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## Mathematics 21b

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Question	Points	Score
1	14	
2	10	
3	8	
4	10	
5	8	
6	10	
7	10	
8	6	
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11	6	
Total	100	

**No calculators are allowed.**

Justify your answers carefully (except for question 1).

Except for question 1, no credit can be given for unsubstantiated answers.

1. For each of the following, circle T for true or F for false. No explanation is necessary.

(a) T F If  $A$  is a real  $4 \times 4$  matrix with two real eigenvalues, 3 and 4, with geometric multiplicities 1 and 3 respectively, then there are exactly 2 different diagonal matrices  $D$  for which there is an invertible  $S$  satisfying  $S^{-1}AS = D$ .

(b) T F  $F(x, t) = e^{\mu n^2 t} e^{nx}$  is a solution of  $\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \mu \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2}$  for each integer  $n$ .

(c) T F If  $A$  is the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} -3 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & a & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

then the only values of the constant  $a$  for which the zero vector is an asymptotically stable equilibrium of the system  $\vec{x}(t+1) = A\vec{x}(t)$  are  $a < 0$ .

(d) T F Every  $n \times n$  matrix is diagonalizable over  $\mathbf{C}$ .

(e) T F The set of functions  $f$  in  $C^\infty$  for which  $f(9) = 0$  is a subspace of  $C^\infty$ .

(f) T F If  $A$  is a symmetric real  $5 \times 5$  matrix with characteristic polynomial

$$f_A(\lambda) = \lambda^5 - 4\lambda^4 + 7$$

then  $A$  cannot be positive definite.

(g) T F If  $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n$  is a basis for  $\mathbf{R}^n$  and  $\vec{w}_1, \vec{w}_2, \dots, \vec{w}_n$  is the result of applying Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization to the basis  $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n$ , then the determinant of the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} | & | & \cdots & | \\ \vec{w}_1 & \vec{w}_2 & \cdots & \vec{w}_n \\ | & | & \cdots & | \end{bmatrix}$$

must be 1.

2. Let  $A$  be a  $2 \times 2$  matrix such that  $\text{tr}(A) = 2$  and  $\det(A) = 0$ . Let  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  be the eigenvalues of  $A$ . Suppose that  $\lambda_1 > \lambda_2$ .

a) Find  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$ .

b) If

$$A \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \lambda_1 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$A \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \lambda_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

find  $A$ .

c) Solve the continuous dynamical system

$$\frac{d\vec{x}}{dt} = A\vec{x}, \quad \vec{x}(0) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Your answer should be a closed formula for  $\vec{x}(t)$ .

d) Sketch the phase portrait of the system

$$\frac{d\vec{x}}{dt} = A\vec{x}$$

e) Is the zero state an asymptotically stable equilibrium of this dynamical system ?

3. a) Find the Fourier series for  $\cos(\frac{t}{2})$ .

[Hint: You may find the formula  $\cos x \cos y = \frac{1}{2}(\cos(x+y) + \cos(x-y))$  useful]

b) Find a closed formula for

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{4n^2 - 1}$$

4. Let  $V$  be an  $m$ -dimensional subspace of  $\mathbf{R}^n$  with an orthonormal basis  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m$ .  
Let  $\vec{v}_{m+1}, \dots, \vec{v}_n$  be an orthonormal basis of  $V^\perp$ .  
Then  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n$  is an orthonormal basis of  $\mathbf{R}^n$ .

Let  $R$  be the linear transformation given by reflection in the subspace  $V$ .

- a) Let  $B$  be the matrix of  $R$  with respect to basis  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n$ . Find  $B$ .

- b) Let  $A$  be the matrix of  $R$  with respect to the standard basis. Find the eigenvalues of  $A$  and their geometric and algebraic multiplicities.

- c) For  $n = 3$ ,  $m = 2$ , and

$$\vec{v}_1 = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{v}_2 = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{v}_3 = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix},$$

find  $A$ .

5. Let  $A$  be an invertible  $n \times n$  matrix and  $\text{adj}(A)$  its classical adjoint matrix. Then  $A^{-1}$  is related to  $\text{adj}(A)$  via

$$A^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(A)} \text{adj}(A)$$

- a) What is the relationship between  $\det(\text{adj}(A))$  and  $\det(A)$ ?

- b) You are told that

$$\text{adj}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 12 \\ 2 & 5 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and that  $\det A > 0$ . Find  $A$ . [Hint: use part a) and the formula given above]

6. Let  $A$  be the matrix of the linear transformation from  $\mathbf{R}^3$  to  $\mathbf{R}^3$  given by reflection in the plane  $x = y$ . Let  $B$  be the matrix of the linear transformation from  $\mathbf{R}^3$  to  $\mathbf{R}^3$  given by reflection in the plane  $x = z$ .
- a) Write down the matrices  $A$  and  $B$ .

b) Find all eigenvalues and eigenvectors of  $AB$  (including complex ones).

c) It is a fact that the linear transformation whose matrix is  $AB$  is a rotation. Find the axis of rotation and the angle of rotation.

7. For each of the following, give one example of a linear transformation  $T : C^\infty \rightarrow C^\infty$  with that property.

a) Every real number is an eigenvalue of  $T$ .

b) 0 is an eigenvalue of  $T$  and the corresponding eigenspace  $E_0$  is 3-dimensional.

c) Every non-zero function in  $C^\infty$  is an eigenfunction of  $T$ .

d) The kernel of  $T$  is the subspace  $P_2$  consisting of all polynomials of degree 2 or less.

e) The image of  $T$  is 1-dimensional.

8. Find the least squares solution of the inconsistent linear system

$$\begin{aligned}x + 2y &= 1 \\2x - y &= 2 \\x + 3y &= 4\end{aligned}$$

9. a) Find all solutions to

$$\frac{d^3 f}{dx^3} - 2\frac{d^2 f}{dx^2} + 5\frac{df}{dx} = 0.$$

b) Find a simple polynomial solution to

$$\frac{d^3 f}{dx^3} - 2\frac{d^2 f}{dx^2} + 5\frac{df}{dx} = 10x.$$

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10. Let  $V$  be the three-dimensional subspace of  $\mathbf{R}^4$  spanned by the vectors

$$\vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -3 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

a) Find an orthonormal basis for  $V$ .

b) Find *all* vectors  $\vec{w}$  in  $V$  for which  $\vec{w}$  is orthogonal to both  $\vec{v}_1$  and  $\vec{v}_2$  and for which  $\|\vec{w}\| = 10$ .

11. a) Find the value of  $k$  such that  $f(t) = t + k$  and  $g(t) = t^2$  are orthogonal in  $C[-\pi, \pi]$ .

b) Find the value of  $k$  such that  $f(t) = t^2 + k$  and  $g(t) = t^2$  are orthogonal in  $C[-\pi, \pi]$ .