Mathematics 290-A

Exam 3

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Name

Technology used:

- Only write on one side of each page.
- Use terminology correctly.
- Partial credit is awarded for correct approaches so justify your steps.
- When given a choice, be sure to specify which problem(s) you want graded.

Do any two (2) of these computational problems

C.1. Given matrix

	1	2	-4	3]
A =	2	4	-8	6
	3	6	-12	9

- (a) Use the fact that $C(A) = R(A^t)$ to find a set S where $\langle S \rangle = C(A)$.
- (b) Use the fact that C(A) = N(L) to find a set T where $\langle T \rangle = C(A)$.

C.2. Do **one** (1) of the following:

(a) A square matrix A is defined to be **skew-symmetric** if $A^t = -A$. [Note that this forces the elements on the main diagonal to be zero.]

Show that the set W of skew-symmetric 3×3 matrices is a subspace of $M_{3,3}$.

- (b) An infinite sequence is said to be a geometric sequence if it has the form (a, ar, ar², ar³, ···) for some complex numbers a and r.
 Show that the set W of all geometric sequences is NOT a subspace of the vector space C[∞] of all infinite sequences with complex entries.
- C.3. Compute the inverse of the following matrix or determine that it is not invertible by hand.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 5 & 4 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Do any two (2) of these problems from the text, homework, or class.

You may NOT just cite a theorem or result in the text. You must prove these results.

- M.1. Prove Theorem **AIU**, Additive Inverses are Unique: Suppose that V is a vector space. For each $u \in V$, the additive inverse, -u, is unique.
- M.2. Prove that if A is a square matrix where $N(A^2) = N(A^3)$ (the null space of A^2 is the same set as the null space of A^3) then $N(A^4) \subset N(A^3)$.

M.3. Find a spanning set, S, for the vector subspace W of $M_{3,3}$ where $W = \{A \in M_{3,3} : A^t = -A\}$ of skew-symmetric 3×3 matrices. [You have not seen this problem before but it is very similar to examples done in class.]

Do two (2) of these problems you've not seen before.

- T.1. Prove that if A is $n \times m$, B is $m \times p$ and $AB = O_{n \times p}$ then $C(B) \subset N(A)$. That is, the column space of B is a subset of the Null space of A.
- T.2. Given a square matrix A, prove **both** of the following.
 - (a) $N(A) \subset N(A^2)$
 - (b) $C(A^2) \subset C(A)$
- T.3. Suppose V is a vector space, α is a complex number and W is a subspace of V. Show that the set $\alpha W = \{\alpha \vec{w} : \vec{w} \in W\}$ is a subspace of V.