

# Math 54 Final Exam (Practice 4)

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## Instructions:

- This exam is **110 minutes** long.
- No calculators, computers, cell phones, textbooks, notes, or cheat sheets are allowed.
- All answers must be justified. Unjustified answers will be given little or no credit.
- You may write on the back of pages or on the blank page at the end of the exam. No extra pages can be attached.
- There are 7 questions.
- The exam has a total of **200 points**.
- Good luck!

## Problem 1 (30 points)

Recall that  $P_4$  is the set of polynomials with real coefficients of degree  $\leq 4$ .

### Part (a)

Let  $U$  be the set of polynomials in  $P_4$  such that  $p(0) = 0$  and  $p(1) = -1$ . Is  $U$  a subspace of  $P_4$ ? If so, prove that  $U$  is a subspace, and find a basis for  $U$ . If not, give a proof that shows that  $U$  is not a subspace. [15 points]

### Part (b)

Let  $V$  be the set of polynomials in  $P_4$  such that  $p(-2) = 0$  and  $p(1) = 0$ . Is  $U$  a subspace of  $P_4$ ? If so, prove that  $V$  is a subspace, and find a basis for  $V$ . If not, give a proof that shows that  $V$  is not a subspace. [15 points]

## Problem 2 (30 points)

Consider the map  $T : P_2 \rightarrow M_{2 \times 2}$  given by

$$T(p(x)) = \begin{bmatrix} p(-1) & p(1) \\ p'(-1) & p'(1) \end{bmatrix}$$

### Part (a)

Prove that  $T$  is a linear transformation. [5 points]

### Part (b)

Find a basis for  $\ker(T)$  and a basis for  $\text{range}(T)$ . [25 points]

### Problem 3 (30 points)

Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} x & x+2 & 0 \\ x+2 & 2x+1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

#### Part (a)

Find all  $x$  such that the matrix  $A$  is positive definite. [15 points]

#### Part (b)

Is the matrix  $A$  positive semidefinite when  $x = 0$ ? Justify your answer with a proof or a computation. [15 points]

## Problem 4 (30 points)

Consider the subspace  $W$  of points  $(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3$  such that  $-3x + 2y - z = 0$ .

### Part (a)

Find an orthonormal basis for  $W$ . [10 points]

### Part (b)

Consider the linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  given by

$$T(v) = \text{proj}_{W^\perp}(v)$$

Find the matrix  $[T]_{\mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}}$  of  $T$  with respect to the standard basis  $\mathcal{B}$  for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

## Problem 5 (20 points)

Find the general solution to the following system.

$$x_1'(t) = x_1(t) + x_3(t)$$

$$x_2'(t) = x_2(t) + x_3(t)$$

$$x_3'(t) = x_1(t) + x_2(t) - x_3(t)$$

## Problem 6 (40 points)

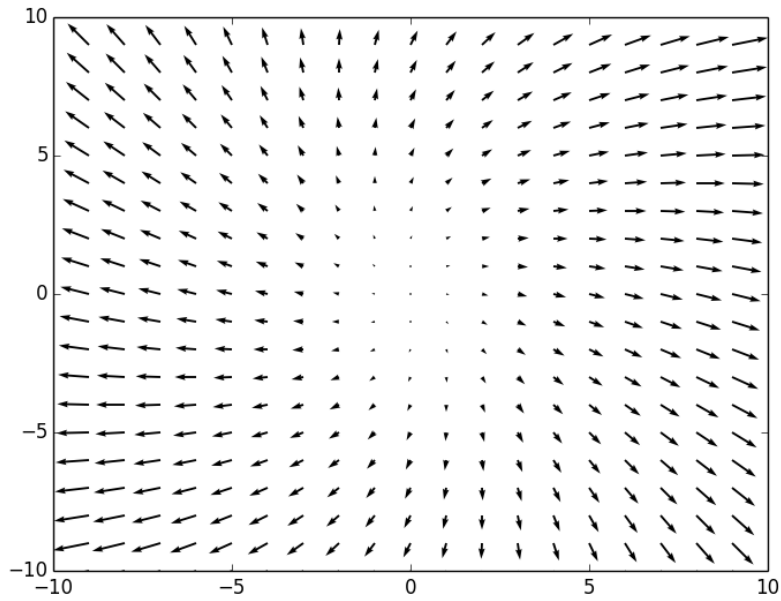
Find the Fourier series expansion for

$$f(\theta) = |\theta|, \quad -\pi < x < \pi$$

Use Plancherel's theorem to evaluate

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n-1)^4} = 1 + \frac{1}{81} + \frac{1}{625} + \dots$$

(Hint: You should get  $\widehat{f}(n) = \frac{\cos(n\pi)-1}{\pi n^2}$  for  $n \neq 0$ . Don't forget to also calculate  $\widehat{f}(0)$ .)



## Problem 7 (20 points)

Consider the system of differential equations given by

$$x_1'(t) = x_1(t) + 2x_2(t)$$

$$x_2'(t) = -2x_1(t) + 5x_2(t)$$

Find a general solution to this system. Then, consider the phase portrait that is shown above<sup>1</sup>. Is the phase portrait above a phase portrait for the given system? Justify your answer.

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<sup>1</sup>Figure generated using Matplotlib