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Math 205 - Exam 2 - March 8, 2006

Instructions: Show enough work to justify your final answers. When referring to a theorem, give as much information about the theorem as you can.

1. (20 pts.) Consider the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -2 & 7 & 6 \\ 2 & 2 & -4 & 10 & 8 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 2 \\ -2 & 2 & 4 & -2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$, which is row-equivalent to $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -2 & 7 & 6 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

- (a) What is the rank of A ?
- (b) What is the dimension of the nullspace of A ?
- (c) Find a basis for Col A .
- (d) Find a basis for Row A .
- (e) Find a basis for Nul A .

2. (15 pts.) Consider the matrix $M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & -1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ and vector $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

- (a) Calculate $\det M$.
- (b) Is \mathbf{v} in $\text{Col } M$?
- (c) Is \mathbf{v} in $\text{Nul } M$?
- (d) Is \mathbf{v} an eigenvector of M ?
- (e) Show that $\lambda = 2$ is an eigenvalue of M and calculate its associated eigenspace.

3. (10 pts.) Let $\mathcal{B} = \{1 - t - t^2, -1 + t - t^2, 2 + 2t + 4t^2\}$ be a set of polynomials in \mathbb{P}_2 .

(a) Show that \mathcal{B} is a basis for \mathbb{P}_2 .

(b) For $\mathbf{p}(t) = 3 + t + t^2$, find $[\mathbf{p}]_{\mathcal{B}}$.

(c) Is \mathcal{B} a basis for \mathbb{P}_3 ? Explain.

4. (10 pts.) Prove the statement: If A is a $m \times n$ matrix, then $\text{Nul } A$ is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n .

5. (15 pts.) Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}$, $B = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d+2a & e+2b & f+2c \\ g+3a & h+3b & i+3c \end{bmatrix}$, and $C = \begin{bmatrix} g & h & i \\ 2d & 2e & 2f \\ a & b & c \end{bmatrix}$. Suppose $\det A = 5$.

- (a) Find $\det(B)$.
- (b) Find $\det(AC)$.
- (c) Is AB invertible? Explain.
- (d) Are the columns of A linearly independent? Explain.

6. (10 pts.) Suppose A is a $n \times n$ matrix with the property that the equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ has at least one solution for each \mathbf{b} in \mathbb{R}^n . Prove that each equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ has *exactly* one solution.

