

GEOMETRY FINAL EXAM (APRIL 2026)

Answer all the questions. Total 50 marks.

(You may use any theorem proved in class, but you must state it clearly.)

Note. Here, we assume V to be a finite dimensional vector space with $P(V)$ to be projective space over V . Also, we define $P_n(\mathbb{R}) := P(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$ and $P_n(\mathbb{C}) := P(\mathbb{C}^{n+1})$.

- (1) [5 points] Let $\mathrm{PGL}(V)$ be the projective group over the vector space V with $\dim V = n+1$. Let $\varphi \in \mathrm{PGL}(V)$. If there exists a projective frame $(m_0, m_1, \dots, m_{n+1})$ in $P(V)$ such that $\varphi(m_i) = m_i$, for every $i = 0, 1, \dots, n+1$, then show that φ is the identity transformation.
- (2) [5 points] Prove that every projective transformation $\varphi : P_n(\mathbb{C}) \rightarrow P_n(\mathbb{C})$ has at least one fixed point, for each $n \geq 1$.
- (3) [6 points] Let L be a projective line (i.e., a one dimensional projective space). A projective transformation $\varphi : L \rightarrow L$ (i.e., φ is a *homography*) is an *involution* if $\varphi \circ \varphi = \mathrm{Id}$ ($\varphi \neq \mathrm{Id}$). Prove that for any two disjoint pairs of distinct points (A, A') and (B, B') on L , there exists a unique involution $h : L \rightarrow L$ such that $h(A) = A'$ and $h(B) = B'$.
- (4) [3+6 points] Let \mathcal{A} be a finite dimensional affine space.
 - (a) Define the projective completion of \mathcal{A} .
 - (b) Let $\widehat{\mathcal{A}}$ be the projective completion of \mathcal{A} . Let $f : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ be an affine transformation, then show that f extends to a unique projective transformation $\widehat{f} : \widehat{\mathcal{A}} \rightarrow \widehat{\mathcal{A}}$.
- (5) [6 points] Let \mathcal{A} be a real affine space of dimension $n \geq 2$, and $\widehat{\mathcal{A}}$ be its projective completion. Let H_∞ denotes the hyperplane at infinity. Let $L \subset \widehat{\mathcal{A}}$ be a projective line containing two distinct points $A, B \in \mathcal{A}$. Suppose $P_\infty \in L \cap H_\infty$ and $C \in L \cap \mathcal{A}$. Prove that C is the midpoint of the line segment AB if and only if the cross-ratio satisfies
$$[A, B, C, P_\infty] = -1$$
- (6) [6 points] Let H_1 and H_2 be two distinct hyperplanes in a projective space $P(V)$. Prove that the set of hyperplanes containing $H_1 \cap H_2$ is a projective line in the dual space of $P(V)$.
- (7) [4 points] Let φ be an element of the circular group G (i.e., G be the group of transformation of $P_1(\mathbb{C})$ generated by the homographies and the symmetry). Assume that $\varphi(\infty) = \infty$. Does φ preserve oriented angles?
- (8) [3+6 points]
 - (a) State the affine version of Pappus' theorem.
 - (b) State and prove the projective version of Pappus' theorem assuming the affine version.