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PM 201 - VECTOR SPACES AND MATRICES

Proper & Repeat

For all questions

Time: Three hours

(a) i. Define what is meant by the term *subspace* of a vector space.

Let  $V$  be a vector space over a field  $\mathbb{F}$ . Prove that a non-empty subset  $S$  of  $V$  is a subspace of  $V$  if and only if  $ax + by \in S$  for any  $x, y \in S$  and  $a, b \in \mathbb{F}$ .

ii. Which of the following sets are subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  under usual addition and scalar multiplication? Justify your answer.

A.  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} : x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{Z} \right\};$

B.  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} : x_1 x_2 = 0, x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{R} \right\}.$

(b) Let  $V = \{f : f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) > 0, \forall x \in \mathbb{R}\}$ . For any  $f, g \in V$  and for any  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  define an addition  $\oplus$  and a scalar multiplication  $\odot$  as follows:

$$(f \oplus g)(x) = f(x) \cdot g(x)$$

and

$$(\alpha \odot f)(x) = (f(x))^\alpha$$

for any  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . Prove that  $(V, \oplus, \odot)$  is a vector space over the set of real numbers

$\mathbb{R}$ .

2. (a) Define what is meant by
- a *linearly independent* set of vectors;
  - a *basis* of a vector space;
- (b) Let  $V$  be a vector space. Show that
- Any linearly independent set of vectors of  $V$  may be extended to a basis of  $V$ ;
  - If  $L$  is a subspace of  $V$ , then there exists a subspace  $M$  of  $V$  such that  $V = L \oplus M$ , where  $\oplus$  denotes the direct sum.
  - Let  $S$  and  $T$  be two subspaces of a vector space of  $V$  over the field  $F$  such that  $S \cap T = \{0\}$ . Prove that, if  $\{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k\}$  and  $\{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_l\}$  are linearly independent subsets of  $S$  and  $T$ , respectively, then  $\{s_1, s_2, \dots, s_k, t_1, t_2, \dots, t_l\}$  is a linearly independent subset of  $V$ .
- (c) State and prove *Stibnitz* replacement theorem for a vector space.

Prove that for an  $n$  dimensional vector space  $V$ , if  $\langle B \rangle = V$ , then  $B$  is a basis for  $V$ , where  $B = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\} \subseteq V$ .

3. (a) Define what is meant by the *range space*  $R(T)$  and the *null space*  $N(T)$  of a linear transformation  $T$  from a vector space  $V$  into another vector space  $W$ . Find  $R(T)$  and  $N(T)$  of the linear transformation  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ , defined by

$$T(x, y, z) = (x + 2y - z, y + z, x + y - 2z), \forall (x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3.$$

Verify the equation  $\dim V = \dim(R(T)) + \dim(N(T))$  for the linear transformation  $T$ .

- (b) Let  $B_1 = \{(1, 1, 1), (1, 2, 3), (2, -1, 1)\}$  and  $B_2 = \{(1, 1, 0), (0, 1, 1), (1, 0, 1)\}$  be bases of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .
- Find the matrix representation of  $T$ , which is defined in part (a), with respect to the basis  $B_1$ ;
  - Using the transition matrix, find the matrix representation of  $T$  with respect to the basis  $B_2$ .

(a) Define what is meant by

(i) rank of a matrix;

(ii) row reduced echelon form of a matrix.

(b) Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix. Prove the following:

(i) row rank of  $A$  is equal to column rank of  $A$ ;

(ii) if  $B$  is a matrix obtained by performing an elementary row operation on  $A$ , then  $A$  and  $B$  have the same rank.

(c) Find the rank of the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 & 3 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 & 3 & -1 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

(d) Find the row reduced echelon form of the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 5 & 6 & 8 & -1 \\ 4 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 10 & 12 & 16 & -2 \\ 7 & 2 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Define what is meant by the term *adjoint* of  $A$  as applied to an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A = (a_{ij})$ .

(a) With the usual notations, prove that

$$A \cdot (\text{adj } A) = (\text{adj } A) \cdot A = \det A \cdot I.$$

Hence prove that  $\det(\text{adj } A) = (\det A)^{n-1}$ .

(b) Prove that, if  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -3 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , then  $A^n = \frac{3^n - 1}{2}A + \frac{3 - 3^n}{2}I$ , where  $I$  is the  $2 \times 2$  identity matrix and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

(c) By applying appropriate row (column) operations, prove that the determinant of the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & a & a^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & a & a^2 \\ a^2 & 0 & 1 & a \\ a & a^2 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

is  $1 + a^4 + a^8$ , where  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ .

6. (a) Let  $n(\geq 2)$  be a positive integer and  $J$  be the  $n \times n$  matrix in which entries is equal to 1. Show that  $(I - J)^{-1} = I - \frac{1}{n-1}J$ .
- (b) State the necessary and sufficient condition for a system of linear equations consistent.

Investigate for what values of  $a, b$  following system of linear equations

- i. a unique solution
- ii. an infinite number of solutions
- iii. no solution.

$$x_1 + 3x_2 + 5x_3 = -2$$

$$3x_1 - 4x_2 + 2x_3 = 7$$

$$ax_1 + 11x_2 + 13x_3 = b$$

- (c) Use the *Cramer's* rule to solve the following system of linear equations

$$2x_1 - 5x_2 + 2x_3 = 7,$$

$$x_1 + 2x_2 - 4x_3 = 3,$$

$$3x_1 - 4x_2 - 6x_3 = 5.$$