

**Math 544, Final Exam, Summer 2012**

Write everything on the blank paper provided. **You should KEEP this piece of paper.** If possible: return the problems in order (use as much paper as necessary), use only one side of each piece of paper, and leave 1 square inch in the upper left hand corner for the staple. If you forget some of these requests, don't worry about it – I will still grade your exam.

The exam is worth 100 points. There are **10** problems on **TWO SIDES**. Each problem is worth 10 points. **SHOW** your work. **No Calculators or Cell phones.** Write your answers as legibly as you can. **Make your work be coherent and clear. Write in complete sentences.**

1. Define “dimension”. Use complete sentences. Include everything that is necessary, but nothing more.
2. Define “linear transformation”. Use complete sentences. Include everything that is necessary, but nothing more.
3. Let  $\mathcal{C}$  be the vector space of infinitely differentiable functions  $f(x)$  from  $\mathbb{R}$  to  $\mathbb{R}$ . Consider the function  $T$  from  $\mathcal{C}$  to  $\mathcal{C}$  which is defined by  $T(f(x)) = f''(x) + e^x \cdot f'(x) + \cos(x) \cdot f(x)$ . Is  $T$  a linear transformation? If yes, **prove it**. If no, **give an example**.

4. Give a basis for the null space of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 4 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 5 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 6 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

5. Give an orthogonal basis for the column space of  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

6. Let  $A$  be the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} -3 & 10 \\ -\frac{4}{3} & \frac{13}{3} \end{bmatrix}$ . Find  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A^n$ .

7. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be  $n \times n$  symmetric matrices. **State** a necessary and sufficient condition for the matrix  $AB$  to be symmetric. **Prove** both directions of your assertion. (You are supposed to state a true fact that looks like  $AB$  is symmetric if and only if  $XXX$ . Then you are supposed to prove that if  $AB$  is symmetric, then  $XXX$  happens. Then you are supposed to prove that if  $XXX$  happens, then  $AB$  is symmetric. Of course,  $XXX$  is more interesting than merely, “ $AB$  is symmetric”.)

8. Suppose that  $v_1$ ,  $v_2$ , and  $v_3$  are linearly independent vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $M$  is an invertible  $n \times n$  matrix. Do the vectors  $Mv_1$ ,  $Mv_2$ ,  $Mv_3$  have to be linearly independent? If yes, prove your answer. If no, give a counterexample.
9. Let  $U$  and  $V$  be finite dimensional subspaces of the vector space  $W$ . Recall that  $U \cap V$  and  $U + V$  are the vector spaces

$$U \cap V = \{w \in W \mid w \in U \text{ and } w \in V\} \quad \text{and}$$

$$U + V = \{w \in W \mid \text{there exists } u \in U \text{ and } v \in V \text{ with } w = u + v\}.$$

Give a formula which relates the following vector space dimensions  $\dim U$ ,  $\dim V$ ,  $\dim(U \cap V)$  and  $\dim(U + V)$ . Give a **complete and correct** proof of your formula.

10. Let  $W$  be the vector space of  $3 \times 3$  matrices,  $V$  be the subspace of  $W$  lower triangular matrices and  $U$  be the subspace of  $W$  of upper triangular matrices. Give a basis for  $U$ , a basis for  $V$ , a basis for  $U \cap V$  and a basis for  $U + V$ . (Recall that the matrix  $M$  from  $W$  is upper triangular if  $M_{i,j} = 0$  when  $j < i$  and  $M$  is *lower triangular* if  $M_{i,j} = 0$  when  $i < j$  for the vector spaces of upper and *lower triangular* matrices.)