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Mid-term Exam II / MATH-244 (Linear Algebra) / Semester 451

Max. Marks: 25

Max. Time: 1.5 hrs

Note: Scientific calculators are not allowed.

Question 1: [Marks: (2+3) + 3]

- a) Let P_4 denote the vector space of all real polynomials in x with degree ≤ 4 under the usual addition and scalar multiplication. Then:
- (i) Show that $W = \{a + 2b + (a - b)x + (2a + b)x^3 + (a + b)x^4 \mid a, b \in \mathbb{R}\}$ is a subspace of P_4 .
 - (ii) Find a basis of the above vector space W .
- b) Let $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$ be a basis of vector space E . Then show that every element of E has a unique representation a linear combination of the basic vectors u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n .

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

Let $B = \{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$ be a basis of a vector space V and $C = \{w_1, w_2, w_3\} \subseteq V$ such that:

$$u_1 + w_2 = w_1 + w_3$$

$$u_2 - w_3 = w_1 + w_2$$

$$u_3 + w_1 = w_2 - 2w_3.$$

Then:

- a) Show that the set C is a basis of the vector space V .
- b) Construct the transition matrix ${}_C P_B$ from the above basis B to the basis C .
- c) Find the transition matrix ${}_B P_C$ by using the matrix ${}_C P_B$.

Question 3: [Marks: 3 + (1.5+1.5) + 3]

- a) Let $M_2(\mathbb{R})$ the real inner product space of 2×2 matrices with the inner product: $\langle A, B \rangle := \text{trace}(AB^T)$. Let $A, B, C \in M_2(\mathbb{R})$ be the matrices satisfying $A + B = -C$, $\|A\| = 3$, $\|B\| = 5$ and $\|C\| = 7$. Then find the angle between the matrices A and B .
- b) Show that the set $F = \{(0, 1, -1), (1, 1, 1), (2, -1, -1)\}$ is orthogonal in the Euclidean space \mathbb{R}^3 . Deduce further that the orthogonal set F is a basis of \mathbb{R}^3 .
- c) Let $G = \{v_1 = (1, 1, -1, 1), v_2 = (1, 1, 1, 1), v_3 = (-1, 1, 1, 1)\}$ be a basis of vector subspace E of the Euclidean space \mathbb{R}^4 . Find an orthonormal basis of E by using G .

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