



The Co-operative University of Kenya

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF COMPUTER SCIENCE AND BACHELOR OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

COURSE CODE: **BMAT 2109**

UNIT TITLE: **LINEAR ALGEBRA**

DATE: **DECEMBER, 2019**

Time: **2 Hours**

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Answer question **ONE** and any other **TWO (2)** questions
2. Scientific Calculators and non-programmable calculators may be used

1. (a) Solve $\frac{m-2}{3} + 1 = \frac{2m}{7}$ (3 marks)

(b) Determine whether the vectors $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^T$, $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^T$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}^T$ are linearly independent in $\mathbb{R}^3$ (5 marks)

(c) Find the determinant of the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 & 7 \\ 8 & 9 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ (2 marks)

(d) Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 4 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$, $B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ -5 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$, find $3A+5B$ (3 marks)

(e) Solve the following system by Gaussian elimination

$$\begin{aligned} x - 3y - 2z &= 6 \\ 2x - 4y - 3z &= 8 \\ -3x + 6y + 8z &= -5 \end{aligned}$$

(10 marks)

(f) Define a mapping $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ by $T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} e^x \\ e^y \end{bmatrix}$

Determine whether T is a linear transformation.

(4 marks)

(g) Let $u_1 = (1, 1, 0)$, $u_2 = (1, 1, 1)$ and $u_3 = (0, 2, 3)$. Find the volume $V(S)$ of the parallelopiped S in $\mathbb{R}^3$ determined by the three vectors. (3 marks)

2. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -12 \\ 1 & -5 \end{bmatrix}$.

(a) Write the characteristic polynomial of A. (2 marks)

(b) Write the characteristic equation of A. (2 marks)

(c) Find the eigenvalues of A (4 marks)

- (d) Find the eigenvectors corresponding to each of the eigenvalues found in part (c).
(10 marks)

3. Let $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be the linear transformation defined by

$$T(\mathbf{v}) = T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ x_1 + x_2 \\ x_1 - x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{and let } B = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \quad B' = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

be ordered bases for $\mathbb{R}^2$ and $\mathbb{R}^3$, respectively

- (a) Find the matrix $[T]_B^{B'}$ (10 marks)

- (b) Let $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$. Find $T(\mathbf{v})$ directly and then use the matrix found in part (a).
(10 marks)

4. (a) Use Cramer's rule to solve

$$x + 2y + z = 5$$

$$2x + 2y + z = 6$$

$$x + 2y + 3z = 9$$

(15 marks)

- (b) calculate the area of the parallelogram determined by the points (-2,-2), (0,3), (4,-1) and (6,4)
(5 marks)

5. Diagonalize $A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ (20 marks)