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**Answer four questions****Time: Two hours**

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Q1. (a) Define what is meant by

- (i) a vector space;
- (ii) a subspace of a vector space.

Let  $V$  be a vector space over a field  $F$  and  $W$  be a non-empty subset of  $V$ . Prove that  $W$  is a subspace of  $V$  if and only if  $ax + by \in W$  for every  $x, y \in W$  and for every  $a, b \in F$ .

(b) Let  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  be two subspaces of a vector space  $V$  over a field  $F$  and let  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  be non-empty subsets of  $V$ . Show that

- (i)  $W_1 + W_2$  is the smallest subspace containing both  $W_1$  and  $W_2$ ;
- (ii) if  $A_1$  spans  $W_1$  and  $A_2$  spans  $W_2$  then  $A_1 \cup A_2$  spans  $W_1 + W_2$ .

(c) Let  $V$  be the vector space of all functions from real field  $\mathbb{R}$  into  $\mathbb{R}$ . Which of the following subsets are subspaces of  $V$ ? Justify your answer.

(i)  $W_1 = \{f \in V : f(3) = 0\}$

(ii)  $W_2 = \{f \in V : f(7) = f(1)\}$

(iii)  $W_3 = \{f \in V : f(-x) = f(x), \forall x \in \mathbb{R}\}$

(iv)  $W_4 = \{f \in V : f(7) = 2 + f(1)\}$ .

Q2. (a) Define the following:

- i. A linearly independent set of vectors;
- ii. A basis for a vector space;
- iii. Dimension of a vector space.

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

Show that:

- 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  $V = L \oplus M$ ;
- iv. Extend the subset  $\{(1, 2, -1, 1), (0, 1, 2, -1)\}$  to a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

(State any results you may use)



Q3. (a) Define:

(i) Range space  $R(T)$ ;

(ii) Null space  $N(T)$

of a linear transformation  $T$  from a vector space  $V$  in to another vector space  $W$ .

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

$$T(x, y, z) = (2x + y + 3z, 3x - y + z, -4x + 3y + z)$$

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

(b) Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be a linear transformation defined by:

$T(x, y, z) = (x+2y, x+y+z, z)$  and let  $B_1 = \{(1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1)\}$  and  $B_2 = \{(1, 1, 0), (0, 1, 1), (1, 0, 1)\}$  be bases for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

Find:

- (i) the matrix representation of  $T$  with respect to the basis  $B_1$ ;
- (ii) the matrix representation of  $T$  with respect to the basis  $B_2$  by using the transition matrix;
- (iii) the matrix representation of  $T$  with respect to the basis  $B_2$  directly.

Q4. (a) Define the following terms

- (i) Rank of a matrix;
- (ii) Echelon form of a matrix;
- (iii) Row reduced echelon form of a matrix.

(b) Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix. Prove that

- (i) row rank of  $A$  is equal to column rank of  $A$ ;
- (ii) if  $B$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix obtained by performing an elementary row operation on  $A$ , then  $r(A) = r(B)$ .

(c) Find the rank of the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & -2 & -3 \\ 1 & 4 & 3 & -1 & -4 \\ 2 & 3 & -4 & -7 & -3 \\ 3 & 8 & 1 & -7 & -8 \end{pmatrix}$$

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

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

Q5. (a) Define the following terms as applied to an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A = (a_{ij})$ .

- (i) Cofactor  $A_{ij}$  of an element  $a_{ij}$ ,
- (ii) Adjoint of  $A$ .

Prove that

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

where  $I$  is the  $n \times n$  identity matrix.

(b) If  $A$  and  $B$  are two  $n \times n$  non-singular matrices, then prove that

(i)  $\text{adj}(\alpha A) = \alpha^{n-1} \cdot \text{adj} A$  for every real number  $\alpha$ ,

(ii)  $\text{adj}(AB) = (\text{adj} B) (\text{adj} A)$ ;

(iii)  $\text{adj}(A^{-1}) = (\text{adj} A)^{-1}$ ;

(iv)  $\text{adj}(\text{adj} A) = (\det A)^{n-2} A$ ;

(v)  $\text{adj}(\text{adj}(\text{adj} A)) = (\det A)^{n^2-3n+3} A^{-1}$ .

(c) Find the inverse of the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 & -3 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & -2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}.$$



Q6. (a) State the necessary and sufficient condition for a system of linear equations to be consistent.

Reduce the augmented matrix of the following system of linear equations to its row reduced echelon form and hence determine the conditions on  $a, b, c, d, e$  and  $f$  such that the system has;

(i) a unique solution;

(ii) no solution;

(iii) more than one solution.

$$ax + by = e$$

$$cx + dy = f.$$

(b) State and prove Cramer's rule for  $3 \times 3$  matrix and use it to solve:

$$2x_1 - 5x_2 + 2x_3 = 7$$

$$x_1 + 2x_2 - 4x_3 = 3$$

$$3x_1 - 4x_2 - 6x_3 = 5.$$

(c) The system of equations,

$$2x + 3y + z = 5$$

$$3x + 2y - 4z + 7t = k + 4$$

$$x + y - z + 2t = k - 1$$

is known to be consistent. Find the value of  $k$  and the general solution of the system.