

**FALL 2014 MATH 24 LINEAR ALGEBRA  
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**Instructions:**

- (1) There are 10 multiple-choice problems (2 points each) and each problem has 5 choices, a subset of which is correct. Such subset could be empty.
- (2) No books, notes or electronic devices are allowed.
- (3) Write your answers to the left of each problem. If your answer is empty, leave blank or write  $\emptyset$ .
- (4) All notations are standard. Unless specified,  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $M_{n \times m}(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $\mathcal{L}(V, W)$  and their subspaces always have standard addition and scalar multiplication. Unless specified the field of scalars is always  $\mathbb{R}$ . All matrix operations assume that the matrices are of appropriate sizes for the operation to be valid.
- (5) Problems are *not* ordered by their difficulty.
- (6) If your answer is correct, then you receive 2 points; if the difference between the correct answer and your answer is 1, then you receive 1 point; otherwise you receive 0.
- (7) You can use the last page as scratch.

**Problem 1.** Which of the following are vector spaces?

- (A)  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , where the operations are defined as  $(x, y) + (z, w) = (x + z, y + w)$ ,  $c \cdot (x, y) = (cx, -cy)$ ;  
 (B) All integer numbers over the field  $F_2$ , where the addition is defined naturally and scalar multiplication is defined by  $0 \cdot x = 0$ ,  $1 \cdot x = x$ ;  
 (C)  $\{f \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}) : f' + f = 0\}$ ;  
 (D)  $\{cat, dog\}$  over  $F_2$ , where  $cat + cat = dog + dog = cat$ ,  $cat + dog = dog + cat = dog$ ,  $0 \cdot cat = cat$ ,  $0 \cdot dog = cat$ ,  $1 \cdot cat = dog$ ,  $1 \cdot dog = dog$ .  
 (E) All  $2 \times 2$  matrices whose rank (i.e., the rank of the corresponding left multiplication transformation) is less than or equal to 1.

**Problem 2.** Which of the following equations define subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^3 = \{(x, y, z) : x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}\}$ ?

- (A)  $xy + yz + zx = 0$ ;  
 (B)  $3x + 4y + 5 = 0$ ;  
 (C)  $z = 0$ ;  
 (D)  $x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 0$ ;  
 (E)  $xyz = 0$ .

**Problem 3.** Which of the following are linear transformations?

- (A)  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $T(x, y) = (x + y, xy)$ ;  
 (B)  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $T(a, b)(x) = ax + b$ ;  
 (C)  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $T(a, b, c)(x) = ae^x + bx + c$ ;  
 (D)  $T : \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $T(f)(x) = f(x + 1)$ ;  
 (E)  $T : \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $T(f) = (f(0), f(1))$ .

**Problem 4.** Let  $T : V \rightarrow W$  be linear and  $\dim(V) = 3$ ,  $\dim(W) = 5$ . Which of the following statements are true?

- (A)  $T$  cannot be surjective;  
 (B) If  $T$  is injective, then  $\text{null}(T) = 3$ ;  
 (C) If  $\text{rank}(T) = 2$ , then  $\text{null}(T) = 1$ ;  
 (D) If  $\text{null}(T) = 2$ , then  $\text{rank}(T) = 3$ ;  
 (E) If  $T$  is the zero map, then  $\text{null}(T) = 3$ .

**Problem 5.** Which of the following linear transformations are invertible?

- (A)  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $T(a, b) = (a + b, a - b)$ ;  
 (B)  $T : \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $T(f)(x) = 2f(2x)$ ;  
 (C)  $T : \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $T(f) = f(\sqrt{2})$ ;  
 (D)  $T : \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $T(f) = 2f + f'$ ;  
 (E)  $T : \mathcal{M}_{3 \times 3}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_{3 \times 3}(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $T(A) = A^t + A$ .

**Problem 6.** Which of the following matrices represent an onto (i.e., surjective) linear transformation?

- (A)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ; (B)  $\begin{pmatrix} -4 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ ; (C)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ; (D)  $\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ ; (E)  $\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

**Problem 7.** Which of the following matrices are invertible?

$$(A) (5); (B) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}; (C) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}; (D) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}; (E) \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

**Problem 8.** Which of the following  $\beta$  are bases for the corresponding vector spaces?

(A)  $V = \mathcal{P}_2(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $\beta = \{x^2 + x + 1, x + 1, x\}$ ;

(B)  $V = \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\beta = \{\pi\}$ ;

(C)  $V = \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\beta = \{1 + i, 1 - i\}$ ;

(D)  $V = M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $\beta = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ ;

(E)  $V = \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $\beta = \{f\}$  where  $f(x) = \pi x$ .

**Problem 9.** Which of the following collections of vectors are linearly independent (with respect to natural definitions of addition and scalar multiplication)?

(A)  $1, \pi$  in  $\mathbb{C}$ ;

(B)  $(1, 1, 2), (-1, 2, 3), (1, 4, 7)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ;

(C)  $x^2 + x + 1, x^2 - 1, x + 1$  in  $\mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R})$ ;

(D)  $x^3, x, 1$  in  $\mathcal{P}(F_3)$ ;

(E)  $I_V, 0_V$  (identity map and zero map) in  $\mathcal{L}(V)$ .

**Problem 10.** Which of the following statements are in general false?

(A)  $(AB)^t = B^t A^t$ ;

(B)  $(A^t)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^t$  if  $A$  is invertible;

(C)  $(A + B)^t = A^t + B^t$ ;

(D)  $AB^t = (BA^t)^t$ ;

(E)  $A^{-1} = ((A^t)^{-1})^t$  if  $A$  is invertible.

