

Math 313  
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## Final Exam

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DIRECTIONS This exam has 12 problems (*10 points each*). Closed book, no calculators – but you may use one 3” × 5” card with notes.

1. Let  $A$  be a  $3 \times 3$  matrix with eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3$  and corresponding (independent) eigenvectors  $V_1, V_2, V_3$  which we can therefore use as a basis (of course  $AV_j = \lambda_j V_j$ ).  
If  $X = aV_1 + bV_2 + cV_3$ , compute  $AX, A^2X$ , and  $A^{35}X$  in terms of  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, V_1, V_2, V_3, a, b$  and  $c$  (only).

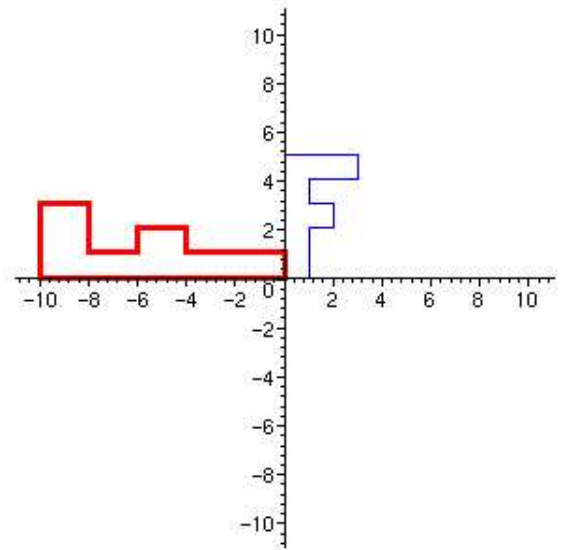
2. Let  $A := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 & 11 & -4 \\ -1 & -2 & -5 & 6 \\ 0 & 4 & 12 & 5 \\ -1 & 2 & 7 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $X_0 := \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $Y := \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 5 \\ 5 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ , and  $Z := \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .

You are given that the vector  $X_0$  is a particular solution of  $AX = Y$  and  $Z$  is in the nullspace of  $A$ .

- a) Find another solution (other than  $X_0$ ) of  $AX = Y$ .
- b) If  $Z$  is a basis for the nullspace of  $A$ , find the general solution of  $AX = Y$ .
3. Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix of real numbers. Circle each of the following statements that are *NOT* equivalent to: “the matrix  $A$  is invertible”? [No justification is needed.]
- a) The columns of  $A$  are linearly independent.
- b) The columns of  $A$  span  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
- c) The only solution of the homogeneous equations  $Ax = 0$  is  $x = 0$ .
- d) The linear transformation  $A : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  defined by  $A$  is 1-1.
- e) The linear transformation  $A : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  defined by  $A$  is onto.
- f) The rank of  $A$  is  $n$ .
- g) The transpose,  $A^T$ , is invertible.
4. Let  $A, B$ , and  $C$  be  $n \times n$  invertible matrices.
- a) Solve the equation  $C^{-1}(2I + AM)C = B$  for the matrix  $M$ .
- b) If 2 is not an eigenvalue of  $B$ , show that  $M$  is invertible,

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5. a). Find a linear map of the plane,  $A : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  that does the following transformation of the letter **F** (here the smaller **F** is transformed to the larger one):



- b). Find a linear map of the plane that inverts this map, that is, it maps the larger **F** to the smaller.
6. In  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , compute the distance from the point  $(1, 0, 0)$  to the plane  $x_1 + 3x_2 - x_3 = 3$ .
7. Let  $A := \begin{pmatrix} -3 & b \\ b & -3 \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $b$  is a real constant. To save time, you are given that the eigenvalues of  $A$  are  $\lambda = -3 \pm b$ . Consider the system of differential equations  $\frac{dU}{dt} = AU$  for the vector  $U(t)$ . Find *all* values of the parameter  $b$  so that  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} U(t) = 0$ .

[Circle the correct answer]

- a). All  $b > 0$     b).  $|b| < 3$     c).  $b < 9$     d).  $b < 3$     e).  $b < -3$     f).  $|b| \leq 3$

8. Find the eigenvalues and corresponding eigenvectors of the matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ .
- b). If  $B = \frac{1}{3}A$ , find an invertible matrix  $P$  and a diagonal matrix  $D$  so that  $B = PDP^{-1}$ .
- c). What can you say about  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} B^k$ ? (Please briefly justify your assertion.)

9. A multinational company has branches in the US., Japan, and Europe. In 1990, it had assets of \$5 million: \$3 million are in the U.S. and \$2 million in Europe. Each year  $1/2$  the U.S. money stays home,  $1/4$  goes to both Japan and Europe. For Japan and Europe,  $1/2$  stays home and  $1/2$  is sent to the U.S.
- Find the transition matrix of this Markov chain.
  - Find the limiting distribution of the \$5 million as the world ends.
10. Say you seek a parabola with the special form  $y = a(x - 1)^2 + b$  to pass through the three data points  $(0, 2)$ ,  $(1, 0)$ ,  $(2, 3)$ .
- Write the (over-determined) system of equations you would like to solve ideally.
  - Using the method of least squares write the *normal* equations for the coefficients  $a$ ,  $b$ .
  - Explicitly find the coefficients  $a$  and  $b$ .
11. Let  $A$  be a matrix (not necessarily square) whose columns are linearly independent. Show that the matrix  $A^T A$  is positive definite.
12. Let  $A$  be a real symmetric  $n \times n$  matrix with eigenvalues  $\lambda_1 \leq \lambda_2 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_n$ .
- Show that  $\frac{\langle x, Ax \rangle}{\|x\|^2} \geq \lambda_1$ .
  - Let  $B = A - cI$ . If  $c < \lambda_1$  show that  $B$  is positive definite.