinate vectors  $[q_1(x)]_E$ ,  $[q_2(x)]_E$  and  $[q_3(x)]_E$ . *1 pts.*

**Problem 2.** Let  $C[0, 1]$  denote the vector space of all continuous functions with domain  $[0, 1]$ , consider the functions  $f_1(x) = 4x^{1/2}$ ,  $f_2(x) = 4x^{3/2}$ ,  $f_3(x) = 4x^{5/2}$ .

(i) What is the Wronskian of  $f_1(x)$ ,  $f_2(x)$ , and  $f_3(x)$ ? *4 pts.*

(ii) Are  $f_1(x)$ ,  $f_2(x)$ , and  $f_3(x)$  linearly independent? *4 pts.*

(iii) What is the dimension of the vector space  $V = \text{Span}\{f_1, f_2, f_3\}$ ? *2 pts.*



**Problem 3.**

(i) Consider the following subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ :

$$S_1 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} : a - c = b \right\}, \quad \text{and} \quad S_2 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} : a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 1 \right\}$$

Which of the above are subspaces and which are not?

5 pt.

(ii) Consider the following subsets of  $C[0, 1]$ :

$$X_1 = \{f : f(0) = f(1)\} \quad \text{and} \quad X_2 = \{f : f(0) = 1\}$$

Which of the above are subspaces and which are not?

5 pt.



**Problem 4.**

(i) Do the vectors  $v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $v_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  form a spanning set of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ? *4 pt.*

(ii) Do the vectors  $v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $v_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  form a spanning set of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ? *4 pt.*

(iii) Do the vectors  $v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  form a spanning set of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ? *2 pt.*





**Problem 5.**

Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & -2 & 1 & 1 \\ -2 & 4 & 4 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & -2 & -2 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(i) Find the null space of  $A$ .*8 pt.*(ii) Solve the equation  $Ax = \mathbf{b}$  if  $x_0$  is a known solution in the cases:*2 pt.*

$$(1) \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, x_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad (2) \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, x_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



**Problem 6.**

Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 6 & 2 \\ 2 & 7 & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(i) Find the null space of  $A$ . *5 pt.*(ii) Are the vectors  $v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 6 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$  linearly independent? *3 pt.*(iii) Are the vectors  $v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $v_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$  linearly independent? *2 pt.*



**Problem 7.**

Consider the basis  $E$  of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  given by the vectors

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (i) Find the transition matrix from  $E$  to the usual basis  $\{e_1, e_2, e_3\}$ . *3 pt.*  
(ii) Find the transition matrix from the usual basis to  $E$ . *3 pt.*  
(iii) Consider the basis  $F$  of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  given by the vectors

$$w_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad w_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad w_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find the transition matrix from  $F$  to  $E$ . *2 pt.*

- (iv) Let  $v$  be a vector with  $[v]_F = [-4, 5, 8]^T$ . Find the coordinate vector of  $v$  with respect to the basis  $E$  and with respect to the standard basis. *2 pt.*



**Problem 8.** Consider the matrix

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

- (i) Find the rank and nullity of  $A$ . *2 pt.*
- (ii) Write a basis for the row space of  $A$ . *2 pt.*
- (iii) Write a basis for the column space of  $A$ . *3 pt.*
- (iv) Write a basis for the null space of  $A$ . *3 pt.*
- (v) Consider  $S = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  as a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . What is  $\dim(S)$ ? *1 pt.*
- (vi) Write a basis for  $S$ . *1 pt.*





**Problem 9.** (i) Let  $A$  be a non-singular  $n \times n$  matrix and  $V$  be an  $n \times m$  matrix with  $N(B) = \{0\}$ , i.e., the null space of  $B$  consists only of the zero vector. Show that  $N(AB) = \{0\}$ , i.e., show that the null space of  $AB$  consists only of the zero vector. *5 pt.*

(ii) Let  $A$  be a non-singular  $n \times n$  matrix and let  $x_1, \dots, x_m$  be linearly independent vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Show that the vectors  $y_1 = Ax_1, \dots, y_m = Ax_m$  are also linearly independent. *5 pt.*



**Problem 10.** Let  $A, B$  be  $m \times n$  matrices. That satisfy the following:

- (a)  $\text{col}(A) \cap \text{col}(B) = \{0\}$ , i.e. zero is the only common vector in the column space of  $A$  and the column space of  $B$ .
- (b)  $N(A) \cap N(B) = \{0\}$ , i.e. zero is the only common vector in the null space of  $A$  and the null space of  $B$ .
- (i) Show that for any  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  the vector  $Ax$  is in  $\text{col}(A)$  and  $Bx$  is in  $\text{col}(B)$ . *2 pt.*
- (ii) Show that if some  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  satisfies  $Ax = Bx$  then  $Ax = Bx = 0$ . *2 pt.*
- (iii) Prove  $N(A - B) \subset N(A) \cap N(B)$ , i.e. that any  $x \in N(A - B)$  is in  $N(A)$  and in  $N(B)$ . *2 pt.*
- (iv) Prove  $N(A - B) = \{0\}$  i.e. that  $N(A - B)$  contains only the zero vector. *2 pt.*
- (v) Show that  $\text{rank}(A - B) = n$ . *2 pt.*

