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考試科目：線性代數

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1. (20%) In terms of the entries  $a$  and  $b$ , when is  $A$  invertible?

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & b \\ a & a & b \\ a & a & a \end{bmatrix}$$

2. (20%) An accident occurs at a point  $X$  that is uniformly distributed on a road of length  $L$ . At the same time of the accident, an ambulance is at a location  $Y$  that is also uniformly distributed on the road. Assuming that  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent, find the expected distance between the ambulance and the point of the accident.

3. (20%) Fibonacci numbers are defined by the recurrence relation  $F_{k+2} = F_{k+1} + F_k$  with seed values  $F_0 = 0$  and  $F_1 = 1$ . For instance, by adding  $F_6 = 8$  and  $F_7 = 13$  we reach  $F_8 = 21$ . Prove that the  $k^{\text{th}}$  Fibonacci number is the nearest integer to  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \left( \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^k$ . (hint: eigenvalues may tell how fast the Fibonacci number grow)

4. (20%) Find the range of  $c$  and  $d$  values that make  $A$  and  $B$  positive definite.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} c & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & c & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & c \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & d & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

5. (20%) The probability density function of an exponentially distributed random variable  $T$  is

$f(t) = \frac{1}{\theta} e^{-\frac{t}{\theta}}$ ,  $0 \leq t < \infty$ . Assume that the life of a certain type of telecommunication component has an exponential distribution with a mean life of 500 hours. Suppose that a component has been in operation for 300 hours, calculate the probability that it will last for another 600 hours.