



## UNIVERSITY OF EMBU

2019/2020 ACADEMIC YEAR

SUPPLEMENTARY/SPECIAL EXAMINATIONS

SECOND YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE  
(ECONOMICS & STATISTICS)

SMA 203: LINEAR ALGEBRA 1

**DATE:** OCTOBER 26, 2020

**TIME:** 8:30 AM – 10:30 AM

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

**Answer Question ONE and ANY other two Questions**

**QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)**

- a) For which values of  $b$  are the vectors  $\{(2, -b), (2b + 6, 4b)\}$  linearly dependent  
(4 marks)
- b) Differentiate between a consistent and an inconsistent system of equation (2 marks)
- c) Do the vectors  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ x - 2y \end{bmatrix}$  form a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ? (5 marks)
- d) Determine whether the set of exponential functions  $(e^{-3x}, e^x, e^{2x})$  is linearly independent by calculating the WRONSKIAN (5 marks)
- e) Prove that if  $T: V \rightarrow W$  is a linear transformation, then the Kernel of  $T$  is a subspace of  $V$  (5 marks)
- f) Determine whether the system of equation below is consistent or not  
$$\begin{aligned} x + 2y + 3z &= 14 \\ x - 3y - 2z &= -11 \end{aligned}$$
 (5 marks)



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- g) Prove that if  $A$  is an invertible  $n \times n$  matrix then for each  $b$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  the equation  $Ax = b$  has the unique solution  $x = A^{-1}b$  (4 marks)

### **QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

- a) For which value(s) of  $k$  does the following system have
- A unique solution
  - No solution
  - Infinitely many solutions

$$\begin{aligned}x + y + k &= 2 \\ 3x + 4y + 2z &= k \\ 2x + 3y - z &= 1\end{aligned} \quad (8 \text{ marks})$$

- b) Find the inverse of the matrix below by the adjoint matrix method

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

Hence solve the following system of linear equations

$$\begin{aligned}2x_1 + x_2 + 3x_3 &= 6 \\ 2x_1 + x_2 + x_3 &= -12 \\ 4x_1 + 5x_2 + x_3 &= 3\end{aligned} \quad (12 \text{ marks})$$

### **QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

- a) Solve the system of equations using LU decomposition method

$$\begin{aligned}2x_1 + x_2 - 2x_3 &= 10 \\ 3x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_3 &= 1 \\ 5x_1 + 4x_2 + 3x_3 &= 4\end{aligned} \quad (8 \text{ marks})$$

- b) Let  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be defined by  $T(x, y, z) = (2x - y, x + y + z, 2y - z)$  for each  $x = (x, y, z)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Show that  $T$  is invertible and compute  $T^{-1}$  (7 marks)

- c) Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 4 \\ -4 & 2 & -6 \\ -3 & -2 & -7 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $b = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix}$  is the equation  $Ax = b$  consistent for all values of  $b_1, b_2, b_3$  (5 marks)



**QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

- a) For the matrix  $A$ , let  $T: \mathbb{R}^5 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$  be defined by  $T(\mathbf{x}) = A(\mathbf{x})$  for each  $\mathbf{x}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^5$ . Find the rank of  $T$  and a basis for image  $T$  (6 marks)

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- b) Use row reduction to determine the inverse of the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & 3 & -1 \\ 3 & 5 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,

hence solve the system of linear equations.

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 1$$

$$4x_1 + 3x_2 - x_3 = 6$$

$$3x_1 + 5x_2 + 3x_3 = 4$$

(7 marks)

- c) Let  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be described by  $T(x, y) = (x + y, x, 2x - y)$

Show that  $T$  is a linear transformation from  $\mathbb{R}^2$  to  $\mathbb{R}^3$

(7 marks)

**QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

- a) Is  $S = \{(1, 4, 7), (2, 5, 8), (3, 6, 9)\}$  a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

(7 marks)

- b) Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 3 & 5 \\ -1 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{c} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$  and define a transformation.

$$T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3 \text{ by } T(\mathbf{x}) = A(\mathbf{x}) \text{ so that } T(\mathbf{x}) = A(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 \\ 3 & 5 \\ -1 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 - 3x_2 \\ 3x_1 + 5x_2 \\ -x_1 + 7x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- i) Find  $T(\mathbf{u})$  the image of  $\mathbf{u}$  under the transformation  $T$

(2 marks)

- ii) Find an  $\mathbf{x}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  whose image under  $T$  is  $\mathbf{b}$

(6 marks)

- iii) Determine if  $\mathbf{c}$  is in the range of the transformation  $T$

(5 marks)

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