MASTERY QUIZ DAY 8

Math 237 – Linear Algebra

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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.

E1. Write a system of linear equations corresponding to the following augmented matrix.

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

Solution:

$$-4x_1 - x_2 + 3x_3 = 2$$
$$x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 = 0$$
$$-x_1 + 4x_2 + x_3 = 4$$

E3. Solve the following linear system.

$$4x_1 + 4x_2 + 3x_3 - 6x_4 = 5$$
$$-2x_3 - 4x_4 = 3$$
$$2x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 - 4x_4 = -1$$

Solution: Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 4 & 3 & -6 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -4 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 & -4 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$, so RREF $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. It follows that the system is inconsistent with no solutions (since the bottom row implies the contradiction 0 = 1).

E4. Find a basis for the solution set to the homogeneous system of equations

$$4x_1 + 4x_2 + 3x_3 - 6x_4 = 0$$
$$-2x_3 - 4x_4 = 0$$
$$2x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 - 4x_4 = 0$$

Solution: Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 4 & 3 & -6 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -4 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 & -4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, so RREF $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. It follows that the basis for the solution set is given by $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$.

V1. Let V be the set of all real numbers with the operations, for any $x, y \in V, c \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$x \oplus y = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$
$$c \odot x = cx$$

- (a) Show that the vector addition \oplus is associative.
- (b) Determine if V is a vector space or not. Justify your answer.

Solution: Let $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$. Then

$$(x \oplus y) \oplus z = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \oplus z$$

$$= \sqrt{(\sqrt{x^2 + y^2})^2 + z^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{x^2 + (\sqrt{y^2 + z^2})^2}$$

$$= x \oplus \sqrt{y^2 + z^2}$$

$$= x \oplus (y \oplus z)$$

However, this is not a vector space, as there is no zero vector.