

# Midterm 2

for Math 308, Winter 2017

NAME (last - first): \_\_\_\_\_

- Do not open this exam until you are told to begin. You will have 50 minutes for the exam.
- This exam contains 5 questions for a total of 50 points in 9 pages.
- You are allowed to have one double sided, handwritten note sheet and a non-programmable calculator.
- Show all your work. With the exception of True/False questions, if there is no work supporting an answer (even if correct) you will not receive full credit for the problem.

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Question	Points	Score
1	6	
2	4	
3	14	
4	12	
5	14	
Total:	50	

## Statement of Ethics regarding this exam

I agree to complete this exam without unauthorized assistance from any person, materials, or device.

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**Question 1.** (6 points) Decide whether the following statements are true or false. For this you don't need to show any work.

(a) [1 point] If  $v$  is an eigenvector of  $A$  with eigenvalue  $\lambda$  then  $v \in E_\lambda(A)$ .

True    False

(b) [1 point] If  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$  then  $\text{nullity}(A - \lambda I) \neq 0$ .

True    False

(c) [1 point] If  $A$  is a  $m \times n$  matrix,  $\text{col}(A)$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .

True    False

(d) [1 point] If  $A$  is a  $n \times n$  matrix with  $\det(A) = 0$  then  $\text{rank}(A) = n$ .

True    False

(e) [1 point] The set  $\{(a, b, c, d) \in \mathbb{R}^4 : a - b = cd^2\}$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

True    False

(f) [1 point] If  $S$  is a subspace,  $\mathcal{B}$  is a basis of  $S$ , and  $u, v \in \mathcal{B}$  then  $u + v \in \mathcal{B}$ .

True    False

**Question 2.** (4 points) For any of the following question, give an explicit example.

(a) [1 point] A  $3 \times 3$  matrix with nullity = 2.

(b) [1 point] A linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  which is 1-to-1 but not onto.

(c) [1 point] A subspace  $S$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  of dimension 2.

(d) [1 points] A  $2 \times 2$  matrix with eigenvalues 0 and 1.

**Question 3.** (14 points) Let  $A$  be the following matrix

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

(a) [2 points] Without doing any computation, what is  $\det(A)$ ? Is  $A$  invertible? Why?

(b) [3 points] Find all the eigenvalues of  $A$  and their multiplicities.

(c) [6 points] Compute bases for all the eigenspaces of  $A$ .

(d) [1 points] Does there exist a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  made of eigenvectors of  $A$ ? Explain.

(e) [2 point] Find a vector  $v \in \mathbb{R}^3$  of length 5 such that  $A \cdot v = 2v$ . (recall that the length of a vector  $u = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{pmatrix}$  is  $\|u\| = \sqrt{u_1^2 + u_2^2 + u_3^2}$ ).

**Question 4.** (12 points) Given a  $5 \times 5$  matrix  $A$  we know that it has the following eigenspaces (where the vectors form a basis of each eigenspace):

$$E_1(A) = \text{span} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad E_2(A) = \text{span} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad E_0(A) = \text{span} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad E_{-1}(A) = \text{span} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

CAUTION: the vectors above are NOT the columns of  $A$ .

(a) [2 points] Write down a basis for the null space of  $A$ . Explain. (hint: what is the relation between the null space and one of the eigenspaces).

(b) [2 points] Is  $T_A$  1-to-1, onto and/or invertible?

(c) [3 points] Without doing any computation, what is the rank of  $A - 2I_5$ ? [Hint: what is the null space of that matrix?]

(d) [1 points] Does there exists a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^5$  of eigenvectors of  $A$ ?

(e) [4 points] Find all the vectors  $x \in \mathbb{R}^5$  such that  $T_A(x) = -x$ . [Hint: try to rewrite the set of vectors as the null space of a certain matrix and relate that to the eigenspaces.]

**Question 5.** (14 points) Consider the following matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & -2 & -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 & -4 & -2 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

(a) [6 points] Compute bases for  $\text{row}(A)$  and  $\text{col}(A)$ .

(b) [2 points] What is  $\text{rank}(A)$ ? What is  $\text{nullity}(A)$ ?



(c) [3 points] Denoted by  $T_A$  the linear transformation associated to  $A$  (i.e.  $T_A(x) = A \cdot x$ ), is  $T_A$  1-to-1? Is it onto? Is it invertible?

(d) [1 points] How many elements will a basis of  $\text{null}(A)$  contain? (you don't need to do any computations for this)

(e) [2 points] Compute a basis for  $\text{null}(A)$  (hint: use the computation you already perform in part 1).