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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

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 12 \\ -4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -5 \\ 0 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

Determine:

- i) $4A+3B$
 - ii) $(AB)^{-1}$ (10 marks)
- b) Solve the following simultaneous equation using the inverse matrix method
- $$12x + 14y = 126$$
- $$15x + 10y = 90$$
- (6 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 $A \cdot x = \lambda x$ 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

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