

MATH 308 M  
Exam I  
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HONOR STATEMENT

“I affirm that my work upholds the highest standards of honesty and academic integrity at the University of Washington, and that I have neither given nor received any unauthorized assistance on this exam.”

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Bonus	5	
Total	50	

- Your exam should consist of this cover sheet, followed by 4 problems and a bonus question. Check that you have a complete exam.
- Pace yourself. You have 50 minutes to complete the exam and there are 4 problems. Try not to spend more than 10 minutes on each problem.
- Show all your work and justify your answers.
- Your answers should be exact values rather than decimal approximations. (For example,  $\frac{\pi}{4}$  is an exact answer and is preferable to its decimal approximation 0.7854.)
- You may use TI-30X IIS calculator and one 8.5×11-inch sheet of handwritten notes. All other electronic devices (including graphing calculators) are forbidden.
- The use of headphones or earbuds during the exam is not permitted.
- There are multiple versions of the exam, you have signed an honor statement, and cheating is a hassle for everyone involved. DO NOT CHEAT.
- Turn your cell phone OFF and put it AWAY for the duration of the exam.

GOOD LUCK!

1. (16 Points) True / False and Short Answer (2 pages).

Clearly indicate whether the statement is true or false. **If true, justify your answer. If false, provide a counterexample.**

(a) **TRUE / FALSE** If  $\{\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, \vec{u}_3\}$  is a linearly dependent set of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^5$ , then  $\{\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, \vec{u}_3, \vec{u}_4\}$  is linearly dependent for any choice of  $\vec{u}_4$  in  $\mathbb{R}^5$ .

(b) **TRUE / FALSE** Let  $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_4\}$  be a set of linearly dependent vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Then  $\vec{v}_1 \in \text{span}\{\vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_4\}$ .

Give an example of each of the following. If there is no such example, write NOT POSSIBLE. You **do not** need to justify that your example satisfies the desired conditions.

(c) **Give an example** of a linear system of equations consisting of an infinite number of distinct equations and a finite number of variables with precisely one solution.

(d) **Give an example** of a system of equations with more variables than equations that has no solution.

(e) **Give an example** of a system of equations with no solution, but when one equation is removed, the new system has infinite solutions.

(f) **Give an example** of a matrix in echelon form with a pivot in every row where there are more columns than rows.

2. (10 Points)

- (a) Clearly circle the sets of vectors below that permit a linear combination equal to  $\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$  for any  $a, b$  real numbers. You are not required to show work on part (a). You may use your geometric intuition.

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \right\}, \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \right\}, \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\},$$

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}, \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -6 \\ -10 \end{bmatrix} \right\}, \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\},$$

- (b) Assume you circled the correct sets in part (a). What is the span of each of the circled sets?

- (c) Which of the circled sets are linearly independent sets? Which are not? **Justify your answer.**

- (d) Which of the non-circled sets are linearly independent sets? Which are not? **Justify your answer.**

3. (10 points) Let  $S = \{\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, \vec{u}_3, \vec{u}_4\}$  be a set of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^4$  where

$$\vec{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 4 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{u}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{u}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 8 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

(a) It turns out  $S$  is a linearly dependent set. Show this.

(b) Now write one of the vectors in the set  $S$  as a linear combination of the remaining vectors.

4. (14 points)

- (a) Find all values of  $a$  such that the set of vectors  $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3\}$  are linearly dependent. Then find all values of  $a$  such that the set spans  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . If you use a shortcut, justify your work with a theorem.

$$\vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ a \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ a \end{bmatrix}, \vec{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**BONUS:** (5 points) The span of the following vectors is a plane.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ -12 \end{bmatrix}$$

Write the scalar equation of the plane.