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Unless otherwise stated, you are required to show your work on each problem on this exam. The following rules apply:

- **Organize your work**, in a reasonably neat and coherent way, in the space provided. Work scattered all over the page without a clear ordering will receive very little credit.
- **Mysterious or unsupported answers will not receive full credit.** A correct answer, unsupported by calculations, explanation, or algebraic work will receive no credit; an incorrect answer supported by substantially correct calculations and explanations might still receive partial credit.
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Problem	Points	Score
1	9	
2	10	
3	11	
4	10	
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1. Suppose V is a subset of \mathbb{R}^n . For V to be a subspace, we require the three conditions.

1. $\mathbf{0} \in V$.
2. If $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in V$, then $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v} \in V$. (closed under addition.)
3. If $\mathbf{u} \in V$, $r \in \mathbb{R}$, then $r\mathbf{u} \in V$. (closed under scalar multiplication.)

For each of the following subsets V , decide whether each condition is satisfied. For example, you might say that conditions 1 and 3 hold, but condition 2 does not.

- (a) (3 points) Let $V \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$ be the set of all vectors of the form $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ x^2 \\ x^3 \end{bmatrix}$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

Solution: Condition 1 is satisfied, but not 2 or 3.

- (b) (3 points) Let $V \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ be the set of all vectors of the form $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ 2x \end{bmatrix}$ for $x \geq 0$.

Solution: Conditions 1 and 2 are satisfied, but not 3.

- (c) (3 points) Let $V \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$ be the set of all vectors of the form $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$ where y and z are any real numbers and x is an integer.

Solution: Conditions 1 and 2 are satisfied, but not 3.

2. Read each of the following statements carefully, and decide whether it is true or false. You are not required to justify your answers, but I recommend justifying them to yourself.

(a) (2 points) If A and B are equivalent matrices, then $\text{col}(A) = \text{col}(B)$.

False. For example, consider $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. The column spaces (which are just the spans of the columns) are not equal.

(b) (2 points) If A and B are $n \times n$ diagonal matrices, then $AB = BA$.

True. Write out two diagonal matrices - you will see that the product is a diagonal matrix whose diagonal is the product of the original two. Since multiplication of numbers is commutative, so is this multiplication.

(c) (2 points) Suppose $m > n$ and $T : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is a linear transformation with $T(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$. Then for any $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, the system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ is consistent.

False. The condition $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ is equivalent to T being onto, which isn't necessarily true just because $m > n$. For example, $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ could be the map sending everything to 0.

(d) (2 points) If A and B are $n \times n$ matrices with AB invertible, then A and B are also invertible.

True. If B is not invertible, then there is a nontrivial x with $Bx = 0$. But then $ABx = 0$ as well, so AB couldn't have been invertible. Therefore B has to be invertible. Now, if A is not invertible, there is a nontrivial x so that $Ax = 0 \implies AB(B^{-1}x) = 0$. Since B is invertible, we must have that $B^{-1}x$ is nonzero, and so AB can't be invertible. Therefore if AB is invertible, then both A and B are as well.

(e) (2 points) Suppose $T : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is a linear transformation, and $V \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is a subspace. Then the set of all $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ with $T(\mathbf{x}) \in V$ is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^m .

True. We can check all conditions of being a subspace, and they will hold since T is linear and V is a subspace.

3. (a) (3 points) Suppose A and B are $n \times n$ matrices and that A , B , and $A + B$ are invertible. Simplify the following expression as much as possible.

$$(AB)^{-1}BA + (A + B)^T(A^T + B^T)^{-1}$$

Solution: $B^{-1}A^{-1}BA + I$.

- (b) (3 points) Solve the following equation for the matrix X , where A, B and C are all $n \times n$ matrices and A and B are invertible.

$$AXB = C.$$

$$X = A^{-1}CB^{-1}.$$

- (c) (3 points) Give an example of an onto linear transformation $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ satisfying $T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

Consider the linear transformation $T(x) = Ax$ where A is the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

- (d) (2 points) Give an example of two 2×2 invertible matrices A and B whose sum $A + B$ is not invertible.

Let $A = I$ and $B = -I$, so that $A + B = 0$.

4. Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(a) (5 points) Find a basis for $\text{null}(A)$.

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

(b) (5 points) Find a basis for $\text{col}(A)$.

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$