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**FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR
SCIENCE**

SMA 203: LINEAR ALGEBRA II

DATE: Thursday 1st December 2011

TIME: 2.00p.m – 4.00p.m

INSTRUCTIONS:

Answer question ONE and any other TWO questions

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY-30MKS)

(a) (i) State the Cayley-Hamilton Theorem. (2mks)

(ii) Show that $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ is a zero of $f(t) = t^2 - 4t - 5$. (2mks)

(b) Find the determinant of $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & 0 \\ -2 & 3 & -2 & 3 \\ 0 & -3 & 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$. (3mks)

(c) Let P_n denote the vector space of all polynomials in x of degree less than or equal to n over $\mathbb{R}$. Let $T : P_3 \rightarrow P_3$ be the linear mapping defined by $T[P(x)] = xP(x-3)$ i.e.
 $T(a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2) = x(a_0 + a_1(x-3) + a_2(x-3)^2)$. Find the matrix representation of T with respect to the bases $e = \{1, x, x^2\}$ and $f = \{1, x, x^2, x^3\}$. (4mks)

(d) (i) Prove that similar matrices have the same determinant. (4mks)

(ii) Let $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be defined by $T(x, y) = (2x - y, -3x + 2y)$. Find the determinant of T . (3mks)

(e) Let $M_A(x) = x^2 - 5x + 6$ be a minimal polynomial of matrix A . Show that $A^5 = 211A - 390I$. (3mks)

(f) (i) What do you understand by the term "Trace of a $n \times n$ matrix"? (1mk)

- (ii) Let T be defined by $T(x, y, z) = (2y + z, x - 4y, 3x + 7y)$. Find trace T under the basis $\{f_i\} = \{(1, 1, 1), (1, 1, 0), (1, 0, 0)\}$. (4mks)

- (g) Let V be a vector space of 2×2 matrices over $\mathbb{R}$. Find the coordinate vector of the matrix $A \in V$ relative to the basis $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ where $A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 6 \\ 8 & -14 \end{pmatrix}$. (4mks)

QUESTION TWO (20MKS)

- (a) Let T be the linear mapping $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ defined by $T(3, 1) = (2, -4)$ and $T(1, 1) = (0, 2)$. Find (x, y) and hence $T(6, 5)$. (5mks)

- (b) Consider the following bases of $\mathbb{R}^3$:

The standard basis and $\{f_1 = (1, -1, 0), f_2 = (1, 0, -1), f_3 = (0, 0, 1)\}$

Verify that

- (i) $P^{-1}[v]_e = [v]_f$ for any vector $v \in \mathbb{R}^3$. (4mks)
- (ii) The matrix representation $[T]_f = P^{-1}[T]_e P$ where T is defined by $T(x, y, z) = (-2x + y + z, x - 2y + z, x + y - 2z)$. (7mks)

- (c) Find the value of t for which the determinant of A is zero if

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} t-2 & 4 & 3 \\ 1 & t+1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & t-4 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (4mks)$$

QUESTION THREE (20MKS)

- (a) Let $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be the linear mapping which defined by $T(x, y, z) = (3x + 2y - 4z, x - 5y + 3z)$.

- (i) Find the matrix representation of T relative to the following bases of $\mathbb{R}^3$ and $\mathbb{R}^2$:

$\mathbb{R}^3: \{e_1 = (1, 1, 1), e_2 = (1, 1, 0), e_3 = (1, 0, 0)\}$ and $\mathbb{R}^2: \{g_1 = (1, 3), g_2 = (2, 5)\}$. (4mks)

- (ii) Verify that $[T]_g^e [v]_e = [T(v)]_g$. (5mks)

- (b) Let $T(x, y) = (2x + 4y, x - 2y)$ and let the standard basis and $f_1 = (1, 1), f_2 = (2, -1)$ be two bases of $\mathbb{R}^2$. Is T diagonalizable? (7mks)

- (c) Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 5 \\ 6 & -2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ be a matrix representation of $T : P_2 \rightarrow P_2$ with respect to the basis

$B = \{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ where $v_1 = 3x + 3x^2, v_2 = -1 + 3x + 2x^2, v_3 = 3 + 7x - 2x^2$. Find $T(v_1), T(v_2)$ and $T(v_3)$. (4mks)

QUESTION FOUR (20MKS)

- (a) Find the eigenvalues and a basis for the eigenspace for each eigenvalue if

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (6mks)$$

- (b) Let A and B be two similar matrices. Show that A and B have the same characteristic polynomial. (4mks)

- (c) Find the characteristic and minimal polynomials of A given that

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (5mks)$$

- (d) Let V be the space of 2×2 matrices over $\mathbb{R}$ and let $M = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$. If T is a linear operator on V defined by $T(A) = MA$, find trace of T . (5mks)

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