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FIRST SEMESTER

MT 201 - VECTOR SPACES AND MATRICES

Answer all questions

Time : Three hours

1. (a) Define what is meant by:

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

Let V be a vector space over the 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 $V = \{f \mid f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) > 0 \text{ for all } x \in \mathbb{R}\}$. For any $f, g \in V$ and for any $r \in \mathbb{R}$, define an addition \oplus and a scalar multiplication \odot as follows:

$$(f \oplus g)(x) = f(x).g(x) \text{ for every } x \in \mathbb{R};$$

$$(r \odot f)(x) = [f(x)]^r \text{ for every } x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Show that (V, \oplus, \odot) forms a vector space over \mathbb{R} .

(c) Let $V = \mathbb{R}^3$ be a vector space over the field \mathbb{R} , which of the following are subspace of V ;

i. $W_1 = \{(a, b, 0); a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$,

ii. $W_2 = \{(a, b, c); a, b, c \in \mathbb{Q}\}$,

iii. $W_3 = \{(a, b, c); a + b + c = 0\}$.

2. (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.

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 $V = L \oplus M$.

(c) Extend the subset $\{(1, 2, 1), (3, -4, 7)\}$ to a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 .

3. (a) State the Dimension theorem for two subspaces of a finite dimensional vector space.
- (b) Let W_1, W_2 and W_3 be subspaces of a finite dimensional vector space V .

Show that,

$$\dim(W_1 + W_2 + W_3) \leq \dim W_1 + \dim W_2 + \dim W_3 - \dim(W_1 \cap W_2) - \dim(W_2 \cap W_3) - \dim(W_1 \cap W_3) + \dim(W_1 \cap W_2 \cap W_3).$$

- (c) If $W_1 = \langle \{(1, 1, 0, -1), (1, 2, 3, 0), (2, 3, 3, -1)\} \rangle$ and $W_2 = \langle \{(1, 2, 2, -2), (2, 3, 2, -3), (1, 3, 4, -3)\} \rangle$ are subspaces of \mathbb{R}^4 . Find

- i. $\dim W_1$;
- ii. $\dim W_2$;
- iii. $\dim(W_1 \cap W_2)$;
- iv. $\dim(W_1 + W_2)$.

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Verify the dimension theorem.

4. (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 $R(T)$ and $N(T)$ of the linear transformation of \mathbb{R}^3 , defined by $T(x, y, z) = (x + 2y + 3z, x - y + z, x + 5y + 5z)$.

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

- (b) Let $\phi: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be a linear transformation defined by,
 $\phi(x, y, z) = (x, x + y, y - z)$ and let $B_1 = \{(1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1)\}$
and $B_2 = \{(1, 1, 0), (-1, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1)\}$ be bases for \mathbb{R}^3 . Find
- the matrix representation of ϕ with respect to the basis B_1 ;
 - the matrix representation of ϕ with respect to the basis B_2 by using the transition matrix;
 - the matrix representation of ϕ with respect to the basis B_2 directly.

5. (a) Define the following terms as applied to a square matrix:

- Minor,
- Co-factor,
- Adjoint.

(b) Let A be any $n \times n$ matrix. If E is an $n \times n$ elementary matrix, show that $\det(EA) = \det E \det A$. Hence or otherwise prove that if A and B are two $n \times n$ square matrices, then $\det(AB) = \det A \det B$.

(c) Let A and B be two $n \times n$ non-singular matrices.

Prove the following:

- i. $\text{adj}(\lambda A) = \lambda^{n-1} \text{adj} A$ for all real number λ ;
- ii. $\text{adj}(A^{-1}) = (\text{adj} A)^{-1}$;
- iii. $\det(\text{adj} A) = (\det A)^{n-1}$;
- iv. $\text{adj}(\text{adj} A) = (\det A)^{n-2} A$;
- v. $\text{adj}(\text{adj}(\text{adj} A)) = (\det A)^{n^2-3n+3} A^{-1}$.

State any results (theorem) that you use to prove the above results.

(d) Find the adjoint of the following matrix A and hence find its inverse,

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

6. (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 values of k such that the system has;

- i. a unique solution
- ii. no solution
- iii. more than one solution

$$kx + y + z = 1$$

$$x + ky + z = 1$$

$$x + y + kz = 1.$$

- (b) State and prove **Cramer's** rule for 3×3 matrix and use it to solve:

$$x_1 + 2x_2 - cx_3 = -4$$

$$3x_1 + 5x_2 - cx_3 = -5$$

$$-2x_1 - x_2 - cx_3 = -5.$$

- (c) Prove that the system,

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

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

$$4x - y + 4z = 1$$

is inconsistent.