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EXAMINATION

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
COMPUTER SCIENCE

COURSE CODE: BCS 113
COURSE TITLE: LINEAR ALGEBRA

DATE: 9th JAN 2024

TIME: 8:00-11:00AM

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

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REGULAR – MAIN EXAM
BCS 113: LINEAR ALGEBRA

STREAM: CS

DURATION: 3 Hours

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

- i. Answer **ALL** questions from **section A** and any **TWO** from **section B**
- ii. Do not write on the question paper.

SECTION A (31 MARKS): Answer all questions in this section.

SECTION A – COMPULSORY (34 MARKS)

QUESTION ONE(18 MARKS)

- a) Let the vector space $V = \mathbb{R}^3$ and $W = \{(a, b, c); a + b + c = 0\}$ i.e. W consists of those vectors each with the property that the sum of its components is zero. Is W a subspace of V . **(3 Marks)**
- b) Use Gauss-Jordan elimination to solve the system of linear equations.

$$x_1 - x_2 + 3x_3 = 6$$

$$x_1 + 2x_2 + 4x_3 = 9$$

$$2x_1 + x_2 + 6x_3 = 11$$

(5 Marks)

- c) Define the term linear transformation and hence determine if $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ defined as $T(x_1, x_2) = (x_1 + x_2, 2x_1 - x_2)$ is a linear transformation. **(5 Marks)**

- d) Reduce to echelon form and hence find the rank of the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

(5 Marks)

QUESTION TWO (16 MARKS)

- a) Find

- i. The inverse of the matrix A by first getting the adjoint.

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

(8 Marks)

- ii. Compute $(2A - A^T) + A^{-1}$

(5 Marks)

- b) Distinguish between linear dependence and linear independence of vectors in a vector space and hence determine if the set $S = \{(1,1,-1), (2,-3,1), (8,-7,1)\}$ is linearly dependent in \mathbb{R}^3 . (3 Marks)

SECTION B – ANSWER ANY TWO (2) QUESTIONS

QUESTION THREE (13 MARKS)

- a) Solve the system of linear equation below by using Cramer's rule

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

$$3x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_3 = 1$$

$$5x_1 + 4x_2 + 3x_3 = 4$$

(8 Marks)

- b) Reduce to Reduced Row Echelon form and hence find the rank.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

(5 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR (13 MARKS)

- a) If $A_{n \times n}$ is a matrix, what do you understand by the following?

i) A is Symmetric

ii) A is Anti-symmetric

iii) The transpose of A

(6 Marks)

- b) i) If a matrix $A_{n \times n}$ is invertible, then show that the inverse is unique. (3 Marks)

ii) Find the inverse of the matrix by first appending an identity matrix to the right hand side of A and reducing the left hand side of $[A|I]$ to identity matrix.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta & 0 \\ -\sin \theta & \sin \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

(4 Marks)

QUESTION FIVE (13 MARKS)

- a) Solve by getting the inverse

$$x_1 - 2x_2 + x_3 = 7$$

$$2x_1 - x_2 + 4x_3 = 17$$

$$3x_1 - 2x_2 + 2x_3 = 17$$

(7 Marks)

b) Show whether or not the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ is invertible (2 Marks)

c) Let the vector space $V = \mathbb{R}^4$ and $S = \{(1, -2, 0, 3), (2, 3, 0, -1), (2, -1, 2, 1)\}$. Determine if $(3, 9, -4, -2) \in L(S)$ (where $L(S)$ is the set spanned by S). (4 Marks)

QUESTION SIX (13 MARKS)

a) If $S = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ is a basis for a vector space V then show that every set with more than n vectors is linearly dependent. (5 Marks)

b) Find the basis and dimension of the solution space for the equations

$$2x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 + x_5 = 0$$

$$-x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 - 3x_4 + x_5 = 0$$

$$x_1 + x_2 - 2x_3 - x_5 = 0$$

$$x_3 + x_4 + x_5 = 0$$

(5 Marks)

c) For the vectors $v_1 = (1, 1, -1)$, $v_2 = (4, 0, 1)$, $v_3 = (3, -1, 2)$

i) Find a basis for the subspace spanned by these vectors.

ii) Write the remaining vectors as a linear combination as the vectors in the basis.

(5 Marks)

QUESTION SEVEN (13 MARKS)

a) Given that $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ is defined as

$$T \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2x_1 + x_2 - x_3 \\ -x_3 + x_2 \\ x_1 - x_2 - x_3 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ find the matrix of } T \text{ with respect to standard basis.}$$

(3 Marks)

b) For which rational numbers a does the following system have

i) No solution

ii) Exactly one solution

iii) Infinitely many solutions

$$x + 2y - 3z = 4$$

$$3x - y + 5z = 2$$

$$4x + y + (a^2 - 14)z = a + 2$$

(4 Marks)

- c) The linear transformation $T\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -y \\ -x \end{bmatrix}$ defines a reflection in the line $y = -x$.

Determine the standard matrix of this transformation. Find the kernel and the

image of $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$.

(6 Marks)