

EXAM 2

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Your Name: _____

Directions:

- a. You may NOT use your book or your notes.
- b. Please ask for extra scrap paper if needed.
- c. Show all work. Unless otherwise noted, a solution without work is worth nothing.
- d. The total possible points are 105, but your score will be counted out of 100.
- e. Good Luck!

Score:

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Total _____/100

1. (20pts) Suppose A is a 10×10 matrix with entries in \mathbb{C} and the rank of A is 7. For the following, determine whether the statement is necessarily true, necessarily false, or there is not enough information to determine if it is true or false. Give short justifications.

a. $\det A = 0$

b. The reduced row echelon form of A contains at least one row of zeroes.

c. There exists an invertible matrix Q such that $Q^{-1}AQ$ is diagonal.

d. There exist invertible matrices Q and P such that QAP is diagonal.

e. A is a product of elementary matrices.

2. (20pts) Consider the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -3 & -7 & 5 & -4 \\ 2 & 2 & 2 & 6 & -8 \\ -1 & 2 & 5 & -2 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. Its reduced row echelon

form is $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$. Answer the following questions about A :

a. What is the rank of A ?

b. Give a basis for the column space of A .

c. Give a basis for the nullspace of A .

d. Suppose for some vector $b \in \mathbb{R}^4$, $x = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$ is a solution to $Ax = b$. Find all solutions of $Ax = b$ in \mathbb{R}^5 .

3. (20pts)

a. (10pts) Prove that an upper triangular $n \times n$ matrix is invertible if and only if all its diagonal entries are nonzero.

b. (10pts) Suppose a matrix A is diagonalizable, so there is an invertible matrix Q such that $Q^{-1}AQ$ is diagonal. Show that for each standard basis element e_i , the vector Qe_i is an eigenvector for A . (Hint: each e_i is an eigenvector for the diagonal matrix.)

- 4. (25pts)** Let T be an invertible linear operator on a finite-dimensional vector space V .
- a. (15pts)** Prove that the scalar λ is an eigenvalue of T if and only if λ^{-1} is an eigenvalue of T^{-1} . Hint: Notice that $T - \lambda I_V = -\lambda T(T^{-1} - \lambda^{-1} I_V)$.

- b. (10pts)** Prove that the eigenspace of T corresponding to λ is the same as the eigenspace of T^{-1} corresponding to λ^{-1} (Note: you may use the result of part a even if you cannot prove it.)

5. (20pts) Recall that an real inner product space is a vector space V over \mathbb{R} together with a product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ such that for all $x, y, z \in V$ and $c \in \mathbb{R}$,

- $\langle x + y, z \rangle = \langle x, z \rangle + \langle y, z \rangle$,
- $\langle cx, z \rangle = c \langle x, z \rangle$,
- $\langle x, z \rangle = \langle z, x \rangle$,
- $\langle x, x \rangle > 0$ if $x \neq \vec{0}$.

Consider the vector space $\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$ of two-by-two matrices with real entries and define a product $\langle A, B \rangle = \text{tr}(B^T A)$, where tr denotes the trace (recall that $\text{tr} \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} = a + d$). Show that this is an inner product space. You may use the following facts without proof:

1. $\mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$ is a vector space over \mathbb{R} .
2. The trace is linear: $\text{tr}(cA + B) = c \text{tr}(A) + \text{tr}(B)$ for all $c \in \mathbb{R}$ and $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$.
3. The trace is invariant under transpose: $\text{tr}(A^T) = \text{tr}(A)$ for all $A \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$.
4. $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$ for all $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$.