MATH 220
MIDTERM II
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Duration of the examination is 110 minutes, starting at 15:40 and ending at 17:30.

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1	2	3	4	Total
25	30	25	20	100

1. a) (10 points) Let V be the vector space of all $n \times n$ matrices (over $\mathbb{R}$), and B be a fixed matrix in V. Let W be the set of all matrices A in V such that $AB = BA$. Show that W is a subspace of V.

b) Decide whether the following sentences are true or sometimes false. If it is true, then give a logical argument to justify it. If it is false, then give an example that illustrates why it is false.

i) (5 points) Let V be a vector space and S_1, S_2 be a set of vectors in V such that $S_1 \subseteq S_2$. If S_1 spans V, then S_2 also spans V.

ii) (5 points) Let A be a 2×2-matrix and I_2 denote the 2×2 identity matrix. Then there exist real numbers $\lambda_0, \ldots, \lambda_4$ such that not all of the $\lambda_i's$ are equal to zero, but $\lambda_0 I_2 + \lambda_1 A + \lambda_2 A^2 + \lambda_3 A^3 + \lambda_4 A^4 = 0$.

iii) (5 points) Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix which is already in row echelon form. The nullity of A is equal to the number of zero rows in A.

2. a) (15 points) Show that the following set of vectors is a basis for M_{22}.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 2 & -4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -4 \\ -6 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

b) (15 pts) Let $\mathbb{R}_4$ denote the vector space of 4-tuples (a, b, c, d). Let

$$S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_4, \mathbf{v}_5\}$$

be a set of vectors in $\mathbb{R}_4$, where $\mathbf{v}_1(x) = (1, 0, 1, 1)$, $\mathbf{v}_2(x) = (3, 0, 3, 3)$, $\mathbf{v}_3(x) = (0, 2, 2, 2)$, $\mathbf{v}_4(x) = (1, 1, 2, 2)$, $\mathbf{v}_5(x) = (1, 2, 1, 1)$. Find a subset of S which is a basis for $\mathbb{R}_4$.

3. a) (15 points) Let $S = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ and $T = \{\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2, \mathbf{w}_3\}$ be ordered basis for R^3, where $\mathbf{v}_1 = \mathbf{w}_1 - \mathbf{w}_2 + \mathbf{w}_3$, $\mathbf{v}_2 = \mathbf{w}_1 - \mathbf{w}_3$, and $\mathbf{v}_3 = \mathbf{w}_2 + \mathbf{w}_3$. Calculate the change of basis matrix $P_{S \leftarrow T}$

b) (10 points) Find a basis for the subspace of 4-dimensional Euclidean space consisting of vectors (a, b, c, d) satisfying the equation $a - 2b + 3c - 4d = 0$.

4. (20 points) Consider the following matrix

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

a) Find a basis for the row space of A. What is the rank of A?
c) Find a basis for the null space of A. What is the nullity of A?