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**Final Examination - April 15, 2013**  
**Mathematics 152 (ALL SECTIONS)**

Closed book examination

Time: 2.5 hours

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Problem	Points	Score
Part A	60	
B1	10	
B2	10	
B3	10	
B4	10	
B5	10	
B6	10	
Total	120	

**Part A: Short Answer Problems**

In the next 3 problems, let  $\mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{c} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(A1) (2 points) What is  $\mathbf{a} \times \mathbf{b}$ ?

(A2) (2 points) What is  $\text{Proj}_{\mathbf{c}}\mathbf{a}$ ?

(A3) (2 points) Let  $\mathbf{d} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ k \\ 2k + 1 \end{bmatrix}$  where  $k$  is a parameter. Find the value of  $k$  for which  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{d}$  are orthogonal.

In the next 2 problems, consider the matrix  $M$  given by

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 7 & 3 \\ 0 & p & 5 \\ 1 & pq + 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

(A4) (2 points) For what  $p$  and  $q$  does the matrix  $M$  have rank 2?

(A5) (2 points) Choose such  $p$  and  $q$  (so that  $M$  has rank 2). Give an example of a vector  $\mathbf{b}$  for which the linear system  $M\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  has no solution.

(A6) (2 points) Is it possible for three vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  to be linearly independent? Briefly justify your answer.

(A7) (2 points) Is it possible for the intersection between two planes in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  with non-parallel normal vectors to contain two linearly independent vectors?

(A8) (2 points) Give **all solutions** to the homogeneous system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ , where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 7 & 7 & \dots & 7 \\ 0 & 2 & 7 & \dots & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & & 7 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 13 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Justify that you have provided all solutions.

In the next 4 problems, the matrices  $A$  and  $B$  are given by

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 8 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -3 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Calculate the following whenever defined. Otherwise, state **undefined** and include a brief explanation.

(A9) (2 points)  $A^{-1}$ .

(A10) (2 points)  $AB$ .

(A11) (2 points) A matrix  $C$  such that  $BC = I_2$  where  $I_2$  is the  $2 \times 2$  identity matrix.

(A12) (2 points) A matrix  $D$  such that  $DB = I_3$  where  $I_3$  is the  $3 \times 3$  identity matrix..

(A13) (2 points) The linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  is given by  $T(\mathbf{x}) = M\mathbf{x}$  for some matrix  $M$ . Given that  $M \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $M \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , find the matrix  $A$ .

(A14) (2 points) Let  $z = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}i$ . Express the complex number  $z^{2010}$  in the form  $a + bi$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are real numbers.

(A15) (2 points) Assume that the matrix  $B$  was obtained by applying a sequence of elementary row operations to the matrix  $A$ . Circle **all** the statements that are true **independent of what the given  $A$  and  $B$  are**.

(a)  $\det A = \det B$ .

(b) If  $B$  is invertible then  $A$  is also invertible.

(c) If  $v = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is an eigenvector of  $A$  then  $v$  is also an eigenvector of  $B$ .

(d) If  $\lambda = 0$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$  then  $\lambda = 0$  is also an eigenvalue of  $B$ .

(A16) (2 points) Let  $A, B$  be two  $n \times n$  matrices, and let  $\mathbf{v}$  be a non-zero vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Given that  $A\mathbf{v} = B\mathbf{v}$ , can we conclude that  $A = B$ ? Justify your answer.

(A17) (2 points) Decide if transformation  $T$  – which we define below – is a linear transformation or not. Justify your answer.

Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be a transformation that maps  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$  into

$$T(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} -x_3 \\ 1 \\ x_1 + x_2 + x_3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(A18) (2 points) Find the matrix for the linear transformation  $S : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  given by

$$S \left( \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \right) = \left( \begin{bmatrix} -y + z \\ x + y + z \\ -x - 2y \end{bmatrix} \right).$$



- (A19) (2 points) The geometric problem of intersecting two planes  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  given respectively by the equations

$$x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 + 4 = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad -2x_1 - 3x_2 - 4x_3 - 5 = 0$$

can be written as a matrix equation  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ . Give a possible choice of  $A$ ,  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$ .

- (A20) (2 points) Let  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$  and  $D$  be four size  $3 \times 3$  invertible matrices. Circle all the options below that are equal to the matrix  $(A(BC)^{-1}D)^T$  independent of what  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$  and  $D$  are. No explanation required.

- a)  $A^T B^{-T} C^{-T} D^T$
- b)  $A^T (B^{-1})^T (C^{-1})^T D^T$
- c)  $A^T (C^{-1})^T (B^{-1})^T D^T$
- d)  $D^T (B^{-1})^T (C^{-1})^T A^T$
- e)  $D^T (C^{-1})^T (B^{-1})^T A^T$

- (A21) (2 points) Calculate the determinant of the matrix

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 5 & 1 \\ 3 & 5 & 6 & 2 \\ -2 & 2 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Consider a random walk with three possible states and where the random walker (possibly) changes from state to state once every day according to the transition matrix  $P$ . Answer the following two questions using the matrix  $P$  and some of its powers given below.

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 0.0284 & 0.5938 & 0.1626 \\ 0.9207 & 0.1579 & 0.1634 \\ 0.0509 & 0.2483 & 0.6740 \end{bmatrix}, \quad P^{10} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2832 & 0.2907 & 0.2875 \\ 0.3843 & 0.3753 & 0.3786 \\ 0.3325 & 0.3340 & 0.3339 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$P^{20} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2874 & 0.2875 & 0.2875 \\ 0.3791 & 0.3790 & 0.3790 \\ 0.3335 & 0.3335 & 0.3335 \end{bmatrix}$$

**(A22)** (2 points) What is the probability that a walker starting in location 3 is in location 1 after one time step?

**(A23)** (2 points) If you are the random walker and you want to maximize the probability of getting to location 2 when 10 days have passed from the beginning, what location should you start from?

**(A24)** (2 points) What is the probability that a walker that is in location 3 when 10 days have passed from the beginning is in location 1 when 20 days have passed from the beginning?

(A25) (2 points) What are the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of matrix  $A$  below?

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

(A26) (2 points) Find the eigenvalues of matrix  $A$  where

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

(A27) (2 points) Construct a matrix with eigenvector  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{bmatrix}$ .

(A28) (2 points) Suppose we run the following MATLAB code.

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A=ones(4,4);  
for j=1:4;  
    A(j,:)=j*A(j,:);  
end;
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Specify the output if you now type:

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>> A(2,4)
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(A29) (2 points) Suppose we run the following MATLAB code.

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a=1:2:5;  
b=3:4:11;  
A=[a;b];
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Specify the matrix  $A$  that is produced by this code.

(A30) (2 points) Write a MATLAB for loop that generates a  $20 \times 20$  matrix  $C$  given by

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 20 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Part B: Long Answer Problems**

(B1) Let  $L$  be the line  $3x = 4y$ .

- (a) (2 points) Find a **unit** vector  $\hat{\mathbf{a}}$  in the direction of  $L$ .
- (b) (3 points) Find the matrix  $A$  which represents  $\text{Ref}_L$ , the reflection across the line  $L$ .
- (c) (2 points) Calculate  $\text{Ref}_L \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right)$ .
- (d) (3 points) Find an eigenvector of  $A$  associated to the eigenvalue  $-1$ .

**(B2)** Let  $A = (0, 1, 2)$ ,  $B = (1, 0, 3)$ ,  $C = (1, 1, 4)$ . Let  $\Delta$  be the triangle whose vertices are  $A, B, C$ .

(a) (2 points) Find the area of  $\Delta$ .

(b) (2 points) Prove that  $\Delta$  is a right-angled triangle.

(c) (3 points) Find the plane  $P$  containing  $\Delta$  in the equation form, i.e., in the form

$$ax + by + cz = d$$

with  $a, b, c, d$  specified.

(d) (3 points) Find the point  $D$  on the plane  $P$  such that  $A, B, C, D$  form a rectangle.

**(B3)** Let  $A$  be a certain  $2 \times 3$  matrix. Suppose that using elementary row operations the matrix  $A$  can be transformed into the matrix

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -7 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

(a) (4 points) Find all solutions, if any, of the system  $A\mathbf{x} = 0$ .

(b) (2 points) Can you find the solution of  $A\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  with the given information? Justify your answer.

(c) (4 points) Find all solutions, if any, of the system  $A\mathbf{x} = A \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(B4) Let  $A$  be the  $3 \times 3$  matrix given by

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -7 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$$

It is known that  $\lambda_1 = 3$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$ .

- (a) (2 points) Find an eigenvector associated with the eigenvalue  $\lambda_1 = 3$ .
- (b) (4 points) Find the other eigenvalues  $\lambda_2$  and  $\lambda_3$  of  $A$ .
- (c) (4 points) Find the eigenvectors associated with  $\lambda_2$  and  $\lambda_3$ .



(B5) We are given the following transition matrix for a random walk:

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) (3 points) What is the probability that a walker starting in location 1 is in location 1 after 2 steps?
- (b) (5 points) Find  $P^{20} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .
- (c) (2 points) Find  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P^n \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**(B6)** Consider the system of linear differential equations given by

$$y_1'(t) = 3y_1(t) - 2y_2(t)$$

$$y_2'(t) = 4y_1(t) - y_2(t)$$

- (a) (2 points) Express this system in the form of  $\mathbf{y}'(t) = A\mathbf{y}(t)$
- (b) (6 points) Find the general solution of this system of differential equations *in real form*.
- (c) (2 points) Find the solution of the system of linear differential equations above with the initial condition  $\mathbf{y}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .