

Directions: Read ALL of the following directions.

This is an open-notes, open-homework, open-textbook exam. There is no official time limit, but it is suggested that you should be able to solve most of the problems within approximately 5 hours.

There are 10 problems on this exam, with points as indicated.

Justify any answers you give, including computations. You may freely refer to results from in class, from the course notes, course assignments and solutions, and the course textbook, but please make it clear what results you are using.

Proofs and explanations are expected to be clear, concise, and correct.

In problems with multiple parts, you MAY use the results of previous parts in later parts, even if you were unable to solve the earlier parts correctly.

You MAY use a computer for typesetting and to access any material on the course webpage (e.g., the course notes and homework solutions), and to perform computations. Any such computations must be clearly identified and justified as correct.

You MAY NOT use a computer to access any other information. In particular, discussing this exam on social media, querying the internet, or using generative AI in any form are STRICTLY prohibited.

You MAY ask the instructor and TAs for help on any part of the exam, during office hours, problem sessions, or via email, and in fact YOU ARE ENCOURAGED to do so.

You MAY NOT discuss the material on this exam with anyone except for the instructor and TAs (until after the due date). This includes asking others for hints or solutions, searching for information about the problems online, or posting about the problems on discussion forums.

“Vector” is a useless survival... and has never been of the slightest use to any creature.

William Kelvin

There are lots of things that are obvious that are not true.

Jim Wiseman

In real life, I assure you, there is no such thing as algebra.

Fran Lebowitz

1. (10) Identify each of the following statements as true or false:

- (a) If V is a vector space that has a linearly independent subset of 3 vectors that does not span V , then $\dim(V) > 3$.
 - (b) The functions $1, \sin x, \cos x, \sin^2 x, \sin x \cos x, \cos^2 x$ are linearly independent on the interval $[0, 1]$.
 - (c) If a matrix with 8 rows and 3 columns has linearly independent columns, then its reduced row-echelon form has 3 rows of all zeroes.
 - (d) There exists a linear transformation $T : \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$ whose nullity is 3 and whose rank is 1.
 - (e) There exists a vector space V and a linear transformation $T : V \rightarrow V$ that is onto but not an isomorphism.
 - (f) If $T : V \rightarrow W$ is one-to-one and V, W are finite-dimensional, then $\dim(\text{im } T) = \dim(V)$.
 - (g) If V and W are finite-dimensional vector spaces, then $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$ is isomorphic to $\mathcal{L}(W, V)$.
 - (h) If A is an $n \times n$ matrix and \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{c} are $n \times 1$ column vectors, then $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{c}$ has a unique solution for \mathbf{x} if and only if the nullspace of A contains a nonzero vector.
 - (i) If V has ordered bases α and β and $I : V \rightarrow V$ is the identity transformation, then $[I]_{\alpha}^{\beta}$ is the identity matrix if and only if $\alpha = \beta$.
 - (j) $(0, 0, 0, 0), (3, 1, -3, 0), (1, -6, -1, 0), (2, 0, 2, 5)$ is an orthogonal set in \mathbb{R}^4 , with the standard dot product.
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2. (30) Calculate the following things:

- (a) A basis for the row space, column space, and nullspace of $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 & 0 & 4 & 2 \\ 3 & 6 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 9 \\ 4 & 8 & 3 & 0 & 6 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$.
 - (b) A basis for the vector space of 2×3 matrices A such that $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$.
 - (c) An extension of the linearly independent set $\{(1, 1, 0, 0), (1, 1, 2, 2)\}$ to a basis of \mathbb{R}^4 .
 - (d) A subset of the vectors $\{(1, 2, 1), (2, 1, 5), (1, -1, 4), (0, -1, 1)\}$ that give a basis of their span.
 - (e) Bases for the kernel and image of the linear transformation $S : M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$ with $S(A) = A + A^T$.
 - (f) The matrix $[S]_{\beta}^{\beta}$ associated to the linear transformation $S : M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{C}) \rightarrow M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{C})$ with $S(A) = A + A^T$, where $\beta = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$.
 - (g) The matrix $[T]_{\beta}^{\gamma}$ associated to the linear transformation $T : P_3(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow P_3(\mathbb{R})$ with $P(p) = xp'(x) - p(x)$, where $\beta = \{1 - x, 1 - x^2, 1 - x^3, x^2 + x^3\}$ and $\gamma = \{1, x, x^2, x^3\}$.
 - (h) The “angle” between the functions $f(x) = 1 + \sin x$ and $g(x) = 1 - \sin x$ in $C[0, 2\pi]$ with inner product $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_0^{2\pi} f(x)g(x) dx$.
 - (i) The coordinate vector $[\mathbf{v}]_{\beta}$ where $\mathbf{v} = (9, 7, -8)$ and $\beta = \{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{e}_3\}$ is the orthogonal basis $\{(-1, 1, 2), (2, 0, 1), (1, 5, -2)\}$ of \mathbb{R}^3 .
 - (j) An orthogonal basis for $P_2(\mathbb{R})$ under the inner product $\langle p, q \rangle = \int_0^6 p(x)q(x) dx$.
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3. (6) Suppose $T : V \rightarrow W$ is linear. If W_1 is a subspace of W , we define the inverse image $T^{-1}(W_1)$ to be all vectors in V whose image under T lies in W_1 : explicitly, $T^{-1}(W_1) = \{\mathbf{v} \in V : T(\mathbf{v}) \in W_1\}$. Show that $T^{-1}(W_1)$ is a subspace of V . (Note that T^{-1} is not necessarily a function.)

4. (6) Suppose $T : V \rightarrow W$ is a linear transformation where $\dim(V) = 2025$ and $\dim(W) = 1950$. Prove that $\dim(\ker T) > 70$.

5. (9) Suppose $T : V \rightarrow W$ is a linear transformation, let S be a subset of V , and let $T(S) = \{T(\mathbf{s}) : \mathbf{s} \in S\}$.
- (a) If $T(S)$ is always linearly independent whenever S is linearly independent, show that T is one-to-one.
 - (b) If $T(S)$ always spans W whenever S spans V , show that T is onto.
 - (c) If $T(S)$ is always a basis of W whenever S is a basis of V , show that T is an isomorphism.
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6. (6) Suppose $T : V \rightarrow V$ is a linear transformation such that T^3 is the identity transformation. (Note that V is *not* necessarily finite-dimensional.) Prove that T is one-to-one and onto.
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7. (6) Suppose that $T : V \rightarrow V$ is a linear transformation on a finite-dimensional vector space.

- (a) If β and γ are two ordered bases of V , show that $\det([T]_\beta^\beta) = \det([T]_\gamma^\gamma)$.

Per part (a), we define $\det(T)$ to be $\det([T]_\beta^\beta)$ for any choice of ordered basis β .

- (b) Show that T is an isomorphism if and only if $\det(T)$ is nonzero.
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8. (9) Suppose $T : V \rightarrow W$ is a linear transformation and $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_W$ is an inner product on W .

- (a) If T is one-to-one, show that $\langle \mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2 \rangle_V = \langle T(\mathbf{v}_1), T(\mathbf{v}_2) \rangle_W$ is an inner product on V .
 - (b) Show that if A is an invertible $n \times n$ real matrix, then the pairing $\langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w} \rangle = \mathbf{v}^T (A^T A) \mathbf{w}$ is an inner product on \mathbb{R}^n . [Hint: Use $\mathbf{v}^T (A^T A) \mathbf{w} = A \mathbf{v} \cdot A \mathbf{w}$ and (a).]
 - (c) Is the map defined in part (a) necessarily an inner product if the assumption that T is one-to-one is dropped? Explain why or why not.
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9. (9) Let $V = \mathbb{R}^2$.

- (a) Show that the pairing $\langle (a, b), (c, d) \rangle = ac + ad + bc + 3bd$ is an inner product on V .
 - (b) Show that $(ac + ad + bc + 3bd)^2 \leq (a^2 + 2ab + 3b^2)(c^2 + 2cd + 3d^2)$ for any reals a, b, c, d .
 - (c) Show that $\sqrt{(a+c)^2 + 2(a+c)(b+d) + 3(b+d)^2} \leq \sqrt{a^2 + 2ab + 3b^2} + \sqrt{c^2 + 2cd + 3d^2}$ for any reals a, b, c, d .
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10. (9) Let V be a finite-dimensional inner product space with orthonormal basis $\{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \dots, \mathbf{e}_n\}$.

- (a) For any $\mathbf{x} \in V$ show that $\mathbf{x} = \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{e}_1 \rangle \mathbf{e}_1 + \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{e}_2 \rangle \mathbf{e}_2 + \dots + \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{e}_n \rangle \mathbf{e}_n$.
- (b) For any $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in V$ show that $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{e}_1 \rangle \overline{\langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{e}_1 \rangle} + \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{e}_2 \rangle \overline{\langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{e}_2 \rangle} + \dots + \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{e}_n \rangle \overline{\langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{e}_n \rangle}$.
- (c) For any $\mathbf{x} \in V$ show that $\|\mathbf{x}\|^2 = |\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{e}_1 \rangle|^2 + |\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{e}_2 \rangle|^2 + \dots + |\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{e}_n \rangle|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n |\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{e}_i \rangle|^2$. What theorem from classical geometry does this generalize?

Remark: The point of (b) is that it shows that the inner product on V is really just the standard inner product on \mathbb{C}^n once we take coordinate vectors with respect to an orthonormal basis: for any \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} we have $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = [\mathbf{x}]_\beta \cdot \overline{[\mathbf{y}]_\beta}$ for the orthonormal basis $\beta = \{\mathbf{e}_1, \dots, \mathbf{e}_n\}$.
