

**Final exam: Math 232**  
**December 11th, 8:30am–12:30pm**

**Instructions/Remarks:**

- Read all instructions.
- The questions are on the 12 *numbered* single-sided pages following this one. Count them now.
- Please include all details and rough work. You may use the back of the question pages and there is extra paper should you require it.
- The exam is out of a total of 100 marks. The value of each question is indicated below.
- No calculators or electronic devices of any kind are permitted.
- You have 3 hours to complete this examination.
- Good luck!

Marks:

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**Question 1** [15pts] Suppose the entire population of a certain nation lives either in the city or the country. Consider the following model for how the population in the city and country changes year by year.

- Every year 10% of the people living in the city move to the country and the rest remain in the city.
- Every year 20% of the people living in the country move to the city and the rest remain in the country.

Let  $x_1^{(k)}$  be the number of people living in the city in year  $k$  and let  $x_2^{(k)}$  be the number of people living in the country in year  $k$ . Let  $\mathbf{x}^{(k)} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1^{(k)} \\ x_2^{(k)} \end{bmatrix}$ .

- The model can be expressed as  $\mathbf{x}^{(k+1)} = A\mathbf{x}^{(k)}$ . What is  $A$ ?
- One of the eigenvalues of  $A$  is 1. What is the other eigenvalue?
- Give an eigenvector corresponding to each eigenvalue of  $A$ .
- Give an invertible matrix  $P$  and a diagonal matrix  $D$ , both of size  $2 \times 2$  such that  $AP = PD$ .

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**Question 2** [15 pts] Let  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be the linear transformation that reflects each point through the line  $x = y$  and then stretches it in the  $x$  direction by a factor of 2.

- a. What is the standard matrix for  $T$ ?
- b. What is the matrix for  $T$  relative to the basis  $\mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ ?
- c. State a basis  $\mathcal{C}$  for which the matrix for  $T$  relative to the basis  $\mathcal{C}$  is diagonal.

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**Question 3** [10 pts] Consider the vectors

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 6 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{x}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- Are these vectors linearly independent? Why or why not?
- Find a subset of  $\{\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_3, \mathbf{x}_4\}$  that is a basis for  $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_3, \mathbf{x}_4\}$ .
- What is the dimension of  $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_3, \mathbf{x}_4\}$ ?

**Question 4** [5 pts] Let  $a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i$  be real numbers such that

$$\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{vmatrix} = 9.$$

State the following determinants. You do not need to justify your answer.

a.  $\begin{vmatrix} d & e & f \\ g & h & i \\ a & b & c \end{vmatrix}$

b.  $\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ 3d & 3e & 3f \\ g & h & i \end{vmatrix}$

c.  $\begin{vmatrix} a & b & 0 \\ 3d & 3e & 0 \\ g & h & 0 \end{vmatrix}$

d.  $\begin{vmatrix} a - 2d & b - 2e & c - 2f \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{vmatrix}$

e.  $\begin{vmatrix} 5a & 5b & 5c \\ d & e & f \\ g - a & h - b & i - c \end{vmatrix}$

**Question 5** [5 pts] Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{\mathbf{b}_1, \mathbf{b}_2, \mathbf{b}_3\}$  be a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Let  $T$  be a linear transformation on  $\mathbb{R}^3$  such that

$$T(\mathbf{b}_1) = \mathbf{b}_2 - \mathbf{b}_3, \quad T(\mathbf{b}_2) = \mathbf{b}_1 - \mathbf{b}_3, \quad T(\mathbf{b}_3) = \mathbf{b}_1 + \mathbf{b}_2.$$

- a. What is  $[T]_{\mathcal{B}}$ , the matrix for  $T$  relative to the basis  $\mathcal{B}$ ?
- b. Is there a vector  $\mathbf{x}$  such that  $T(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0}$ ?



**Question 6** [10 pts] Find a basis for the null space of each of the following matrices:

a.  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 0 & -3 \\ 2 & 8 & 0 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$

b.  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

c.  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

**Question 7** [10 pts] In each case, state whether the matrix  $A$  is invertible or non-invertible and briefly justify your answer.

a.  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 5 & -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

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

c.  $A$  is a diagonalizable  $4 \times 4$  matrix and has eigenvalues  $1, 1, -i, i$ .

d.  $A$  is  $3 \times 3$  and  $A^T \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{0}$ .

e.  $A$  is  $n \times n$  and  $\text{Col } A = \mathbb{R}^n$ .

**Question 8** [15 pts] Consider the matrix

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

a. Compute an orthonormal basis for  $\text{Col } A$ .

b. Let  $\hat{\mathbf{b}}$  be the orthogonal projection of the vector  $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  onto  $\text{Col } A$ . Compute  $\hat{\mathbf{b}}$ .

c. Find a least-squares solution of system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ .

(Continue work here.)

**Question 9** [15 pts] Suppose  $A$  has eigenvalues  $\lambda = 0.9$  and  $\lambda = 1.1$  with corresponding eigenvectors  $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

- Give diagonal  $D$  and invertible  $P$  such that  $A = PDP^{-1}$ .
- Find a formula for  $A^{1000}$ . (Your answer should be a  $2 \times 2$  matrix with entries of the form  $C_0 a^{1000} + C_1 b^{1000}$  where  $C_0, C_1, a, b$  are constants.)
- Let  $x^{(k+1)} = Ax^{(k)}$  where  $x^{(0)} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . For large  $k$  there is an approximate formula for  $x^{(k)}$ :

$$x^{(k)} \approx \gamma^k \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $\gamma, c, d$  are constants. State  $\gamma, c, d$ .