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Course Title: Linear Algebra I. Course Code: MTH 214. Credit Units: 2 Date: 03/05/2018.

Instruction: Answer Question ONE and Two Other Questions. Time Allowed: $2\frac{1}{2}$ Hours.

1. (a) Express the polynomial $w = 3t^2 + 5t - 5$ as a linear combination of the polynomials $p_1 = t^2 + 2t + 1$, $p_2 = 2t^2 + 5t + 4$, $p_3 = t^2 + 3t + 6$ using the reduced row echelon matrix operation.
- (b) Given that $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$, $B = \begin{pmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{pmatrix}$ with $ad - bc \neq 0$, show that $AB = |A|I$ and $A^{-1} = \frac{B}{|A|}$
- (c) Given that

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 7 & 3 & 5 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \\ -2 & 4 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Verify that $A(\text{Adj } A) = (\text{Adj } A)A = |A|I$ where I is a unit matrix.

2. (a) Explain the term “Linear Algebra” and state its uses.
(b) When is a scalar F said to be a field?
(c) Define binary operations and state its properties.
3. (a) What is a vector space and state two examples?
(b) (i) Define orthogonal vectors and find the value of k if the vectors $u = (1, 2, 3, 4)$ and $v = (6, k, -8, 2)$ are perpendicular.
(ii) If A and B are two non-singular square matrices of the same order and $AB = BA = I$, show that $A^{-1} = \frac{(\text{Adj } A)}{|A|}$.
(c) (i) An operation $*$ on the set \mathbf{R} of real numbers is defined by $a * b = \frac{2a+2b-3}{2}$ for all $a, b \in \mathbf{R}$. Find the inverse of $x \in \mathbf{R}$.
(ii) Define the basis and dimension of a vector space.
4. (a) Explain the term “Linear Combination” and show that $w = (3, 7, -4)$ in \mathbf{R}^3 is a linear combination of the vectors $v_1 = (1, 2, 3)$, $v_2 = (2, 3, 7)$ and $v_3 = (3, 5, 6)$ using the row echelon matrix operation.
(b) Define Linear Span and show whether $w = (2, 7, 10)$ in \mathbf{R}^3 and the vectors $v_1 = (1, 2, 3)$, $v_2 = (1, 3, 5)$ and $v_3 = (1, 5, 9)$ span \mathbf{R}^3 .
(c) When are the vectors v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n said to be linearly dependent and show that the vectors $v_1 = (1, 2, 3)$, $v_2 = (2, 5, 7)$ and $v_3 = (1, 3, 5)$ are linearly independent.
5. (a) What is matrix representation of T relative to the basis S ?
(b) Consider the linear operator G on \mathbf{R}^2 and basis S .
 $G(x, y) = (2x - 7y, 4x + 3y)$ and $S = \{v_1, v_2\} = \{(1, 3), (2, 5)\}$
i. Find the matrix representation $[G]_S$ of G relative to S .
ii. Verify that $[G]_S[U]_S = [G(U)]_S$ for the vectors $U = (4, -3)$ in \mathbf{R}^2
(c) Express the polynomial $v = t^2 + 4t - 3$ in $P(t)$ as a linear combination of the polynomials $p_1 = t^2 - 2t + 5$, $p_2 = 2t^2 - 3t$, $p_3 = t + 1$.