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Math 312  
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### Exam 3

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**DIRECTIONS** This exam has two parts, Part A, shorter problems, has 5 problem (6 points each so 30 points). Part B has 6 standard problems (10 points each, so 60 points). Total is 90 points. Closed book, no calculators or computers– but you may use one  $3'' \times 5''$  card with notes on both sides. Please justify your answers with clear reasons. No credit will be given to “correct” answers with either no or incorrect reasons.

**Part A: Short Problems** (5 problem, 6 points each).

1. Give an example of a linear map  $A : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  with the property that  $A^4 = I$  but  $A^2 \neq I$ .

2. Let  $V$  and  $W$  be linear spaces and  $A : V \rightarrow W$  a linear map. Show that the image of  $A$  is a linear space.

3. Let  $A$  be a square matrix. If  $A^2$  is invertible, must  $A$  be invertible? Proof or counterexample.

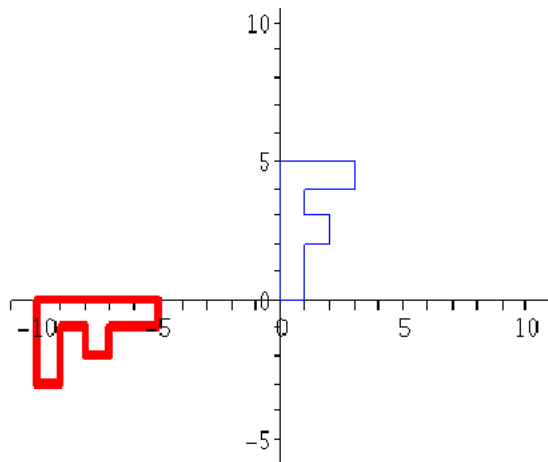
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4. Let  $A$  be a matrix all of whose eigenvalues are 1. If  $A$  is diagonalizable, show that  $A$  must be the identity matrix,  $A = I$ .

5. Let  $A$  be real matrix with a real eigenvalue  $\lambda$  and corresponding eigenvector  $\vec{v}$ . Similarly let  $\mu$  be an eigenvalue of  $A^*$  with corresponding eigenvector  $\vec{w}$ . If  $\mu \neq \lambda$ , show that  $\vec{v}$  and  $\vec{w}$  are orthogonal.

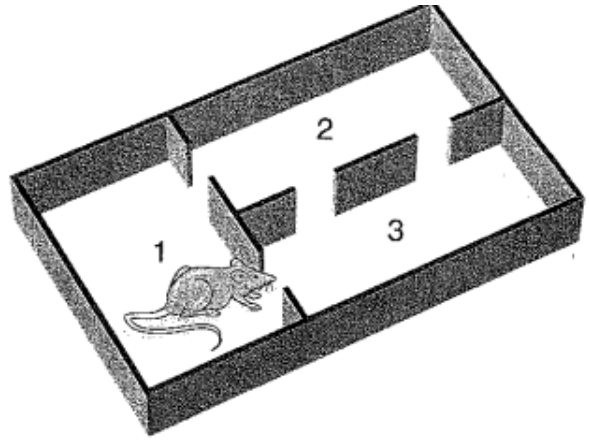
**Part B: Traditional Problems** (6 problems, 10 points each so 60 points)

B-1. For the following figure find a matrix  $A$  and vector  $V$  that gives the indicated transformation  $TX = V + AX$ . [The new  $\mathbf{F}$  is bold.]



B-2. A psychologist places a rat in a cage with three compartments (see figure). The rat has been trained to select a door at random whenever a bell is rung and to move to one of the adjacent compartments.

- a) If the rat is initially in compartment 1, what is the probability that it will be in compartment 2 after the bell has rung *twice*?



- b) In the long run, what proportion of the time will the rat spend in each compartment?

B-3. Let  $B$  be a diagonalizable  $3 \times 3$  matrix whose rank is 1 (that is, the dimension of its image is 1). If its trace is 10, what are the eigenvalues of  $B$ ? Be sure to describe any multiplicities and explain your answer.

B-4. Let  $A := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $B := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $C := \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

One of these can be diagonalized by an orthogonal transformation, one can be diagonalized but not by an orthogonal transformation, and one cannot be diagonalized. Identify these, explaining your reasoning.

B-5. Let  $A := \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\vec{x}(t) = \begin{pmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{pmatrix}$ . Solve  $\frac{d\vec{x}}{dt} = A\vec{x}$  with  $\vec{x}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .

B-6. Let  $A$  be a self-adjoint  $n \times n$  matrix with eigenvalues  $\lambda_1 \leq \lambda_2 \leq \cdots \leq \lambda_n$ . Show that  $\langle \vec{x}, A\vec{x} \rangle \geq \lambda_1 \|\vec{x}\|^2$  for any  $\vec{x} \neq 0$ .