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- Do not open this exam until you are told to begin. You will have 50 minutes for the exam.
- Check that you have a complete exam. There are 4 questions for a total of 50 points.
- You are allowed to have one single sided, handwritten note sheet. Calculators are not allowed.
- Cheating will result in a zero and be reported to the Dean's Academic Conduct Committee.
- **Show all your work.** With the exception of True/False questions, if there is no work supporting your answer, you will not receive credit for the problem. If you need more space to answer a question, continue on the back of the page, and indicate that you have done so.

Question	Points	Score
1	16	
2	12	
3	11	
4	11	
Total:	50	

1. (16 points) True/False and short answer. No justification is necessary for the True/False questions.
- (a) If  $A$  and  $B$  are matrices such that  $AB = C$ , and  $C$  is invertible, then  $A$  and  $B$  are invertible.  
 True    False
- (b) If  $A$  is a  $4 \times 6$  matrix, then the maximum value of  $\text{rank}(A)$  is 6.  
 True    False
- (c) If  $A$  is an  $n \times m$  matrix such that  $A^T \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  is consistent for every  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ , then  $\text{row}(A) = \mathbb{R}^m$ .  
 True    False
- (d) If  $A$  is an invertible  $n \times n$  matrix, then  $\text{nullity}(A) = 0$ .  
 True    False
- (e) If  $A$  is a singular matrix that is row equivalent to  $B$ , then  $\det(A) = \det(B)$ .  
 True    False
- (f) Give an example of a matrix  $A$  such that  $\text{rank}(A) < \text{nullity}(A)$ .

(g) Find the determinant of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

- (h) Is  $A$  (the same  $A$  as in part (g)) invertible? If so, find  $A^{-1}$ . If not, write one column of  $A$  as a linear combination of the others.

2. Let  $A$  be the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(a) (4 points) Find a basis for the nullspace of  $A$ .

(b) (4 points) Find a basis for the column space of  $A$ .

(c) (4 points) Define a linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  by  $T(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$ . Is  $T$  onto or one-to-one? Justify your answer.

3. Let  $\mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , and let  $S = \text{span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2\}$ .

(a) (4 points) Find a matrix  $A$  such that the nullspace of  $A$  is equal to  $S$ .

(b) (4 points) Extend  $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2\}$  to a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$  (i.e., find another vector  $v$  such that  $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, v\}$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ).

(c) (3 points) Suppose  $T : \mathbb{R}^6 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  is a linear transformation such that the range of  $T$  is equal to  $S$ . What is the dimension of the kernel of  $T$ ? Justify your answer.

4. Let  $\mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(a) (2 points) Explain why  $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2\}$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

(b) (4 points) Write the vector  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$  in terms of this basis (i.e., write  $\mathbf{x}$  as a linear combination of  $\mathbf{u}_1$  and  $\mathbf{u}_2$ ). Your answer should involve  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ .

(c) (5 points) Suppose  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  is a linear transformation such that  $T(\mathbf{u}_1) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $T(\mathbf{u}_2) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find a matrix  $A$  such that  $T(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$ . (Hint: use your answer to part (b) to find a formula for  $T(\mathbf{x})$ ).