



Linear Algebra

FINAL EXAM

MATH 226

Duration: 2H 30 min SECTION: Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Question:	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Points:	8	7	8	8	4	5	40
Score:							

**Answers written outside the allocated space will NOT be graded!!!**  
**Calculators are not allowed**

1. (a) [2 points] Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix satisfying  $A^3 = 2A^2 + A$ . Determine  $\lambda$  and  $\delta$  such that  $A^5 = \lambda A^2 + \delta A$ .

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- (b) [2 points] Show that if  $A$  is an antisymmetric  $3 \times 3$  matrix , then  $A$  is not invertible.

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- (c) [2 points] Prove that if a matrix  $A$  is an invertible  $n \times n$  matrix, then  $\text{adj}(A)$  is invertible. Determine  $[\text{adj}(A)]^{-1}$ .

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- (d) [2 points] Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix. Prove that if 0 is an eigenvalue of  $A$ , then  $A$  is not invertible.

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2. [7 points] Solve the following system regarding the values of  $\lambda$ :

$$\begin{cases} 2x_1 + (\lambda + 3)x_2 + 11x_3 = -1 \\ x_1 - \quad 2x_2 + \ 3x_3 = 0 \\ -x_1 + \quad 3x_2 + \ \lambda x_3 = 1 \end{cases}.$$



3. (a) [4 points] Determine the inverse (if it exists) of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -4 & 0 & 12 \\ -3 & 3 & 5 \\ -1 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

- (b) [4 points] Assume that  $\begin{vmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{vmatrix} = 2$ . Evaluate the determinant  $\begin{vmatrix} a & g & d \\ b & h & e \\ c+2a & i+2g & f+2d \end{vmatrix}$ .

4. (a) [3 points] Determine whether the subset  $W = \{(x, y, z) \mid 2(x-1)+3(y+1)-(z+1) = 0\}$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

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(b) [4 points] Determine whether the following set spans  $\mathbb{R}^4$ :

$$\{(1, -2, -4, 3), (2, 5, -2, 9), (1, 7, 2, 6), (0, 5, -4, 3), (2, -4, -8, 6)\}.$$

- (c) [1 point] Use (b) to determine whether  $W = \mathbb{R}^4$ .

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5. The only eigenvalues of the matrix  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  are 4 and 1.

- (a) [3 points] Prove that  $B$  is diagonalizable.

- (b) [1 point] Find an invertible matrix  $C$  such that  $C^{-1}BC$  is diagonal.

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6. (a) [2 points] Determine the standard matrix of the linear transformation:  $T_1 : \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  defined by  $T_1((x, y, z, w)) = (x - y - z, 2y + 4z, x - y + z + w)$ .

- (b) Consider the linear transformation  $T_2 : \mathbb{P}_3 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_3$  defined by

$$T_2(ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d) = (a + 2d)x^3 + (b + 2c)x^2 + (a + c + d)x.$$

- i. [2 points] Determine  $\text{Ker}(T_2)$ .

ii. [1 point] Determine a basis for  $\text{range}(T_2)$ .