

Faculty of Science  
Department of Mathematics & Statistics

FINAL EXAMINATION - MATH 221 L10 - FALL 2006

Time: 3 hours

**NOTE:** No calculator allowed.

I.D. NUMBER	SURNAME	OTHER NAMES

STUDENT IDENTIFICATION

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EXAMINATION RULES

1. Students late in arriving will not normally be admitted after one-half hour of the examination time has passed.
2. No candidate will be permitted to leave the examination room until one-half hour has elapsed after the opening of the examination, nor during the last 15 minutes of the examination. All candidates remaining during the last 15 minutes of the examination period must remain at their desks until their papers have been collected by an invigilator.
3. All enquiries and requests must be addressed to supervisors only.
4. Candidates are strictly cautioned against:
  - (a) speaking to other candidates or communicating with them under any circumstances whatsoever;
  - (b) bringing into the examination room any textbook, notebook or memoranda not authorized by the examiner;
  - (c) making use of calculators and/or portable computing machines not authorized by the instructor;
  - (d) leaving answer papers exposed to view;
  - (e) attempting to read other students' examination papers.

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5. Candidates are requested to write on both sides of the page, unless the examiner has asked that the left half page be reserved for rough drafts or calculations.
6. Discarded matter is to be struck out and not removed by mutilation of the examination answer book.
7. Candidates are cautioned against writing in their answer books any matter extraneous to the actual answering of the question set.
8. The candidate is to write his/her name on each answer book as directed and is to number each book.
9. A candidate must report to a supervisor before leaving the examination room.
10. Answer books must be handed to the supervisor-in-charge promptly when the signal is given. Failure to comply with this regulation will be cause for rejection of an answer paper.
11. If a student becomes ill or receives word of domestic affliction during the course of an examination, he/she should report at once to the Supervisor, hand in the unfinished paper and request that it be cancelled. Thereafter, if illness is the cause, the student must go directly to University Health Services so that any subsequent application for a deferred examination may be supported by a medical certificate. An application for Deferred Final Examinations must be submitted to the Registrar by the date specified in the University Calendar. **Should a student write an examination, hand in the paper for marking, and later report extenuating circumstances to support a request for cancellation of the paper and for another examination, such request will be denied.**
12. SMOKING DURING EXAMINATIONS IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED.

QUESTION	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	TOTAL
MARKS	/8	/10	/6	/10	/8	/8	/50

**Question 1 (8 points)**

Consider the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & (2-a) \\ 1 & a & a \end{bmatrix}$  where  $a$  can be any real number.

[3] **a)** Find all values of  $a$  such that  $A$  is invertible.

[1] **b)** Find all values of  $a$  such the system of linear equations  $AX = B$  does **not** have a unique solution.

[3] **c)** Find all values of  $a$  and all values of  $b$  such that the system of linear equations  $AX = B$  has infinitely many solutions, where  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ b \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Question 2 (10 points)**

Consider a dynamical system  $V_{k+1} = AV_k$  with initial conditions  $V_0$ .

[2] a) If  $P$  can be found such that  $P^{-1}AP = D$  is a diagonal matrix, then explain how you can efficiently compute the matrix powers  $A^k$  and then  $V_k$  itself.

[6] b) Assume now that the dynamical system is such that:

$$V_k = \begin{bmatrix} x_k \\ x_{k+1} \end{bmatrix}, \quad V_0 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3/4 \\ 1/4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

It turns out that  $A$  is diagonalizable, and in fact

$$\frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3/4 \\ 1/4 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

which we can write as  $P^{-1}AP = D$ . Find an explicit formula for  $x^k$ .

[2] c) With justification, what will eventually happen with  $x_k$  as  $k$  gets large?

**Question 3 (6 points)**

Consider the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ i & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

[2] **a)** With justification, show that the characteristic polynomial of  $A$  is

$$c_A(x) = x^2 - 2x + (1 + i).$$

[4] **b)** Find the eigenvalues of  $A$ , and express them in either standard or polar form.

**Question 4 (10 points)**

Consider the four points  $ABCD$  with coordinates  $A(2, 1, -3)$ ,  $B(2, 1, -1)$ ,  $C(1, 2, -1)$ , and  $D(3, 0, 0)$ .

[2] **a)** Justify that the four points lie in the same plane.

[4] **b)** What is the point of intersection of the diagonals?

[2] **c)** With justification, are any two opposite sides of the quadrilateral  $ABCD$  parallel?

[2] **c)** With justification, are any two adjacent sides perpendicular?

**Question 5 (8 points)**

Consider the following lines:

$$(L1) \begin{cases} x = -1 - 3s \\ y = 3 + 2s \\ z = 1 + s \end{cases} \text{ and } (L2) \begin{cases} x = -1 + 2t \\ y = 1 - t \\ z = -t \end{cases}$$

[4] **a)** Find the shortest distance between these two lines.

[2] **b)** Find the points on each line closest to each other

**Question 6 (8 points)**

[2] **a)** Consider the transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  given by  $T \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x + y \\ x - y \end{bmatrix}$ . With justification, is  $T$  as a matrix transformation?

[4] **b)** Show that any linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  is a matrix transformation.

[2] **c)** Consider the reflection in the line  $y = x + 1$  as a transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ . With justification, is  $T$  a linear transformation?