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## Practice Midterm Exam - Math 102

70 minutes

- The test covers sections 1.1 through 3.4 of your textbook, excluding section 1.7.
- The actual midterm is on Thursday during class - **please bring a blue book**.
- The format of the actual midterm will be the same - seven questions each worth an equal amount.
- I recommend doing this practice midterm in a test-like environment after you have done a good amount of studying. Give yourself 70 minutes, and don't look at any notes.
- This is the only practice midterm I will make, but if you want more practice, there are lots of good problems in the chapter reviews of your textbook.
- Remember to show all of your work.

1. True or False?

- (a) The vector  $\frac{1}{3}u$  is a linear combination of  $u$  and  $v$ .
- (b) A set of five vectors must span  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .
- (c) If  $v_1, v_2$ , and  $v_3$  are vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  and  $v_3$  is not a linear combination of  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ , then  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  is linearly independent.
- (d) If a square matrix  $A$  satisfies the property that  $Ax = b$  has at least one solution for every  $b$ , then  $Ax = b$  has exactly one solution for every  $b$ .
- (e) If  $v$  is orthogonal to each vector in a basis for  $W$ , then  $v$  must be orthogonal to any vector in  $W$ .

2. Find the LDU factorization of

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 4 \\ 2 & -8 & 3 \\ -8 & 13 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. Show that for any  $A$  and  $b$ , only one of the following systems has a solution.

- i  $Ax = b$
- ii  $A^T y = 0$  and  $y^T b \neq 0$ .

That is, either  $b \in \text{Col}(A)$  or there is a  $y \in \text{Null}(A^T)$  such that  $y^T b \neq 0$  but not both.

4. (a) On the vector space  $\mathbb{P}_3$  of polynomials of degree less than or equal to three, what matrix  $A$  represents taking the second derivative?
- (b) Find a basis for  $\text{Null}(A)$  and interpret what this means in terms of polynomials.
- (c) Find a basis for  $\text{Col}(A)$  and interpret what this means in terms of polynomials.

5. Show that for any matrix  $A$ ,  $\text{Null}(A^T A) = \text{Null}(A)$ .

6. Show that the left nullspace of  $A$  and the column space of  $A$  are orthogonal complements in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .

7. Find the least-squares solution of  $Ax = b$  for  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $b = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 11 \end{bmatrix}$ .