

Test 1

Linear Algebra MA 413/513

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**SHOW ALL YOUR WORK!**

In all of the following questions,  $V$  is a finite dimensional vector space over a field  $\mathbb{F}$ .

1. [10 points] Solve the equation  $z^3 + 8i = 0$ , where  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ .

2. [10 points] Prove or give a counterexample: if  $U_1, U_2, W$  are subspaces of  $V$  such that

$$V = U_1 \oplus W \text{ and } V = U_2 \oplus W,$$

then  $U_1 = U_2$ .

3. [20 points] Solve one of the following two questions as directed

- **For 413 students**

Let  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  be two subspaces of  $V$ .

- (a) Show that  $U_1 \cap U_2$  is a subspace of  $V$ .
- (b) Show that  $U_1 + U_2$  is a subspace.

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Let  $\mathbb{F}[z]$  be the vector space of all polynomials with coefficients from the field  $\mathbb{F}$ . Let

$$W = \mathbb{F}[z] \times \mathbb{F}^2 = \{(q, u); q \in \mathbb{F}[z], u \in \mathbb{F}^2\}.$$

Equip  $W$  with a vector addition  $(+)$  and a scalar multiplication  $(\cdot)$  in such a way that  $W$  becomes a vector space, and prove that  $W(+, \cdot)$  is a vector space over  $\mathbb{F}$ .

4. [20 points] Let  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  be two subspaces of  $V$ ,  
prove that  $V = W_1 \oplus W_2$  if and only if the following conditions hold
- (1)  $V = W_1 + W_2$  and
  - (2) If  $0 = w_1 + w_2$  with  $w_1 \in W_1$  and  $w_2 \in W_2$ , then  $w_1 = w_2 = 0$ .

5. [20 points] Suppose that  $v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5$  is a linearly independent list in  $V$ . Prove that the list

$$v_1 - v_2, v_2 - v_3, v_3 - v_4, v_5$$

is linearly independent.

6. [20 points] In each of the following subsets of  $\mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R})$ , prove or disprove that it is a subspace.

(a) The set of all  $f \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R})$  such that  $f(x) \leq 0$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

(b) The set of all  $f \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R})$  such that  $\int_0^1 f(x) dx = 1$ .

(d) The set of all  $f \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R})$  such that  $f(2)$  is an integer.

(c) The set of all  $f \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R})$  such that for some  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\alpha \frac{d^2 f}{dt^2} + \beta \frac{df}{dt} + \gamma f = 0.$$

7. [10 points] Solve one of the following two questions as directed

• **For 413 students**

Prove that  $U = \{(x_1, x_2, x_3) \in \mathbb{F}^3 \mid x_3 = x_1 + x_2\}$  is a subspace from  $\mathbb{F}^3$ .

• **For 513 students**

Consider the vector space  $V = \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R})$  of continuous functions  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

Let  $U_o \subset V$  and  $U_e \subset V$  be the sets of odd and even continuous functions respectively.

**Recall:**  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is *odd* if  $f(-x) = -f(x)$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , and is *even* if  $f(-x) = f(x)$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

(a) Show that for any  $f \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbb{R})$ ,

$$g(x) = \frac{f(x) + f(-x)}{2} \text{ is even, and } h(x) = \frac{f(x) - f(-x)}{2} \text{ is odd.}$$

(b) Prove that  $U_o$  and  $U_e$  are subspaces of  $V$ .

(c) Show that  $V = U_o \oplus U_e$ .