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Work any problems you wish on the provided answer sheets; take care to label the standard for each response. 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.

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} -4 & -1 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 4 & 1 & 4 \end{array} \right]$$

Solution:

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

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

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

□

E2. Find the reduced row echelon form of the matrix below.

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

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 2 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 5 \\ 3 & -1 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 5 & 0 & -1 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} -1 & 0 & 5 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 5 \\ 3 & -1 & 0 & -2 & 0 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & -5 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 5 \\ 3 & -1 & 0 & -2 & 0 \end{array} \right] \\ & \sim \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & -5 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 9 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & 15 & -2 & -3 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & -5 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 9 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 24 & -2 & 0 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & -5 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 9 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{12} & 0 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & -\frac{5}{12} & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \frac{3}{4} & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{12} & 0 \end{array} \right] \end{aligned}$$

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E3. Solve the system of equations

$$-3x + y = 2$$

$$-8x + 2y - z = 6$$

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

Solution:

$$\text{RREF} \left(\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} -3 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ -8 & 2 & -1 & 6 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 & -2 \end{array} \right] \right) = \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{3}{2} & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

The solutions are

$$\left\{ \left[\begin{array}{c} -1 - \frac{c}{2} \\ -1 - \frac{3c}{2} \\ c \end{array} \right] \mid c \in \mathbb{R} \right\} = \left\{ \left[\begin{array}{c} c-1 \\ 3c-1 \\ -2c \end{array} \right] \mid c \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

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

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

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

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

Solution:

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

Then the solution set is

$$\left\{ \left[\begin{array}{c} -\frac{5}{7}a - \frac{3}{7}b \\ -\frac{8}{7}a - \frac{2}{7}b \\ a \\ b \end{array} \right] \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

$$\text{So a basis for the solution set is } \left\{ \left[\begin{array}{c} -\frac{5}{7} \\ -\frac{8}{7} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{array} \right], \left[\begin{array}{c} -\frac{3}{7} \\ -\frac{2}{7} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{array} \right] \right\}, \text{ or } \left\{ \left[\begin{array}{c} 5 \\ 8 \\ -7 \\ 0 \end{array} \right], \left[\begin{array}{c} 3 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ -7 \end{array} \right] \right\}.$$

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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 the vector **addition** \oplus is **associative**:

$$(x_1, y_1) \oplus ((x_2, y_2) \oplus (x_3, y_3)) = ((x_1, y_1) \oplus (x_2, y_2)) \oplus (x_3, y_3).$$

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

V2. Determine if $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 6 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix}$ belongs to the span of the set $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \\ 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$.

Solution: Since

$$\text{RREF} \left(\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 4 & 6 \\ 5 & 3 & -7 \end{array} \right] \right) = \left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

does not contain a contradiction, $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 6 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix}$ is a linear combination of the three vectors.

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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:

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

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 $x + y + z = 0$ (this forms a plane). Determine if W is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 .

Solution: Yes, because $z = -x - y$ and $a \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \\ -x_1 - y_1 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \\ -x_2 - y_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ax_1 + bx_2 \\ ay_1 + by_2 \\ -(ax_1 + bx_2) - (ay_1 + by_2) \end{bmatrix}$.
Alternately, yes because W is isomorphic to \mathbb{R}^2 .

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S1. Determine if the set of vectors $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -8 \\ 6 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is linearly dependent or linearly independent.

Solution:

$$\text{RREF} \left(\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 3 \\ -1 & 2 & -8 \\ 0 & -2 & 6 \\ 4 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since the reduced row echelon form has a nonpivot column, the vectors are linearly dependent.

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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 $W = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -8 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. Find a basis for this vector space.

Solution:

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

Thus $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is a basis of W .

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S4. Let $W = \text{span} \left(\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 6 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ -1 \\ 8 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \right)$. Find the dimension of W .

Solution:

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

This has two pivot columns, so W has dimension 2.

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A1. Let $T : \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be the linear transformation given by

$$T \left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + 3x_3 \\ 3x_2 - x_3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Write the matrix for T with respect to the standard bases of \mathbb{R}^4 and \mathbb{R}^2 .

Solution:

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

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A2. Determine if $D : \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ given by $D \left(\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \right) = ad - bc$ is a linear transformation or not.

Solution: $D(I) = 1$ but $D(2I) = 4 \neq 2D(I)$, so D is not linear.

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A3. Determine if the following linear maps are injective (one-to-one) and/or surjective (onto).

(a) $S : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ given by $S \left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 3x + 2y \\ x - y \\ x + 4y \end{bmatrix}$

(b) $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ given by $T \left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} x + y + z \\ 2y + 3z \\ x - y - 2z \end{bmatrix}$

Solution:

(a)

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

Since there is a nonpivot column, T is not injective. Since there is a zero row, T is not surjective.

(b)

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

Since all columns are pivot columns, S is injective. Since there is a zero row, S is not surjective.

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A4. Let $T : \mathcal{P}^3 \rightarrow \mathcal{P}^3$ be the linear transformation given by

$$T(ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d) = (a + 3b + 3c + 7d)x^3 + (a + 3b - c - d)x^2 + (2a + 6b + 3c + 8d)x + (a + 3b - 2c - 3d)$$

Compute a basis for the kernel and a basis for the image of T .

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 a basis for the kernel is

$$\{-3x^3 + x^2, -x^3 - 2x + 1\}$$

and a basis for the image is

$$\{x^3 + x^2 + 2x + 1, 3x^3 - x^2 + 3x - 2\}$$

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M1. Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

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

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

Solution: AC is the only one that can be computed, and

$$AC = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -5 & 11 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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M2. Determine if the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 3 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & -1 & 7 \\ 4 & 1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ is invertible.

Solution:

$$\text{RREF} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 3 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & -1 & 7 \\ 4 & 1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since it is not row equivalent to the identity matrix, it is not invertible.

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M3. Find the inverse of the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & -8 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$.

Solution: $\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & -8 & | & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 & | & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 4 & | & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & | & 1 & -4 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & | & -5 & 24 & -28 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & | & 1 & -5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$. Thus the inverse is $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -4 & 5 \\ -5 & 24 & -28 \\ 1 & -5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$.

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G1. Compute the determinant of the matrix

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

Solution: 15.

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G2. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 & 0 \\ -8 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$. List the eigenvalues of A along with their algebraic multiplicities.

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A - \lambda I) &= \det \begin{bmatrix} -3 - \lambda & 1 & 0 \\ -8 & 2 - \lambda & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 - \lambda \end{bmatrix} \\ &= (-3 - \lambda) \det \begin{bmatrix} 2 - \lambda & -1 \\ 2 & 3 - \lambda \end{bmatrix} - (1) \det \begin{bmatrix} -8 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 - \lambda \end{bmatrix} \\ &= (-3 - \lambda) ((2 - \lambda)(3 - \lambda) + 2) - (-8(3 - \lambda)) \\ &= (-3 - \lambda)(8 - 5\lambda + \lambda^2) + 24 - 8\lambda \\ &= -\lambda^3 + 2\lambda^2 + 7\lambda - 24 + 24 - 8\lambda \\ &= -\lambda^3 + 2\lambda^2 - \lambda \\ &= -\lambda(\lambda^2 - 2\lambda + 1) \\ &= -\lambda(\lambda - 1)^2 \end{aligned}$$

So A has eigenvalues 0 (with multiplicity 1) and 1 (with algebraic multiplicity 2).

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G3. Find the eigenspace associated to the eigenvalue 2 in the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 & -1 & 0 \\ -4 & -2 & -2 & 0 \\ 14 & 12 & 10 & 2 \\ -13 & -10 & -8 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$.

Solution: The eigenspace is spanned by $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

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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 $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 7 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 7 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, so the geometric multiplicity is 2.

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