

Department of Mathematics  
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**MATH 2371**  
Practice test 2, Spring 2016  
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TIME ALLOWED: 50 MINUTES. TOTAL: 30

NO AIDS ALLOWED. WRITE SOLUTIONS ON THE SPACE PROVIDED.

Question	Mark
1	/10
2	/10
3	/10
TOTAL	/30

1.[10 points] Let  $\|M\|_{HS}$  denote the Hilbert-Schmidt norm of an  $n \times n$  matrix (linear operator)  $M$  on  $\mathbb{C}^n$  with respect to the standard complex scalar product.

- (a) Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  complex matrix and let  $U$  be an  $n \times n$  unitary matrix. Show that  $\|A\|_{HS} = \|UA\|_{HS}$ .
- (b) Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  self-adjoint matrix with eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ . Show that  $\|A\|_{HS} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i^2}$ .

**2.**[10 points] Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  real matrix. Prove or disprove the following:  $A$  is orthogonal if and only if for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  we have  $\|Ax\| = \|x\|$ . (Here  $\|*\|$  is the standard Euclidean norm.)

**3.**[10 points] Suppose  $A$  is a diagonalizable matrix and  $N$  is a nilpotent matrix such that  $A + N = I$ . Prove that  $A = I$ .