

## MATH 54 – FINAL EXAM – STUDY GUIDE

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**Note:** The Final Exam is on **Friday, August 10th** in 4 Evans from 12:05 pm to 2 pm. It covers sections 6.1 – 6.5 and 6.7 of the Linear Algebra book and sections 10.2 – 10.6 of the Differential Equations book.

**Note:** 1.3.4 means ‘Problem 4 in section 1.3’

### CHAPTER 6: INNER PRODUCTS AND NORMS

- Determine if a set is orthogonal, or orthonormal (6.2.3, 6.2.21), and if a set is only orthogonal, know how to normalize it (try it out on 6.2.3)
- Use orthogonality to find  $a, b, c$  such that  $\mathbf{x} = a\mathbf{u} + b\mathbf{v} + c\mathbf{w}$  (6.2.7, 6.2.9) and remember the ‘hugging’-analogy/demo
- Find the orthogonal projection  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$  of  $\mathbf{x}$  on a subspace  $W$  or a line  $L$  (6.2.11, 6.3.5)  
And use this to:
  - Find a vector orthogonal to  $W$
  - Write  $\mathbf{x}$  as the sum of two vectors, one in  $W$  and another one orthogonal to  $W$  (6.3.1, 6.3.7)
  - Find the smallest distance between  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $W$  (6.2.15, 6.3.11)
- Determine if a matrix  $Q$  is orthogonal, and use this to calculate  $Q^T Q$ ,  $Q^{-1}$ ,  $\|Q\mathbf{x}\|$  (6.2.29)
- Know what  $Q Q^T$  means in terms of orthogonal projections (6.3.17)
- Use the Gram-Schmidt process to produce an orthogonal or orthonormal basis of a subspace  $W$  spanned by some vectors (6.4.1, 6.4.3, 6.4.5, 6.4.7, 6.4.9, 6.4.11)
- Find the least-squares solution (and least-squares error) of an inconsistent system of equations (6.5.1, 6.5.3, 6.5.5, 6.5.9, 6.5.11)
- Also understand *why* least-squares work, in terms of orthogonal projection (see lecture on least-squares, and 6.5.9)
- Know when an equation has a unique least-squares solution (it’s when the columns of  $A$  are linearly independent)  
**Note:** There will be no question on LU or QR factorizations  
**Note:** There will be no questions on linear models
- Find inner products, lengths, and orthogonal projections of functions  $f$  and  $g$  using  $f \cdot g = \int_a^b f(t)g(t)dt$  (6.7.21, 6.7.23)
- Use the Gram-Schmidt process to find an orthonormal basis of **functions** (6.7.25, 6.7.26)
- Remember the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality (6.7.19, 6.7.20)
- Know how to do cute mini-proofs with dot products (what I mean is look at 6.1.24, 6.7.17, 6.7.18)

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## CHAPTER 10: PARTIAL DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

- Solve boundary-value problems (10.2.1, 10.2.3, 10.2.4)
- Find all the numbers  $\lambda$  such that  $y'' + \lambda y$  has a nonzero solution (10.2.9, 10.2.10)
- Use separation of variables to solve a PDE (see heat and wave equations, and also 10.2.27)
- Calculate the Fourier series of a function  $f$  on a given interval, and determine to which function that Fourier series converges (10.3.9, 10.3.12, 10.3.13, 10.3.17, 10.3.20, 10.3.21)
- Calculate the Fourier cosine/sine series for a function  $f$ , and determine to which function that Fourier series converges to (10.4.5, 10.4.7, 10.4.11, 10.4.13, for the second part, you need to understand oddification and evenification, so see 10.4.1, 10.4.3)
- Use separation of variables and Fourier series to solve the heat and wave equations subject to various boundary/initial conditions (10.5.1, 10.5.2, 10.5.3, 10.5.5, 10.5.7, 10.6.1, 10.6.2, 10.6.3)

**Note:** There will be no question on the Laplace equation, nor will there be any questions on inhomogeneous heat/wave equations

**Note:** There will be no question on complex exponential Fourier series

## TRUE/FALSE EXTRAVAGANZA

Check out the following set of T/F questions (solutions are in the HW hints, but beware, there might be mistakes, e-mail me whenever something seems to be wrong): 6.1.19(abe), 6.1.20(abcd), 6.2.23, 6.2.24, 6.3.21, 6.3.22(acde), 6.4.17(ab), 6.4.18(ab), 6.5.17, 6.5.18(abcd)

Also, review the two T/F extravaganzas that we covered in lecture (on July 25/26), those are very good/important!

**Note:** There will be **NO** T/F questions about differential equations, and there will be **NO** T/F questions with justifications. However, there will be **5** T/F questions without justifications. They will *all* be linear algebra questions!

## CONCEPTS

Here are a couple of concepts we learned so far. You **don't** have to memorize the definitions, just have a rough idea of what those things are

- Dot (Inner) product, Norm
- Orthogonal, Orthonormal
- Orthogonal matrix
- Orthogonal projection
- Gram-Schmidt process (how it works)
- Least-Squares (why it works), Least-squares error
- Cauchy-Schwarz inequality
- $f \cdot g$
- Separation of variables
- Eigenvalue/Eigenfunction
- (full) Fourier series, Fourier cosine/sine series, evenification/oddification