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Instruction to Candidates:

Attempt ALL questions (6 in total).

**Provide detailed solutions to the questions.**

1. Consider the linear system

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 5 & 2 & -3 \\ 1 & 0 & -a & -5 \\ 3 & 7 & 2 & a \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -b \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(a) Find the conditions satisfied by  $a$  and  $b$  such that the system has

- i. no solutions;
- ii. infinitely many solutions;
- iii. a unique solution.

Also solve the system when it has infinitely many solutions.

(b) Consider the vectors  $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 5 \\ 0 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ -a \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -3 \\ -5 \\ a \end{bmatrix}$  and

$$\mathbf{v}_5 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -b \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ in } \mathbb{R}_4.$$

- i. Find the conditions satisfied by  $a$  and  $b$  such that the span of  $\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_4$  and  $\mathbf{v}_5$  is  $\mathbb{R}_4$ .
- ii. Find the conditions satisfied by  $a$  and  $b$  such that  $\mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_4$  and  $\mathbf{v}_5$  are linearly dependent and write  $\mathbf{v}_3$  as a linear combination of  $\mathbf{v}_4$  and  $\mathbf{v}_5$ , if possible.

[30 marks]

$$\begin{aligned} & -2 - (-3) \\ & = -3 - a \\ & 6 - 2 - a \\ & = 4 - a \\ & -3 - 4 = -7 \\ & 6 - 1 - b \\ & = 5 - b \\ & 2 - (-3 + a) \\ & = 2 + 3 - a \\ & 6 - 1 - b \\ & = 5 - b \\ & 2 - (-3 + a) \\ & = 5 - a \\ & (5 - b)(5 + a) - 3 \\ & = 25 + 5a - 5b - 3 \\ & = 22 + 5a - 5b - a^2 \\ & -1 + 3 \\ & -a + (-b) \\ & = -a - b \\ & a - 2b \end{aligned}$$

$$2. \text{ Let } A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(a) Find a nonsingular matrix  $P$  and a diagonal matrix  $D$  such that  $A = PDP^{-1}$ .

(b) Find an orthogonal matrix such that  $A = QDQ^T$  if possible, otherwise prove it is impossible.

(c) Find the value of the determinant  $|A^7|$ .

[20 marks]

3. Find all the 5th roots of  $w = (\sqrt{3} - i)^4(-1 - i)^{10}$  and plot them in the complex plane.

$$-\left(\frac{2}{3} + \frac{5}{2}\right) = -\frac{4+15}{6} = -\frac{19}{6}$$

[10 marks]

4. Find the explicit solution  $y(x)$  of the initial value problem

$$y' + \frac{2}{x}y = \frac{e^x}{x^2}, \quad y(1) = e.$$

[15 marks]

5. Find the general explicit solution  $y(x)$  of the differential equation

$$y' + xy = xy^3.$$

[15 marks]

6. Find the general explicit solution  $y(x)$  of the differential equation

$$y' = \frac{y^3 + 2xy^2 + x^2y + x^3}{x(y+x)^2}.$$

[10 marks]

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