

Math 261 Section 6    Fall 2019    Final Exam    December 12, 2019

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

- Put your name in the “ \_\_\_\_\_ ” above.
- Write your answers down neatly, use complete sentences, and *justify your work*.
- The extra credit question is for your amusement, if you have extra time at the end of the test.
- Good luck!

1. Suppose that  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  is a linear transformation and that for all  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x + y + z \\ 2x + 4z \end{bmatrix}.$$

(a) Find the matrix of  $T$ .

(b) Compute  $T \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ .

(c) Find all  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3$  such that  $T(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 14 \end{bmatrix}$ .

2. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 3 & 2 \\ -1 & 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } \quad \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (a) Is  $\mathbf{u}$  an eigenvector for  $A$ ? If it is, what is its corresponding eigenvalue? (Hint: you do not need to compute the characteristic polynomial for  $A$ .)

- (b) Is  $\mathbf{v}$  an eigenvector for  $A$ ? If it is, what is its corresponding eigenvalue? (Hint: you do not need to compute the characteristic polynomial for  $A$ .)

3. Let

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(a) Find all eigenvalues of  $B$ .

(b) For each eigenvalue of  $B$ , find a basis for its associated eigenspace.

4. (a) Write down a set of four distinct vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  that do not span  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

(b) Write down a  $3 \times 5$  matrix of rank 2.

(c) Write down a  $3 \times 5$  matrix of nullity 3.

(d) Write down a  $2 \times 2$  matrix with an eigenvalue of 3.

5. Let

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

(a) Find a basis for the column space of  $C$ , then write down the rank of  $C$ .

(b) Find a basis for the null space of  $C$ , then write down the nullity of  $C$ .

6. Let

$$V = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^4 \mid a + b = c \text{ and } a + c = d \right\}.$$

(a) Show that  $V$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$  by writing it as a span.

(b) Find a basis for  $V$ , then write down the dimension of  $V$ .

7. Suppose that  $a$  is a real number. Find all value(s) of  $a$  for which the following matrix is invertible:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 3 & 3a \\ 4 & a+7 & a+9 \end{bmatrix}.$$

8. Let

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(a) Write down a nonzero vector in  $\mathbb{R}^4$  that is perpendicular to both  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$ .

(b) Find all vectors  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^4$  such that  $\mathbf{x}$  is perpendicular to both  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$ . (Hint: the condition that  $\mathbf{x}$  is perpendicular to another vector is equivalent to the condition that the coefficients of  $\mathbf{x}$  satisfy a certain linear equation—so to solve this question, you must solve a system of linear equations.)