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Show all work. Answers without work will not receive credit. You may use a calculator, but you must show all relevant work to receive credit for a standard.

S3. Let W be the subspace of \mathcal{P}_2 given by $W = \text{span}(\{-3x^2 - 8x, x^2 + 2x + 2, -x + 3\})$. Find a basis for W .

Solution: Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 & 0 \\ -8 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$, and compute $\text{RREF}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. Since the first two columns are pivot columns, $\{-3x^2 - 8x, x^2 + 2x + 2\}$ is a basis for W .

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S4. Let $W = \text{span}\left(\left\{\begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -8 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}\right\}\right)$. Compute the dimension of W .

Solution: Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 & 0 \\ -8 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$, and compute $\text{RREF}(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. Since there are two pivot columns, $\dim W = 2$.

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A1. Let $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be the linear transformation given by

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}\right) = [x_2 + 3x_3]$$

. Write the matrix for T with respect to the standard bases of \mathbb{R}^3 and \mathbb{R} .

Solution:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

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A2. Determine if the map $T : \mathcal{P}^4 \rightarrow \mathcal{P}^3$ given by $T(f) = f' - f''$ is a linear transformation or not.

S3:

S4:

A1:

A2: