

**Instructions:** There are 8 pages, 12 questions, and 100 total points. Write your answer neatly and concisely, and show all your work in the space provided.

1. (5 pts.) Find the value(s) of  $\alpha$  that make the following matrix singular (**Hint:** Compute its determinant):

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & \alpha & 1 \\ 1 & 2\alpha & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. (5 pts.) What is the main purpose of using partial pivoting when performing Gaussian elimination? What are the drawbacks of using partial pivoting?

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3. (10 pts.) Consider the following matrix equation:

$$AX = B \text{ where } A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}, X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(a) Compute the inverse of matrix  $A$ .  
 (b) Use the result of Part (a) (i.e.,  $A^{-1}$ ) to solve for  $X$  in the matrix equation.

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4. (8 pts.) Find the norms  $\|\cdot\|_1$ ,  $\|\cdot\|_2$ , and  $\|\cdot\|_\infty$  for the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  (**Hint:** If  $A$  is an  $n \times n$

matrix and the entries of  $A$  are given by  $a_{ij}$  with  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and  $1 \leq j \leq n$ , then

$$\|A\|_1 = \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^n |a_{ij}| \right\}.$$

5. (10 pts.) Compute the eigenvalues and associated eigenvectors for the following matrix:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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6. (12 pts.) Consider the following linear system of equations:

$$\begin{cases} 2x_1 - x_2 = 2 \\ x_1 + 2x_2 = -4 \end{cases}$$

(a) Find the first two iterations of the Jacobi method for solving this system assuming an initial approximation  $x_1 = x_2 = 0$ .  
 (b) Prove that the Jacobi method converges for solving this system, by computing the spectral radius of appropriate matrix.

(c) Suppose the infinity norm  $\|\cdot\|_\infty$  is used in measuring the rate of convergence. Determine how many iterations are needed in applying the Jacobi method in order for the approximation error to be less than  $10^{-3}$ . (**Hint:** use Corollary 7.20 (b).)

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7. (10 pts.) Estimate the absolute error if the second Taylor polynomial for  $\cos x$  around  $x = 0$  is used to approximate  $\cos(0.02)$ .

8. (5 pts.) Find the decimal value for the following 64-bit floating-point number

0 10000001001 10101 (followed by 47 zeros)

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9. (10 pts.) Consider the function  $f(x) = \cos^2 x - x$ .

(a) Find the first 3 iterations of applying Newton's root finding method for solving  $f(x) = 0$  assuming  $p_0 = 0$  is the initial approximation.

(b) In what sense do we say Newton's method converges quadratically?

(c) Name a general method that can be used to speed up the sequence of approximations produced by Newton's method.

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10. (5 pts.) Use the data from the following table and Newton's forward-difference formula to approximate  $f(0.15)$ :

$x$	$f(x)$
0.00	1.0
0.10	0.895
0.20	0.780

11. (8 pts.) Use appropriate formula and the following data to approximate  $f''(0.10)$  (i.e., the second derivative of  $f$  evaluated at 0.10). Estimate the absolute error of this approximation using the error formula if  $f(x) = \cos x - x$ .

$x$	$f(x)$
0.00	1.0
0.10	0.895
0.20	0.780

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12. (12 pts.) Approximate the integral  $\int_1^3 \frac{e^x}{x} dx$  using each of the following methods:

- (a) Simpson's rule:
- (b) open Newton-Cotes formula with  $n = 2$ .
- (c) Gaussian quadrature with  $n = 2$ .