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**FINAL EXAM**

Math 237 – Linear Algebra

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Show all work and justify all of your answers. Answers without work or sufficient reasoning 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.

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 4 & 1 & -7 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} 2x_1 - x_2 &= 1 \\ -x_1 + 4x_2 + x_3 &= -7 \\ x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

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**E2.** Find RREF  $A$ , where

$$A = \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 3 & -2 & 1 & 8 & -5 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 & 6 & -2 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 & -4 & 6 \end{array} \right]$$

**Solution:**

$$\text{RREF } A = \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 3 \end{array} \right]$$

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**E3.** Find the solution set for the following system of linear equations.

$$\begin{aligned} 2x_1 - 2x_2 + 6x_3 - x_4 &= -1 \\ 3x_1 + 6x_3 + x_4 &= 5 \\ -4x_1 + x_2 - 9x_3 + 2x_4 &= -7 \end{aligned}$$

**Solution:** Let  $A = \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 2 & -2 & 6 & -1 & -1 \\ 3 & 0 & 6 & 1 & 5 \\ -4 & 1 & -9 & 2 & -7 \end{array} \right]$ , so  $\text{RREF } A = \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right]$ . It follows that the solution set is given by  $\begin{bmatrix} 2-2a \\ 3+a \\ a \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$  for all real numbers  $a$ .

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

$$x + 3y + 3z + 7w = 0$$

$$x + 3y - z - w = 0$$

$$2x + 6y + 3z + 8w = 0$$

$$x + 3y - 2z - 3w = 0$$

**Solution:**

$$\text{RREF} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 & 7 \\ 1 & 3 & -1 & -1 \\ 2 & 6 & 3 & 8 \\ 1 & 3 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then the solution set is

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -3a - b \\ a \\ -2b \\ b \end{bmatrix} \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

So a basis for the solution set is

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

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**V1.** Let  $V$  be the set of all points on the parabola  $y = x^2$  with the operations, for any  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \in V$ ,  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$(x_1, y_1) \oplus (x_2, y_2) = (x_1 - x_2, y_1 + y_2 - 2x_1x_2)$$

$$c \odot (x_1, y_1) = (cx_1, c^2y_1)$$

(a) Show that scalar multiplication **distributes scalars** over vector addition:

$$c \odot ((x_1, y_1) \oplus (x_2, y_2)) = c \odot (x_1, y_1) \oplus c \odot (x_2, y_2).$$

(b) Determine if  $V$  is a vector space or not. Justify your answer.

**Solution:**

$$c \odot ((x_1, y_1) \oplus (x_2, y_2)) = c \odot (x_1 - x_2, y_1 + y_2 - 2x_1x_2) = (c(x_1 - x_2), c^2(y_1 + y_2 - 2x_1x_2))$$

$$c \odot (x_1, y_1) \oplus c \odot (x_2, y_2) = (cx_1, c^2y_1) \oplus (cx_2, c^2y_2) = (cx_1 - cx_2, c^2y_1 + c^2y_2 - 2(cx_1)(cx_2))$$

Not a vector space as addition is not commutative.

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**V2.** Determine if  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$  can be written as a linear combination of the vectors  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -9 \\ 15 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Solution:**

$$\text{RREF} \left( \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ -9 & 5 & 0 \\ 15 & -5 & 2 \end{array} \right] \right) = \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

Since this system has no solution,  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$  cannot be written as a linear combination of the vectors  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -9 \\ 15 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$ .

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**V3.** Determine if the vectors  $\begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 21 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -8 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $\begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 11 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$  span  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

**Solution:**

$$\text{RREF} \left( \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} 8 & -3 & -1 & 4 \\ 21 & -8 & -3 & 11 \\ -7 & 3 & 2 & -5 \end{array} \right] \right) = \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

Since the rank is less than 3, they do not span  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

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**V4.** Let  $W$  be the set of all  $\mathbb{R}^3$  vectors  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$  satisfying  $x + y + z = 1$  (this forms a plane). Determine if  $W$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

**Solution:** No, because  $\mathbf{0}$  does not belong to  $W$ .

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**S1.** Determine if the set of vectors  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 8 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  is linearly dependent or linearly independent

**Solution:**

$$\text{RREF} \left( \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} -3 & 1 & 0 \\ 8 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \end{array} \right] \right) = \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

Every column is a pivot column, therefore the set is linearly independent.

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**S2.** Determine if the set  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  is a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

**Solution:**

$$\text{RREF} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 4 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since the resulting matrix is the identity matrix, it is a basis.

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**S3.** Let  $W = \text{span} \left( \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -8 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \right)$ . 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,  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -8 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  is a basis for  $W$ .

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**S4.** Let  $W = \text{span} \{2x^2 - x + 3, 2x^2 + 2, -x^2 + 4x + 1\}$ . Find the dimension of  $W$ .

**Solution:**

$$\text{RREF} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 4 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since it has three pivot columns, its dimension is 3.

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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  $T : \mathcal{P}^6 \rightarrow \mathcal{P}^6$  given by  $T(f) = f(x) - f(0)$  is a linear transformation or not.

**A3.** Determine if each of the following linear transformations is injective (one-to-one) and/or surjective (onto).

(a)  $S : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$  given by the standard matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 3 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(b)  $T : \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  given by the standard matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 7 & -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$

**Solution:**

(a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 3 & -3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Since each column is a pivot column,  $S$  is injective. Since there is no zero row,  $S$  is not surjective.

(b) Since  $\dim \mathbb{R}^4 > \dim \mathbb{R}^3$ ,  $T$  is not injective.

$$\text{RREF} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 7 & -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since there is not a zero row,  $T$  is surjective.

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**A4.** Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be the linear map given by  $T \left( \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 8x - 3y - z \\ y + 3z \\ -7x + 3y + 2z \end{bmatrix}$ . Compute a basis for the kernel and a basis for the image of  $T$ .

**Solution:**

$$\text{RREF} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 8 & -3 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ -7 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 0 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  is a basis for the image, and  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  is a basis for the kernel.

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**M1.** Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 7 & 7 \\ -1 & -2 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Exactly one of the six products  $AB$ ,  $AC$ ,  $BA$ ,  $BC$ ,  $CA$ ,  $CB$  can be computed. Determine which one, and compute it.

**Solution:**  $AB$  is the only ones that can be computed, and

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & -5 & 6 & 14 \\ 0 & 0 & 7 & 35 \end{bmatrix}$$

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**M2.** Determine if the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 & 7 \\ 1 & 3 & -1 & -1 \\ 2 & 6 & 3 & 8 \\ 1 & 3 & -2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$  is invertible.

**Solution:** The second column is a multiple of the first, so it is not invertible.

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**M3.** Find the inverse of the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & -1 & -6 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Solution:**  $\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 3 & 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & -6 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -14 & 9 & 24 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 & -2 & -5 \end{array} \right]$ . Thus the inverse is  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & -3 \\ -14 & 9 & 24 \\ 3 & -2 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$ .

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**G1.** Compute the determinant of the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 0 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Solution:**

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 0 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & -2 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = -\det \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} + (-2)\det \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = -1(-4) + (-2)(20) = -36$$

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**G2.** Compute the eigenvalues, along with their algebraic multiplicities, of the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 9 & -3 & 2 \\ 23 & -8 & 5 \\ 2 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Solution:** The eigenvalues are  $-1$ ,  $1$ , and  $2$  (each with algebraic multiplicity 1).

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**G3.** Find the eigenspace associated to the eigenvalue  $-2$  in the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & -3 & 2 \\ 23 & -9 & 5 \\ -7 & 2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$

**Solution:** The eigenspace is spanned by  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

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**G4.** Compute the geometric multiplicity of the eigenvalue  $1$  in the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & -3 & -1 \\ 21 & -8 & -3 \\ -7 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

**Solution:** The eigenspace is spanned by  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ \frac{7}{1} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \frac{7}{0} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , so the geometric multiplicity is 2.

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**E1:**

**E2:**

**E3:**

**E4:**

**V1:**

**V2:**

**V3:**

**V4:**

**S1:**

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**A1:**

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**M1:**

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**G1:**

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