MA 1201: Mathematics II

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INSTRUCTIONS

- o Start each problem on a new page.
- o The maximum marks you can score is 20 points.
- o Answers without justification will receive NO credit.
- You may use any result/theorem proved in class (unless explicitly asked to prove it),
 BUT you must clearly state it while applying it.

Problem 1.

Prove that any subset of a countable set is atmost countable.

[4 points]

Problem 2.

Prove or disprove:

- (a) A 4 × 4 matrix with a row of zeros is not invertible.
- (b) The set \mathbb{R}^3 with usual addition and new scalar multiplication defined by

$$\alpha(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (\alpha x_1, x_2, x_3)$$

is a vector space over R.

[3+3=6 points]

Problem 3.

(a) Find a basis of the nullspace of A, where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 6 & 2 & 5 \\ 3 & 9 & 3 & 7 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (b) Find condition on the vector $b = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix}$ such that Ax = b admits a solution.
- (c) Find the complete solution to Ax = b, where $b = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$. [5 + 3 + 3 = 11 points]