

**UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA**  
**DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS**  
 MATH 1210 Techniques of Classical and Linear Algebra  
 SECOND TERM TEST  
 November 9, 2011 5:30 – 6:30 PM

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO STUDENTS:**

*Fill in all the information above.*

*This is a 1 hour exam.*

**No** notes, books, cell phones, calculators or other computing devices are permitted.

**Show your work clearly** for full marks.

*This test has a title page, 6 pages of questions, and 1 blank page for rough work. Please check that you have all pages.*

*The value of each question is indicated in the left-hand margin beside the statement of the question. The total value of all questions is 100.*

*Answer all questions on the exam paper in the space provided. If you need more room, you may continue your work on the **reverse** side of the page, but **clearly indicate** that your work is continued there.*

Question:	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Points:	27	17	17	13	19	7	100
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1. Consider the polynomial  $P(x) = x^5 - 2x^4 - 4x^3 + 4x^2 - 5x + 6$ .

[6] (a) Use Descartes' rules of signs to state the number of possible positive and negative roots of  $P(x)$

[4] (b) Use the Rational Root Theorem to list all possible rational roots of  $P(x)$ .

[12] (c) Given that  $i$  is a root of  $P(x)$ , find the other roots of this polynomial.

[5] (d) Express  $P(x)$  as the product of linear factors only.

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**2.** Consider the vectors  $\vec{v}_1 = a\vec{i} + 2\vec{j} + 4\vec{k}$  and  $\vec{v}_2 = a\vec{i} + 2\vec{j} + a\vec{k}$ , where  $a$  is a real number.

[7] (a) Determine for which values of  $a$  the vectors  $\vec{v}_1$  and  $\vec{v}_2$  are perpendicular.

[10] (b) Determine the values  $a$  for which  $\vec{v}_1 \times \vec{v}_2 = \vec{0}$ .

**3.** Let  $\mathcal{P}$  denote the plane that is determined by the points  $P_1(1, 1, 0)$ ,  $P_2(1, 0, 1)$  and  $P_3(0, 1, 1)$ . Find

[12] (a) the point-normal equation for  $\mathcal{P}$ .

[5] (b) the equations in symmetric form of the line which is perpendicular to the plane  $\mathcal{P}$  and contains the point  $P_1$ .

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4. Given the matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , indicate whether or not the expressions below are defined. If an expression is defined, evaluate the resulting matrix; if it is not defined, explain why not.

[2] (a)  $A^T$ .

[3] (b)  $A + A^T$ .

[8] (c)  $AA^T$ .

5. Consider the system of linear equations.

$$2x + 6w = 2; \quad z + 7w = 1; \quad 2x + y + 3w = 1; \quad 4x + 15w = 1.$$

[4] (a) Write down the augmented matrix of this system.

[15] (b) Solve the system by using Gauss-Jordan elimination. Clearly indicate the elementary row operations that you use.

[7] **6.** Evaluate

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 7 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 4 & 0 & 0 & 15 \end{pmatrix}.$$

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