

# Topics for Final Exam

## Math 212 Fall Semester 2017

The final exam will contain *four* sections: (I) **Definitions**, (II) **T/F**, (III) **Multiple Choice**, and (IV) **Problems**. The following topics might appear on the final exam.

- **Definitions:**

1. *linear equation*
2. *particular solution to a linear equation*
3. *general solution to a linear equation*
4.  *$m \times n$  linear system of equations*
5. *particular solution a linear system of equations*
6. *general solution to a linear system of equations*
7. *consistent linear system of equations*
8. *augmented matrix of a linear system of equations*
9. *three types of row operations*
10. *row echelon form*
11. *pivot entry*
12. *pivot positions*
13. *pivot columns*
14. *Fundamental Theorem of Linear Systems*
15. *reduced row echelon form*
16. *free variable*
17. *matrix equality*
18. *matrix addition/subtraction*
19. *matrix-scalar multiplication*
20. *matrix-matrix multiplication*
21. *identity matrix  $I_n$*
22. *matrix transpose*
23. *matrix trace*
24. *matrix inverse*
25. *nonsingular matrix*
26. *singular matrix*
27. *matrix power  $A^n$*
28. *a linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$*
29. *the two linearity properties of a linear transformation*
30. *linear combination of vectors  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$*
31. *null space of a linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$*
32. *unit vector  $e_j$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$*
33. *standard matrix  $A$  of a linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$*
34. *determinant of a square matrix  $A$  in terms of ref and factors*
35. *minor of an entry  $a_{ij}$  in a matrix  $A$*
36. *cofactor of an entry  $a_{ij}$  in a matrix  $A$*
37. *adjoint of a matrix  $A$*

38. *closure* of  $\oplus$  and  $\odot$  in a vector space
39. *commutativity* of  $\oplus$
40. *associativity* of  $\oplus$
41. *distributivity* of  $\odot$  across  $\oplus$
42. the vector spaces  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\mathcal{M}_{m \times n}$ ,  $\mathbb{P}$ ,  $\mathbb{P}_n$ ,  $\mathbb{R}^+$  (with  $x \oplus y = xy$  and  $\alpha \oplus x = x^\alpha$ ),  $\mathbb{R}$  (with  $x \oplus y = x - y - b$  and  $\alpha \oplus x = \alpha(x - b) + b$ )
43. a *subspace* of an abstract vector space
44. the *span* $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$
45. a nontrivial *linear combination* of the vectors  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$
46. *linearly dependent* vectors  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$
47. *linearly independent* vectors  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$
48. *basis* of a vector space  $V$
49. *finite-dimensional* vector space  $V$
50.  $\dim(V)$
51. *standard basis* for  $\mathbb{R}^n$
52. *coordinates* of a vector  $(v)_B$  with respect to a basis  $B$
53. *transition matrix*  $P_{B \rightarrow B'}$  where  $B$  and  $B'$  are bases of the same vector space
54. *eigenvalue*  $\lambda$  of a linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$
55. *eigenvector*  $v$  of an eigenvalue  $\lambda$
56. *characteristic polynomial*  $p(\lambda) = \det(\lambda I - A)$
57. *eigenspace* of an eigenvalue  $\lambda$
58.  $\text{Row}(A)$ ,  $\text{Col}(A)$ ,  $\text{Null}(A)$
59. *nullity* of  $A$
60. *rank* of  $A$
61. *one-to-one* function
62. *onto* function
63. *injection*, *surjection*, and *bijection*
64. *identity* linear transformation

• **Problems:** Be able to do the following types of problems.

1. Form the *augmented matrix* of a linear system of equation, put it into *row echelon form*, and find the *general solution* of the system.
2. Put a matrix in row echelon form into *reduced row echelon form*.
3. Perform varied types of computations with matrices: add, subtract, scalar-multiply, multiply, find transposes, find traces, and find powers of matrices.
4. Prove simple facts about matrices, their inverses, transposes, powers, traces, etc.
5. Find the inverse of a matrix by solving a system of equations.
6. Know the *seven equivalent statements* (so far) that can be made about a matrix  $A$ :  $A$  is invertible  $\Leftrightarrow Ax = 0$  has only the trivial solution  $\Leftrightarrow$  the reduced row echelon form of  $A$  is the identity  $I_n \Leftrightarrow A$  is the product of elementary matrices  $\Leftrightarrow Ax = b$  is consistent for any choice of rhs  $b \Leftrightarrow Ax = b$  has a unique solution for every choice of rhs  $b \Leftrightarrow \det(A) \neq 0$ .
7. Know how to *prove* that a function  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is a linear transformation from the definition of a linear transformation.
8. Know the *two commuting diagrams* presented in class for a linear transformation.

9. Know how to *disprove* that a function  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is a linear transformation.
10. Know that  $T(0_n) = 0_m$  where  $0_n$  and  $0_m$  are the zero column vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\mathbb{R}^m$  respectively.
11. Know that  $T(\alpha u + \beta v) = \alpha T(u) + \beta T(v)$  where  $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ . In general, a linear transformation of a linear combination of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a linear combination of the functional values of those vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .
12. Know how to obtain the *standard matrix* of a linear transformation.
13. Know that the standard matrix of a linear transformation is *unique*.
14. Know how to prove that a vector is in the *range* of a linear transformation by setting up a linear system and proving that it is consistent.
15. Know how to find the *null space* of a linear transformation as the general solution to a linear system of the form  $Ax = 0$  where  $A$  is the standard matrix of the linear transformation.
16. Know how to show that a linear transformation is *one-to-one*, *onto*, or *both* using its standard matrix.
17. Know what the *factors* are for each type of row operation.
18. Know how to find the *determinant* of a matrix  $A$  by using only row operations.
19. Know how to compute a  $2 \times 2$  determinant.
20. Know how to compute a  $3 \times 3$  determinant using *Sarrus's Rule*.
21. Know what the *determinants of the elementary matrices* are.
22. Know that a matrix  $A$  is invertible  $\Leftrightarrow \det(A) \neq 0$ .
23. Know that  $\det(AB) = \det(A)\det(B)$ .
24. Know that  $\det(A^{-1}) = 1/\det(A)$ .
25. Know that  $\det(A^T) = \det(A)$ .
26. Know how to compute the determinant of a matrix by *expansion by cofactors*.
27. Know how to compute the *adjoint*,  $\text{Adj}(A)$ , of a matrix  $A$ .
28. Know that if  $A$  is invertible, then  $A^{-1} = 1/\det(A) \cdot \text{Adj}(A)$ .
29. Know how verify that a given set  $V$  equipped with operations  $\oplus$  and  $\odot$  satisfies the vector space axioms.
30. Know how to do computations in and generally be able to work with the vector spaces given in class:  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\mathcal{M}_{m \times n}$ ,  $\mathbb{P}$ ,  $\mathbb{P}_n$ ,  $\mathbb{R}^+$  (with  $x \oplus y = xy$  and  $\alpha \oplus x = x^\alpha$ ),  $\mathbb{R}$  (with  $x \oplus y = x - y - b$  and  $\alpha \oplus x = \alpha(x - b) + b$ ).
31. Know how do a simple proof using only the vector space axioms.
32. Know how to show that a given subset  $S$  of  $V$  is a subspace (or not) of a vector space  $V$  by checking closure of addition and scalar multiplication.
33. Know how to show that a given vector is in the span of vectors  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$ .
34. Know how to show that a set of vectors  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$  is linearly independent.
35. Know how to show that a set of vectors  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$  is linearly dependent.
36. Know an example of an infinite-dimensional vector space.
37. Know examples of bases for  $\mathcal{M}_{m \times n}$ ,  $\mathbb{P}_n$ , and  $\mathbb{P}$ .
38. Know how to find the coordinates of a vector with respect to a given basis in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\mathcal{M}_{m \times n}$ ,  $\mathbb{P}_n$ , and  $\mathbb{P}$ .
39. Know how to change the coordinates of a vector from one basis to another by solving equations.
40. Know how to change the coordinates of a vector from one basis to another by using transition matrices.
41. Know how to find the transition matrix  $P_{B \rightarrow B'}$ , and find the transition matrix  $P_{B' \rightarrow B}$  by the inverse method.

42. Know how to find all the eigenvalues of a linear transformation  $T = T_A$  where  $A$  is the standard matrix of  $T$ .
43. Know how to find a basis for the eigenspace  $E_\lambda$  of an eigenvalue  $\lambda$ .
44. Know how to diagonalize a matrix  $A$  by finding matrices  $P$  and  $P^{-1}$  such that  $P^{-1}AP = D$  where  $D$  is a diagonal matrix.
45. Know how to solve a system of first-order, linear differential equations by diagonalization.
46. Know how to find bases for  $Row(A)$ ,  $Col(A)$ , and  $Null(A)$ , and  $Null(A^T)$ .
47. Know what the *Dimension Theorem* is.
48. Know how to find the *standard matrix of the inverse of a one-to-one linear transformation*.