

MATH 110 -1  
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Linear Algebra  
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Midterm I

1. (18pts) This part consists of 6 questions. Each question is worth 3pts. In each question give an example with the required properties or explain why such an example does not exist.
- (a) A vector space over  $\mathbf{R}$  of dimension 100.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  - (b) Two **isomorphic** vector spaces, one of which has dimension 17 and the second one has dimension 13.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  - (c) A linear transformation  $T : P_4(\mathbf{R}) \rightarrow M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbf{R})$  which is **one-to-one**.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  - (d) A generating set for  $P_2(\mathbf{R})$  which is not a basis.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  - (e) An infinite-dimensional vector space.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  - (f) A linear transformation  $T : \mathbf{R}^{80} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^{170}$  of rank 90.

2. (16pts) Suppose that  $V$  is a vector space of dimension 9 and that  $W$  is a vector space of dimension 11. Let  $T$  be a linear transformation

$$T : L(V, W) \rightarrow L(V, W).$$

Show that the nullity of  $T$  cannot equal the rank of  $T$ .

3. (16pts) Let  $V$  be a vector space over  $\mathbf{R}$ . Prove that every non-zero linear transformation  $T : V \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  is **onto**, and that every non-zero linear transformation  $S : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow V$  is one-to-one.

4. (50pts) Let  $W_1, W_2$  be subspaces of a vector space  $V$ . Define the **sum** of  $W_1$  and  $W_2$ , denoted  $W_1 + W_2$ , to be the set  $\{x + y \mid x \in W_1 \text{ and } y \in W_2\}$ .
- (a) (10pts) Prove that  $W_1 + W_2$  is a subspace of  $V$  that contains both  $W_1$  and  $W_2$ .
  - (b) (10pts) Let  $B_1$  be a basis for  $W_1$ , let  $B_2$  be a basis for  $W_2$ , Show that  $B_1 \cup B_2$  generates  $W_1 + W_2$ .
  - (c) (20pts) Suppose that  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  are disjoint. Prove that  $B_1 \cup B_2$  is a basis for  $W_1 + W_2$  if and only if  $W_1 \cap W_2 = \{0\}$ .
  - (d) (10pts) Prove that if  $V$  is finite-dimensional, then

$$\dim(W_1 + W_2) \leq \dim(W_1) + \dim(W_2).$$

When does equality hold?