

※ 注意：請於試卷上「非選擇題作答區」內依序作答，並應註明作答之大題及其題號。

Instructions.

- There are two problems in two pages.
- In a problem, if an exercise depends on the conclusions of other exercises that precede it, you may assume these conclusions without solving them.

**Problem 1 (80 points).** Let  $m$  and  $n$  be two positive integers. The  $\mathbb{C}$ -vector space of matrices of size  $m \times n$  with coefficients in  $\mathbb{C}$  is denoted by  $M_{m,n}(\mathbb{C})$ . We also set  $M_n(\mathbb{C}) = M_{n,n}(\mathbb{C})$ .

The aim of this problem is to prove the following statement.

**Theorem.** Let  $m, n$  and  $r$  be positive integers with  $r \leq m \leq n$ . Let  $V \subset M_{m,n}(\mathbb{C})$  be a  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear subspace. Assume that every matrix  $A$  in  $V$  satisfies  $\text{rank } A \leq r$ . Then

$$\dim V \leq nr.$$

- (1) Show that it suffices to prove the theorem for  $m = n$ .
- (2) Assume that  $m = n$ . Show that we can assume that  $V$  contains the block matrix

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} I_r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $I_r$  is the identity matrix of rank  $r$ .

From now on, we assume that  $m = n$ , and that  $R \in V$ .

- (3) Let

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} M_{11} & M_{12} \\ M_{21} & M_{22} \end{pmatrix} \in V$$

be a block matrix in  $V$  with  $M_{11} \in M_r(\mathbb{C})$ . Show that

$$M_{22} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad M_{21}M_{12} = 0.$$

(Hint: you may consider the  $(r+1) \times (r+1)$  minors of  $M + tR$  for  $t \in \mathbb{C}$ .)

- (4) Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in V, \quad B = \begin{pmatrix} B_{11} & B_{12} \\ B_{21} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in V$$

be two block matrices with  $A_{11}, B_{11} \in M_r(\mathbb{C})$ . Show that

$$A_{21}B_{12} + B_{21}A_{12} = 0.$$

- (5) Let  $\phi : V \rightarrow M_{r,n}(\mathbb{C})$  be the map sending a matrix  $M \in V$  to its first  $r$  rows. Define the  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear subspace

$$W = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ A_{21} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in V \mid A_{21} \in M_{n-r,r}(\mathbb{C}) \right\} \subset V,$$

and let  $s = \dim W$ . Show that

$$\dim \phi(V) \leq nr - s,$$

by considering the map

$$\psi : W \rightarrow M_{r,n}(\mathbb{C})^\vee$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ A_{21} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mapsto T_{A_{21}}$$

to the dual of  $M_{r,n}(\mathbb{C})$ , where  $T_{A_{21}}$  is the linear form defined by

$$T_{A_{21}}(B_{11}, B_{12}) = \text{Tr}(A_{21}B_{12})$$

for every block matrix  $(B_{11}, B_{12}) \in M_{r,n}(\mathbb{C})$  with  $B_{11} \in M_r(\mathbb{C})$ .

(6) Conclude that

$$\dim V \leq nr.$$

(7) Show that the inequality in the theorem is optimal. More precisely, for all positive integers  $m, n$  and  $r$  with  $r \leq m \leq n$ , construct  $V \subset M_{m,n}(\mathbb{C})$  as in the theorem such that

$$\dim V = nr.$$

**Problem 2 (20 points).** Let  $V$  be a nonzero vector space over a field  $F$ . Let

$$B : V \times V \rightarrow F$$

be a non-degenerate symmetric bilinear form on  $V$ , and let

$$q : V \rightarrow F$$

$$v \mapsto B(v, v)$$

be the associated quadratic form. For every  $x \in F$ , we say that  $q$  represents  $x$  if  $q(v) = x$  for some nonzero  $v \in V$ .

- (1) Suppose that  $q$  represents 0. Show that  $q$  represents every element of  $F$ . (Hint: Consider  $q(cv + w)$  with  $c \in F$  and some suitable  $w \in V$ .)
- (2) Show that  $B$  extends to a non-degenerate symmetric bilinear form on  $V \oplus F$  whose associated quadratic form represents every element of  $F$ .

Notation:  $\mathbf{R}$  is the set of real numbers, and  $\mathbf{C}$  is the set of complex numbers. If  $F = \mathbf{R}$  or  $\mathbf{C}$ , denote by  $M_n(F)$  the  $n \times n$  matrices with entries in  $F$ . If  $A \in M_{m \times n}(F)$ , denote by  $A^t \in M_{n \times m}(F)$  the transpose of  $A$ . Denote by  $I_n$  the  $n \times n$  identity matrix and  $0_n$  the  $n \times n$  zero matrix.

**Problem 1** (10pts). Let  $i = \sqrt{-1} \in \mathbf{C}$  be a root of  $X^2 + 1$ . Let

$$v_1 = (1, 0, -i), \quad v_2 = (1 + i, 1 - i, 1), \quad v_3 = (i, i, i).$$

Show that  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  is a basis of  $\mathbf{C}^3$  and express the vector  $v_4 = (1, 0, 1)$  as a linear combination of  $v_1, v_2$  and  $v_3$ , namely find  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3 \in \mathbf{C}$  such that  $v_4 = \alpha_1 v_1 + \alpha_2 v_2 + \alpha_3 v_3$ .

**Problem 2** (15 pts). Let

$$v_1 = (0, 3, 3, 1), \quad v_2 = (2, 1, -3, 7), \quad v_3 = (1, 8, 6, 6), \quad v_4 = (1, 10, -4, 2)$$

be vectors in  $\mathbf{R}^4$ . Let  $W_1 = \text{span}_{\mathbf{R}}\{v_1, v_2\}$  and let  $W_2 = \text{span}_{\mathbf{R}}\{v_3, v_4\}$ . Find the dimension and a basis of  $W_1 \cap W_2$ .

**Problem 3** (25 pts). Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in M_{2 \times 3}(\mathbf{R}).$$

- (1) (15pts) Find an orthogonal matrix  $P \in M_3(\mathbf{R})$  such that  $P^{-1}A^tAP$  is a diagonal matrix.
- (2) (10pts) Find the singular value decomposition of  $A$ . In other words, factorize  $A = U\Sigma V^t$ , where  $U \in M_3(\mathbf{R})$  and  $V \in M_3(\mathbf{R})$  are orthogonal matrices and  $\Sigma \in M_{2 \times 3}(\mathbf{R})$  is of the form

$$\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq 0$$

**Problem 4** (15pts). Let  $V = M_3(\mathbf{C})$  be a 9-dimension vector space over  $\mathbf{C}$  and let

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

Define the linear transformation  $T: V \rightarrow V$  by

$$T(B) = AB - BA.$$

- (1) (5pts) Find the dimension of  $\text{Ker } T$ .
- (2) (10pts) Show that  $T$  is diagonalizable.

**Problem 5** (15pts). Let  $A, B \in M_n(\mathbf{R})$ . Prove that  $\text{rank } A + \text{rank } B \leq n$  if and only if there exists an invertible matrix  $X \in M_n(\mathbf{R})$  such that  $AXB = 0_n$ .

**Problem 6** (20pts). Let  $A$  and  $B$  be elements in  $M_n(\mathbf{C})$ . Suppose that

$$AB - BA = c \cdot (A - B)$$

for some non-zero  $c \in \mathbf{C}$ . Prove that there exists an invertible matrix  $P \in M_n(\mathbf{C})$  such that  $P^{-1}AP$  and  $P^{-1}BP$  are upper-triangular matrices with the same diagonal entries.

Notation: We denote by  $\mathbb{C}$  the set of complex numbers. For any positive integer  $n$ , we denote by  $\mathbb{C}^n$  the  $n$ -dimensional column vector spaces over  $\mathbb{C}$ ; let  $I_n$  be the identity matrix in  $M_n(\mathbb{C})$ .

**Problem 1 (15pts).** Let  $T : \mathbb{C}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^3$  be the linear transformation defined by  $T(v) = A \cdot v$ , where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -3 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 3 & 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in M_{3 \times 4}(\mathbb{C}).$$

- (1) (5 pts) Find the rank and the nullity of  $T$ .
- (2) (10pts) Find a base of  $\text{Ker } T$  (the kernel of  $T$ ).

**Problem 2 (15pts).** For any complex number  $a \in \mathbb{C}$ , let  $V_a$  be the subspace spanned by the row vectors

$$(2, -5, a), (1, a, -4), (a, -1, -2).$$

Determine all possible values  $a \in \mathbb{C}$  such that  $\dim_{\mathbb{C}} V_a = 2$ .

**Problem 3 (25pts).** Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- (1) (15pts) Find an invertible matrix  $P \in M_3(\mathbb{C})$  such that  $P^{-1}AP$  is a diagonal matrix.
- (2) (10pts) Find an invertible matrix  $Q \in M_3(\mathbb{C})$  such that

$$Q^{-1}AQ = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & -4 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

**Problem 4 (15pts).** Let  $A \in M_n(\mathbb{C})$  be a Hermitian matrix  $\iff A = A^*$ .

- (1) (5 pts) Show that  $\text{Ker } A \cap \text{Im } A = \{0\}$ .
- (2) (10pts) If  $A^3 = 2A^2 + 2A$ , show that  $A = 0$ .

**Problem 5 (15pts).** Let  $A \in M_n(\mathbb{C})$  such that  $A^n = 0$  but  $A^{n-1} \neq 0$ .

- (1) (7pts) Show that there exists  $v \in \mathbb{C}^n$  such that  $\{v, Av, A^2v, \dots, A^{n-1}v\}$  is a basis of  $\mathbb{C}^n$ .
- (2) (8pts) If  $B \in M_n(\mathbb{C})$  such that  $AB = BA$ , prove that

$$B = a_0 + a_1A + a_2A^2 + \dots + a_{n-1}A^{n-1}$$

for some  $a_0, \dots, a_{n-1} \in \mathbb{C}$ .

**Problem 6 (15pts).** Let  $A, B \in M_n(\mathbb{C})$ . Suppose that the eigenvalues of  $A, B$  are all non-negative real numbers and that  $\text{null}(A) = \text{null}(A^2)$  and  $\text{null}(B) = \text{null}(B^2)$ . If  $A^4 = B^4$ , prove that  $A = B$ .

(Recall that  $\text{null}(A) := \text{the nullity of } A = \text{the dimension of the kernel of } A$ )

## Linear Algebra

1. (20 points.) Let  $A, B \in M_{n \times n}(F)$  be two  $n \times n$  matrices over a field  $F$ .
  - (a) Prove that  $\text{rank}(A + B) \leq \text{rank}(A) + \text{rank}(B)$ .
  - (b) Prove that  $\text{rank}(A) + \text{rank}(B) \leq \text{rank}(AB) + n$ .
2. (15 points.) Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix over  $\mathbb{C}$  of the form

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_0 & a_1 & a_2 & \cdots & a_{n-2} & a_{n-1} \\ a_{n-1} & a_0 & a_1 & \cdots & a_{n-3} & a_{n-2} \\ a_{n-2} & a_{n-1} & a_0 & \cdots & a_{n-4} & a_{n-3} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_1 & a_2 & a_3 & \cdots & a_{n-1} & a_0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Define  $f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \cdots + a_{n-1}x^{n-1}$  and  $\omega = e^{2\pi i/n}$ . Prove that

$$\det A = \prod_{j=0}^{n-1} f(\omega^j).$$

3. (15 points.) Let  $T : V \rightarrow V$  be a linear operator on a finite-dimensional vector space  $V$  over  $\mathbb{C}$  and  $f(x) \in \mathbb{C}[x]$  be a polynomial. Prove that the linear transformation  $f(T)$  is invertible if and only if  $f(x)$  and the minimal polynomial  $T$  have no common roots.
4. (15 points.) Let  $v_1, \dots, v_k$  be eigenvectors corresponding to  $k$  distinct eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k$  of a linear operator  $T$  on a vector space  $V$ . Prove that the  $T$ -cyclic subspace generated by  $v = v_1 + \cdots + v_k$  has dimension  $k$ .
5. (15 points.) Let  $T : V \rightarrow V$  be a linear operator on a finite-dimensional inner product space  $V$  over  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $T^*$  be its adjoint. Suppose that  $T^* = T^3$ . Prove that  $T^2$  is diagonalizable over  $\mathbb{R}$ .
6. (20 points.) Let  $V$  be a vector space of dimension  $n$  over a field  $F$ . Determine the dimension over  $F$  of the vector space of multilinear alternating functions  $f : V \times \cdots \times V \rightarrow F$  ( $k$  copies of  $V$ ).

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- Unless otherwise specified, everything is over  $\mathbb{R}$ .
- The ordinary inner product of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is denoted by  $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v}$ .
- $\mathcal{S}_n$  is the space of  $n \times n$  square matrices.
- $\mathcal{P}$  is the vector space of polynomials of one variable  $x$  with real coefficients.
- Dual space  $V^*$  of real vector space  $V$  is  $\{\alpha \mid \alpha : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \alpha \text{ is linear}\}$ .

- (1) [16%]  $V \subset \mathbb{R}^4$  is a subspace span by  $\vec{u} = [1 \ -4 \ 8 \ 3]^t$  and  $\vec{v} = [2 \ -2 \ 10 \ 3]^t$ . Define a linear transformation  $T : V \rightarrow V$  by

$$T(\vec{u}) = 5\vec{u} + 2\vec{v}$$

$$T(\vec{v}) = 7\vec{u} + \vec{v}$$

The induced inner product of  $V$  from  $\mathbb{R}^4$  is defined by  $\langle \vec{x}, \vec{y} \rangle = \vec{x} \cdot \vec{y}$ ,  $\vec{x}, \vec{y} \in V$ . Is  $T$  self-adjoint with respect to  $\langle, \rangle$ ? Demonstrate your answer.

- (2) [16%]  $\mathcal{P}_3 \equiv \{f(x) \in \mathcal{P} \mid \deg(f(x)) \leq 3\}$ . Let  $\mathcal{P}_3^*$  be the dual space of  $\mathcal{P}_3$ . For any  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ , define  $\hat{a} \in \mathcal{P}_3^*$  by  $\hat{a}(f(x)) = f(a)$  and  $d\hat{a} \in \mathcal{P}_3^*$  by  $d\hat{a}(f(x)) = f'(a)$ .

a. Find the basis  $\phi_{-1}(x), \phi_0(x), \phi_d(x), \phi_1(x)$  of  $\mathcal{P}_3$  such that  $\widehat{-1}, \widehat{0}, d\widehat{0}, \widehat{1}$  are their corresponding dual basis.

b. Define  $I \in \mathcal{P}_3^*$  by  $I(f(x)) = \int_{-1}^1 f(x)dx$ . Find  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \epsilon \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$I = \alpha \widehat{-1} + \beta \widehat{0} + \gamma d\widehat{0} + \epsilon \widehat{1}$$

c. If there is  $f(x) \in \mathcal{P}_3$  such that  $f(-1) = -2, f(0) = 2, f'(0) = \pi, f(1) = -6$ , evaluate  $\int_{-1}^1 f(x)dx$ .

- (3) [16%]  $\Gamma = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{S}_n$ .  $\mathcal{C}_n = \{X \mid X\Gamma = \Gamma X\}$  is a subspace of  $\mathcal{S}_n$ .

Determine  $\dim \mathcal{C}_n$  and find a basis of  $\mathcal{C}_n$ .

- (4) [16%]  $A \in \mathcal{S}_n$ . Define  $m_{ij}$  to be the determinant of the submatrix formed by deleting the  $i$ -th row and  $j$ -th column of  $A$ . Define the classical adjoint matrix  $\text{adj } A = [(-1)^{i+j} m_{ji}]$ . Suppose  $A$  is not invertible, show that rank of  $\text{adj } A$  is  $\leq 1$ .

When is the rank of  $\text{adj } A = 1$ ?

- (5) [16%] If  $A = [a_{ij}] \in \mathcal{S}_n$  is positive definite, show that  $\det A \leq a_{11}a_{22} \cdots a_{nn}$ .

- (6) [20%]  $A \in \mathcal{S}_n(\mathbb{C})$ . Over  $\mathbb{C}$ , show the following two statements are equivalent.

- The characteristic polynomial of  $A$  is equal to minimal polynomial of  $A$ .
- For any  $X \in \mathcal{S}_n(\mathbb{C})$  satisfies  $XA = AX$ ,  $X$  is a polynomial of  $A$ .

(1) (20 points) Let  $V_1$  be the  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear span of functions:  $\sin^i x \cdot \cos^j x$ ,  $i, j = 0, \dots, n$ . Let  $V_2$  be the  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear span of functions:  $\sin kx \cdot \cos kx$ ,  $k = 0, \dots, n$ . Determine the dimensions of  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  and prove your assertion. Is it true that  $V_1 = V_2$ ? Prove or disprove it.

(2) (15 points) Let  $\varphi: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  be a linear transformation and let  $id$  be the identity map sending every  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$  to  $v$ . Prove that there exist  $C > 0$  such that for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $|t| > C$ , the map  $id + t \cdot \varphi$  is surjective.

(2) (15 points) Let  $A := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $B := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,

$$V = \{v \in \mathbb{C}^4 \mid A \cdot v = \lambda_a \cdot v, B \cdot v = \lambda_b \cdot v, \text{ for some } \lambda_a, \lambda_b \in \mathbb{C}\}.$$

Find a basis of  $V$ .

(4) (15 points) Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  diagonal matrix with diagonal entries  $A_{11}, \dots, A_{nn}$ . Show that the linear span  $W$  of  $A^k$ ,  $k = 0, 1, \dots$ , is of dimension  $n$  if and only if  $A_{ii} \neq A_{jj}$  for different  $i$  and  $j$ .

(5) (15 points) Suppose  $\varphi$  and  $g$  are  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear transformations from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $g \circ \varphi = \varphi^2 \circ g$  and  $g$  is injective. Show that  $\varphi$  and  $\varphi^2$  have the same kernel (null-space), image, eigenvalues and eigenspaces.

(6) Prove or disprove the following statements (10 points for each).

Let  $Q: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a quadratic form.

(a) Let  $\mathbb{Z}^n \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  denote the subset consisting of vectors with integer coordinates. Then  $Q$  is positive definite if and only if  $Q(v) > 0$  for all  $v \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ .

(b) There is some  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  such that  $Q(v) = v^t \cdot A^t \cdot A \cdot v$ , for all  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Here,  $B^t$  denotes the transpose of  $B$ .

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- Dual space  $V^*$  of real vector space  $V$  is  $\{\alpha \mid \alpha : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \alpha \text{ is linear}\}$ .

A. [15%] 是非題。若錯誤，需說明原因或給出反例。本題答案須寫在答案簿最前面。

1. There is a linear transformation  $A : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  such that  $\text{im } A = \ker A$ .
2.  $A \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times n}$ . Suppose  $A^2 = A$  then  $\ker A = (\text{im } A)^\perp$ .
3. For any  $A, B, C \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times n}$ ,  $\text{tr}(ABC) = \text{tr}(CBA)$ .
4. The matrix representation  $A$  of an adjoint transformation satisfies  $A^t = A$ .
5. Symmetric matrix  $A$  is positive definite if and only if all its diagonal elements are positive.

B. [85%] 計算/證明題。(6A) 和 (6B) 只選擇一題作答，兩題皆答，以先寫者計算。

- (1) [15%] Find all Jordan canonical forms for square matrices in  $\mathcal{M}_{n \times n}$ ,  $n \leq 6$ , with minimal polynomial  $(t-1)^2(t+1)^2$ .
- (2) [15%] For  $A, B \in \mathcal{M}_{m \times n}$ , show that  $f_{BA^t}(t) = f_{B^tA}(t) \cdot t^{m-n}$ .
- (3) [15%] Consider  $V = \{A \mid AX = XA, \text{ for any } X \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times n}\} \subset \mathcal{M}_{n \times n}$ . Show that  $V$  is an one dimensional subspace of  $\mathcal{M}_{n \times n}$ .
- (4) [15%]  $A \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times n}$ . Suppose  $(t^2 + 1) \mid f_A(t)$ , are there  $\vec{u}, \vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $A\vec{u} = \vec{v}$  and  $A\vec{v} = -\vec{u}$ ? Prove or disprove it.
- (5) [15%]  $U$  is a subspace of a finite dimensional vector space  $V$ . Consider  $D_U \subset V^*$  defined by  $\{\alpha \in V^* \mid U \text{ is a subspace of } \ker \alpha\}$ . Show that  $D_U$  is a subspace of dimension  $\dim V - \dim U$ .

(6A) [10%] Show the volume  $V$  of the parallelepiped span by  $\vec{u}, \vec{v}, \vec{w} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  satisfies

$$V^2 = \|\vec{u}\|^2 \|\vec{v}\|^2 \|\vec{w}\|^2 + 2(\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v})(\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w})(\vec{w} \cdot \vec{u}) - \|\vec{u}\|^2 (\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w})^2 - \|\vec{v}\|^2 (\vec{w} \cdot \vec{u})^2 - \|\vec{w}\|^2 (\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v})^2$$

(6B) [10%] Following diagram of vector spaces and linear transformations satisfies

(a)  $\ker f_{i+1} = \text{im } f_i$ ,  $\ker g_{i+1} = \text{im } g_i$ ,  $i = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$ .

(b)  $\alpha_{i+1} \circ f_i = g_i \circ \alpha_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccccccc} \{0_{A_1}\} & \xrightarrow{f_0} & A_1 & \xrightarrow{f_1} & B_1 & \xrightarrow{f_2} & C_1 & \xrightarrow{f_3} & D_1 & \xrightarrow{f_4} & E_1 & \xrightarrow{f_5} & \{0_{E_1}\} \\ & & \alpha_1 \downarrow \cong & & \alpha_2 \downarrow \cong & & \alpha_3 \downarrow & & \alpha_4 \downarrow \cong & & \alpha_5 \downarrow \cong & & \\ \{0_{A_2}\} & \xrightarrow{g_0} & A_2 & \xrightarrow{g_1} & B_2 & \xrightarrow{g_2} & C_2 & \xrightarrow{g_3} & D_2 & \xrightarrow{g_4} & E_2 & \xrightarrow{g_5} & \{0_{E_1}\} \end{array}$$

Show that if  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_4, \alpha_5$  are isomorphisms, then  $\alpha_3$  is an isomorphism.



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- Dual space  $V^*$  of real vector space  $V$  is  $\{\alpha \mid \alpha : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \alpha \text{ is linear}\}$ .

A. [15%] 是非題。若錯誤，需說明原因或給出反例。本題答案須寫在答案簿最前面。

1. There is a linear transformation  $A : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  such that  $\text{im } A = \ker A$ .
2.  $A \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times n}$ . Suppose  $A^2 = A$  then  $\ker A = (\text{im } A)^\perp$ .
3. For any  $A, B, C \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times n}$ ,  $\text{tr}(ABC) = \text{tr}(CBA)$ .
4. The matrix representation  $A$  of an self-adjoint transformation satisfies  $A^t = A$ .
5. Symmetric matrix  $A$  is positive definite if and only if all its diagonal elements are positive.

B. [85%] 計算/證明題。(6A) 和 (6B) 只選擇一題作答，兩題皆答，以先寫者計算。

- (1) [15%] Find all Jordan canonical forms for square matrices in  $\mathcal{M}_{n \times n}$ ,  $n \leq 6$ , with minimal polynomial  $(t-1)^2(t+1)^2$ .
- (2) [15%] For  $A, B \in \mathcal{M}_{m \times n}$ , show that  $f_{BA^t}(t) = f_{B^t A}(t) \cdot t^{m-n}$ .
- (3) [15%] Consider  $V = \{A \mid AX = XA, \text{ for any } X \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times n}\} \subset \mathcal{M}_{n \times n}$ . Show that  $V$  is an one dimensional subspace of  $\mathcal{M}_{n \times n}$ .
- (4) [15%]  $A \in \mathcal{M}_{n \times n}$ . Suppose  $(t^2 + 1) \mid f_A(t)$ , are there nonzero  $\vec{u}, \vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $A\vec{u} = \vec{v}$  and  $A\vec{v} = -\vec{u}$ ? Prove or disprove it.
- (5) [15%]  $U$  is a subspace of a finite dimensional vector space  $V$ . Consider  $D_U \subset V^*$  defined by  $\{\alpha \in V^* \mid U \text{ is a subspace of } \ker \alpha\}$ . Show that  $D_U$  is a subspace of dimension  $\dim V - \dim U$ .

(6A) [10%] Show the volume  $V$  of the parallelepiped span by  $\vec{u}, \vec{v}, \vec{w} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  satisfies

$$V^2 = \|\vec{u}\|^2 \|\vec{v}\|^2 \|\vec{w}\|^2 + 2(\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v})(\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w})(\vec{w} \cdot \vec{u}) - \|\vec{u}\|^2 (\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w})^2 - \|\vec{v}\|^2 (\vec{w} \cdot \vec{u})^2 - \|\vec{w}\|^2 (\vec{u} \cdot \vec{v})^2$$

(6B) [10%] Following diagram of vector spaces and linear transformations satisfies

(a)  $\ker f_{i+1} = \text{im } f_i$ ,  $\ker g_{i+1} = \text{im } g_i$ ,  $i = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$ .

(b)  $\alpha_{i+1} \circ f_i = g_i \circ \alpha_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$ .

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccccccccc} \{0_{A_1}\} & \xrightarrow{f_0} & A_1 & \xrightarrow{f_1} & B_1 & \xrightarrow{f_2} & C_1 & \xrightarrow{f_3} & D_1 & \xrightarrow{f_4} & E_1 & \xrightarrow{f_5} & \{0_{E_1}\} \\ & & \alpha_1 \downarrow \cong & & \alpha_2 \downarrow \cong & & \alpha_3 \downarrow & & \alpha_4 \downarrow \cong & & \alpha_5 \downarrow \cong & & \\ \{0_{A_2}\} & \xrightarrow{g_0} & A_2 & \xrightarrow{g_1} & B_2 & \xrightarrow{g_2} & C_2 & \xrightarrow{g_3} & D_2 & \xrightarrow{g_4} & E_2 & \xrightarrow{g_5} & \{0_{E_1}\} \end{array}$$

Show that if  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_4, \alpha_5$  are isomorphisms, then  $\alpha_3$  is an isomorphism.

Notice: You *must* show all your *work* in order to receive full credit.

(1) (20 points) Show that if  $\mathbb{R}^n = W_1 \cup W_2 \cup \cdots \cup W_k \cup \cdots$ , where each  $W_k$  is a subspace, then  $\mathbb{R}^n = W_i$  holds for some  $i$ .

(2) (20 points) Let  $a, b, c, d, e, f$  be real numbers such that the quadratic form  $Q(x, y, z) := ax^2 + by^2 + cz^2 + 2dxy + 2eyz + 2fzx$  is positive definite. Then the region bounded by the surface  $Q(x, y, z) = 1$  has volume equals

$$\frac{4\pi}{3\sqrt{abc + 2def - ae^2 - bf^2 - cd^2}}.$$

(3) (15 points) There are infinitely many  $t$  in  $\mathbb{R}$  such that the vectors  $(t, 2t^2, 3t^3, 4t^4)$ ,  $(t^2, 2t^3, 3t^4, 4)$ ,  $(t^3, 2t^4, 3t, 4t^2)$ ,  $(t^4, 2t, 3t^2, 4t^3)$  form a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

(4) (15 points) Determine all values of  $a, b, c, d, e, f \in \mathbb{R}$  such that the matrix  $A := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & a & b & c \\ 0 & 1 & d & e \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & f \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$  is not diagonalizable.

(5) (10 points) If a  $5 \times 5$  matrix  $A \in M_5(\mathbb{R})$  satisfies  $A^7 = I_5$  (the identity matrix), then 1 is an eigenvalue of  $A$ .

(6) Prove or disprove the following statements (10 points for each).

(a) If  $\psi : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is a linear transformation with the null space (kernel) of dimension  $n - 1$ , then there exists some  $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and a non-zero  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\psi(v) = \lambda \cdot v$ .

(b) If  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  are 8-dimensional subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^{10}$ , then there exist  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{10}, b_1, b_2, \dots, b_{10}, c_1, c_2, \dots, c_{10}, d_1, d_2, \dots, d_{10}$  in  $\mathbb{R}$  such that the intersection  $W_1 \cap W_2$  is the set of all vectors  $(x_1, \dots, x_{10})$  with  $x_1, \dots, x_{10}$  a solution to the system of equations

$$\begin{cases} a_1x_1 + a_2x_2 + \cdots + a_ix_i + \cdots + a_{10}x_{10} = 0 \\ b_1x_1 + b_2x_2 + \cdots + b_ix_i + \cdots + b_{10}x_{10} = 0 \\ c_1x_1 + c_2x_2 + \cdots + c_ix_i + \cdots + c_{10}x_{10} = 0 \\ d_1x_1 + d_2x_2 + \cdots + d_ix_i + \cdots + d_{10}x_{10} = 0. \end{cases}$$

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## GRADUATE ENTRANCE EXAM 2016: LINEAR ALGEBRA

Notation:  $\mathbb{R}$  is the set of real numbers, and  $\mathbb{C}$  is the set of complex numbers. If  $F = \mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ , denote by  $M_n(F)$  the  $n \times n$  matrices with entries in  $F$ .

Problem 1 (10pts). Find all possible  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  such that the vectors

$$(1, 3, a), (a, 4, 3), (0, a, 1) \in \mathbb{R}^3$$

are linearly dependent.

Problem 2 (10pts). Find a set of polynomials  $p_0(t) = a$ ,  $p_1(t) = b + ct$  and  $p_2(t) = d + et + ft^2$  with coefficients  $a, b, c, d, e, f \in \mathbb{R}$  so that  $\{p_0, p_1, p_2\}$  is an orthonormal set of polynomials with respect to the inner product  $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_0^2 f(t)g(t)dt$ .

Problem 3 (20pts). Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 & 0 \\ 3 & 4 & -3 \\ 3 & 3 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \in M_3(\mathbb{R}).$$

Find an invertible  $P \in M_3(\mathbb{R})$  such that

$$P^{-1}AP = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & -3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Problem 4 (15pts). Let  $V = M_3(\mathbb{C})$  be a 9-dimension vector space over  $\mathbb{C}$  and let

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

Define the linear transformation  $T : V \rightarrow V$  by

$$T(B) = ABA^{-1}.$$

Show that  $T$  is also diagonalizable.

Problem 5 (20pts). Let  $A, B \in M_n(\mathbb{C})$ . Suppose that eigenvalues of  $A$  and  $B$  are all real numbers and that  $\text{rank } A = \text{rank } A^2$  and  $\text{rank } B = \text{rank } B^2$ . If  $A^3$  is similar to  $B^3$  (namely there exists an invertible  $P \in M_n(\mathbb{C})$  such that  $P^{-1}A^3P = B^3$ ), prove that  $A$  is similar to  $B$ .

Problem 6 (25pts). Let  $A$  and  $B$  be elements in  $M_n(\mathbb{C})$ . If  $A^2B + BA^2 = 2ABA$ , show that  $(AB - BA)^n = 0$ .

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(1) (15%) Let  $V = \mathbb{R}^6$ . Let  $W_1$  be the subspace of  $V$  spanned by

$$(1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6), (3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10), (0, 1, 0, 2, 0, 3), (1, -2, 3, -4, 5, -6),$$

and  $W_2$  be the subspace of  $V$  spanned by

$$(1, 1, 1, 2, 2, 3), (-2, 0, -1, 0, 1, 2), (1, 0, 1, 0, 2, 0), (0, 0, 1, 0, -2, -2).$$

Find the dimension of the subspace  $W_1 \cap W_2$  and find a basis for this subspace.

(2) (15%) Let

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} -x & 1 & 3 & 1 & 2 \\ -2 & 0 & x & 2 & 2 \\ x & 0 & -2 & -3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & x & -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find an integer  $x$  such that all entries of the inverse of  $C$  are integers. For such  $x$ , find  $C^{-1}$ .

(3) (15%) Let  $V$  be the vector space of all  $n \times n$  matrices over  $F$ . Let  $T$  be the linear operator on  $V$  defined by  $T(A) = A^t$ . Test  $T$  for diagonalizability, and if  $T$  is diagonalizable, find a basis for  $V$  such that the matrix representation of  $T$  is diagonal.

(4) (15%) Let  $V$  and  $W$  be  $F$ -vector spaces, and  $V^*$  and  $W^*$  be the dual space of  $V$  and  $W$ , respectively. Let  $T: V \rightarrow W$  be a linear transformation. Define  $T^*: W^* \rightarrow V^*$  by  $T^*(f) = f \circ T$  for all  $f \in W^*$ . Show that  $T$  is onto if and only if  $T^*$  is one to one.

(5) (10%) Let  $A$  and  $B$  be  $n \times n$  matrices over a field  $F$ . Show that if  $A$  is invertible, there are at most  $n$  scalars  $c$  in  $F$  such that  $cA + B$  is not invertible.

(6) (15%)

(a) Let  $S$  and  $T$  be linear operators on a finite-dimensional vector space. If  $p(t)$  is a polynomial such that  $p(ST) = 0$ , and if  $q(t) = tp(t)$ , show that  $q(TS) = 0$ .

(b) What is the relation between the minimal polynomials of  $ST$  and  $TS$ .

(7) (15%) Let  $V$  be a vector space with a basis  $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$ . Let  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  be an inner product on  $V$ . If  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n$  are any  $n$  scalars, show that there is exactly one vector  $v$  in  $V$  such that  $\langle v, u_j \rangle = c_j$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

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Notation:  $\mathbb{R}$  is the set of real numbers and  $\mathbb{C}$  is the set of complex numbers.

**Problem 1** (15 pts). Let  $\langle, \rangle$  be the standard inner product on  $\mathbb{R}^3$  given by  $\langle v, w \rangle = a_1a_2 + b_1b_2 + c_1c_2$  if  $v = (a_1, b_1, c_1)$  and  $w = (a_2, b_2, c_2)$ . Let  $W$  be the subspace in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  given by

$$W = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid 2x + 7y = 0, x - 2y + z = 0\}.$$

Find an orthonormal basis of  $W$ . Namely, find a basis  $\{w_1, w_2\}$  of  $W$  such that  $\langle w_1, w_1 \rangle = \langle w_2, w_2 \rangle = 1$  and  $\langle w_1, w_2 \rangle = 0$ .

**Problem 2** (20 pts). Let

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

- (1) Compute the characteristic polynomial of  $A$ .
- (2) Find an invertible  $P \in M_3(\mathbb{R})$  such that  $P^{-1}AP$  is diagonal.

**Problem 3** (25pts). Let  $V$  be a finite dimensional vector space over  $\mathbb{R}$  and let  $A : V \rightarrow V$  be a  $\mathbb{R}$ -linear transformation. Prove that

- (1) (10 pts) if  $A^k = 0$  for some positive integer  $k$ , then  $I - A$  is invertible, where  $I$  is the identity map.
- (2) (15 pts)  $V$  is generated by kernel of  $A^k$  and the image of  $A^k$  for some  $k$ . In other words, prove  $V = \text{Ker } A^k + \text{Im } A^k$  for some  $k$ .

**Problem 4** (20pts). Let  $L : M_2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow M_2(\mathbb{R})$  be the linear transformation defined by

$$L(X) = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 4 & -2 \end{pmatrix} X - X \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 4 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (1) Find the dimension of the kernel of  $L$ .
- (2) Find a basis for the image of  $L$ .

**Problem 5** (20 pts). If  $A \in M_n(\mathbb{C})$  such that  $AA^* = A^*A$  and  $v \in \mathbb{C}^n$  is a column vector, prove that

- (1)  $A^2v = 0$ , then  $Av = 0$ .
- (2) If  $A^kv = 0$  for some  $k \geq 1$ , then  $Av = 0$ .
- (3) Show that the minimal polynomial of  $A$  has distinct roots.