

Instructions: READ THIS

Here's how I recommend using this mock midterm.

- (i) Find a day where you can set aside 50 minutes at the scheduled exam time (i.e. 3:10-4:00 PM).
- (ii) Set a timer for 50 minutes.
- (iii) Go through the exam as you would on the test date. Simulate test conditions as accurately as possible.
- (iv) Afterwards, grade yourself (you'll have to estimate reasonable point deductions - **don't grade yourself gently**).
- (v) On places you missed points, use this as an opportunity to review selected material.
- (vi) If you found yourself struggling to finish in the allowed time this indicates you're not as solid on the material as you might have thought.
- (vii) It might be nice to take it with a friend or a study group and discuss your results with each other at the end.

Now, here's how **NOT** to use this mock midterm.

- (i) **Don't** flip through it before sitting and taking it (i.e. no peeking!) You're really only hurting yourself by doing this.
- (ii) **Don't** take it and go easy on yourself either with time or with grading.
- (iii) **Don't** view this as any assurance of the difficulty of the actual test. I am aiming for similarity in style and a rough approximation of difficulty but, for what I hope are obvious reasons, this isn't ever actually possible.
- (iv) **Don't** use your (presumed excellent) performance on this as a reason to become complacent. There's a lot of material from which you can be tested so there's plenty of further opportunity to be challenged on the test day.

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MAT224: Linear Algebra II

PRACTICE Midterm Exam #2

Duration: 50 minutes

Total: 86 marks

Family Name: _____
(Please Print- You will lose 3 points for getting this wrong)

Given Name(s): _____
(Please Print)

Student Number: _____

Toronto Email: _____

Signature: _____

You may NOT use calculators, or any electronic devices during the test. You must completely justify your answers. Do NOT remove any pages from the test booklet.

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Problem 1:	/20	Problem 2:	/10
Problem 3:	/15	Problem 4:	/20
Problem 5:	/21		
		TOTAL:	/86

Problem 1. (20 points, 10 points each).

(i) Given an $n \times n$ matrix A , define the **characteristic polynomial** of A .

(ii) State the dimension theorem.

Problem 2. (10 points). Let $T : P_3(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow P_3(\mathbb{R})$ be the linear map defined by $T(p)(x) = x^2 p''(x)$. Find all eigenvalues and eigenvectors of T . Is T diagonalizable? Why or why not?

Problem 3. (15 points). Let $T : V \rightarrow V$ be a linear map on real vector space V . Suppose that T^2 is injective. Prove that T must be injective.

Problem 4. (20 points). Let V be a finite dimensional real vector space. If $S, T \in \mathcal{L}(V, V)$ prove that ST and TS have the same eigenvalues whenever T is an isomorphism. (*Actually, the result is true even when T is not an isomorphism, so your proof need not depend on this fact, it's just one way to prove this is easier if you make this assumption.*)

Problem 5. (3 points for each correct answer, minus 2 points for each incorrect answer for a minimum of 0 points or a maximum of 21 points). For the following questions, answer using the word “True” or the word “False”. You **don’t need to justify your answer** to receive full credit. There’s no partial credit.

- (i) True/False: Invertible linear transformations are diagonalizable.

- (ii) True/False: Isomorphisms are both injective and surjective.

- (iii) True/False: If A is $n \times n$ and $\det(A) = 0$ then the characteristic polynomial $p_A(t) = t^k q(t)$ for some $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and $q(0) \neq 0$.

- (iv) True/False: Let V and W be finite dimensional real vector spaces. If $T : V \rightarrow W$ is linear and invertible, then $\dim(V) = \dim(W)$.

- (v) True/False: Suppose $T : V \rightarrow W$ is linear, for real vector spaces, and $\dim(V) = 3$, $\dim(W) = 2$. Then $\dim(\ker(T))$ can equal 0.

- (vi) True/False: Similar matrices are isomorphic.

- (vii) True/False: Let A, B be $n \times n$ similar matrices. Then $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(B)$.

(extra paper)