

## Show all works

1. Find the complete solution in the form  $\mathbf{x}_p + \mathbf{x}_n$  to the system  $\begin{cases} x + y + z = 2 \\ x - y + z = 2 \end{cases}$ , where  $\mathbf{x}_p$  is a particular solution and  $\mathbf{x}_n$  is the general solution. [10%]

2. Can it be done for a  $3 \times 3$  matrix  $A$  whose nullspace equals its column space. If you think it is right, then find one; otherwise, prove that it can not be done. (Nullspace =  $\{\mathbf{x}: A\mathbf{x} = \vec{0}\}$  and Column space = {all linear combinations of column vectors of  $A$ }) [10%]

3. Find the Jordan form of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 6 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$  and the decomposition  $A = MJM^{-1}$ . [20%]

4. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$  with three eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3$ . Show that the trace of  $A = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3$ . [20%]

5. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(a) Find the characteristic polynomial of  $A$ . [5%]

(b) Find the minimal polynomial of  $A$ . [5%]

(c) Let  $f(x) = x^5 - 7x^4 + 9x^3 + 9x^2 - 7x + 8$ . Find  $f(A)$ . [5%]

(d) Find an invertible matrix  $P$  such that  $P^{-1}AP$  is a diagonal matrix. [5%]

6. Let  $A^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find  $A$ . [10%]

7. One way to solve the system of simultaneous equations  $\begin{cases} ax + by = \alpha \\ cx + dy = \beta \end{cases}$  is to solve its corresponding matrix equation,

$$A\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ax + by \\ cx + dy \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{bmatrix},$$

which tells us how the matrix  $A$  acts on the vector  $\mathbf{x}$ . Use this fact to show that

$$AB \equiv \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e & f \\ g & h \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ae + bg & af + bh \\ ce + dg & cf + dh \end{bmatrix}.$$

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