Topics for Exam 2

1. Matrices

- 1.1 The set, $\mathbb{M}(m, n)$, of $m \times n$ matrices as a linear space
- 1.2 Matrix Algebra
- 1.3 Null space, column space and row space of a matrix
- 1.4 Elementary matrices and invertibility
- 1.5 Singular and nonsingular matrices

2. Linear Transformations

- 2.1 Definition of linearity
- 2.2 Matrix representation
- 2.3 Null space and image
- 2.4 Compositions
- 2.5 Invertible linear transformation
- 2.6 Orthogonal transformations
 - 2.6.1 Orthogonal matrices
 - 2.6.2 Determinant, cross–product and triple–scalar product
 - 2.6.3 Areas and volumes
 - 2.6.4 Area and volume preserving transformations
 - 2.6.5 Orientation
 - 2.6.6 Orientation preserving transformations
 - 2.6.7 Orthogonal, orientation preserving transformations in \mathbb{R}^2 and \mathbb{R}^3 .

3. The Eigenvalue Problem

- 3.1 Eigenvalues, eigenvectors and eigenspaces
- 3.2 The eigenvalue problem
- 3.3 Invariant subspaces
- 3.4 Orthogonal transformations in \mathbf{R}^2 and \mathbf{R}^3 .

Relevant sections in text: 2.1 and 2.2.

Relevant chapters in the online class notes: Chapters 3, 4 and 5

Important Concepts: linear transformation, null space, image, elementary matrices, invertibility, eigenvalue, eigenvector and eigenspace

Important Skills: know how to tell whether a given matrix is invertible or not; know how to compute inverses of invertible matrices; know how to determine whether a given function is linear or not; know how to obtain matrix representations of linear transformations; know how to compute determinants of 2×2 and 3×3 matrices; know how to find eigenvalues, eigenvectors and eigenspaces of linear transformations.