

MATH 354: PROBLEM SET 9

RICE UNIVERSITY, FALL 2019

Due date: Friday, November 15th, by 5pm in my office (you can slide it under the door). You are welcome to turn in your work during lecture on Friday.

Parts A, and B should be handed in **separately**. They will be graded by different TAs.

Please staple your homework!

Reminder from the syllabus: “The homework is not pledged and you can collaborate with other students in the class. In fact, you are very much *encouraged* to do so. However, you are not allowed to look up solutions in any written form; in particular, you are not allowed to look up solutions online. **Students caught violating this rule will be reported to the Honor Council.** You should write up your solutions individually.”

1. PART A

Hand in the following exercises from Chapters 5 and 6 of Axler’s book:

5C: 7, 9, 16. 6A: 5, 10.

2. PART B

Hand in the following exercises from Chapter 6 of Axler’s book:

6A: 11, 22. 6B: 3, 4, 5, 8.

3. COMMENTS

- (1) Problem 5C.16 is not tricky (it’s been subdivided into many parts to help). You get a formula for the Fibonacci numbers using linear algebra! And you get to see the Golden Ratio pop out as an eigenvalue. Part (a) is most easily done using induction.
- (2) Problems 6A.11 and 6A.22 are applications of the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality in \mathbb{R}^4 and \mathbb{R}^n , respectively, using the usual dot product as an inner product. Your task is to choose vectors in these spaces judiciously to get the desired inequality.
- (3) Problems 6B.3 and 6B.5 are good practice with the Gram-Schmidt algorithm. For 6B.3 take a look at the *proof* of 6.37; for 6B.5 example 6.33 should be of help.

- (4) Problem 6B.8 is an exercise on the Riesz representation theorem. Example 6.44 will probably help here.