

**Exam: Linear Structures 1. PART 1**  
**Applied Mathematics, 2021-1A: Structures and Models**  
**November 7 2022; 8:45 - 10:15**

This exam consists of 10 problems which are divided into two parts:

**Grasple (digital):** 8 problems

**Open Questions (written):** 2 problems.

**Grasple**

Enter your answers in Grasple in the required form. Follow the instructions precisely. For the statements, you choose one of three options: true (T), false (F), or no answer (N). For each correct T or F you will receive (partial) points. One incorrect T or F results in zero points for that entire question.

**Total score for Grasple:** 50 points.

**Required score:** 25 points.

**Open Questions**

Write the solutions following the four steps.

**Step 1.** State the important information and summarize the problem.

**Step 2.** Devise a plan.

**Step 3.** Execute the plan.

**Step 4.** Analyze your solution and the answer.

Think, for example, of the following questions:

- Can you interpret the solution and/or the result intuitively?
- Does the solution/result make sense in special cases?
- Which role each condition played in the solution?
- Could you relax some assumptions of the problem?
- Is the problem related to other problems or results?

**Total score for Open Questions:** 40 points.

Steps 1+2: 40%, Step 3: 40%, Step 4: 20%.

**Required score:** 20 points.

A (graphical) calculator is not needed and is **not allowed** at the exam.

### PART 1: Grasp questions

1. [8pt] Which of the following sets are subspaces of the corresponding vector spaces? Indicate 'true' (T) if the set is a subspace. Otherwise, indicate 'false' (F), or give no answer (N).

**Instructions:** Write your answers as a string: e.g. **TFFN** means the first subset is a subspace, sets 2 and 3 are not a subspace and you give no answer to statement 4.

- (1) The set of all polynomials in  $P_3(F)$  with odd coefficients
- 0 (2) The set of all vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  of the form  $\begin{pmatrix} a+1 \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix}$  for  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ . §
- (3) The set of all vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  of the form  $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$  where  $y = x + 1$ . X
- (4) The set of all real-valued functions  $f \in \mathcal{F}(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$  such that  $f(1) = 1$ . §

2. [5pt] For each of the following statements, indicate whether the statement is true (T) or false (F), or give no answer (N).

**Instructions:** Write your answers as a string: e.g. **TFFN** means the first statement is true, statements 2 and 3 are false and you give no answer to statement 4.

- § (1) The set  $\{1, x + 3, x^2 - 2, x^2 + x\}$  is a linearly dependent subset of the space of polynomials. §
- (2) If  $S$  is a linearly dependent subset of  $V$ , then  $|S| > \dim(V)$ . X
- (3) If  $S$  is a linearly dependent subset of  $V$  then each set containing  $S$  is linearly dependent. §
- (4) If  $S$  is a linearly independent subset of  $V$ , then  $|S| < \dim(V)$ . X

3. [5pt] For each of the following statements, indicate 'true' (T) if the statement holds for **any** matrix  $A \in M_{5 \times 3}(F)$  and **any** matrix  $B \in M_{3 \times 5}(F)$ . Otherwise, indicate 'false' (F) or give no answer (N).

**Instructions:** Write your answers as a string: e.g. **TFFN** means the first statement is true, statements 2 and 3 are false and you give no answer to statement 4.

- 0 (1)  $\text{rank}(A) = 3$ . X
- (2)  $\text{rank}(AB) \leq \text{rank}(B)$ . §
- (3) The system  $B\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  has infinitely many solutions for any given  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ .
- (4)  $R(L_A) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^5$ .

4. [5pt] The linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  is given by  $T(a, b, c) = (a + b, 3c - a)$ . Consider two ordered basis  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  for  $\mathbb{R}^3$  and  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , respectively:

$$\alpha = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}, \quad \beta = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}.$$

Write down  $[T]_{\alpha}^{\beta}$ .

**Instructions:** Use the tool in GraspLe to create a matrix of the correct size and fill out its elements.

5. [5pt] Given is the matrix  $A \in M_{3 \times 3}$ :

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Find matrix  $B$  such that  $BA = I_3$ .

**Instructions:** Use the tool in GraspLe to create a matrix of the correct size and fill out its elements.

6. [7pt] Given is the following set  $W$  of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ :

$$\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 6 \\ -8 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -3 \\ -18 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

Find the basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  consisting of vectors in  $W$ .

**Instructions:** Give your answer as a set of vectors.

7. [5pt] The determinant of  $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ b & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ c & 7 & 8 & 9 \\ d & 10 & 11 & 12 \end{pmatrix}$  is equal to 3. Compute the determinant of matrix  $B$ :

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 2a & 2b & 2c & 2d \\ 2 & 5 & 8 & 11 \\ 1 & 4 & 7 & 10 \\ 3 - 2a & 6 - 2b & 9 - 2c & 12 - 2d \end{pmatrix}.$$

8. [10pt] The reduced echelon form of the augmented matrix  $Ax = b$  is given as follows:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

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a) Find the solution set for the system  $Ax = b$ .

**Instructions:** Give your answer in vector form.

b) What is the rank of  $A$ ?

c) What is the dimension of the null space of  $A$ ?