

**MAT 1341B Final Exam**

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**PLEASE READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY.**

1. You have 3 hours to complete this exam.
2. This is a closed book exam, and no notes of any kind are allowed. **The use of calculators**, cell phones, pagers or any text storage or communication device **is not permitted**.
3. Read each question carefully -you will save yourself time and unnecessary grief later on.
4. Questions 1 to 9 are multiple choice. These questions are worth 2 points each and no part marks will be given. Please record your answers in the space provided above.
5. Questions 10 – 14 require a complete solution, and are worth 6 points each, so spend your time accordingly.
6. **The correct answer requires justification written legibly and logically: you must convince me that you know why your solution is correct.**
7. **You must answer these questions in the space provided.** Use the backs of pages if necessary.
8. Where it is possible to check your work, do so.
9. Bonne chance! Good luck!

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1. The eigenvalues of the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$  are:

- A. 2, 3, 4
- B. -3, 3, 4
- C. 0, 1, 3
- D. -3, 0, 4
- E. -1, -2, 1
- F. 0, 0, 2

2. Find the main diagonal of the inverse of  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & -3 \\ -2 & 2 & 4 \\ -3 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

- A.  $(2, -7/2, -1)$
- B.  $(5/2, 7/2, 3/2)$
- C.  $(2, 1, -1)$
- D.  $(-1, -7/2, 3)$
- E.  $(7/2, 2, -1)$
- F.  $(2, 1, -7/2)$

3. Solve the following equation for  $A$ :

$$A^t - [1 \ 0 \ 0]^t [0 \ 1] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \\ 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

A.  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$  B.  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$  C.  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$  D.  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$  E.  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$  F.  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 5 \\ 6 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$

4. For a non-homogeneous system of 12 equations in 15 unknowns, answer the following three questions:

- Can the system be inconsistent?
- Can the system have infinitely many solutions?
- Can the system have a unique solution?

- A. No, Yes, No.  
B. Yes, Yes, Yes.  
C. Yes, Yes, No.  
D. No, No, No.  
E. Yes, No, Yes.  
F. No, No, Yes.

5. Let  $U = \text{span}\{(1, -2, 3, 4), (-3, 6, -5, -16), (-1, 2, -5, -2)\}$  be a subspace of  $\mathbf{R}^4$ . Then  $\dim U^\perp$  is

- A. 0
- B. 1
- C. 2
- D. 3
- E. 4
- F. 5

6. The dimension of  $S = \{A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \in M_{22} \mid A = A^t\}$  is:

- A. 0
- B. 1
- C. 2
- D. 3
- E. 4
- F. 5

7. Which of the following statements are true?

- (1) Each spanning set for  $\mathbf{R}^n$  has exactly  $n$  vectors.
- (2) If  $\{u, v, w\}$  is linearly independent, then  $\{u, v\}$  is also linearly independent.
- (3) If  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix, then  $\det A = (-1)^n \det(A^t)$ .
- (4) If  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix, then  $\dim \text{col } A = n$ .
- (5) If  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix, the  $\dim \ker A = n - \text{rank } A$ .
- (6) The set of  $n \times n$  diagonal matrices is a subspace of the vector space of all  $n \times n$  matrices.

- A. All six are true.
- B. (2), (5) and (6).
- C. (1), (2) and (4).
- D. (3), (2) and (6).
- E. (4), (5) and (6).
- F. (2), (3) and (5).

8. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two matrices such that  $\det A = -2$  and  $\det(B^t) = 3$ . Find  $\det(AB)$ .

- A. 6
- B. 1
- C. 5
- D. -5
- E. -6
- F.  $-3/2$

9. What is the dimension of the subspace of  $\mathbf{R}^3$  spanned by  $(1, 1, 1)$ ,  $(-1, 1, -1)$ ,  $(1, 1, 3)$  and  $(0, 2, 1)$  ?

A. 0

B. 1

C. 2

D. 3

E. 4

F. These vectors do not span a subspace.

10. Consider the linear system

$$\begin{array}{rccccrcr} x & - & y & - & z & = & 1 \\ x & & & + & z & = & p \\ & & y & + & qz & = & 3 \end{array}$$

- a) If  $[A|b]$  is the augmented matrix of the system above, find  $\text{rank } A$  and  $\text{rank}[A|b]$  for all values of  $p$  and  $q$ .

**10b)** Find all  $p$  and  $q$  so that this system has

- i) a unique solution,
- ii) infinitely many solutions, and
- iii) no solutions.

**10c)** In case (ii) above, give a complete geometric description of the set of solutions.



11. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

a) Find  $\det(A - 2I_3)$  and hence conclude that 2 is an eigenvalue of  $A$ .

b) Find a basis of  $E_2 = \{x \in \mathbf{R}^3 \mid Ax = 2x\}$ .

11 c) Check that  $(1, 1, 1)$  is an eigenvector of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

11 d) If possible, find an invertible matrix  $P$  such that  $P^{-1}AP = D$  is diagonal and give this diagonal matrix  $D$ .

**12.** Let  $W = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbf{R}^3 \mid x - y - 2z = 0\}$ .

a) Find a basis of  $W$  and give the dimension of  $W$ .

b) Find an orthogonal basis of  $W$ .

**12c)** Find the best approximation to  $(1, 0, 0)$  by vectors in  $W$ .

**13.** a) Let  $A$  be a real  $n \times n$  matrix. Give 4 additional different statements which are equivalent to:

$$Ax = b \text{ is consistent for all } b \in \mathbf{R}^n.$$

(I)

(II)

(III)

(IV)

**13b)** State (in the box) whether the following are true or false. If true, explain why, if false, give a numerical example to illustrate.

i) If a 5 by 3 matrix  $A$  has rank 3, the system  $Ax = 0$  has a unique solution.

ii) If a 5 by 5 matrix  $A$  satisfies  $A^3 = 0$ , but  $A \neq 0$ , then  $A$  is invertible.

**14.** Let  $u = (1, 0, 0, 1)$ ,  $v = (0, 1, 1, 0)$  and  $w = (1, 0, 0, -1)$  be vectors in  $\mathbf{R}^4$ .

a) Carefully show, by any method, that  $\{u, v, w\}$  is linearly independent.

b) Find a vector  $z \in \mathbf{R}^4$  so that  $\{u, v, w, z\}$  spans  $\mathbf{R}^4$ , and support your answer.

**14c)** If  $(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) \in \text{span}\{u, v, w\}$ , find formulae in terms of  $x_1, x_2, x_3$  and  $x_4$  for the scalars  $c_1, c_2$  and  $c_3$  such that  $(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = c_1u + c_2v + c_3w$ .



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