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MASTERY QUIZ DAY 20

Math 237 – Linear Algebra Fall 2017

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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.

S3. Let W be the subspace of \mathcal{P}_2 given by $W = \text{span}\left(\left\{-3x^2 - 8x, x^2 + 2x + 2, -x + 3\right\}\right)$. Find a basis for W.

Solution: Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 & 0 \\ -8 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$, and compute $RREF(A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{3}{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. Since the first two columns are

pivot columns, $\{-3x^2 - 8x, x^2 + 2x + 2\}$ is a basis for W.

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

Solution:

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

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

A1. Let $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}$ be the linear transformation given by

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

. Write the matrix for T with respect to the standard bases of \mathbb{R}^3 and \mathbb{R} .

Solution:

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

A2. Determine if the map $T: \mathcal{P}^4 \to \mathcal{P}^3$ given by T(f) = f' - f'' is a linear transformation or not.

S3:

S4:

A1:

A2: