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2018 FINAL EXAM

MAT185

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## Question 1

Determine whether the following claims are true or false and mark the appropriate box – you do not need to explain your answer. (2 points each)

- (a) If  $U$  and  $W$  are two subspaces of a given vector space  $V$ , then the intersection  $U \cap W$  is also a vector space.

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True

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False

- (b) If  $\mathbf{A} \in {}^n\mathbb{R}^n$  is diagonalizable with  $\lambda_i = 0$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , then  $\mathbf{A}$  is the zero matrix.

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True

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False

- (c) The set of continuous functions  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $f(0, 1) = 2$ , together with usual operations on functions, defines a vector space.

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True

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False

- (d) All the eigenvectors and eigenvalues of a real matrix are real.

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True

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False

- (e) Let  $\mathbf{A} \in {}^n\mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $\mathbf{A}^2$  is the zero matrix. Then  $\mathbf{A}$  can have non-zero eigenvalues.

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True

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False

- (f) For any matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in {}^n\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\mu \in \mathbb{R}$ , we have  $\det_n(\mu\mathbf{A}) = \mu \det_n(\mathbf{A})$ .

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True

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False

- (g) The mapping  $T(f(x)) = e^x f(x)$  is a linear transformation.

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True

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False

- (h) It is possible to find a  $2 \times 2$  real matrix with eigenvalues equal to 2 and  $i \in \mathbb{C}$ , where  $i^2 = -1$ .

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True

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False

## Question 2

(a) Which *triangular* matrices  $\mathbf{A} \in {}^n\mathbb{R}^n$  are invertible? Justify your answer. (4 points)

Recall that the set of *integers* is the set

$$\mathbb{Z} = \{\dots, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\},$$

and that  ${}^n\mathbb{Z}^n$  denotes the set of  $n \times n$  matrices all of whose entries are integers. For questions (b-c) below, you may use the fact (without proving it) that if all entries of a matrix are integers, then the determinant of that matrix is also an integer.

(b) Which matrices from  ${}^n\mathbb{Z}^n$  have an inverse in  ${}^n\mathbb{Z}^n$ ? Justify your answer. (4 points)

(c) Let  $\mathbf{A} \in {}^n\mathbb{Z}^n$  such that  $\det_n(\mathbf{A}) = 1$ . Show that for any  $\mathbf{b} \in {}^n\mathbb{Z}$ , the solution to  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$  also belongs to  ${}^n\mathbb{Z}$ . (4 points)

### Question 3

Let  $\mathbf{A} \in {}^n\mathbb{R}^n$ . Consider the set  $U = \left\{ \mathbf{x} \in {}^n\mathbb{R} \text{ such that } \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{x} \right\}$ .

(a) Show that  $U$  is a vector space. (4 points)

(b) Consider the matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 4 & 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 3 \\ 4 & 6 & 8 & 2 & 7 \\ 2 & 7 & 3 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 7 & 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Find a basis for  $U$ . (6 points)

### Question 4

Consider the matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} 1001 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 1 & 1002 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 & 1003 & 4 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 1004 & 5 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 1005 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- (a) Let  $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{A} - 1000\mathbf{I}$ , where  $\mathbf{I}$  is the  $5 \times 5$  identity matrix. Show that  $\lambda_1 = 0$  is an eigenvalue of  $\mathbf{B}$ . (4 points)

- (b) Determine the geometric multiplicity of  $\lambda_1$  and find a basis of the corresponding eigenspace of  $\mathbf{B}$ . (4 points)

- (c) Show that  $\lambda_2 = 15$  is also an eigenvalue for  $\mathbf{B}$ , and give an eigenvector associated to  $\lambda_2$ . (3 points)

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### Question 4, (continued)

(d) Show that the algebraic multiplicity of  $\lambda_2$  is equal to 1 (Hint: use the geometric multiplicity of  $\lambda_1$  obtained in part (b)). Is  $\mathbf{B}$  diagonalizable? (4 points)

(e) Deduce the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{A}$ . (3 points)

### Question 5

Consider the space  $\mathbb{P}_2$  of polynomials of degree at most 2.

- (a) Show that the set  $v$  given by  $\{v_1 = 1, v_2 = 1 + x, v_3 = 1 + x^2\}$  forms a basis of  $\mathbb{P}_2$ . (6 points)

- (b) Let  $T : \mathbb{P}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_2$  be a linear transformation whose matrix (in the basis of the previous question) is

$$[T]_v^v = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

What is the polynomial  $T(x^2)$ ? (6 points)

- (c) Compute  $[T]_w^w$  where  $w = \{w_1 = 1, w_2 = x, w_3 = x^2\}$ . (4 points)

### Question 6

- (a) Let  $\mathbf{A}$  be a  $3 \times 3$  matrix with eigenvectors  $v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  (with eigenvalue  $\lambda_1 = 2$ ) and  $v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  (with eigenvalue  $\lambda_2 = -1$ ). Compute  $\mathbf{A} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . (6 points)

- (b) Let  $\mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , and let  $v = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Compute  $\mathbf{B}^{1000}v$ . (6 points)



### Question 7

Let  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  be  $n \times n$  matrices, such that  $\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{BA}$ .

- (a) Show that if  $x$  is an eigenvector of  $\mathbf{A}$ , then  $\mathbf{B}x$  is also an eigenvector of  $\mathbf{A}$ , with the same eigenvalue. (6 points)

- (b) Suppose  ${}^n\mathbb{R}$  has a basis  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  of eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{A}$ , with **distinct** eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ . Show that each  $v_i$  is also an eigenvector for  $\mathbf{B}$ . (6 points)

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### Question 7, (continued)

- (c) Show that given the assumptions of the previous question,  $\mathbf{B}$  is also diagonalizable. (4 points)

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