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- The exam consists of 5 questions.
- Please read the questions carefully and write your answers under the corresponding questions. Be neat.
- Show all your work. Correct answers without sufficient explanation might not get full credit.
- Calculators are not allowed.

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Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	TOTAL
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1. The coefficient matrix of a certain 4×5 homogeneous linear system is

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

a) Find a basis β for its solution space.

b) What is the nullity and rank of A ?

c) Find the vector α , where $[\alpha]_{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$.

d) Determine whether or not $\gamma = (-4, 5, -2, -2, 0)$ is a solution of the system.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 & 3 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{-R_1+R_2 \rightarrow R_2 \\ -2R_1+R_3 \rightarrow R_3}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{-R_2+R_3 \rightarrow R_3 \\ -R_2+R_4 \rightarrow R_4}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\substack{\frac{1}{2}R_4 \rightarrow R_4 \\ R_3 \leftrightarrow R_4}} \begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{1} & 2 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\substack{-R_3+R_1 \rightarrow R_1 \\ -R_3+R_2 \rightarrow R_2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & \textcircled{1} & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2+R_1 \rightarrow R_1} \begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{1} & 2 & 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$x_2 = r, x_4 = t$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -2r-3t \\ r \\ t \\ t \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} r + \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} t, \quad r, t \in \mathbb{R}$$

$\textcircled{4} \quad \beta = \{v_1, v_2\}$

$x_1 = -2r - 3t$
 $x_2 = r$
 $x_3 = t$
 $x_4 = t$
 $x_5 = 0$

basis for the solution space (Nullspace)

b) Nullity(A) = dimension of the nullspace = 2 $\textcircled{2}$
 Rank(A) = $n - \text{nullity}(A) = 5 - 2 = 3$ $\textcircled{2}$

c) $[\alpha]_{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \alpha = 5 \cdot v_1 - 2 \cdot v_2$ $\textcircled{2}$
 $\alpha = 5(-2, 1, 0, 0, 0) - 2(-3, 0, 1, 1, 0)$
 $\alpha = (-4, 5, -2, -2, 0)$ $\textcircled{2}$

d) Since $\gamma = (-4, 5, -2, -2, 0) = 5v_1 - 2v_2 \Rightarrow$ it is a solution of the system. $\textcircled{4}$
 (it can be written linear combination of the basis vectors of the soln. space)

2. Consider the set $S = \{2x^2 + x + 1, x^2 + 3x + 2, -x^2 + 2x + 1, 4x^2 - 3x - 1\}$.

- a) Find a basis β for $\text{Span}(S)$ consisting of vectors of S .
 b) Express each vector not in the basis as a linear combination of basis vectors.
 c) Find a basis for P_2 containing β .

a)

$$\begin{array}{cccc} v_1 & v_2 & v_3 & v_4 \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 & -3 \\ 2 & 1 & -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix} & \begin{matrix} \textcircled{2} \\ \xrightarrow{-R_1+R_2 \rightarrow R_2} \\ \xrightarrow{-2R_1+R_3 \rightarrow R_3} \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & -3 & -3 & 6 \end{bmatrix} & \begin{matrix} \textcircled{2} \\ \xrightarrow{3R_2+R_3 \rightarrow R_3} \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{1} & 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{array}$$

$$\xrightarrow{-2R_2+R_1 \rightarrow R_1} \begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{1} & 0 & -1 & 3 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \textcircled{1} \\ \uparrow \\ \uparrow \end{matrix} \quad \beta = \{v_1, v_2\} = \{2x^2 + x + 1, x^2 + 3x + 2\} \textcircled{2}$$

basis for $\text{span}(S)$.

b) $v_3 = -x^2 + 2x + 1$ $v_3 = -v_1 + v_2$ $\textcircled{2}$
 $v_4 = 4x^2 - 3x - 1$ $v_4 = 3v_1 - 2v_2$ $\textcircled{2}$

c) $\text{Span}(e_1, e_2, e_3) = P_2$ $\textcircled{2}$

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} v_1 & v_2 & e_1 & e_2 & e_3 \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} & \begin{matrix} \textcircled{2} \\ \xrightarrow{-R_1+R_2 \rightarrow R_2} \\ \xrightarrow{-2R_1+R_3 \rightarrow R_3} \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 & -2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} & & \\ \xrightarrow{3R_2+R_3 \rightarrow R_3} & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -5 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} & \xrightarrow{-\frac{1}{5}R_3 \rightarrow R_3} & \begin{bmatrix} \textcircled{1} & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \textcircled{1} & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \textcircled{1} & -\frac{3}{5} & -\frac{1}{5} \end{bmatrix} & \textcircled{2} \end{array}$$

So, v_1, v_2 and e_1 form a basis for P_2 .

$$\{2x^2 + x + 1, x^2 + 3x + 2, 1\} \textcircled{2}$$

3. Consider the bases $\beta = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3\} = \{(1, 1, 1), (1, 2, 2), (2, 3, 4)\}$ and $\beta' = \{\alpha_1', \alpha_2', \alpha_3'\} = \{(4, 6, 7), (0, 1, 1), (0, 1, 2)\}$

a) Show that β and β' are bases for \mathbb{R}^3 .

b) Find the vector α , where $[\alpha]_{\beta'} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$.

c) Find the transition matrix P from β' to β .

d) Find $[\alpha]_{\beta}$ using P .

e) Find $[\alpha]_{\beta}$ directly.

a) $\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 1(8-6) - 1(4-3) + 2(0) = 1 \neq 0$

$\begin{vmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 6 & 1 & 1 \\ 7 & 1 & 2 \end{vmatrix} = 4 \neq 0 \Rightarrow \beta \text{ and } \beta' \text{ are bases for } \mathbb{R}^3$

(they are lin. indep and span \mathbb{R}^3)

b) $[\alpha]_{\beta'} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \alpha = 2\alpha_1' + 3\alpha_2' - 4\alpha_3'$

$\alpha = 2(4, 6, 7) + 3(0, 1, 1) - 4(0, 1, 2)$

$\alpha = (8, 11, 9)$

c) $P = [[\alpha_1']_{\beta} \quad [\alpha_2']_{\beta} \quad [\alpha_3']_{\beta}]$

$\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} \alpha_1 & \alpha_2 & \alpha_3 & \alpha_1' & \alpha_2' & \alpha_3' \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 6 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 & 7 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \xrightarrow[\substack{-r_1+r_2 \rightarrow r_2 \\ -r_1+r_3 \rightarrow r_3}]{r_1+r_2 \rightarrow r_2} \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 2 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \xrightarrow{-r_2+r_3 \rightarrow r_3}$

$\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 2 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \xrightarrow[\substack{-r_3+r_2 \rightarrow r_2 \\ -2r_3+r_1 \rightarrow r_1}]{-2r_3+r_1 \rightarrow r_1} \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \xrightarrow{-2r_2+r_1 \rightarrow r_1} \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{array}$

P

d) $[\alpha]_{\beta} = P \cdot [\alpha]_{\beta'} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 5 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$

e) $\begin{array}{ccc|c} \alpha_1 & \alpha_2 & \alpha_3 & \alpha \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 8 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 11 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 & 9 \end{array} \xrightarrow[\substack{-r_1+r_2 \rightarrow r_2 \\ -r_1+r_3 \rightarrow r_3}]{-r_1+r_2 \rightarrow r_2} \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 2 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \end{array} \xrightarrow{-r_2+r_3 \rightarrow r_3} \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 2 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \end{array}$

$\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 12 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \end{array} \xrightarrow[-r_3+r_2 \rightarrow r_2]{-2r_3+r_1 \rightarrow r_1} \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \end{array}$

$[\alpha]_{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 5 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$

4. Let $L: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ defined by

$$L \left(\begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 3a + b - c \\ a + b + 7c \end{bmatrix}$$

and $S = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 and $T = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is a basis for \mathbb{R}^2 .

a) Show that L is a linear transformation.

b) Find the representation matrix A with respect to S and T .

a) Let $\alpha = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ b_1 \\ c_1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\beta = \begin{bmatrix} a_2 \\ b_2 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3$

$$\begin{aligned} L(\alpha + \beta) &= L \begin{bmatrix} a_1 + a_2 \\ b_1 + b_2 \\ c_1 + c_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3(a_1 + a_2) + (b_1 + b_2) - (c_1 + c_2) \\ (a_1 + a_2) + (b_1 + b_2) + 7(c_1 + c_2) \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 3a_1 + b_1 - c_1 \\ a_1 + b_1 + 7c_1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3a_2 + b_2 - c_2 \\ a_2 + b_2 + 7c_2 \end{bmatrix} = L(\alpha) + L(\beta) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } c \in \mathbb{R}, L(c\alpha) &= L \begin{bmatrix} ca_1 \\ cb_1 \\ cc_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3(ca_1) + (cb_1) - (cc_1) \\ (ca_1) + (cb_1) + 7(cc_1) \end{bmatrix} = c \begin{bmatrix} 3a_1 + b_1 - c_1 \\ a_1 + b_1 + 7c_1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= c L(\alpha) \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow L$ is a linear transformation.

b) $A = \left[[L(V_1)]_T \mid [L(V_2)]_T \mid [L(V_3)]_T \right]$ (1)

$$L(V_1) = L \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \cdot 2 + 1 + 1 \\ 2 + 1 - 7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

$$L(V_2) = L \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \cdot 0 + 1 - 2 \\ 0 + 1 + 7 \cdot 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 15 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

$$L(V_3) = L \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 - 3 + 7 \\ 1 - 3 - 49 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ -51 \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc|ccc|ccc} w_1 & w_2 & L(V_1) & L(V_2) & L(V_3) & & & & & & \\ \hline 2 & 1 & 8 & -1 & 7 & & & & & & \\ 7 & 4 & -4 & 15 & -51 & & & & & & \end{array} \xrightarrow{\substack{1R_1 \rightarrow R_1 \\ 2R_1 \rightarrow R_2}} \begin{array}{ccc|ccc|ccc} 1 & 1/2 & 4 & -1/2 & 7/2 & & & & & & \\ \hline 7 & 4 & -4 & 15 & -51 & & & & & & \end{array} \xrightarrow{-7R_1 + R_2 \rightarrow R_2}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc|ccc|ccc} 1 & 1/2 & 4 & -1/2 & 7/2 & & & & & & \\ \hline 0 & 1/2 & -32 & 37/2 & -151/2 & & & & & & \end{array} \xrightarrow{\substack{-R_2 + R_1 \rightarrow R_1 \\ 2R_2 \rightarrow R_2}} \begin{array}{ccc|ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 36 & -19 & 79 & & & & & & \\ \hline 0 & 1 & -64 & 37 & -151 & & & & & & \end{array}$$

So, $A = \begin{bmatrix} 36 & -19 & 79 \\ -64 & 37 & -151 \end{bmatrix}$ (4)

5. Let $L : P_2 \rightarrow P_2$ be a linear operator defined by

$$L(a + bx + cx^2) = (a + c) + (a + b + 2c)x + (2a + b + 3c)x^2$$

- a) Find a basis for $\ker(L)$ and the nullity of L .
 b) Find a basis for $\text{Range}(L)$ and the rank of L .
 c) Is L invertible? Explain.

a) $\alpha = a + bx + cx^2 \in \ker(L) \Rightarrow L(\alpha) = 0_{P_2}$ (1)

$$L(a + bx + cx^2) = (a + c) + (a + b + 2c)x + (2a + b + 3c)x^2 = 0$$

$$\begin{cases} a + c = 0 \\ a + b + 2c = 0 \\ 2a + b + 3c = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} & a & b & c & & \\ \hline 1 & 0 & 1 & & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 & & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \xrightarrow{\substack{-R_1+R_2 \rightarrow R_2 \\ -2R_1+R_3 \rightarrow R_3}} \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} & a & b & c & & \\ \hline 1 & 0 & 1 & & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \xrightarrow{-R_2+R_3 \rightarrow R_3} \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} & a & b & c & & \\ \hline 1 & 0 & 1 & & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \text{ (1)}$$

$$c = t, a = -t, b = -t \text{ (1)}$$

If $\alpha = a + bx + cx^2 \in \ker(L) \Rightarrow \alpha = -t - tx + tx^2 = t(-1 - x + x^2), t \in \mathbb{R}$
 (1) basis for $\ker(L)$

OR. $\alpha = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -t \\ -t \\ t \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} t, t \in \mathbb{R}$
 \rightarrow basis for $\ker(L)$ so nullity(L) = 1 (2)

b) If $\beta = m + nx + kx^2 \in \text{Range}(L)$ then there exist $\alpha = a + bx + cx^2 \in P_2$ such that $L(\alpha) = \beta \Rightarrow L(a + bx + cx^2) = (a + c) + (a + b + 2c)x + (2a + b + 3c)x^2 = \beta$

$$(a + c) + (a + b + 2c)x + (2a + b + 3c)x^2 = m + nx + kx^2 \text{ (1)}$$

$$\begin{cases} a + c = m \\ a + b + 2c = n \\ 2a + b + 3c = k \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} & a & b & c & & \\ \hline 1 & 0 & 1 & & m & \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & & n & \\ 2 & 1 & 3 & & k & \end{array} \xrightarrow{\substack{-R_1+R_2 \rightarrow R_2 \\ -2R_1+R_3 \rightarrow R_3}} \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} & a & b & c & & \\ \hline 1 & 0 & 1 & & m & \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & & n - m & \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & & k - 2m & \end{array}$$

$$\xrightarrow{-R_2+R_3 \rightarrow R_3} \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} & a & b & c & & \\ \hline 1 & 0 & 1 & & m & \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & & n - m & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & & k - m - n & \end{array} \text{ (1)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta \in \text{Range}(L) \Rightarrow \begin{cases} k - m - n = 0 \\ k = m + n \end{cases}$$

$$\beta = m + nx + kx^2 = m + nx + (m + n)x^2 = (1 + x^2)m + (x + x^2)n \text{ (2)}$$

OR $\beta = \begin{bmatrix} m \\ n \\ k \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} m \\ n \\ m + n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} m + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} n, m, n \in \mathbb{R}$
 \swarrow basis for $\text{Range}(L)$ so, Rank(L) = 2 (2)

c) No, Since L is not 1-1 (nullity(L) = 1 \neq 0) (4)
 L is not onto (rank(L) = 2 \neq 3 = dim P_2)