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Math 237 – Linear Algebra

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**Choose up to 6 problems to work.** Work each problem on one of the attached pages; write the standard in the upper left corner. 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 an augmented matrix corresponding to the following system of linear equations.

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

**Solution:**

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 3 & -4 & 1 & 5 \\ 3 & 9 & 1 & -7 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

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

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} -3 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ -8 & 2 & -1 & 6 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 & -2 \end{array} \right]$$

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} -3 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ -8 & 2 & -1 & 6 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 & -2 \end{array} \right] &\sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -\frac{1}{3} & 0 & -\frac{2}{3} \\ -8 & 2 & -1 & 6 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 & -2 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -\frac{1}{3} & 0 & -\frac{2}{3} \\ 0 & -\frac{3}{2} & -1 & \frac{2}{3} \\ 0 & 2 & 3 & -2 \end{array} \right] \\ &\sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -\frac{1}{3} & 0 & -\frac{2}{3} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{3}{2} & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 & -2 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{3}{2} & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \end{aligned}$$

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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

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

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

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

**Solution:**

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

Then the solution set is

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{5}{7}a - \frac{3}{7}b \\ \frac{8}{7}a + \frac{2}{7}b \\ -\frac{1}{7}a - \frac{2}{7}b \\ a \\ b \end{bmatrix} \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

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

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**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

**Solution:** Let  $x, y \in V$ ,  $c, d \in \mathbb{R}$ . To show associativity:

$$\begin{aligned} c \odot (d \odot x) &= c \odot (dx - 3(d - 1)) \\ &= c(dx - 3(d - 1)) - 3(c - 1) \\ &= cdx - 3(cd - 1) \\ &= (cd) \odot x \end{aligned}$$

We verify the remaining 7 properties to see that  $V$  is a vector space.

- 1) Real addition is associative, so  $\oplus$  is associative.
- 2)  $x \oplus 3 = x + 3 - 3 = x$ , so 3 is the additive identity.
- 3)  $x \oplus (6 - x) = x + (6 - x) - 3 = 3$ , so  $6 - x$  is the additive inverse of  $x$ .
- 4) Real addition is commutative, so  $\oplus$  is commutative.
- 5) Associativity shown above
- 6)  $1 \odot x = x - 3(1 - 1) = x$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 c \odot (x \oplus y) &= c \odot (x + y - 3) \\
 &= c(x + y - 3) - 3(c - 1) \\
 &= cx - 3(c - 1) + cy - 3(c - 1) - 3 \\
 &= (c \odot x) \oplus (c \odot y)
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 (c + d) \odot x &= (c + d)x - 3(c + d - 1) \\
 &= cx - 3(c - 1) + dx - 3(d - 1) - 3 \\
 &= (c \odot x) \oplus (d \odot x)
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $V$  is a vector space.

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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  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 6 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $\begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ -1 \\ 8 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$  span  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

**Solution:**

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

Since there are zero rows, they do not span. Alternatively, by inspection  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 6 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , so the set is linearly dependent, so it spans a subspace of dimension at most 3, therefore it does not span  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

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**V4.** Determine if the set of all lattice points, i.e.  $\{(x, y) \mid x \text{ and } y \text{ are integers}\}$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

**Solution:** This set is closed under addition, but not under scalar multiplication so it is not a subspace.

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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:**

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

This has a non pivot column, therefore the set is linearly dependent.

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**S2.** Determine if the set  $\{2x^2 - x + 3, 2x^2 + 2, -x^2 + 4x + 1\}$  is a basis of  $\mathcal{P}^2$ .

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

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

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**S4.** Let  $W = \text{span} \left( \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \right)$ . Compute the dimension of  $W$ .

**Solution:**

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

This has 3 pivot columns so  $\dim(W) = 3$ .

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**A1.** Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$  be the linear transformation given by

$$T \left( \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} -3x + y \\ -8x + 2y - z \\ 2y + 3z \\ 7x \end{bmatrix}.$$

Write the matrix for  $T$  with respect to the standard bases of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  and  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

**Solution:**

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 0 \\ -8 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 7 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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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

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

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

**Solution:**  $BC$  is the only one that can be computed, and

$$BC = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -3 & 7 & -8 \\ 8 & 4 & -4 & 8 \\ 5 & -2 & 8 & -7 \end{bmatrix}$$

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**M2.** Determine if the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & 7 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$  is invertible.

**Solution:**

$$\text{RREF} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & 7 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -7 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

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**M3.** Find the inverse of the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & -3 \\ -14 & 9 & 24 \\ 3 & -2 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$ .

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

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**G1.** Compute the determinant of the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 0 & 7 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Solution:** 2

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**G2.** Compute the eigenvalues, along with their algebraic multiplicities, of the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 8 & -3 & 2 \\ 23 & -9 & 5 \\ -7 & 2 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Solution:** The eigenvalues are 0 with multiplicity 1 and  $-2$ , 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  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  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  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ \frac{1}{7} \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \frac{1}{7} \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , so the geometric multiplicity is 2.

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