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MAP 1301 – LINEAR ALGEBRA

Answer **SIX** Questions with **including** Question no 1

Time allowed: **Three hours**

1.

i. Which of the following matrices is in **row echelon** form? Justify your answer.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

A

B

C

D

(A) Matrix **A**

(B) Matrix **B**

(C) Matrix **C**

(D) Matrix **D**

(E) None of the above

ii. Which of the following matrices are in **reduced row echelon** form? Justify your answer.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

A

B

C

(A) Only matrix **A**

(B) Only matrix **B**

(C) Only matrix **C**

(D) All of the above

(E) None of the above

iii. Consider the matrix **X**, shown below.

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

Which of the following matrices is the reduced row echelon form of matrix **X** ? Justify your answer.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

A**B****C****D**

(A) Matrix **A**
(D) Matrix **D**

(B) Matrix **B** (C) Matrix **C**
(E) None of the above

iv. Consider the row vectors shown below.

$$(0 \ 1 \ 2)$$

a

$$(3 \ 2 \ 1)$$

b

$$(3 \ 3 \ 3)$$

c

$$(3 \ 4 \ 5)$$

d

Which of the following statements are true? Justify your answer.

- I. Vectors **a**, **b**, and **c** are linearly dependent.
- II. Vectors **a**, **b**, and **d** are linearly dependent.
- III. Vectors **b**, **c**, and **d** are linearly dependent.
- IV. All of the above. (E) None of the above.

v. Consider the matrix **X**, shown below.

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 & 4 \\ 3 & 4 & 8 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

What is its rank? Justify your answer.

(A) 0 (B) 1 (C) 2 (D) 3 (E) 4

2.

- a) Define a symmetric matrix and a skew symmetric matrix. Show that the elements on the main diagonal of a skew symmetric matrix are all zero.
- b) If **A** is any $n \times n$ matrix, show that
 - i. $A + A^T$ is symmetric
 - ii. $A - A^T$ is skew symmetric

- c) Find the nine cofactors C_{ij} , where $i, j = 1, 2, 3$, of the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ and

hence obtain the matrix defined as $\text{adj } A$, and show that $A \text{adj } A = 14I$.

Find the inverse of the matrix **A** and the value of the determinant of the matrix $\text{adj } A$.

3.

- i. Find the inverse of the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

Check your answer by multiplication.

- ii. Using the result of part (i), solve the system of linear equations:

$$x + y + z + t = 0$$

$$y + z + t = 1$$

$$x + y + 2z + t = 1$$

4.

Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$:

- (a) Find the eigenvalues of A. (Hint: $\lambda^2 - 9\lambda + 18 = (\lambda - 3)(\lambda - 6)$)

- (b) Find bases for the eigenspaces of A.

- (c) Write down an invertible matrix P and a diagonal matrix D such that $A = PDP^{-1}$. Briefly explain yourself.

5.

- i. Find bases for the **Column Space** of the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 11 & -4 & -9 \\ -1 & -2 & -5 & 6 & 16 \\ 0 & 4 & 12 & 5 & 18 \\ -1 & 2 & 7 & 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and its Null Space.}$$

- ii. Express each of the matrices A and A^T in **row echelon form**, where

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & -4 & 5 & 8 & -4 \\ -3 & 6 & -1 & 1 & -7 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ and hence find the rank of the matrix } A.$$

Obtain the solution set of the homogeneous system $AX = \mathbf{0}$, in parametric vector form, and hence find a basis for the null space of the matrix A. What is the dimension of the null space?

Verify the formula: $\text{Rank } A + \text{Nullity } A = 5$, the number of columns of A.

6.

a. Determine the value of k such that the system in unknowns x, y, z has,

1. no solution
2. a unique solution
3. infinitely many solutions;

$$kx + y + z = 1$$

$$x + ky + z = 1$$

$$x + y + kz = 1$$

b. Show that $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ is non-singular, find A^{-1} and express A as a product of elementary row matrices.

7.

i. Solve the linear system by reducing the augmented matrix to row echelon form indicating the elementary row operations used at each step:

$$X_1 + 2X_2 - 3X_3 = 9$$

$$2X_1 - X_2 + X_3 = 0$$

$$4X_1 - X_2 + X_3 = 4$$

ii. Show that $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ a linear combination of $\begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$?

8.

a. Let $S = \{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$ be a subset of a vector space V over a field K . Define what we mean by the following.

- (i) V is spanned by S .
- (ii) S is linearly independent.
- (iii) S is a basis for V .
- (iv) V is finite dimensional.

b. State the Basis Theorem and define what is meant by the dimension of a finite dimensional vector space.

c. Show that the set $\{1 + x + x^2; (1 + x)^2; 1 - x^2\}$ spans the vector space P_2 of polynomials of degree less than or equal to two over \mathbf{IR} .

d. Determine whether or not the set $S = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ is linearly independent in the \mathbf{IR} -space $M_2(\mathbf{IR})$. Find the dimension of $\text{span}(S)$