

LINEAR ALGEBRA (MATH 110.201)

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**Instructions:**

- (1) Do not open this packet until instructed to do so.
  - (2) This midterm should be completed in **50 minutes**.
  - (3) Notes, the textbook, and digital devices **are not permitted**.
  - (4) Discussion or collaboration is **not permitted**.
  - (5) All solutions must be written on the pages of this booklet.
  - (6) Justify your answers, and write clearly; **points will be subtracted otherwise**.
  - (7) Once you submit your exam, you will not be allowed to modify it.
  - (8) By submitting this exam, you are agreeing to the above terms. Cheating or refusing to stop writing when time is called may result in an automatic failure.
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Exercise	Points	Your score
1	12	
2	12	
3	12	
4	12	
5	16	
6	12	
7	12	
8	12	
Total	100	

**Exercise 1.** Consider the following system of equations, where  $\lambda$  is a real number:

$$1W + 2X + 3Y + 4Z = 1$$

$$5W + 6X + 7Y + 8Z = \lambda$$

$$9W + 10X + 11Y + 12Z = \lambda^2$$

- (1) (4 points) Write down the augmented matrix of this system.
- (2) (8 points) For which real numbers  $\lambda$  does this system have at least one solution?  
When it has at least one solution, describe all solutions.

**Solution:**

**Exercise 2.** Consider the following vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ :

$$\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (1) (4 points) Calculate  $\|\vec{x}\|$  and  $\|\vec{y}\|$ .
- (2) (4 points) Calculate the distance between  $\vec{x}$  and  $\vec{y}$ .
- (3) (4 points) Are  $\vec{x}$  and  $\vec{y}$  perpendicular to each other?

**Solution:**

**Exercise 3.** (12 points) Find all vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  which are simultaneously perpendicular to both of the following vectors:

$$\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Solution:**

**Exercise 4.** *Decide whether the following functions are linear transformations. If they are linear transformations, write down their matrices. If not, justify why not.*

(1) (6 points)  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  given by

$$T \left( \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 2x + 1 \\ 3y - 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(2) (6 points)  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  given by

$$T \left( \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 2x - 3y \\ 7y + 2x \\ 3x - y \end{bmatrix}$$

**Solution:**

**Exercise 5.** Consider  $\text{Rot}_{\pi/4} : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  counter-clockwise rotation by 45 degrees, and  $\text{Ref}_{\mathcal{L}}$  reflection over the line  $\mathcal{L}$  passing through the origin and  $[\frac{1}{2}]$ .

- (1) (8 points) Write down the matrices of  $\text{Rot}_{\pi/4}$  and  $\text{Ref}_{\mathcal{L}}$ .
- (2) (4 points) Write down the matrix of  $\text{Rot}_{\pi/4} \circ \text{Ref}_{\mathcal{L}}$ .
- (3) (4 points) Write down the matrix of  $\text{Ref}_{\mathcal{L}} \circ \text{Rot}_{\pi/4}$ .

**Solution:**

**Exercise 6.** Consider the following matrix:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (1) (8 points) Find **two** different  $3 \times 2$  matrices  $C$  with the property that  $AC = I_2$ .
- (2) (4 points) Is it possible to find a  $3 \times 2$  matrix  $B$  with the property that  $BA = I_3$ ?

**Solution:**

**Exercise 7.** (12 points) *Is the following matrix invertible?*

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 3 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

*If so, write down  $A^{-1}$ .*

**Solution:**



**Exercise 8.** (12 points) Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

Is the vector  $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  in  $\text{Im}(A)$ ?

**Solution:**