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## **Math 254 Fall 2013 Exam 11**

Please read the following directions:

Please print your name in the space provided, using large letters, as “First LAST”. Books, notes, calculators, and other aids are not permitted on this exam. Please write legibly, with plenty of white space. Please put your answers in the designated areas. Show all necessary work in your solutions; if you are unsure, show it. Cross out work you do not wish graded; incorrect work can lower your grade. All problems are worth 5-10 points; your total will be scaled to the standard 100 point scale. You have approximately 30 minutes.

Extra credit may be earned by handing in revised work in class on Friday 12/6; for details see the syllabus. You will find this exam on the instructor’s webpage later today.

1. Carefully state the definition of “span”. Give two examples from within  $P_1(t)$ .
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. True or false: For all  $A, B$ ,  $\det(A + B) = \det(A) + \det(B)$ . Be sure to justify your answer.

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3. Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . Let  $C$  be the block matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} A & 0 \\ A & B \end{pmatrix}$ , let  $F$  be the block matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} A^T & B \end{pmatrix}$ , and let  $D$  be the block matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} B & F & I \\ 0 & C & F^T \\ 0 & 0 & A \end{pmatrix}$ . Find  $|D|$ .

4. Determine which value(s) of  $a$  will lead to the following system having a unique solution:  
 $\{x + 2y + az = 1, ax + ay + z = 1, x - y + az = 1\}$ .

5. Use Cramer's Rule to determine which value(s) of  $a$  (if any) will lead to the system  $\{x + 2y + az = 1, ax + ay + z = 1, x - y + az = 1\}$  having a unique solution in which  $z = 2$ .