

**SOLUTIONS**

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**QUESTION 1**

This question is a **multiple choice** question and should be answered in the **answer book**. Any rough work should be clearly marked and appear on the last pages of the answer book. Write only the *number* for your answer.

(1.1) Consider the set

$$X := \{ \spadesuit \}$$

and the operations (for all  $k \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b} \in X$ )

$$\begin{aligned} \cdot : \mathbb{R} \times X &\rightarrow X, \\ + : X \times X &\rightarrow X, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} k \cdot \mathbf{a} &:= \spadesuit, \\ \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{b} &:= \spadesuit. \end{aligned}$$

- 1.1) 3
- 1.2) 1
- 1.3) 2
- (2) 1.4) 1
- 1.5) 4
- 1.6) 2
- 1.7) 3
- 1.8) 4

The set  $X$  with these definitions of  $\cdot$  and  $+$  forms a vector space. Which of the following statements are true in  $X$  ?

- A. for all  $\mathbf{x} \in X$ :  $-\mathbf{x} = \spadesuit$
- B. for all  $\mathbf{x} \in X$ :  $-\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}$
- C.  $\mathbf{0} = 0$
- D.  $\mathbf{0} = (0, 0)$

Choose from the following:

- 1. A
- 2. B
- 3. A and B
- 4. C or D
- 5. None of the above.

Answer: 3

(1.2) Which of the following are subspaces of  $M_{22}$  with the usual operations ?

A.  $\text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

(2)

2 marks each

B.  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a \\ -a & 0 \end{bmatrix} : a \geq 0 \right\}$

C.  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & -1 \\ 0 & a \end{bmatrix} : a \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$

Select from the following:

1. Only A.
2. Only A and B.
3. Only B and C.
4. All of A, B and C.
5. None of the above.

Answer: 1

(1.3) Which of the following sets are linearly independent? (2)

A.  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  in  $M_{22}$

B.  $\{(1, 0, 1), (0, 1, 0), (1, 1, -1)\}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$

C.  $\{1 - x, 1 - x^2, 1 - x + x^2\}$  in  $P_2$

Select from the following:

1. Only A and C.
2. Only B and C.
3. Only B.
4. Only C.
5. None of the above.

Answer: 2

(1.4) Which of the following sets are a basis for the following vector subspace of  $M_{22}$ : (2)

$$X = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ 0 & c \end{bmatrix} : a, b, c \in \mathbb{R} \right\}.$$

A.  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

B.  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

Select from the following:

1. Both A and B.
2. Only A.
3. Only B.
4. None of the above.

Answer: 1

(1.5) Which of the following statements are true: (2)

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A.  $\dim \left( \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \right) = 2$  in  $M_{22}$

B.  $\dim (\text{span} \{ (1, 0, 1), (0, 1, 0), (1, 1, -1) \}) = 3$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$

C.  $\dim (\text{span} \{ 1 - x, 1 - x^2, 1 - x + x^2 \}) = 2$  in  $P_2$

Select from the following:

1. Only A.
2. Only B.
3. Only C.
4. Only A and B.
5. None of the above.

Answer: 4

(1.6) Which of the following sets are a basis for the row space of  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ ? (2)

A.  $\{ [1 \ 1 \ -1], [0 \ 1 \ -1], [1 \ 0 \ 0] \}$

B.  $\{ [1 \ 1 \ -1], [0 \ 1 \ -1] \}$

C.  $\{ [1 \ 1 \ -1], [0 \ 1 \ -1], [1 \ 0 \ 0], [1 \ -2 \ 2] \}$

Select from the following:

1. Only A.
2. Only B.
3. Both A and B.
4. Only C.
5. None of the above.

Answer: 2

(1.7) Which of the following sets are a basis for the null space of  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ ? (2)

A.  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

B.  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

C.  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

Select from the following:

1. Only A.

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2. Only B.
3. Both B and C.
4. All of A, B and C.
5. None of the above.

Answer: 3

(1.8) Which one of the following statements is true for the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  ? (2)

1.  $\text{rank}(A) = 3$ ,  $\text{nullity}(A) = 0$ .
2.  $\text{rank}(A) = 3$ ,  $\text{nullity}(A) = 1$ .
3.  $\text{rank}(A) = 2$ ,  $\text{nullity}(A) = 2$ .
4.  $\text{rank}(A) = 2$ ,  $\text{nullity}(A) = 1$ .
5. None of the above.

Answer: 4

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### QUESTION 2

Consider the vector space  $M_{22}$ .

(2.1) Show that (12)

$$\langle A, B \rangle = \text{tr} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} AB^T \right)$$

is an inner product on  $M_{22}$ .

- For all  $A, B \in M_{22}$

$$\langle A, B \rangle = \text{tr} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} AB^T \right) = \text{tr} \left( BA^T \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \text{tr} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} BA^T \right) = \langle B, A \rangle \checkmark^2$$

where we used Theorem TI and Theorem CT.

- For all  $k \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $A \in M_{22}$  we have

$$\langle kA, B \rangle = \text{tr} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} (kA)B^T \right) = k \text{tr} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} AB^T \right) = k \langle A, B \rangle \checkmark^2$$

since  $\text{tr}(kA) = k \text{tr}(A)$ .

- For all  $A, B, C \in M_{22}$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle A, B + C \rangle &= \text{tr} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} A(B + C)^T \right) = \text{tr} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} A(B^T + C^T) \right) \\ &= \text{tr} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} AB^T + \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} AC^T \right) \\ &= \text{tr} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} AB^T \right) + \text{tr} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} AC^T \right) = \langle A, B \rangle + \langle A, C \rangle \checkmark^4 \end{aligned}$$

since  $\text{tr}(A + B) = \text{tr}(A) + \text{tr}(B)$ .

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- Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ . Then

$$\langle A, A \rangle = \text{tr} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} AA^T \right) = \text{tr} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a^2 + b^2 & ac + bd \\ ac + bd & c^2 + d^2 \end{bmatrix} \right) = 2a^2 + 2b^2 + c^2 + d^2 \geq 0 \checkmark^2$$

and  $\langle A, A \rangle = 0$  if and only if  $a = b = c = d = 0$  (since  $a^2, b^2, c^2, d^2 \geq 0$ ).  $\checkmark^2$

**Alternative:**

Note that  $\left\langle \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ a_3 & a_4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} b_1 & b_2 \\ b_3 & b_4 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle = \text{tr} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ a_3 & a_4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_1 & b_3 \\ b_2 & b_4 \end{bmatrix} \right) = 2a_1b_1 + 2a_2b_2 + a_3b_3 + a_4b_4$ .

- For all  $\begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ a_3 & a_4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} b_1 & b_2 \\ b_3 & b_4 \end{bmatrix} \in M_{22}$

$$\begin{aligned} \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ a_3 & a_4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} b_1 & b_2 \\ b_3 & b_4 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle &= 2a_1b_1 + 2a_2b_2 + a_3b_3 + a_4b_4 \\ &= 2b_1a_1 + 2b_2a_2 + b_3a_3 + b_4a_4 = \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} b_1 & b_2 \\ b_3 & b_4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ a_3 & a_4 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle. \end{aligned}$$

- For all  $k \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ a_3 & a_4 \end{bmatrix} \in M_{22}$

$$\begin{aligned} \left\langle k \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ a_3 & a_4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} b_1 & b_2 \\ b_3 & b_4 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle &= \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} ka_1 & ka_2 \\ ka_3 & ka_4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} b_1 & b_2 \\ b_3 & b_4 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle \\ &= 2(ka_1)b_1 + 2(ka_2)b_2 + (ka_3)b_3 + (ka_4)b_4 \\ &= k(2a_1b_1 + 2a_2b_2 + a_3b_3 + a_4b_4) = k \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ a_3 & a_4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} b_1 & b_2 \\ b_3 & b_4 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle. \end{aligned}$$

- For all  $\begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ a_3 & a_4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} b_1 & b_2 \\ b_3 & b_4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} c_1 & c_2 \\ c_3 & c_4 \end{bmatrix} \in M_{22}$

$$\begin{aligned} \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ a_3 & a_4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} b_1 & b_2 \\ b_3 & b_4 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} c_1 & c_2 \\ c_3 & c_4 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle &= \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ a_3 & a_4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} b_1 + c_1 & b_2 + c_2 \\ b_3 + c_3 & b_4 + c_4 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle \\ &= 2a_1(b_1 + c_1) + 2a_2(b_2 + c_2) + a_3(b_3 + c_3) + a_4(b_4 + c_4) \\ &= (2a_1b_1 + 2a_2b_2 + a_3b_3 + a_4b_4) + (2a_1c_1 + 2a_2c_2 + a_3c_3 + a_4c_4) \\ &= \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ a_3 & a_4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} b_1 & b_2 \\ b_3 & b_4 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle + \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ a_3 & a_4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} c_1 & c_2 \\ c_3 & c_4 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle. \end{aligned}$$

- Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ a_3 & a_4 \end{bmatrix}$ . Then

$$\langle A, A \rangle = 2a_1^2 + 2a_2^2 + a_3^2 + a_4^2 \geq 0$$

and  $\langle A, A \rangle = 0$  if and only if  $a_1 = a_2 = a_3 = a_4 = 0$  (since  $a_1^2, a_2^2, a_3^2, a_4^2 \geq 0$ ).

(2.2) Prove that if  $A, B \in M_{22}$ , where  $A, B \neq \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , are orthogonal to each other with respect to the inner product **defined in 2.1** above, then  $\{A, B\}$  is a linearly independent set. (6)

Suppose  $c_1A + c_2B = 0$  where  $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ . Since  $A$  and  $B$  are orthogonal to each other we have  $\langle A, B \rangle = \langle B, A \rangle = 0$ .  $\checkmark$

$$\begin{aligned} c_1A + c_2B = 0 &\Rightarrow \langle A, c_1A + c_2B \rangle = \langle A, 0 \rangle \checkmark \\ &\Rightarrow c_1\langle A, A \rangle + c_2\langle A, B \rangle = 0 \checkmark \\ &\Rightarrow c_1\langle A, A \rangle = 0 \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

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$$\Rightarrow c_1 = 0 \checkmark$$

since  $\langle A, A \rangle \neq 0$ . Similarly

$$\begin{aligned} c_1A + c_2B = 0 &\Rightarrow \langle B, c_1A + c_2B \rangle = \langle B, 0 \rangle \\ &\Rightarrow c_2 = 0. \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\{A, B\}$  is a linearly independent set.

(2.3) Apply the Gram-Schmidt process to the following subset of  $M_{22}$ : (12)

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

to find an orthogonal basis with respect to the inner product **defined in 2.1** above for the span of this subset.

Let

$$u_1 := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad u_2 := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad u_3 := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then the Gram-Schmidt process provides

$$\begin{aligned} v_1 &:= u_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark \\ \langle v_1, v_1 \rangle &= \text{tr} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}^T \right) = 8 \checkmark \\ \langle u_2, v_1 \rangle &= \text{tr} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}^T \right) = 4 \checkmark \\ v_2 &:= u_2 - \frac{\langle u_2, v_1 \rangle}{\langle v_1, v_1 \rangle} v_1 \checkmark \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{4}{8} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark \\ \langle v_2, v_2 \rangle &= \frac{1}{4} \text{tr} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}^T \right) = 2 \checkmark \\ \langle u_3, v_1 \rangle &= \text{tr} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}^T \right) = 4 \checkmark \\ \langle u_3, v_2 \rangle &= \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}^T \right) = 0 \checkmark \\ v_3 &:= u_3 - \frac{\langle u_3, v_1 \rangle}{\langle v_1, v_1 \rangle} v_1 - \frac{\langle u_3, v_2 \rangle}{\langle v_2, v_2 \rangle} v_2 \checkmark \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{4}{8} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{0}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have the orthogonal basis

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \checkmark^2$$

(2.4) Let  $V$  be a vector space with zero vector  $\mathbf{0}$  and let  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  denote an inner product on  $V$ . Prove that  $\langle \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{v} \rangle = 0$  for all  $\mathbf{v} \in V$ . (4)

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Since  $\mathbf{0} = 0 \cdot \mathbf{0}$  (Theorem VZ) we have  $\langle \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{v} \rangle = \langle 0 \cdot \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{v} \rangle = 0 \langle \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{v} \rangle = 0$  by IP2.

**Alternative:**

Since  $\mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0} + \mathbf{0}$  (VS4) we have  $\langle \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{v} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{0} + \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{v} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{v} \rangle + \langle \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{v} \rangle$  by IP3 and IP1, so that  $\langle \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{v} \rangle = 0$ .

**Alternative:**

Since the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality yields  $|\langle \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{v} \rangle| \leq \sqrt{\langle \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{0} \rangle \langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v} \rangle} = 0$  by IP4b, it follows that  $|\langle \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{v} \rangle| = 0$ . Thus  $\langle \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{v} \rangle = 0$ .

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### QUESTION 3

Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(3.1) Determine the nullity of  $A$ .

(2)

Row reduction of  $A$  yields

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (R_3 \leftarrow R_3 - R_1)$$

which is in upper triangular form, with two nonzero rows. Hence the rank is 2, and the nullity is  $3 - 2 = 1$ .

(3.2) Show that the characteristic equation for the eigenvalues  $\lambda$  of  $A$  is given by

(3)

$$\lambda(\lambda - 1)^2 = 0.$$

The characteristic equation is

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

(3.3) Find bases for the eigenspaces of  $A$ .

(14)

From the characteristic equation we obtain the eigenvalues 0 (twice), and 1. For the eigenspace corresponding to the eigenvalue 0 we solve

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

for  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$ . Clearly  $x = -y = 0$ . We find the 1-dimensional eigenspace

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ z \end{bmatrix} : z \in \mathbb{R} \right\} = \left\{ z \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} : z \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

Thus a basis is given by

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

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For the eigenspace corresponding to the eigenvalue 1 we solve

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark^2$$

for  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$ . Obviously  $y = 0$  and  $x = z$ . The corresponding eigenspace is

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ 0 \\ x \end{bmatrix} : x \in \mathbb{R} \right\} = \left\{ x \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} : x \in \mathbb{R} \right\} \checkmark^2$$

Thus a basis is given by

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \checkmark^2$$

- (3.4) For each eigenvalue, determine the algebraic and geometric multiplicity. Is  $A$  diagonalizable? (5)

The algebraic multiplicity of  $\lambda = 0$  is 2,  $\checkmark$  and the geometric multiplicity is 1.  $\checkmark$  Thus  $A$  is not diagonalizable (Theorem DM).  $\checkmark$  The algebraic multiplicity of  $\lambda = 1$  is 1,  $\checkmark$  and the geometric multiplicity is 1.  $\checkmark$

- (3.5) Prove or disprove: (2)

If  $B$  is a  $2 \times 2$  matrix, then  $B$  is diagonalizable if and only if  $B^2$  is diagonalizable.

The statement is false, for example the matrix  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is not diagonalizable, but  $B^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is diagonalizable (and diagonal).  $\checkmark^2$

- (3.6) Let  $B$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix. Prove that  $B + B^T$  is diagonalizable. (2)

Since  $(B + B^T)^T = B^T + (B^T)^T = B^T + B = B + B^T$ ,  $B + B^T$  is symmetric  $\checkmark$  and consequently diagonalizable (Theorem DS).  $\checkmark$

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#### QUESTION 4

Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow M_{22}$  be defined by  $T(x, y, z) = \begin{bmatrix} x & y \\ z & x \end{bmatrix}$ .

- (4.1) Show that  $T$  is a linear transformation. (4)

Let  $k \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $(x_1, y_1, z_1), (x_2, y_2, z_2) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ .

- $T((x_1, y_1, z_1) + (x_2, y_2, z_2)) = T(x_1 + x_2, y_1 + y_2, z_1 + z_2) = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + x_2 & y_1 + y_2 \\ z_1 + z_2 & x_1 + x_2 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $= \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & y_1 \\ z_1 & x_1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} x_2 & y_2 \\ z_2 & x_2 \end{bmatrix} = T(x_1, y_1, z_1) + T(x_2, y_2, z_2)$ .  $\checkmark^2$
- $T(k \cdot (x_1, y_1, z_1)) = T(kx_1, ky_1, kz_1) = \begin{bmatrix} kx_1 & ky_1 \\ kz_1 & kx_1 \end{bmatrix} = k \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & y_1 \\ z_1 & x_1 \end{bmatrix} = kT(x_1, y_1, z_1)$ .  $\checkmark^2$

- (4.2) Find the matrix representation  $[T]_{B_2, B_1}$  of  $T$  relative to the basis (8)

$$B_1 = \{ (1, 0, 1), (0, 1, 0), (1, 0, -1) \}$$

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in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  and the basis

$$B_2 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

in  $M_{22}$ , ordered from left to right.

From

$$\begin{aligned} T(1, 0, 1) &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} &= 1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + 0 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \checkmark^2 \\ T(0, 1, 0) &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} &= 0 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + 0 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \checkmark^2 \\ T(1, 0, -1) &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} &= 1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + 0 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \checkmark^2 \end{aligned}$$

the coefficients of the basis elements in each equation provide the columns of the matrix representation:

$$\frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \checkmark^2$$

- (4.3) Determine the range  $R(T)$  of  $T$ . Is  $T$  onto? In other words, is it true that  $R(T) = M_{22}$ ? (4)

The range of  $T$  is

$$\begin{aligned} R(T) &= \{ T(x, y, z) : x, y, z \in \mathbb{R} \} \\ &= \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x & y \\ z & x \end{bmatrix} : x, y, z \in \mathbb{R} \right\} \cdot \checkmark^2 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in M_{22}$  but  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \notin R(T)$ ,  $T$  is not onto.  $\checkmark^2$

- (4.4) Determine  $\ker(T)$  and the nullity of  $T$ . (4)

$$\begin{aligned} \ker(T) &= \left\{ (x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : T(x, y, z) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \\ &= \left\{ (x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : \begin{bmatrix} x & y \\ z & x \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \\ &= \{ (0, 0, 0) \} \cdot \checkmark^2 \end{aligned}$$

We have a zero-dimensional space and the nullity of  $T$  is 0.  $\checkmark^2$

- (4.5) Is  $T$  one-to-one? Motivate your answer. (2)

Yes, since  $\text{nullity}(T) = 0$  (or equivalently  $\ker(T) = \{ (0, 0, 0) \}$ , Theorem TO).  $\checkmark^2$

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TOTAL MARKS: [100]