

**MTL101**  
**LINEAR ALGEBRA AND DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS**  
**MINOR 2**

**Total Marks: 30**

**Time: 90 Minutes**

**Question 1:**

- a) (4 Marks) Consider the vector space  $V(\mathbb{R})$  spanned by functions  $\{e^{5x}, \sin(x), \cos(x), e^{3x}\}$  with usual sum of functions and scalar multiplication. Let  $T : V \rightarrow V$ ,

$$T(f) = \frac{d^2f}{dx^2} - 8\frac{df}{dx} + 15f.$$

Find the basis for null space (Kernel) and range space of  $T$ .

- b) (3 Marks) Consider the vector space  $V(\mathbb{R})$  of all polynomials of degree less than or equal to 3. We define  $T : V \rightarrow V$  as

$$T(p(x)) = \frac{d^2p(x)}{dx^2} + \frac{dp(x)}{dx} + p(x).$$

Find the matrix representation of  $T$  i.e.  $[T]_B$  with respect to the basis  $B = \{1, 2x, x + x^2, x^3\}$ .

**Question 2:** Prove or disprove the following statements.

- a) (2 Marks) There exists a matrix  $A$  such that  $\{(1, 7, 8)\}$  is a basis for the column space of  $A$  and  $\{(8, 7, 1)\}$  is a basis for the null space of  $A$ .  
 b) (2 Marks) There exists a matrix  $A$  such that  $\text{Nullity}(A) = 1 + \text{Nullity}(A^T)$ .

**Question 3:** Let  $V(\mathbb{R})$  be the vector space of all polynomials of degree less than or equal to 2. Consider the matrix

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- a) (2 Marks) Find a basis  $B$  for  $V$  so that the matrix  $P$  given above is the change of basis matrix corresponding to the basis change from  $B$  to  $B' = \{2x^2 + 3x + 1, 2x^2 + 2x + 1, -x^2 - 2\}$ .

- b) (2 Marks) If  $B = \{2x^2 + 3x + 1, 2x^2 + 2x + 1, -x^2 - 2\}$ , then find a basis  $B'$  for  $V$  so that  $P$  is the change of basis matrix from  $B$  to  $B'$ .

**Question 4: (3 marks)** Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be a linear operator whose matrix representation with respect to the standard basis is

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ -2 & -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of  $T$ . What can you say about diagonalizability of  $T$ ?

**Question 5: (4 marks)** Let  $V(\mathbb{R})$  be a finite dimensional vector space and  $T : V \rightarrow V$  be a linear operator on  $V$  such that  $T(v)$  and  $v$  are linearly dependent for every  $v \in V$ . Find the explicit form of  $T$ . Prove or disprove that  $T$  is diagonalizable.

**Question 6:**

- a)(4 Marks) Define an inner product on  $\mathbb{R}^2$  such that

$$\langle e_1 | e_2 \rangle = -1 \quad \text{and} \quad \langle e_1 | e_1 \rangle = 2,$$

where  $e_1 = (1, 0)$  and  $e_2 = (0, 1)$ . Justify your answer.

- b) (4 Marks) Consider  $\mathbb{C}^3$  with the standard inner product. Find an orthonormal basis for the subspace spanned by the vectors  $v_1 = (1, 0, i)$  and  $v_2 = (2, 1, 1+i)$ .