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**Semester 462 / MATH-244 (Linear Algebra) / Mid-term Exam 2**

**Max. Marks: 25**

**Max. Time:  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hrs.**

**Note:** Calculators are not allowed.

**Question 1:** [Marks: 1+1+1+1+1]

Which of the given choices are correct?

- (i) Let  $P_2$  be the vector space of all real polynomials in one variable of degree  $\leq 2$  and  $S = \{u, v\} \subseteq P_2$ . If  $E$  denotes the set of all linear combinations of the vectors in  $S$ , then the set  $E$  is equal to:  
 (a)  $\{\alpha u + v \mid \alpha \in \mathbb{R}\}$  (b)  $\{u + \beta v \mid \beta \in \mathbb{R}\}$  (c)  $P_2$  (d) a vector space.
- (ii) If  $W = \{w_1, w_2, w_3, w_4\}$  spans the vector space  $V$ , then we can assert that:  
 (a)  $\dim(V) = 3$  (b)  $\dim(V) = 4$  (c)  $\dim(V) > 4$  (d)  $\dim(V) \leq 4$ .
- (iii) Consider the vector space  $\mathbb{R}^2$  with ordered basis  $B = \{(1,0), (1,2)\}$ . If  $v \in \mathbb{R}^2$  with the coordinate vector  $[v]_B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , then:  
 (a)  $v = (1,0)$  (b)  $v = (3,4)$  (c)  $v = (1,2)$  (d)  $v = (2,2)$ .
- (iv) Which of the following matrices cannot be a transition matrix?  
 (a)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  (c)  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .
- (v) If  $A$  is an invertible matrix of order 3, then  $\text{rank}(A)$  is equal to:  
 (a) 0 (b) 1 (c) 2 (d) 3.

**Question 2:** [Marks: 3 + 2 + 2 + 3]

Consider the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

- (a) Find a basis  $B_1$  for the null space  $N(A)$ .  
 (b) Find a basis  $B_2$  for the column space  $\text{col}(A)$ .  
 (c) Find *nullity* and *rank* of the matrix  $A$ .  
 (d) Show that  $B_1 \cup B_2$  is a basis for the Euclidean space  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

**Question 3:** [Marks: 3 + 7]

Consider a vector space  $E$  of dimension 3. Let  $B = \{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$  and  $C = \{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  be two ordered bases for  $E$  such that the transition matrix  ${}_C P_B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  from  $B$  to  $C$ . Then, compute:

- (a) Transition matrix  ${}_B P_C$  from  $C$  to  $B$ .  
 (b) Coordinate vectors  $[v_1 - v_2]_C$ ,  $[v_1 - v_2]_B$  and  $[v]_C$ , where  $v = v_1 - 2u_2 + v_3$ .

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