

# MATH 3333

Final Exam

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- Calculators are not allowed. The problems are set so that you should not need calculators at all.
- Show as much work as possible. Answers without explanation will not receive any credit.
- Best of Luck.

i) Consider the function

$$L : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3 \text{ defined by } L\left(\begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 4u_2 \\ 4u_1 + 3u_3 \\ 3u_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

a) (10 points) Show that  $L$  is a linear transformation.

b) (10 points) Find a basis for and dimension of the Kernel of  $L$ .

c) (10 points) Find a basis for and dimension of the Range of  $L$ .

d) (10 points) Let  $S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  be the standard basis of  $R^3$ . Find the matrix representing  $L$  with respect to the ordered basis  $S$ .

e) (20 points) Let  $T = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  be another basis of  $R^3$ . Find the matrix representing  $L$  with respect to the ordered basis  $T$ .

ii) Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

a) (15 points) Find the characteristic polynomial and eigenvalues of  $A$ .

b) (20 points) Find the eigenspace associated to eigenvalues found in part (a).

c) (15 points) Find a non-singular matrix  $P$  which satisfies  $P^{-1}AP = D$ , where  $D$  is a diagonal matrix. Check the identity  $P^{-1}AP = D$  by explicit computation.

iii) (20 points) Use **Cramer's rule** to solve the following system of linear equations

$$2x - y + 4z = 0 \quad 3y - 3z = 2 \quad x + y + z = 1$$

iv) (30 points) Determine which of the given subsets forms a basis of  $R^3$ . Express the vector  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$  as a linear combination of the vectors in each subset that is a basis.

$$(a) \quad \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}, \quad (b) \quad \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

v) (20 points) Consider the following right angled triangle with sides  $a, b, c$ .

Consider the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a & 0 \\ a & 0 & b \\ 0 & b & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Show that the eigenvalues of  $A$  are  $0, c, -c$ .



vi) (20 points) Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & a & a^2 & a^3 \\ 1 & b & b^2 & b^3 \\ 1 & c & c^2 & c^3 \\ 1 & d & d^2 & d^3 \end{bmatrix}$ . Show that

$$\det(A) = (a - b)(a - c)(a - d)(b - c)(b - d)(c - d).$$

Hint : It is easier if you simplify the matrix before you start taking determinants. Also, you might find the following factorization formulas useful :  $x^2 - y^2 = (x - y)(x + y)$  and  $x^3 - y^3 = (x - y)(x^2 + xy + y^2)$ .