



**MACHAKOS UNIVERSITY**

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**UNIVERSITY SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS**

**SCO 109: LINEAR ALGEBRA FOR COMPUTER SCIENCE**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

(a) Answer ALL the questions in Section A and ANY TWO Questions in Section B

**SECTION A**

**QUESTION ONE 30 Marks (Compulsory)**

a) Show that  $w = \{ (x, y, z) | x + y + z = 0 \}$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  (5 marks)

b) Find the cross product of the following vectors  $(2, 4, 6)$  and  $(-3, 6, 1)$  (3 marks)

c) Reduce the following matrixes to be reduced echelon form

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 4 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 3 & 2 \\ 4 & -3 & 11 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3 \text{ marks})$$

d) Solve the following system of equation by Gauss elimination method

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 5$$

$$x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 = 10$$

$$2x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 6 \quad (5 \text{ marks})$$

e) Find the equation of the plane through  $(-1, 2, 3)$  and perpendicular to the planes  $2x - 3y + 4z = 1$  and  $3x - 5y - 5z = 16$  (5 marks)

f) Calculate the dot product of the vectors  $\vec{u} = (2, 2, 3)$  and  $\vec{v} = (-1, 1, 4)$ . (3 marks)

g) Find the inverse of the following matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (4 \text{ marks})$$

h) Show that the vector  $(22, 6, -16)$  is a linear combination of the  $(2, 2, 0)$  and  $(4, 2, -2)$  (5 marks)

**SECTION B**

**QUESTION TWO 20 MARKS**

- a) Calculate the x and y values for the vector (x, y, 1) that is orthogonal to the vectors (3, 2, 0) and (2, 1, -1). (4 marks)
- b) Determine if (1,2,3,1), (2,2,1,3) and (-1,2,7,3) is linearly dependent (5 marks)
- c) Find the angle between  $u = 2i + 2j + 2k$  and  $v = i + j + k$  (3 marks)
- d) Find the rank of the following matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 3 \\ 3 & -3 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad (4 \text{ marks})$$

- e) Find the minors, cofactors and adjoint of the following matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(4marks)

**QUESTION THREE 20 MARKS**

- a) Solve by crammer's Rule

$$x - 2y + 3z = 10$$

$$3x - 6y + z = 22$$

$$-2x + 5y - 2z = -18 \quad (5 \text{ marks})$$

- b) Determine the value of 'a' so that the following systems in unknown x, y and z has

- i). No solution
- ii). More than one solution
- iii). Unique solution

$$\begin{aligned} x - 3z &= -3 \\ 2x + ay - z &= -2 \\ x + 2y + az &= 1 \end{aligned} \quad (6 \text{ marks})$$

- c) Find the distance D between the point (1, -4, -3) and the plane  $2x - 3y + 6z = -1$  (5 marks)

**QUESTION FOUR 20 MARKS**

- a) Define a vector space (6 marks)
- b) Show that  $W = \{(x, y) / x = 2y\}$  is a subspace for  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . (4 marks)
- c) Prove that the diagonals of a rhombus are perpendicular. (5 marks)

- d) Find the parametric and the symmetric equations of the line passing through the point  $(2, 3, -4)$  and parallel to the vector  $(3, 5, -6)$  (5 marks)

**QUESTION FIVE 20 MARKS**

- a) Define a Linear mapping (2 marks)
- b) Let  $T: R^2 \rightarrow R^2$  be defined by  $T(x, y) = \{x + y, x\}$ . Find the kernel of T (5 marks)
- c) Let  $T: R^3 \rightarrow R^2$  be the linear mapping defined by  
 $T(x, y, z) = (x + 2y - z, y + z, x + y + z)$ . Find the basis and dimension of
- i). Image of T
  - ii). Kernel of T (8marks)
- d) Show that the vectors  $u=(1,-1,0)$   $v=(1,3,-1)$  and  $w=(5,3,-2)$  are linearly dependent. (5 marks)