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**MAIN EXAMINATION**  
**FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE**

**COURSE CODE:** MAT 212

**COURSE TITLE:** LINEAR ALGEBRA I

**DATE:** 18/01/18

**TIME:** 2 PM -4 PM

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Answer Question One and Any other TWO Questions

TIME: 2 Hours

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### QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- (a) (i) Define the term symmetric matrix and give an example (3mks)  
(ii) Prove that the intersection of two subspaces is indeed a subspace (6 mks)
- (b) Row reduce the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -3 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & -2 & 2 \\ 3 & 6 & -4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  to echelon form. (5mks)
- (c) Given that the subspace  $W \in \mathbb{R}^2$  of vectors of the form  $w = (a, 2a)$ . Prove that  $W$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . (6mks)
- (d) Given the subspaces  
 $U = \text{span}\{(1,3,-2,2,3), (1,4,-3,4,2), (2,3,-1,-2,9)\}$   
 $W = \text{span}\{(1,3,0,2,1), (1,5,-6,6,3), (2,5,3,2,1)\}$   
Determine the basis and the dimension of  $U + W$  (6 mks)
- (e) (i) Find the kernel of the linear transformation  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  defined by  
 $T(x) = Ax$  where  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -2 \\ -1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  (4mks)

### QUESTION TWO (20MARKS)

- a) A linear transformation function  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  is defined as  
$$T(v) = A(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix}$$
  
i) Find  $T(v)$  when  $v = (2, -1)$   
ii) Show that  $T$  is a linear transformation from  $\mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  (8mks)
- b) Express the vector  $v = (1, -2, 5)$  as linear combination of the vectors  
 $u_1 = (1, 1, 1)$      $u_2 = (1, 2, 3)$     and  $u_3 = (2, -1, 1)$  (5mks)
- c) Find the dimension and the basis of the solution space  $W$  of the homogeneous system  
 $x + 2y + 2z - s + 3t = 0$   
 $x + 2y + 3z + s + t = 0$   
 $3x + 6y + 8z + s + 5t = 0$  (7mks)

**QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

(a) Find the rank, a basis for the row space, a basis for the column space and a basis for the null

space of the matrix A given by  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 & 5 & 6 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 7 & 6 & 11 & 6 & 9 \\ 1 & 5 & 10 & 8 & 9 & 9 \\ 2 & 6 & 0 & 11 & 9 & 12 \end{bmatrix}$  (9 mks)

(b) Determine whether the two subsets are subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^2$

- i) The set of all points on the line  $x + 6y = 0$  (6 mks)
- ii) The set of points on the line  $10x + 4y = 1$  (5 mks)

**QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

(a) Determine whether the set of vectors S in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  is linearly independent or linearly dependent. Where,  $S = \{(1,2,3), (0,1,2), (-2,0,1)\}$  (6mks)

(b) Express the solution set of the homogenous system

$$\begin{aligned} p - 2q + r - t &= 0 \\ 2p - 3q + 4r - 3t &= 0 \\ 3p - 5q + 5r - 4t &= 0 \\ -p + q - 3r + 2t &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

as a span of solution vectors. (8 mks)

c) Show that the vector  $b = [5, -6, 2]$  is in the span of vectors  $v = [1, 1, 1]$ ,  $w = [1, 1, 0]$  and  $u = [1, 0, 0]$  (6mks)

**QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

(a) Solve the system

$$\begin{aligned}x + 2y + 3z &= 1 \\x + 3y + 6z &= 3 \\2x + 6y + 13z &= 5\end{aligned}$$

using Gauss- Jordan elimination method

( 8mks)

(b) Find the basis for the kernel of  $T$  as a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^5$  if the linear transformation,  $T : \mathbb{R}^5 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$

and  $T(x) = A(x)$  where  $x \in \mathbb{R}^5$  and  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & -2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$  (7 mks)

c) Find the inverse of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 4 & 1 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$  Using row operation method.

(5 mks)