

**MATH 1553, C. JANKOWSKI  
MIDTERM 2**

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Please **read all instructions** carefully before beginning.

- You have 50 minutes to complete this exam.
- There are no aids of any kind (calculators, notes, text, etc.) allowed.
- Please show your work unless specified otherwise. A correct answer without appropriate work may be given little or no credit.
- You may cite any theorem proved in class or in the sections we covered in the text.
- Good luck!

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## Problem 1.

[Parts a) through f) are worth 2 points each]

- a) Complete the following definition (be mathematically precise!):  
A set of vectors  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_p\}$  in  $\mathbf{R}^n$  is *linearly independent* if...

- b) Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . If  $A$  is invertible, find  $A^{-1}$ . If  $A$  is not invertible, justify why.

The remaining problems are true or false. Answer true if the statement is *always* true. Otherwise, answer false. You do not need to justify your answer.

- c) **T** **F** If  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix and the columns of  $A$  span  $\mathbf{R}^n$ , then  $Ax = 0$  has only the trivial solution.
- d) **T** **F** If  $A$  is a  $6 \times 7$  matrix and the null space of  $A$  has dimension 4, then the column space of  $A$  is a 2-plane.
- e) **T** **F** If  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix and  $Ax = b$  has exactly one solution for some  $b$  in  $\mathbf{R}^n$ , then  $A$  is invertible.
- f) **T** **F** If  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix and  $m > n$ , then the linear transformation  $T(x) = Ax$  cannot be one-to-one.

## Problem 2.

[10 points]

Parts (a), (b), and (c) are unrelated.

a) Let  $V = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ .

Fill in the blank: the dimension of  $V$  is \_\_\_\_\_.

b) Let  $W = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} \text{ in } \mathbf{R}^3 \mid x - y - z = 0 \right\}$ .

Is  $W$  a subspace of  $\mathbf{R}^3$ ? (no justification required)

YES

NO

c) The famous philologist is obsessed with the set of vectors

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ h \\ -7 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

where  $h$  is some real number.

Find all values of  $h$  that make the set linearly dependent.

### Problem 3.

[11 points]

Let  $T : \mathbf{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^2$  be the linear transformation given by

$$T \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_3 - x_2 \\ 2x_1 \end{pmatrix},$$

and let  $U : \mathbf{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^2$  be reflection about the line  $y = x$ .

- a) Write the standard matrix  $A$  for  $T$  and the standard matrix  $B$  for  $U$ .
- b) Is  $U$  one-to-one? Briefly justify your answer.
- c) Find the standard matrix for  $U \circ T$ .
- d) Is the transformation  $U \circ T$  onto? Briefly justify your answer.

## Problem 4.

[10 points]

Consider the following matrix  $A$  and its reduced row echelon form:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & 3 \\ -2 & 4 & -8 \end{pmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- a) Find a basis for  $\text{Nul } A$ .
- b) Find a basis  $\mathcal{B}$  for  $\text{Col } A$ .

- c) Let  $x = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$ . Is  $x$  in  $\text{Col } A$ ?

If your answer is no, justify why  $x$  is not in  $\text{Col } A$ .

If your answer is yes, find  $[x]_{\mathcal{B}}$ .

## Problem 5.

[7 points]

Parts (a) and (b) are unrelated.

a) Suppose that a linear transformation  $T : \mathbf{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^2$  satisfies  $T \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$  and

$$T \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}. \text{ Find } T \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

b) Write a single matrix  $A$  that satisfies both of the following two properties:

- Col  $A$  is a subspace of  $\mathbf{R}^4$ , and
- Nul  $A$  is the line  $y = 10x$  in  $\mathbf{R}^2$ .

[Scratch work]