MASTERY QUIZ DAY 10

Math 237 – Linear Algebra Fall 2017

Version 2

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 of the system of equations

$$x + 2y + 3z + w = 0$$
$$3x - y + z + w = 0$$
$$2x - 3y - 2z = 0$$
$$-x + 2z + 5w = 0$$

Solution:

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

Then the solution set is

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a \\ 2a \\ -2a \\ a \end{bmatrix} \middle| a \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

So a basis for the solution set is $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1\\2\\-2\\1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$.

V1. Let V be the set of all polynomials with the operations, for any $f,g\in V,\,c\in\mathbb{R},$

$$f \oplus g = f' + g'$$
$$c \odot f = cf'$$

(here f' denotes the derivative of f). Determine if V is a vector space or not.

Solution: This is not a vector space, as there is no zero vector. Additionally, $1 \odot f \neq f$ for any nonzero polynomial f.

E1:

E3:

E4:

V1:

E2: