

# MTH 165

Midterm 2

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- Show work and justify all answers. You may not receive full credit for a correct answer if insufficient work or justification is given. Please record your final answers in the answer boxes.
- You are responsible for checking that this exam has all 6 problems.

**HONOR PLEDGE:**

I affirm that I will not give or receive any unauthorized help on this exam, and all work will be my own.

**YOUR SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_

1. (10 points) Let  $A, B$  and  $C \in M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{R})$  be such that  $C$  is an invertible matrix and  $AB = C^3$ . Show that  $B$  is an invertible matrix.

2. (10 points) Given that

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix} = 1,$$

find the following determinant:

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} 2a + d & 2b + e & 2c + f \\ 2d + g & 2e + h & 2f + i \\ 2g + a & 2h + b & 2i + c \end{bmatrix}.$$

Completely justify your answer.

3. (20 points) For the following vector spaces  $V$ , determine whether or not the given set  $W$  is a subspace of  $V$ . In either case, justify your answer thoroughly.

(a)  $V = \mathbb{R}^4$  and  $W = \{(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) \in V \mid x_1 + x_2 = x_3 + x_4\}$ ;

(b)  $V = P_4(\mathbb{R})$  (i.e., the vector space of polynomials with real coefficients, having degree at most equal to 4) and  $W = \{p \in V \mid p(1)p(2) = 2p(3)\}$ .

4. (10 points) Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Determine whether  $A \in \text{span}\{A_1, A_2, A_3\}$  or not. If so, express  $A$  as a linear combination of  $A_1, A_2$ , and  $A_3$ . Otherwise, explain why this is not possible.

5. (10 points) Let  $V = M_{3 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$  and consider the subspace

$$W = \{A \in V \mid a_{11} + a_{22} = 3a_{12} + 2a_{32}\}.$$

Find a spanning set for  $W$ . Completely justify your answer.

6. (10 points) Is the set of polynomials

$$\{x^3 - x, 2x^2 + 4, -2x^3 + 3x^2 + 2x + 6\} \subseteq P_3(\mathbb{R})$$

linearly independent? If so, justify why; if not, find an explicit linear dependence.