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Q2: If $A, B \in M_{22}$, $\det(B)=2$ and $\det(A)=3$, then find $\det(2A^T B^{-1})$. (2 marks)

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(i) Find a **subset** of S that forms a basis of V . (3 marks)

(ii) **Find** $\dim(V)$. (1 mark)

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Q5: Let $B=\{(1,0),(1,1)\}$ and $B'=\{(1,3),(2,0)\}$ be two bases of \mathbb{R}^2 . Find the transition matrix from B' to B . (2 marks).

Q6: (i) Show that the Eigenvalues of $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is 0, 1 and 2. (3 marks)

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(iii) Find A^{1444} . (2 marks)

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(i) T is a linear operator. (2 marks)

(ii) Find $\ker(T)$. (2 marks)

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(iv) Find $\text{rank}(T)$. (2 marks)

Q9: (i) If $B=\{u,v,w\}$ is a basis of a vector space V , then find the coordinate vector $(u)_B$. (1 mark)

(ii) If u and v are orthogonal vectors in an inner product space such that $\|u\|=4$ and $\|v\|=3$, then find $\|u+v\|$. (1 mark)

(iii) If B is a 5×9 matrix with $\text{nullity}(B)=4$, then find $\text{rank}(B^T)$. (1 mark)

(iv) Show that if u and v are orthogonal in an inner product space V , then au and bv are orthogonal for every a and b in \mathbb{R} . (1 mark)

Q1: Solve the following system:

$$\begin{aligned}x_1 + x_2 - x_3 &= 1 \\x_2 - 3x_3 &= 1 \\2x_3 &= -4\end{aligned}\quad (2 \text{ marks})$$

Answer: Using the augmented matrix of the system

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & -4 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow[(-1)R_{21}]{\frac{1}{2}R_3} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow[(-2)R_{31}]{3R_{32}} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow (x_1, x_2, x_3) = (4, -5, -2)$$

Q2: If $A, B \in M_{22}$, $\det(B)=2$ and $\det(A)=3$, then find $\det(2A^T B^{-1})$. (2 marks)

Answer: $\det(2A^T B^{-1}) = 2^2 \det(A^T) \det(B^{-1}) = 4 \det(A) (\det(B))^{-1} = 4(3)(1/2) = 6$.

Q3: Let V be the subspace of \mathbb{R}^4 **spanned** by the set $S = \{v_1 = (1, 1, 1, 0), v_2 = (-2, 0, 0, 2), v_3 = (-1, 3, 3, 4), v_4 = (-5, -1, -1, 5)\}$.

(i) Find a **subset** of S that forms a basis of V . (3 marks)

(ii) **Find** $\dim(V)$. (1 mark)

(iii) **Express** each vector that is not in the basis as a linear combination of the basis vectors. (2 marks)

Answer: (i) Putting the vectors as columns in the following matrix:

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & -2 & -1 & -5 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & 5 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow[(-1)R_{13}]{(-1)R_{12}} \left[\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & -2 & -1 & -5 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & 5 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow[(-1)R_{23}]{1R_{21}} \left[\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\xrightarrow[R_{34}]{\frac{1}{2}R_2} \left[\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

So $\{v_1, v_2, v_4\}$ is a basis of V .

(ii) $\dim(V) = 3$.

(iii) From the last matrix in (i), we have that $v_3 = 3v_1 + 2v_2$.

Q4: Let $W = \{(2a+1, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : a \in \mathbb{R}\}$. Show that W is a **subspace** of \mathbb{R}^2 . (3 marks)

Answer: 1- If $a=1$, then $(3, 0) \in W$. So $W \neq \emptyset$.

2- Suppose $u = (2a_1+1, 0), v = (2a_2+1, 0) \in W$. Now,

$u+v = ((2a_1+1) + (2a_2+1), 0) = ((2a_1+2a_2+1) + 1, 0) = (2(a_1+a_2+0.5) + 1, 0) = (2a+1, 0)$. So $u+v \in W$.

3- Suppose $u = (2a_1+1, 0) \in W$ & $k \in \mathbb{R}$. Now, $ku = (k(2a_1+1), k \cdot 0) = (2ka_1+k, 0) = (2(ka_1+(k-1)/2) + 1, 0) = (2a+1, 0)$. So $ku \in W$. 1, 2 and 3 imply that W is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^2 .

Q5: Let $B = \{(1, 0), (1, 1)\}$ and $B' = \{(1, 3), (2, 0)\}$ be two bases of \mathbb{R}^2 . Find the transition matrix from B' to B . (2 marks).

Answer:

$$[B | B'] = \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{(-1)R_{21}} \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 0 & -2 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 0 \end{array} \right] = [I | P_{B' \rightarrow B}] \Rightarrow P_{B' \rightarrow B} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Q6: (i) Show that the Eigenvalues of $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is 0, 1 and 2. (3 marks)

(ii) Show that A is diagonalizable and find the matrix P that diagonalizes A . (3 marks)

(iii) Find A^{1444} . (2 marks)

Answer: (i) The characteristic equation:

$$\begin{aligned}
0 = \det(\lambda I - A) &= \det \left(\begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{vmatrix} \lambda-1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & \lambda-1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & \lambda-1 \end{vmatrix} \\
&= (\lambda-1)[(\lambda-1)^2 + 1] - (\lambda-1) + 1 - (1 + (\lambda-1)) = (\lambda-1)^3 - (\lambda-1) \\
&= (\lambda-1)((\lambda-1)^2 - 1) = (\lambda-1)(\lambda^2 - 2\lambda) = (\lambda-1)\lambda(\lambda-2)
\end{aligned}$$

and hence the Eigenvalues are $\lambda=1,0,2$.

(ii) Since the Eigenvalues are distinct, A is diagonalizable. To find P, take the equation $(\lambda I - A)x=0$ and substitute $\lambda=1,0,2$, respectively as follows:

$$\lambda I - A = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda-1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & \lambda-1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & \lambda-1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = 1 \Rightarrow (1)I - A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[(-1)R_1]{(-1)R_{23}} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[(-1)R_2]{(1)R_{13}} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = -z = -t, x = z = t \text{ \& } t = 1 \Rightarrow C_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = 0 \Rightarrow (0)I - A = -A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[(-1)R_{13}]{(-1)R_{12}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow[\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)R_2]{(-1)R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{(-1)R_{21}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = -y = -t, z = 0 \text{ \& } t = 1 \Rightarrow C_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = 2 \Rightarrow (2)I - A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[(1)R_{13}]{(1)R_{12}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)R_{31}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = z = t, y = 0 \text{ \& } t = 1 \Rightarrow C_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{So } P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(iii) $A^{1444} = P D^{1444} P^{-1}$. Firstly, we need to find P^{-1} .

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow[(-1)R_{13}]{1R_{12}} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \\
& \xrightarrow{R_{23}} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{1R_{21}} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \\
& \xrightarrow{(-1)R_{31}} \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \\
& \Rightarrow P^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned}
A^{1444} &= PD^{1444}P^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2^{1444} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2^{1444} \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2^{1444} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2^{1444}-1 & 2^{1444}-1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 2^{1444}-1 & 2^{1444}-1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

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Answer:

$$u_1 = (1, 0, 0), u_2 = (0, 1, -1), u_3 = (0, 4, 2)$$

$$v_1 = u_1 = (1, 0, 0)$$

$$v_2 = u_2 - \frac{\langle u_2, v_1 \rangle}{\|v_1\|^2} v_1$$

$$(0, 1, -1) - \frac{\langle (0, 1, -1), (1, 0, 0) \rangle}{\|(1, 0, 0)\|^2} (1, 0, 0) = (0, 1, -1) - \frac{0}{1} (1, 0, 0)$$

$$= (0, 1, -1) - (0, 0, 0) = (0, 1, -1)$$

$$v_3 = u_3 - \frac{\langle u_3, v_2 \rangle}{\|v_2\|^2} v_2 - \frac{\langle u_3, v_1 \rangle}{\|v_1\|^2} v_1$$

$$= (0, 4, 2) - \frac{\langle (0, 4, 2), (0, 1, -1) \rangle}{\|(0, 1, -1)\|^2} (0, 1, -1) - \frac{\langle (0, 4, 2), (1, 0, 0) \rangle}{\|(1, 0, 0)\|^2} (1, 0, 0)$$

$$= (0, 4, 2) - \frac{2}{2} (0, 1, -1) - (0, 0, 0) = (0, 4, 2) - (0, 1, -1) = (0, 3, 3)$$

$$w_1 = \frac{v_1}{\|v_1\|} = (1, 0, 0)$$

$$w_2 = \frac{v_2}{\|v_2\|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (0, 1, -1)$$

$$w_3 = \frac{v_3}{\|v_3\|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{18}} (0, 3, 3) = \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}} (0, 3, 3) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (0, 1, 1)$$

Q8: Let M_{22} be the vector space of square matrices of order 2, and let $T: M_{22} \rightarrow M_{22}$ be the map defined by $T(A) = A^T$ for all matrices A in M_{22} . Show that:

- (i) T is a linear operator. (2 marks)
- (ii) Find $\ker(T)$. (2 marks)
- (iii) Find $[T]_B$ where B is the standard basis of M_{22} . (2 marks)
- (iv) Find $\text{rank}(T)$. (2 marks)

Answer: (i) For all $A, B \in M_{22}, k \in \mathbb{R}$:

$$1- T(A+B) = (A+B)^T = A^T + B^T = T(A) + T(B)$$

$$2- T(kA) = (kA)^T = kA^T = kT(A)$$

So T is linear.

(ii) $\ker(T) = \{A \in M_{22} \mid T(A) = 0\} = \{A \in M_{22} \mid A^T = 0\} = \{A \in M_{22} \mid A = 0\}$. So $\ker(T) = \{0\}$.

$$(iii) T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Now,

$$\left[T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \right]_B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \left[T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \right]_B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \left[T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \right]_B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \left[T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \right]_B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\text{Therefore, } [T]_B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(iv) Since $\ker(T) = \{0\}$, so $\text{nullity}(T) = 0$ and hence $\text{rank}(T) = \dim(M_{22}) - \text{nullity}(T) = 4 - 0 = 4$.

Q9: (i) If $B = \{u, v, w\}$ is a basis of a vector space V , then find the coordinate vector $(u)_B$.

(1 mark)

Answer: As $u = 1u + 0v + 0w$ and writing a vector as a linear combination of the vectors in B is unique, so $(u)_B = (1, 0, 0)$

(ii) If u and v are orthogonal vectors in an inner product space such that $\|u\| = 4$ and $\|v\| = 3$, then find $\|u+v\|$. (1 mark)

Answer: As u and v are orthogonal, so $\|u+v\|^2 = \|u\|^2 + \|v\|^2 = 16 + 9 = 25$. So $\|u+v\| = 5$.

(iii) If B is a 5×9 matrix with $\text{nullity}(B) = 4$, then find $\text{rank}(B^T)$

Answer: $\text{rank}(B^T) = \text{rank}(B) = 9 - \text{nullity}(B) = 9 - 4 = 5$

(iv) Show that if u and v are orthogonal in an inner product space V , then au and bv are orthogonal for every a and b in \mathbb{R} . (1 mark)

Answer: $\langle au, bv \rangle = ab \langle u, v \rangle = ab(0) = 0$, since $\langle u, v \rangle = 0$.