

Follow the instructions for each question and show enough of your work so that I can follow your thought process. If I can't read your work, answer or there is no justification to a solution, you will receive little or no credit! On the actual exam the last page will have a list of matrices and their row reduced echelon or row echelon forms that you may or may not need.

1. Compute the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of  $A$  if

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

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$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ -2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

3. Let  $P$  be a square matrix with the property that  $P^2 = P$ . What are the possible eigenvalues of  $P$ ? Be sure to justify.

4. Show that if  $A^2$  is the zero matrix, then the only possible eigenvalue is 0.

5. Let  $\lambda$  be an eigenvalue for a square matrix  $A$ . Show that  $\lambda^k$  is an eigenvalue for  $A^k$  for some natural number  $k$ .

6. Suppose a square matrix  $A$  has 0 as an eigenvalue. Show that  $A$  cannot be invertible.

7. Use the Gram-Schmidt process to find an orthonormal basis for  $S = \{1, t, t^2\}$  the standard basis for  $P_2$  with the following inner product

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_0^1 f(t)g(t) dt .$$

8. Use the Gram-Schmidt process to find an orthonormal basis for  $S = \{1, t\}$  the standard basis for  $P_1$  with the following inner product

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_0^1 f(t)g(t) dt .$$

9. Let  $P$  be a  $n \times n$  matrix whose columns are orthonormal. For  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , show that  $\|P\mathbf{x}\| = \|\mathbf{x}\|$ . (HINT: If the columns of  $P$  are orthonormal than what is  $P^tP$  equal to?)

10. Let  $P$  be a  $n \times n$  matrix whose columns are orthonormal. Show  $\langle Px, Py \rangle = 0$  if and only if  $\langle x, y \rangle = 0$ . Here  $\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle$  is the dot product in  $\mathbb{R}^n$

11. Let  $A$  be a square matrix with real entries such that  $A = A^t$ . Show that if  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$ , then  $\lambda$  must be real, that is  $\lambda = \bar{\lambda}$ . (HINT: Consider  $\langle Av, v \rangle$ , here  $\langle u_1, u_2 \rangle$  is just the usual dot product in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .)

12. Let  $A$  be a square matrix with real entries such that  $A = A^t$ . Show that if  $\lambda_1 \neq \lambda_2$  are eigenvalues, then the corresponding eigenvectors  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  must be orthogonal. (HINT: use the hint from the previous problem.)