



# MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY

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## SCHOOL OF PURE AND APPLIED SCIENCES

### DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS STATISTICS AND ACTUARIAL SCIENCE

#### FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR DIPLOMA IN EDUCATION SMA 0104: LINEAR ALGEBRA 1

**DATE: 10/5/2019**

**TIME: 8:30 – 10:30 AM**

#### INSTRUCTIONS:

**Answer Question ONE and any other TWO questions**

#### QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 MARKS)

- a) Given the matrices

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 12 \\ -4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -5 \\ 0 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

Determine:

- i)  $4A+3B$   
ii)  $(AB)^{-1}$  (10 marks)

- b) Solve the following simultaneous equation using the inverse matrix method

$$12x + 14y = 126$$

$$15x + 10y = 90 \quad (6 \text{ marks})$$

- c) Define the following

- i) skew symmetric  
ii) square matrix  
iii) Transpose of a matrix  
iv) diagonal matrix (4 marks)

d) Given matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- i) Find  $AB - A$  (4 marks)  
ii)  $(BA)^{-1}$  (6 marks)

## QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

a) Given the matrices

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 7 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

- i) Show that  $A(B + C) = AB + AC$   
ii) Determine  $B^{-1}C$  (14 marks)

b) The matrix  $X = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$  satisfies the relationship  $ABX = C$  where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 3 \\ 3 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 18 \end{bmatrix}$$

Evaluate a and b

(6 marks)

## QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

a) Given that

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 6 & 9 & 7 \\ 5 & 7 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Determine

- i)  $M = AB - C$   
ii)  $M^{-1}$   
iii) Use the results above to solve the simultaneous equations

$$\begin{aligned} x + y + z &= 9 \\ 2x + y + z &= 7 \\ 2x + 2 &= 5 \end{aligned}$$

(15 marks)

- b) Evaluate the determinant of the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -5 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \quad (5 \text{ marks})$$

### QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Three forces  $F_1$ ,  $F_2$  and  $F_3$  acting on a mechanical system satisfies the simultaneous equations

$$\begin{aligned} F_1 + 2F_2 + 3F_3 &= 14 \\ 2F_1 + 3F_2 + F_3 &= 11 \\ F_1 + F_2 + 2F_3 &= 9 \end{aligned}$$

Use the inverse of a matrix method to determine the magnitude of the three forces

(10 marks)

- b) Determine the eigen values and eigen vectors for the equation  $A \cdot \mathbf{x} = \lambda x$  where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 4 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (10 \text{ marks})$$

### QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Use the Gaussian elimination method to solve the set of linear equations

$$\begin{aligned} x - 4y - 2z &= 21 \\ 2x + x + 2y &= 3 \\ 3x + 2x - z &= -2 \end{aligned}$$

(10 marks)

- b) Given that  $p = \begin{bmatrix} a & 2a \\ a-1 & a+1 \end{bmatrix}$  is a singular matrix determine the possible value of a  
(4 marks)

- c) Determine the Eigen values and Eigen vectors corresponding to the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (6 \text{ marks})$$