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**MIDTERM EXAM**

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 an augmented matrix corresponding to the following system of linear equations.

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 + 3x_2 - 4x_3 + x_4 &= 5 \\3x_1 + 9x_2 + x_3 - 7x_4 &= 0 \\x_1 - x_3 + x_4 &= 1\end{aligned}$$

**E2.** Put the following matrix in reduced row echelon form.

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

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

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

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

$$\begin{aligned}2x_1 - 2x_2 + 6x_3 - x_4 &= 0 \\3x_1 + 6x_3 + x_4 &= 0 \\-4x_1 + x_2 - 9x_3 + 2x_4 &= 0\end{aligned}$$

**V1.** Let  $V$  be the set of all real numbers together with the operations  $\oplus$  and  $\odot$  defined by, for any  $x, y \in V$  and  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$x \oplus y = x + y - 3$$

$$c \odot x = cx - 3(c - 1)$$

- (a) Show that **scalar multiplication** is **associative**:  $a \odot (b \odot x) = (ab) \odot x$ .
- (b) Determine if  $V$  is a vector space or not. Justify your answer

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

**V3.** Determine if the vectors  $\begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$  span  $\mathbb{R}^3$

**V4.** Let  $W$  be the set of all complex numbers  $a + bi$  satisfying  $a = 2b$ . Determine if  $W$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{C}$ .

**S1.** Determine if the set of polynomials  $\{x^2 + x, x^2 + 2x - 1, x^2 + 3x - 2\}$  is linearly dependent or linearly independent

**S2.** Determine if the set  $\{x^2 + x - 1, 3x^2 - x + 1, 2x - 2\}$  is a basis of  $\mathcal{P}_2$

**S3.** Let  $W = \text{span} \left( \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \right)$ . Find a basis of  $W$ .

**S4.** Let  $W$  be the subspace of  $\mathcal{P}_3$  given by

$W = \text{span} \left( \{x^3 - x^2 + 3x - 3, 2x^3 + x + 1, 3x^3 - x^2 + 4x - 2, x^3 + x^2 + x - 7\} \right)$ . Compute the dimension of  $W$ .

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