MASTERY QUIZ DAY 20   Math 237 – Linear Algebra
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S3. Let W be the subspace of $\mathcal{P}_2$ given by $W = \text{span}\left(\{-3x^2 - 8x, x^2 + 2x + 2, -x + 3\}\right)$. 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 $T : \mathbb{R}^4 \to \mathbb{R}^2$ 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. Let $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}^2$ be given by $T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} x + y \\ \sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y} \end{bmatrix}$. Determine if T is a linear transformation.

Solution:
$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = 4T\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right)$$
So T is not a linear transformation.

$\square$

S3: _____   **S4:** _____   **A1:** _____   **A2:** _____