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EXTMT 201 - VECTOR SPACES AND MATRICES

(EXTERNAL DEGREE)

REPEAT

Answer all questions

Time: Three hours

- (a) Define the term *subspace of a vector space*.

Let V be a vector space over a field \mathbb{F} . Prove that a non-empty subset S of V is a subspace of V if and only if $\alpha x + \beta y \in S$, for any $x, y \in S$ and $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{F}$.

- (b) Prove that, $V = \left\{ f \in C[a, b] : f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) = 0 \right\}$, is a vector space with usual addition of functions and scalar multiplication, where the set $C[a, b]$ denotes the set of all real valued continuous functions defined in the interval $[a, b] \subseteq \mathbb{R}$.

Is $f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) = 1$, a vector space under the same operations? Justify your answer.

- (a) Define the following:

(i) a *linearly independent* set of vectors;

(ii) a *basis* for a vector space.

- (b) Let V be an n -dimensional vector space.

Prove the following:

(i) A linearly independent set of vectors of V with n elements is a basis for V .

(ii) Any linearly independent set of vectors of V may be extended as a basis for V .

(iii) If L is a subspace of V , then there exists a subspace M of V such that $V = L \oplus M$, where \oplus denote the direct sum.

- (c) i. Extend the subset $\{(1, 2, -1, 1), (0, 1, 2, -1)\}$ to a basis for \mathbb{R}^4 .
- ii. Let V be a vector space over the field F . Suppose that v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m are linearly dependent vectors of V such that v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{m-1} are linearly independent. Prove that $v_m \in \langle v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{m-1} \rangle$.

3. (a) Define the *range space* $R(T)$ and the *null space* $N(T)$ of a linear transformation T from a vector space V into another vector space W .

Find $R(T), N(T)$ of the linear transformation $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$, defined by

$$T(x, y, z) = (x + 2y + 3z, x - y + z, x + 5y + 5z), \forall (x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3.$$

Verify the equation $\dim V = \dim(R(T)) + \dim(N(T))$ for this linear transformation.

- (b) Let $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$, defined by $T(x, y, z) = (x + 2y, x + y + z, z)$ be a linear transformation and let $B_1 = \{(1, 1, 1), (1, 2, 3), (2, -1, 1)\}$ and $B_2 = \{(1, 1, 0), (0, 1, 1), (1, 0, 1)\}$ be bases of \mathbb{R}^3 .

- i. Find the matrix representation of T with respect to the basis B_1 ;
- ii. Using the transition matrix, find the matrix representation of T with respect to the basis B_2 .

4. (a) Define the following terms:

- (i) *rank* of a matrix;
- (ii) *row reduced echelon form* of a matrix.

- (b) Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix. Prove the following:

- (i) row rank of A is equal to column rank of A ;
- (ii) if B is a matrix obtained by performing an elementary row operation on A , then A and B have the same rank.

(c) Find the rank of the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & -2 & 5 & 4 \\ 1 & 4 & 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 1 & 4 & 2 & 4 & 3 \\ 2 & 7 & -3 & 6 & 13 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(d) Find the row reduced echelon form of the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 & 3 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 & 3 & -1 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Define the term *adjoint of A* as applied to an $n \times n$ matrix $A = (a_{ij})$.

(a) With the usual notations, prove that

$$A \cdot (\text{adj}A) = (\text{adj}A) \cdot A = \det A \cdot I.$$

Hence find the inverse of the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & -2 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(b) Prove that, if $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2x & -x^2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, then $A^n = \begin{pmatrix} (n+1)x^n & -nx^{n+1} \\ nx^{n-1} & (1-n)x^n \end{pmatrix}$, where $x \in \mathbb{N}$.

(c) By applying appropriate row(column) operations, prove that the determinant of the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1+x_1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1+x_2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1+x_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

can be expressed as $x_1 x_2 x_3 \left(1 + \frac{1}{x_1} + \frac{1}{x_2} + \frac{1}{x_3}\right)$, where $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$.

6. (a) Let P be a n square matrix such that $P^2 = P$ and λ be a real number such that $\lambda \neq 1$, prove that $(I_n - \lambda P)$ is non-singular and that

$$(I_n - \lambda P)^{-1} = I_n + \frac{\lambda}{1 - \lambda} P,$$

where I_n is the identity matrix of order n .

- (b) State the necessary and sufficient condition for a system of linear equations to be consistent.

Show that the system of equations

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 - 3x_2 + x_3 + cx_4 &= b \\x_1 - 2x_2 + (c - 1)x_3 - x_4 &= 2 \\2x_1 - 5x_2 + (2 - c)x_3 + (c - 1)x_4 &= 3b + 4\end{aligned}$$

is consistent, for all values of b if $c \neq 1$. Find the value of b for which the system is consistent if $c = 1$ and obtain the general solution for these values.

- (c) State Cramer's rule for 3×3 matrix and use it to solve

$$\begin{aligned}3x_1 + x_2 + x_3 &= 3 \\3x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_3 &= 5 \\2x_1 - 3x_2 - 2x_3 &= 1.\end{aligned}$$