

Q1: (a) Let V be any vector space which has two operations are defined: addition and scalar multiplication. State the 10 axioms that should be satisfied by all scalars and all objects in V . (5 marks)

(b) Prove that the solution set of a homogeneous linear system $Ax=0$ in n unknowns is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n . (2 marks)

Q2: (a) Use the wronskian to show that $1, x, x^2$ are linearly independent. (2 marks)

(b) show that the vectors $(1,2,1), (2,2,2), (3,4,0)$ form a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 . (3 marks)

Q3: (a) Let $B=\{(1,3),(0,1)\}$ and $B'=\{(1,1),(2,1)\}$ be two basis of \mathbb{R}^2 . Find the transition matrix from B' to B . (3 marks).

(b) Find a basis for the column space of the matrix:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 & -2 & 6 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 1 & 5 \\ 5 & 9 & -4 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

and **deduce** $\dim(\text{null}(A))$ without solving any linear system. (3 marks)

Q4: (a) Show that the matrix operator T from \mathbb{R}^2 to itself defined by the equations:

$$w_1 = 2x_1 + x_2$$

$$w_2 = 3x_1 + 4x_2$$

is 1-1 and find T^{-1} . (3 marks)

(b) Show that $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$ is diagonalizable and find a matrix P that

diagonalizes A . (4 marks)