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INSTRUCTIONS:

1. The paper consists of **10** printed pages, **excluding** the front page.
2. Read the questions carefully and answer all questions.
3. **Write out all calculations (steps) and motivate all answers.**
4. Questions are to be answered on the question paper in the space provided. Please indicate when the blank side of a page is used.
5. Non-programmable calculators are allowed.

Question 1

[4]

Choose the correct option for the multiple choice questions below and write your answer in the table provided.

Question	Answer
1.1	
1.2	
1.3	
1.4	

(1.1) If 3 is an eigenvalue of the matrix A , which value is guaranteed to be an eigenvalue of the matrix A^3 ? (1)

- (a) 3 (b) 27 (c) 9 (d) -3 (e) 0

(1.2) Let $\bar{p} = 4 - x$ and $\bar{q} = 4x^2 - 1$ be vectors in \mathcal{P}_2 . Find the cosine of the angle between \bar{p} and \bar{q} when \mathcal{P}_2 is equipped with the evaluation inner product at $-\frac{1}{2}$ and 4. (1)

- (a) 1 (b) 0 (c) -1 (d) $\frac{1}{2}$ (e) $-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$

(1.3) Consider $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. Is A an orthogonal matrix? (1)

- (a) Yes (b) No

(1.4) Suppose that V and W are vector spaces with dimensions 7 and 5, respectively. If $T : V \rightarrow W$ is a linear transformation having nullity 5, what is $\text{rank}(T)$? (1)

- (a) 0 (b) 2 (c) 4 (d) 3 (e) 5

Question 2

[6]

Determine whether the following statements are TRUE or FALSE. Motivate the statement if TRUE; provide a counter-example if FALSE.

- (a) If the characteristic polynomial of A does not have a constant term, then A is not invertible. (2)

- (b) If $A\bar{x} = \bar{b}$ is an inconsistent linear system, then $A^T A\bar{x} = A^T \bar{b}$ is also inconsistent. (2)

- (c) If $T : V \rightarrow V$ is a linear transformation and V is infinite-dimensional, then the rank of T is infinite. (2)

Question 3

[5]

Suppose the characteristic polynomial of some matrix A is found to be

$$p(\lambda) = \lambda(\lambda + 6)^2(\lambda + 3)^3.$$

In each part, answer the question and justify your answer.

(a) Is the rank of A equal to 6? (2)

(b) When will A be diagonalizable? (2)

(c) What is the value of $\det(A)$? (1)

Question 4

[4]

Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix. We say that A is an idempotent matrix if $A^2 = A$.

(a) Give an example of a nonzero, nonidentity idempotent matrix. (1)

(b) Show that $\lambda = 0$ and $\lambda = 1$ are the only possible eigenvalues of any idempotent matrix A . (3)

Question 5

[4]

Prove the Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality for nonzero vectors; that is, prove that if $\bar{u} \neq \bar{0}$ and $\bar{v} \neq \bar{0}$ are vectors in an inner product space V , then

$$|\langle \bar{u}, \bar{v} \rangle| \leq \|\bar{u}\| \|\bar{v}\|.$$

Question 6

[3]

Let M_{22} be the inner product space with the inner product defined by:

$$\langle U, V \rangle = u_1v_1 + 2u_2v_2 + u_3v_3 + 3u_4v_4 \quad ; \quad \text{for } U = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & u_2 \\ u_3 & u_4 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } V = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & v_2 \\ v_3 & v_4 \end{bmatrix} \text{ in } M_{22}.$$

Find a basis for W^\perp if W is the subspace of symmetric matrices.

Question 7

[5]

- (a) Let V be a real inner product space. For vectors \bar{u} and \bar{v} in V suppose that

$$\|\bar{u} + \bar{v}\|^2 = \|\bar{u}\|^2 + \|\bar{v}\|^2.$$

Show that \bar{u} and \bar{v} are orthogonal vectors. (2)

- (b) Use part (a) to prove that if an $n \times n$ matrix A satisfies $\|A\bar{x}\| = \|\bar{x}\|$ for all $\bar{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, then A is an orthogonal matrix. (3)

Question 8

[5]

If $b \neq 0$, orthogonally diagonalize $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & a \end{bmatrix}$.

Question 9

[3]

Consider the quadratic form $2x^2 - 4y^2 + 2xy = 1$.

- (a) Determine whether the quadratic form is positive definite, negative definite, or indefinite. Show all calculations. (2)

- (b) Hence, is this conic section a hyperbola, ellipse or neither? Explain. (1)

Question 10

[3]

Prove or disprove the statement: If A is an $n \times n$ symmetric matrix such that the determinant of every principal submatrix is negative, then A is negative definite.

Question 11

[3]

Consider the theorem:

Every real n -dimensional vector space V is isomorphic to \mathbb{R}^n .

(a) Define the transformation $T : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ used to prove this theorem. (1)

(b) Prove that T (defined in (a)) is linear. (2)

Question 12

[5]

Let $T : \mathcal{P}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be defined by

$$T(\bar{p}) = \begin{bmatrix} p(-1) \\ p(0) \\ p(1) \end{bmatrix} ; \quad \bar{p} \in \mathcal{P}_2.$$

- (a) Determine the kernel of T . (2)

- (b) Hence, is T onto \mathbb{R}^3 ? Explain. (1)

- (c) Is T invertible? If so, find a formula for T^{-1} . If not, explain why this is not the case. (2)