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Midterm 1  
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Time Limit: 50 Minutes

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You are required to show your work on each problem on this exam. The following rules apply:

- **If you use a “theorem” you must indicate this** and explain why the theorem may be applied.
- **Organize your work**, in a reasonably neat and coherent way, in the space provided. Work scattered all over the page without a clear ordering will receive very little credit.
- **Mysterious or unsupported answers will not receive full credit.** A correct answer, unsupported by calculations, explanation, or algebraic work will receive no credit; an incorrect answer supported by substantially correct calculations and explanations might still receive partial credit.
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Problem	Points	Score
1	50	
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3	50	
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1. Let

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} e \\ f \end{pmatrix}. \quad (1)$$

- (a) (40 points) Suppose that  $a \neq 0$ , compute the solution of  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$  using row reduction and provide the conditions on  $a, b, c, d$  such that your computations are valid. (**Hint:** remember that you can not divide by zero.)

- (b) (5 points) If  $a = 0$ , and  $c \neq 0$ , is your above computation still valid? How would you modify it? (explain briefly) (**Hint:** remember that you can swap the equations and the result is the same.)

- (c) (5 points) If  $a = 0$ ,  $c = 0$ , but  $b \neq 0$ ,  $d \neq 0$ , what are the conditions on  $e$  and  $f$  such that the system  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$  has a solution? Is the solution unique? (**Hint:** remember that  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$  has a solution if and only if  $\mathbf{b}$  can be written as a linear combination of the columns of  $\mathbf{A}$ .)

2. Consider the transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  given by

$$T(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} x_2 - x_1 \\ x_1 + x_2 \\ hx_3 + q \end{pmatrix}, \text{ where } \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix}; \quad (2)$$

in which,  $h$  and  $q$  are real numbers.

(a) (5 points) What is the condition on  $q$  such that the transformation is linear? (**Hint:** remember that if  $T$  is linear then  $T(c\mathbf{x}) = cT(\mathbf{x})$ , which is valid for  $c = 0$ .)

(b) (10 points) **From now we suppose that**  $q = 0$ . Write the associated matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  of the transformation  $T$ . (**Hint:** remember that  $\mathbf{A}(:, i) = T(\mathbf{e}_i)$ .)

(c) (10 points) What is the condition on  $h$  such that the transformation  $T$  is **NOT** one-to-one? Explain briefly.

- (d) (5 points) What is the condition on  $h$  such that the transformation  $T$  is **NOT** onto  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ? Explain briefly.

- (e) (5 points) **Suppose that**  $h = 0$ , then

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and let } \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ r \end{pmatrix}. \quad (3)$$

What is the condition on  $r$  such that the system  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$  has a solution? Is the solution unique? (**Hint:** remember to check that the system is consistent.)

- (f) (15 points) **Suppose that  $h = 0$  and  $r = 0$ .** Solve  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$  and give the answer in parametric form.

3. (50 points) Write a small Matlab code that performs the following operations.
- (a) (22 points) Write using the C convention a matrix-vector multiplication,  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{Ax}$  for a matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and a vector  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . The inputs are  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{x}$  and the output is  $\mathbf{y}$
- (b) (22 points) Write using the Fortran convention a matrix-vector multiplication,  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{Ax}$  for a matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and a vector  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . The inputs are  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{x}$  and the output is  $\mathbf{y}$
- (c) (6 points) Knowing the MATLAB uses the Fortran convention to store matrices, which algorithm will run faster if implemented in MATLAB? and why?