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MATH 23a, FALL 2002
THEORETICAL LINEAR ALGEBRA
AND MULTIVARIABLE CALCULUS
Midterm (in-class portion)
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Directions: You have one hour for this exam. No calculators, notes, books, etc. are allowed. Please answer on the pages provided. Show all work!

Problem	Points	per part	Score
1	23	1 each	
2	24	3 each	
3	15	5/10	
4	20	10/5/5	
5	20	5/5/10	
6	18	6 each	
Total	120	120	

1. Properties of Number Systems

For each entry in the following table, identify whether the number system at the head of the column has that property or not by placing a “Y” for yes and an “N” for no.

Property	\mathbb{N}	\mathbb{Z}	\mathbb{Q}	\mathbb{R}	$\mathbb{Z}/6\mathbb{Z}$
Existence of Additive Inverses					
Existence of Multiplicative Inverses					
Ordered					
Well-ordered					
Complete	X				X

2. True or False

- T** or **F** If $L : V \rightarrow V$ is an injective linear map, then it is surjective.
- T** or **F** If $L : V \rightarrow W$ is a bijective linear map, then $V \cong W$.
- T** or **F** If $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\} \subset V$ is a set of linearly independent vectors, then any $\mathbf{v} \in V$ may be written as a linear combination of these vectors in a unique way.
- T** or **F** If $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\} \subset V$ is a set of vectors such that none of them is a scalar multiple of any of the others, then the set is linearly independent.
- T** or **F** If $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\} \subset V$ is a set of vectors such that $\text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\} = V$, then $\dim(V) \leq n$.
- T** or **F** If $L : V \rightarrow V$ is a linear transformation, then $\text{Ker}(L)$ is a subspace of V .
- T** or **F** The set of vectors $\{(0, 1, 2), (1, 1, 1), (0, 0, 0)\}$ is linearly independent in \mathbb{R}^3 .
- T** or **F** If $V = \text{span}\{(0, 1, 2, 3, 4), (1, 1, 1, 1, 1)\}$, then $\dim(V) = 5$.

3. Let $\{a_n\}$ and $\{b_n\}$ be sequences of rational numbers.
- (a) Define what it means for $\{a_n\}$ to be a **Cauchy sequence**.
 - (b) If $\{a_n\}$ and $\{b_n\}$ are both Cauchy sequences, show that $\{a_n \cdot b_n\}$ (the term-by-term product of the original two sequences) is also a Cauchy sequence.

4. Let $T : V \rightarrow V$ be a non-zero linear map. We consider the situation when $T^2 = 0$.

(Note that $T^2 = T \circ T$, in other words, T composed with itself, and 0 is the zero linear map that takes every vector in V to $\mathbf{0}$.)

- (a) Show that $T^2 = 0$ if and only if $Im(T) \subset Ker(T)$.
- (b) Show that if $T^2 = 0$ and $dim(V) = 3$, then $dim(Ker(T)) = 2$.
- (c) Give an example of a non-trivial vector space V and a non-trivial linear map $T : V \rightarrow V$ satisfying $T^2 = 0$.

5. Let $P_3 = \{a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3 \mid a_0, a_1, a_2, a_3 \in \mathbb{R}\}$ be the vector space of polynomials of degree three or less with real coefficients. Consider the linear map $I : P_3 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $I(p(x)) = \int_0^1 p(x) dx$, for $p(x) \in P_3$.

(a) Find $\dim(\text{Ker}(I))$.

(b) Exhibit a basis for $\text{Ker}(I)$.

(c) Prove that your answer to part (b) is in fact a basis.

6. Let V be a vector space over the field F , and let W be a subspace of V . We define the **quotient space** V/W as follows:

$$V/W = \{\mathbf{v} + W \mid \mathbf{v} \in V\} / \sim,$$

where $\mathbf{v}_1 + W \sim \mathbf{v}_2 + W$ if and only if $\mathbf{v}_1 - \mathbf{v}_2 \in W$.

The elements of the quotient space are called **cosets**, and they have the form

$$\mathbf{v} + W = \{\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w} \mid \mathbf{w} \in W\}.$$

If we define addition and scalar multiplication as follows:

$$(\mathbf{v}_1 + W) + (\mathbf{v}_2 + W) = (\mathbf{v}_1 + \mathbf{v}_2) + W$$

$$c \cdot (\mathbf{v} + W) = (c \cdot \mathbf{v}) + W$$

for any $c \in F$ and any $\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2 \in V$, then in fact, the quotient space V/W is a vector space over F .

- (a) It is a fact that \sim is an equivalence relation. Show that \sim is *transitive*.
- (b) It is a fact that addition and scalar multiplication are well-defined. Show that *addition* is well-defined.
- (c) It is a fact that V/W is a vector space over F . Show that V/W satisfies axiom V3 concerning *additive identities*.