

1. (20 points) Examine the propositions below and determine whether they are true or false. You do not need to provide an explanation, just mark your choice. (Each is 4 points)

True —  False ✓ The set of positive real numbers, with the usual operations of addition and scalar multiplication, forms a vector space.

True — False ✓ Five vectors in  $P_3(\mathbb{R})$  must be linearly dependent.

True — False ✓ A change-of-basis matrix is always invertible.

True — False ✓ An  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  for which  $\text{nullspace}(A) = \text{colspace}(A)$  cannot be invertible.

True — False ✓ If  $T : P_3(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow M_{2 \times 3}(\mathbb{R})$  is a linear transformation and  $\text{Ran}(T)$  is four-dimensional, then  $T$  is one-to-one but not onto.

$$4 + \dim(\text{Ker}(T)) = 4$$

2. Prove the following statements

(a) (10 points) Let  $T : V \rightarrow W$  be a linear transformation, and assume that  $V$  and  $W$  are both finite dimensional. If  $T$  is onto, then

$$\dim(V) \geq \dim(W).$$

(10) If  $T$  is onto, then for each  $w \in W$  there is a  $v \in V$  such that  $T(v) = w$ . In other words,  $\dim(\text{Ran}(T)) = \dim(W)$  and  $\text{Ran}(T) = W$ .

By GRN,  $\dim(\text{Ker}(T)) + \dim(\text{Ran}(T)) = \dim(V)$

$$\dim(\text{Ker}(T)) + \dim(W) = \dim(V)$$

$$\dim(\text{Ker}(T)) \geq 0 \text{ so,}$$

$$\dim(W) \leq \dim(V)$$

(b) (10 points) Let  $T : V \rightarrow W$  be a linear transformation. Then

$$\text{Ker}(T) = \{v \in V \mid T(v) = 0\}$$

(10) is a subspace of  $V$ .

Let  $v, u \in \text{Ker}(T)$  and  $c$  be a scalar.

$$T(v+u) = T(v) + T(u) = 0 + 0 = 0$$

$$\therefore v+u \in \text{Ker}(T)$$

$$T(cv) = cT(v) = c(0) = 0$$

$$\therefore cv \in \text{Ker}(T)$$

So  $\text{Ker}(T)$  is a subspace of  $V$ .

3. Consider the following set of polynomials

$$S_1 = \{x - x^2, 2x - x^2, -1 + 2x - x^2\}$$

$$S_2 = \{3 + x + x^2, 1 - x^2\}$$

$$S_3 = \{1, 2x, x + 5x^2, 1 + x + x^2\}$$

(a) (5 points) Which one can be a basis for  $P_2(\mathbb{R})$ ?

$S_1$  can be a basis.

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(b) (10 points) For your guess in part (a), use Wronskian method to show the set is linearly independent.

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$$W[x - x^2, 2x - x^2, -1 + 2x - x^2](x) = \det \begin{pmatrix} x - x^2 & 2x - x^2 & -1 + 2x - x^2 \\ 1 - 2x & 2 - 2x & 2 - 2x \\ -2 & -2 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$W[x - x^2, 2x - x^2, -1 + 2x - x^2](1) = \det \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & -2 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \\ -2 & -2 \end{matrix}$$

$$= -2 \neq 0 \quad \therefore S_1 \text{ is linearly independent.}$$

(c) (5 points) Why does part (b) finish to prove that your guess is indeed a basis? Explain.

(5) Since  $\dim(P_2(\mathbb{R})) = 3$ , any set of 3 linearly independent vectors in  $P_2(\mathbb{R})$  is a basis. Since  $S_1$  has 3 vectors and they are linearly independent,  $S_1$  is a basis for  $P_2(\mathbb{R})$ .



4. Consider the linear transformation  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  defined by

$$T(a, b) = (a + b, a - b, 2a + 5b).$$

(a) (7 points) Find the matrix representation of  $T$ .

$$\begin{aligned} T(1, 0) &= (1, 1, 2) \\ T(0, 1) &= (1, -1, 5) \end{aligned} \quad \therefore T(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x} \text{ where } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

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(b) (8 points) Find  $\text{Ker}(T)$  and  $\text{Ran}(T)$ .

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{A_{12}(-1) \\ A_{13}(-2)}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{M_2(-\frac{1}{2}) \\ M_3(\frac{1}{3})}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{A_{21}(-1) \\ A_{23}(-1)}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Ker}(T) = \text{nullspace}(A) = \{\vec{0}\}$$

$$\text{Ran}(T) = \text{colspace}(A) = \text{span}\{(1, 1, 2), (1, -1, 5)\}$$

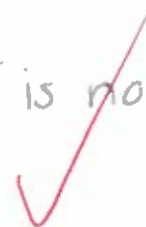
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(c) (5 points) Determine whether  $T$  is one-to-one and/or onto?

$T$  is one-to-one because  $\text{Ker}(T) = \{\vec{0}\}$ .  $T$  is not onto because  $\text{Ran}(T) \neq \mathbb{R}^3$ .

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5. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(a) (4 points) Define  $\text{rowspace}(A)$  and  $\text{colspace}(A)$ .

$\text{rowspace}(A)$  is the span of the rows of  $A$ .

$\text{colspace}(A)$  is the span of the columns of  $A$ .

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(b) (6 points) Reduce  $A$  into the reduced row-echelon form.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{A_{12}(-1) \\ A_{13}(-3)}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{A_{23}(-2) \\ M_2(\frac{1}{2})}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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(c) (10 points) Find the bases for  $\text{rowspace}(A)$  and  $\text{colspace}(A)$ .

$\{(1, 0, 1), (0, 1, 0)\}$  is a basis for  $\text{rowspace}(A)$ .

$\{(1, 1, 3), (0, 2, 4)\}$  is a basis for  $\text{colspace}(A)$ .

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