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**PLEASE READ THIS BEFORE YOU DO ANYTHING ELSE!**

1. Make sure that your exam contains 6 pages, including this one.
2. **NO** calculators, books, notes or other written material allowed.
3. Express all numbers in exact arithmetic, i.e., no decimal approximations.
4. Read the statement below and sign your name.

*I affirm that I neither will give nor receive unauthorized assistance on this examination.  
All the work that appears on the following pages is entirely my own.*

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*"Anyone who has never made a mistake  
has never tried anything new." -Albert Einstein.*

*GOOD LUCK!!!*



1. (4 pts) Fill each of the underlined blank spaces with the correct number.

- (a) (1 pt) Evaluate the determinant:

$$\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 & 15 & 5 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 & 12 & 4 & 2 \\ 6 & 3 & 9 & 3 & 3 \\ 8 & 4 & 6 & 2 & 4 \\ 10 & 5 & 3 & 1 & 5 \end{vmatrix} = \underline{\underline{0}} \quad \begin{matrix} 2 \text{ columns are the same} \\ \Rightarrow \text{determinant is } 0 \end{matrix}$$

(b) (1 pt)  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 & 5 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 & 5 & -2 \\ 2 & 5 & 6 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  has LU decomposition,  $LU = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

$$\det(A) = \underline{\underline{1}}$$

$$\det(A) = \det(LU) = \det(L) \det(U) = 1 \cdot 1 = 1$$

- (c) (2 pts) Evaluate the determinant:

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 3 \end{vmatrix} = \underline{\underline{44}}$$

Cofactor expansion along 2nd row  
 $\det \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 4 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \right) = 44$ .  
 Cofactor expansion along 1st row  
 $\det \left( \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \right) = -22$ .

2. (9 pts) For each of the following statements/questions, circle the correct answers.

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} 2x_1 + x_2 + 15x_3 + 5x_4 + x_5 &= 0 \\ 4x_1 + 2x_2 + 12x_3 + 4x_4 + 2x_5 &= 0 \\ 6x_1 + 3x_2 + 9x_3 + 3x_4 + 3x_5 &= 0 \text{ has a} \\ 8x_1 + 4x_2 + 6x_3 + 2x_4 + 4x_5 &= 0 \\ 10x_1 + 5x_2 + 3x_3 + x_4 + 5x_5 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

*Nontrivial Solution OR Only Trivial Solution?*

- (b) Let  $v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ . Are these vectors orthogonal? YES NO

- (c) Let  $v = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix}$ . Is  $v$  a unit vector in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ? YES NO

- (d) If  $V$  is a vector space that has a *nonzero vector*, how many vectors are in  $V$ ?

1 OR 2 OR 3 OR More than 4



- (e) Given these sets of vectors, determine whether they are linearly independent or linearly dependent.

i.  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  is *Linearly Independent* *Linearly Dependent*

ii.  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -3 \\ 3 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  is *Linearly Independent* *Linearly Dependent*

iii.  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  is *Linearly Independent* *Linearly Dependent*

iv.  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  is *Linearly Independent* *Linearly Dependent*

v.  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -4 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  is *Linearly Independent* *Linearly Dependent*

3. (5 pts) Evaluate the determinant:

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & a^2 & a^3 \\ 1 & b & b^2 & b^3 \\ 1 & c & c^2 & c^3 \\ 1 & d & d^2 & d^3 \end{vmatrix} = (b-a)(c-a)(d-a)(b-c)(b-d)(c-d)$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & a^2 & a^3 \\ 0 & b-a & b^2-a^2 & b^3-a^3 \\ 0 & c-a & c^2-a^2 & c^3-a^3 \\ 0 & d-a & d^2-a^2 & d^3-a^3 \end{vmatrix} = (b-a)(c-a)(d-a) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & a^2 & a^3 \\ 0 & 1 & b+a & b^2+ab+a^2 \\ 0 & 1 & c+a & c^2+ac+a^2 \\ 0 & 1 & d+a & d^2+ad+a^2 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (b-a)(c-a)(d-a) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & a^2 & a^3 \\ 0 & 1 & b+a & b^2+ab+a^2 \\ 0 & 0 & c-b & (c-b)(ab+b+c) \\ 0 & 0 & d-b & (d-b)(a+b+d) \end{vmatrix} = (b-a)(c-a)(d-a)(c-b)(d-b) \begin{vmatrix} 1 & a & a^2 & a^3 \\ 0 & 1 & b+a & b^2+ab+a^2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & ab+bc \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & ab+bd \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (b-a)(c-a)(d-a)(c-b)(d-b) \left| \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & a & a^2 & a^3 \\ 0 & 1 & b+a & b^2+ab+a^2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & a+b+c \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & d-c \end{array} \right| \\
 &= (b-a)(c-a)(d-a)(c-b)(d-b)(d-c) \left| \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & a & a^2 & a^3 \\ 0 & 1 & b+a & b^2+ab+a^2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & a+b+c \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right|
 \end{aligned}$$

4. (4 pts) Suppose  $L : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  is a linear transformation with

$$L\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad L\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad L\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(a) (2 pts) L\left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} \quad 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + 3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + 1 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (b) (1 pt) Find the standard matrix representing  $L$ , i.e.  $L(x) = Ax$

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

- (c) (1 pt) Is  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  in the range of  $L$ ? YES NO

If so, enter the vector in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  such that  $L(x) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $x = \begin{bmatrix} \quad \\ \quad \\ \quad \end{bmatrix}$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & 3 & 1 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & 3 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow 0x_1 + 0x_2 + 0x_3 = 1 \quad X \quad \Rightarrow \text{no } x.$$



5. (4 pts) Let  $S = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4\}$ , where

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix},$$

define  $W = \text{span } S$ .

Find a basis for the subspace  $W$ .

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 3 & -5 & 8 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 & -6 & 9 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

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$$\left\{ v_1, v_2, v_4 \right\} \quad \Leftarrow \quad \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$\downarrow$

$\{v_1, v_2, v_4\}$  is a basis for  $W$

What is the dimension of this subspace?  $\dim W = \underline{\underline{3}}$

6. (3 pts) Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix. Show that the null space of  $A$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Null space of  $A = N(A) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{sol'n to the} \\ \text{homogeneous system} \end{array} \right\}$ ,  $0_{\mathbb{R}^n}$  is in  $N(A)$

$$(x) \quad x, y \text{ in } N(A) \quad \text{so} \quad A(x+y) = Ax + Ay = 0_{\mathbb{R}^m} + 0_{\mathbb{R}^m} = 0_{\mathbb{R}^m}$$

$$\Rightarrow x+y \text{ in } N(A)$$

$$(y) \quad c \text{ in } \mathbb{R}, x \text{ in } N(A) \quad \text{so} \quad A(cx) = cAx = c0_{\mathbb{R}^m} = 0_{\mathbb{R}^m}$$

$$\Rightarrow cx \text{ in } N(A)$$

thus  $N(A)$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .



7. (1 pt) Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 4 \\ 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & -1 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find a basis for the null space of  $A$ .

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 4 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 6 & 0 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -6 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 6 & 0 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -6 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$x_1 - 2x_3 = 0$$

$$x_2 - 6x_3 = 0$$

$x_3$  free

$$x_3 = s$$

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2s \\ 6s \\ s \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 6 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

is a sol'n to the homogeneous system.

then  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 6 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  is a basis for the null space of  $A$ .

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