

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

SECOND SEMESTER, 2018/2019 ACADEMIC YEAR

EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF (BSC) IN COMPUTER SCIENCE, ECONOMICS&MATHEMATICS AND EDUCATION SCIENCE

MATH 211: LINEAR ALGEBRA I

STREAM: Y2S1 TIME: 2.00-4.00 PM

EXAMINATION SESSION: JAN-APRIL YEAR: 9/04/2019

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INSTRUCTIONS:

Attempt Question ONE and any other TWO Questions

QUESTION ONE (20 MARKS)

a) Solve the following system.

$$-2x_1 + 3x_2 = 1$$

$$6x_1 - 9x_2 = 2$$
(4Mks)

b) Evaluate each of the following for the given matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -7 & 3\\ 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

i.
$$A^2$$
 (2mks)

ii.
$$A^3$$
 (2mks)

iii.
$$P(A)$$
 where $p(x) = -6x^3 + 10x - 9$ (5mks)

c) Find the determinant and the inverses of the following matrices

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(i)
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 9 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -4 & -5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 (7mks)

(d) Given the vectors A=2i+3j+k and B=i+2i+4k find

$$i)$$
 A.B (3mks)

e). Suppose B =
$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & x+2 \\ 2x-3 & x+1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 is symmetric. Find x and B (4mks)

QUESTION TWO (20MARKS)

- a) Define an orthogonal matrix. (2marks)
- b) Find the diagonal and trace of the following square matrix. (4marks)

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -5 & 8 \\ 3 & -6 & -7 \\ 4 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

c) Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$ and let $f(x) = 2x^3 - 4x + 5$ and $g(x) = x^2 + 2x + 11$.

Find, (i)
$$A^2$$
 (ii) A^3 (iii) $f(A)$ (iv) $g(A)$ (9marks)

c) Given that $B = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$, find the inverse of matrix B and show that $B^{-1}B = BB^{-1} = 1$ (5marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Given the system of linear Equations below solve the system by
 - (i) Gauss-Jordan elimination method (10 mks)
 - (ii) Cramer's Rule (10 mks)

$$4x_1 - 8x_2 - 4x_3 = 4$$

$$x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 = 3$$

$$2x_1 - 2x_2 + 2x_3 = 2$$

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QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

a) Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 2 \\ 0 & k \end{bmatrix}$. Find all numbers k for which A is a root of the polynomial,

$$\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}^2 - 7\mathbf{x} + 10 \tag{4 marks}$$

a) Given that
$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$
 and $B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ determine $C = 2(B + A) - (2A + 2B + B)$ (6marks)

b) Given that
$$\mathbf{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$$
 and $\mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$ find

$$(i) \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} \tag{4marks}$$

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) What is a vector space?. State any of its two axioms. (3mks)
- b) Given that $V = R^3$ and w = (a,b,0); a,b are real numbers. Determine if W is a subspace of R^3 (5mks)
- c) Given that $V = P_3$ w = ($P(x) = a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3$). Determine if W is a subspace of P_3 (5mks)
- d). If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ then prove that $A^2 2A 8I = 0$ where zero is a null matrix (5mks)
- e). Find k so that vector \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} are orthogonal for $\mathbf{u} = (9, 9k, -27)$ and $\mathbf{v} = (18, -45, 36)$ (2mks)

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