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Solutions

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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 .

$$W = \{ A \mid AB = BA \} \subseteq M_{n \times n} = V. \text{ Since } I \in W, W \neq \emptyset.$$

We need to check two conditions:

$$(1) \text{ If } A_1, A_2 \in W, \text{ then } A_1B = BA_1 \\ A_2B = BA_2.$$

$$\text{Then } (A_1 + A_2)B = A_1B + A_2B = BA_1 + BA_2 = B(A_1 + A_2)$$

$$\text{So, } A_1 + A_2 \in W.$$

$$(2) \text{ Let } A \in W \text{ and } \lambda \in \mathbb{R}. \text{ This means } AB = BA.$$

$$\text{Then, } (\lambda A)B = \lambda \cdot AB = \lambda \cdot BA = B(\lambda A)$$

$$\text{So, } \lambda A \in W.$$

Since these two conditions hold, 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 .

TRUE. Assume $S_1 = \{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n\}$ and $S_2 = \{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n, \vec{v}_{n+1}, \dots, \vec{v}_m\}$.

Suppose S_1 spans V . Let $\vec{v} \in V$. Then there exists $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$ s.t. $\vec{v} = \lambda_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + \lambda_n \vec{v}_n$. Then,

$$\vec{v} = \lambda_1 \vec{v}_1 + \dots + \lambda_n \vec{v}_n + 0 \cdot \vec{v}_{n+1} + \dots + 0 \cdot \vec{v}_m.$$

So, S_2 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 $\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_4$ such that not all of the λ_i 's are equal to zero, but $\lambda_0 I_2 + \lambda_1 A + \lambda_2 A^2 + \lambda_3 A^3 + \lambda_4 A^4 = 0$.

TRUE. $\{I, A, A^2, A^3, A^4\}$ is a subset of $M_{2 \times 2}$.

Since dimension of $M_{2 \times 2} \geq 4$, this set with 5 elements can not be linearly independent. So, there must exist $\lambda_0, \dots, \lambda_4$ (not all zero) such that $\lambda_0 I + \lambda_1 A + \dots + \lambda_4 A^4 = 0$.

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 .

FALSE Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ Then Nullity of A is $5-2=3$ but there is only one zero row.

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

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

It is enough to check determinant of the matrix obtained by coordinate matrices of these vectors

$$\left| \begin{array}{cccc} 2 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 4 & -1 & -4 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & -6 & 1 \\ -4 & 0 & -2 & -2 \end{array} \right| = \left| \begin{array}{cccc} 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 4 & -1 & -4 & 0 \\ 4 & -1 & -6 & 1 \\ -8 & 0 & -2 & -2 \end{array} \right| = -(-1) \cdot \left| \begin{array}{ccc} 4 & -1 & -4 \\ 4 & -1 & -6 \\ -8 & 0 & -2 \end{array} \right|$$

$$= 4 \left| \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & -1 & -4 \\ 1 & -1 & -6 \\ -2 & 0 & -2 \end{array} \right| = 4 \left| \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & -1 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \\ -2 & 0 & -2 \end{array} \right| = 4 \left| \begin{array}{cc} 0 & -2 \\ -2 & -4 \end{array} \right|$$

$$= (-8) \left| \begin{array}{cc} 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 2 \end{array} \right| = (-8)(2) = -16 \neq 0.$$

So, this set of vectors form a basis for M_{22} .

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

$$\begin{array}{c} \vec{v}_2 = 3\vec{v}_1 \text{. We can ignore } \vec{v}_2 \\ \left[\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 & 1 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \\ \uparrow \quad \uparrow \quad \uparrow \quad \uparrow \\ v_1 \quad v_3 \quad v_4 \quad v_5 \end{array}$$

$\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_5\}$ is ~~a basis~~
a basis for span of S .

**The way the problem stated, the answer is
there is no subset of S which is a basis
for \mathbb{R}_4 . I accepted both answers as correct.

3. a) (15 points) Let $S = \{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ and $T = \{w_1, w_2, w_3\}$ be ordered basis for \mathbb{R}^3 , where $v_1 = w_1 - w_2 + w_3$, $v_2 = w_1 - w_3$, and $v_3 = w_2 + w_3$. Calculate the change of basis matrix $P_{S \leftarrow T}$

$$\begin{aligned} v_1 &= w_1 - w_2 + w_3 \\ v_2 &= w_1 - w_3 \\ v_3 &= w_2 + w_3 \end{aligned} \quad \begin{aligned} v_1 + v_2 &= 2w_1 - w_2 \\ v_2 + v_3 &= w_1 + w_2 \end{aligned} \quad \begin{aligned} v_1 + 2v_2 + v_3 &= 3w_1 \Rightarrow w_1 = \frac{1}{3}v_1 + \frac{2}{3}v_2 + \frac{1}{3}v_3 \\ w_3 &= w_1 - v_2 = \frac{1}{3}v_1 - \frac{1}{3}v_2 + \frac{1}{3}v_3 \\ w_2 &= v_3 - w_3 = -\frac{1}{3}v_1 + \frac{1}{3}v_2 + \frac{2}{3}v_3 \end{aligned}$$

$$P_{S \leftarrow T} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} & \frac{1}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix}.$$

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

$$\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{pmatrix}^{2b-3c+4d} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} b + \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} c + \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} d$$

$$\text{basis} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}.$$

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 ?

$$\xrightarrow{x} \left(\begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 3 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & -3 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{array} \right) \sim \left(\begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 3 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -3 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 & 1 & 3 \end{array} \right) \sim \left(\begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 3 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 3 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 3 & 7 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\sim \left(\begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 3 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 3 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \sim \left(\begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 3 & 0 & -4 & -7 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -3 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) \sim \left(\begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -3 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

a) Basis for row space $\{[1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 2 \ 8], [0 \ 1 \ 0 \ -2 \ -5], [0 \ 0 \ 1 \ -3 \ -7]\}$

$$\text{Rank}(A)=3$$

b) Solutions for $A\bar{x}=0$ are

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \\ x_5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2t-8s \\ 2t+5s \\ 3t+7s \\ t \\ s \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} -8 \\ 5 \\ 7 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Basis for nullspace = $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -8 \\ 5 \\ 7 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$. Nullity(A)=2.