

**Q1:** If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then find  $|2A^T|A^{-1}+A$ . (4 marks)

**Q2:** Solve the following system:

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

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

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

**Q5:** Let  $B = \{(3, 3, 3), (2, 2, 0), (1, 0, 0)\}$  be a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . If  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is the transition matrix from

$S$  to  $B$ , where  $S = \{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$  is another basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Then find  $u_1$ . (3 marks)

**Q6:** Show that the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is diagonalizable and find the matrix  $P$  that

diagonalizes  $A$ . (6 marks)

**Q7:** Let  $\mathbb{R}^3$  be the Euclidean inner product space. Apply the Gram-Schmidt process to transform the following basis  $\{u_1 = (1, 1, 1), u_2 = (0, 1, -1), u_3 = (0, 4, 2)\}$  into an **orthonormal basis**. (6 marks)

**Q8:** Let  $M_{22}$  be the vector space of square matrices of order 2,  $C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and let  $T: M_{22} \rightarrow M_{22}$  be the function defined by  $T(A) = AC$  for all matrices  $A$  in  $M_{22}$ . Show that:

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

**Q9:** (i) If  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $A - C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then find  $BAD - BCD$ . (1 mark)

(ii) If  $g$  is a function from  $\mathbb{R}^3 \times \mathbb{R}^3$  to  $\mathbb{R}$  defined by:  $g(u, v) = 0$  for all  $u$  and  $v$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , then show that  $g$  is **not** an inner product function. (1 mark)

(iii) If  $T: P_5 \rightarrow M_{22}$  is a linear transformation with  $\text{nullity}(T) = 3$ , then find  $\text{rank}(T)$ . (1 mark)

(iv) If 2 and 3 are all the eigenvalues of a matrix  $A$ , then find the eigenvalues of  $A^{-1}$ . (1 mark)

(v) If  $B = \{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  is a basis of a vector space  $V$ , then  $c_1v_1 + c_2v_2 + c_3v_3 = 0$ , where  $c_1, c_2$  and  $c_3$  are scalars, implies that (choose the correct answer): (1 mark)

- (a)  $v_1 = v_2 = v_3 = 0$
- (b)  $c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0$
- (c)  $c_1 = v_1, c_2 = v_2, c_3 = v_3$
- (d)  $B$  is a subspace of  $V$

**Q1:** If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then find  $|2A^T|A^{-1}+A$ . (4 marks)

**Answer:**  $A^{-1} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $|2A^T| = 4|A| = 4(2) = 8$ . So,  $|2A^T|A^{-1}+A = 8\left(\frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}\right) + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $= \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -4 \\ 4 & 4 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -3 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$

**Q2:** Solve the following system:

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

**Answer:** Using the augmented matrix of the system

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & -2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & -3 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow[(-2)R_1]{\frac{1}{2}R_3} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_{23}} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{(1)R_{21}} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$\Rightarrow x_3 = -1, x_1 = -x_2 = -t, x_2 = t \in \mathbb{R}$

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

**Answer:** Putting the vectors as columns in the following matrix:

$$\left[ \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & -2 & 3 & -5 \\ 1 & -2 & 3 & -5 \\ 1 & -2 & 3 & -5 \\ 1 & -2 & 3 & -4 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow[(-1)R_{13}]{\begin{matrix} (-1)R_{14} \\ (-1)R_{12} \end{matrix}} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & -2 & 3 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_{24}} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & -2 & 3 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

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

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

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

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

3- Take  $u = (a, 0) \in W$  &  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ . Now,  $ku = (ka, k0) = (ka, 0) \in W$ .

So, 1, 2 and 3 imply that  $W$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

**Q5:** Let  $B = \{(3,3,3), (2,2,0), (1,0,0)\}$  be a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . If  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is the transition matrix from  $S$  to  $B$ , where  $S = \{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$  is another basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Then find  $u_1$ . (3 marks)

**Answer:**

$(u_1)_B = (1, 0, 1)$ . So  $u_1 = 1(3,3,3) + 0(2,2,0) + 1(1,0,0) = (4,3,3)$ .

**Q6:** Show that the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is diagonalizable and find the matrix  $P$  that diagonalizes  $A$ . (6 marks)

**Answer:** The characteristic equation:

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

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

$$\lambda I - A = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda - 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & \lambda - 2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & \lambda \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = 1 \Rightarrow (1)I - A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[(-1)R_{13}]{(-1)R_{12}} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[(-2)R_{23}]{(1)R_{21}} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = z = 0, x = t \text{ \& } t = 1 \Rightarrow C_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = 2 \Rightarrow (2)I - A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{(-1)R_{31}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 3z = 3t, y = 2z = 2t \text{ \& } t = 1 \Rightarrow C_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\lambda = 0 \Rightarrow (0)I - A = -A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow[(-1)R_{31}]{(-2)R_{32}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$\text{So } P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Q7:** Let  $\mathbb{R}^3$  be the Euclidean inner product space. Apply the Gram-Schmidt process to transform the following basis  $\{u_1=(1,1,1), u_2=(0,1,-1), u_3=(0,4,2)\}$  into an **orthonormal basis**. (6 marks)

**Answer:**

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

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

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

$$(0,1,-1) - \frac{\langle (0,1,-1), (1,1,1) \rangle}{\|(1,1,1)\|^2} (1,1,1) = (0,1,-1) - \frac{0}{3} (1,1,1)$$

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

$$\begin{aligned}
v_3 &= u_3 - \frac{\langle u_3, v_2 \rangle}{\|v_2\|^2} v_2 - \frac{\langle u_3, v_1 \rangle}{\|v_1\|^2} v_1 \\
&= (0, 4, 2) - \frac{\langle (0, 4, 2), (0, 1, -1) \rangle}{\|(0, 1, -1)\|^2} (0, 1, -1) - \frac{\langle (0, 4, 2), (1, 1, 1) \rangle}{\|(1, 1, 1)\|^2} (1, 1, 1) \\
&= (0, 4, 2) - \frac{2}{2} (0, 1, -1) - \frac{6}{3} (1, 1, 1) = (0, 4, 2) - (0, 1, -1) - (2, 2, 2) = (-2, 1, 1)
\end{aligned}$$

$$w_1 = \frac{v_1}{\|v_1\|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} (1, 1, 1)$$

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

$$w_3 = \frac{v_3}{\|v_3\|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} (-2, 1, 1)$$

**Q8:** Let  $M_{22}$  be the vector space of square matrices of order 2,  $C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and let  $T: M_{22} \rightarrow M_{22}$

be the function defined by  $T(A) = AC$  for all matrices  $A$  in  $M_{22}$ . Show that:

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

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

$$1- T(A+B) = (A+B)C = AC + BC = T(A) + T(B)$$

$$2- T(kA) = (kA)C = k(AC) = kT(A)$$

So  $T$  is linear.

$$(ii) \ker(T) = \{A \in M_{22} \mid T(A) = 0\} = \{A \in M_{22} \mid AC = 0\} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \in M_{22} \mid \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = 0 \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \in M_{22} \mid a + b = 0 \text{ \& } c + d = 0 \right\} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \in M_{22} \mid b = -a \text{ \& } d = -c \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & -a \\ c & -c \end{bmatrix} \in M_{22} \mid a, c \in \mathbb{R} \right\} = \left\{ a \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + c \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \in M_{22} \mid a, c \in \mathbb{R} \right\}. \text{ So, } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

is a basis of  $\ker(T)$ .

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

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

Now,

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

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

(iv) Since  $\text{nullity}(T) = \dim(\ker(T)) = 2$ , so  $\text{rank}(T) = \dim(M_{22}) - \text{nullity}(T) = 4 - 2 = 2$ .

**Q9:** (i) If  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $A - C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then find  $BAD - BCD$ . (1 mark)

$$\text{Answer: } BAD - BCD = B(A - C)D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(ii) If  $g$  is a function from  $\mathbb{R}^3 \times \mathbb{R}^3$  to  $\mathbb{R}$  defined by:  $g(u,v)=0$  for all  $u$  and  $v$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , then show that  $g$  is **not** an inner product function. (1 mark)

Answer:  $g((1,1,1),(1,1,1))=0$  whereas  $(1,1,1) \neq (0,0,0)$ .

(iii) If  $T:P_5 \rightarrow M_{22}$  is a linear transformation with  $\text{nullity}(T)=3$ , then find  $\text{rank}(T)$ . (1 mark)

Answer:  $\text{rank}(T) = \dim(P_5) - \text{nullity}(T) = 6 - 3 = 3$

(iv) If 2 and 3 are all the eigenvalues of a matrix  $A$ , then find the eigenvalues of  $A^{-1}$ . (1 mark)

Answer:  $Ax = \lambda x$  implies  $x = \lambda A^{-1}x$ . So,  $\lambda^{-1}x = A^{-1}x$ . Hence,  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$  if and only if  $\lambda^{-1}$  is an eigenvalue of  $A^{-1}$ . So the eigenvalues of  $A^{-1}$  are  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{1}{3}$ .

(v) If  $B = \{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  is a basis of a vector space  $V$ , then  $c_1v_1 + c_2v_2 + c_3v_3 = 0$ , where  $c_1, c_2$  and  $c_3$  are scalars, implies that (choose the correct answer): (1 mark)

(a)  $v_1 = v_2 = v_3 = 0$

(b)  $c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0$

(c)  $c_1 = v_1, c_2 = v_2, c_3 = v_3$

(d)  $B$  is a subspace of  $V$

Answer: (b)  $c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0$