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DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS, STATISTICS AND ACTUARIAL SCIENCE

SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTER SCIENCE)

SMA 203. LINEAR ALGEBRA II

DATE:

TIME:

INSTRUCTION: Answer Question *ONE* which is compulsory

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 MARKS)

- a) Give an example to show that every matrix is a zero of its characteristic polynomial (5 marks)

- b) Determine whether the transformation $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ defined by

$$T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (-x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3, \quad x_1 - x_2 + x_3, \quad 2x_1 + x_2 - x_3)$$

is linear or not (4 marks)

- c) Calculate $\begin{vmatrix} -1 & 0 & -2 & 3 \\ 1 & 5 & -5 & 0 \\ 2 & -3 & 4 & -4 \\ 1 & 4 & -2 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$ (5 marks)

- d) Find a basis or bases for the Eigen space(s) associated with the matrix $E = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$. Determine whether E is diagonalizable or not. (6 marks)

- e) Find the nullity and rank of $f: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ if $f(x, y, z) = (x + y - 3z, -x - 2y + 2z, x - 2y + z)$ (4 marks)
- f) Determine the kernel and image of T for $T: \mathfrak{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}^3$ defined as $T(x, y, z) = (2x - y - z, 3x - 2y, y - 4z)$ (6 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Let $T: \mathfrak{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}^2$ be a linear transformation defined by $T(x, y) = (2x + 3y, 4x - 5y)$ and $S = \{(1, 2), (3, 5)\}$ and $S' = \{(1, -1), (1, -2)\}$ are bases of $\mathfrak{R}^2$.
Find the
- i) matrix representation of T relative to the bases S and S' (6 marks)
 - ii) change of basis matrix P from S to S' (4 marks)
 - iii) change of basis matrix Q from S' to S (4 marks)
- b) Explain what it means by a diagonal matrix and give an example. (2 marks)
- c) Find the minimal polynomial of $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ (4 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

Consider the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

- a) Determine the eigenvalues and bases for the corresponding Eigen spaces of A . (8 marks)
- b) Find an invertible matrix P and a diagonal matrix D such that $P^{-1}AP = D$. (9 marks)
- c) Use the diagonal matrix D in b) above to compute A^7 . (3 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) List down any four properties of determinants. (4 marks)
- b) If the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$,
- i) state the Sarrus' rule of finding determinants of matrices (2 marks)
- ii) determine the determinant of A^{-1} (3 marks)
- c) Given matrices $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 4 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$, determine if A and B are similar. (4 marks)
- d) Use the Cayley-Hamilton theorem to find the inverse of $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ (7 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) Find the eigen values and the associated eigen vectors for $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ (6 marks)
- b) Diagonalize the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -2 & -1 \\ -2 & 6 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$ (8 marks)
- c) Let $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be a linear transformation such that $T(\mathbf{u}) = (1,0)$, $T(\mathbf{v}) = (2,-1)$ and $T(\mathbf{w}) = (4,3)$ where $\mathbf{u} = (1,1,1)$, $\mathbf{v} = (1,1,0)$ and $\mathbf{w} = (1,0,0)$. Find $T(2,-3,5)$ (6 marks)