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Instructions:

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- Any work necessary to arrive at an answer must be shown on the examination paper. Marks will not be given for final answers that are not supported by appropriate work.
- Clearly indicate your final answer to each question either by **underlining it or circling it**. If multiple answers are shown then no marks will be awarded.
- Please answer the problems in English.

1. Let

$$V = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} : xy \geq 0 \right\}.$$

(a) [1pt] List any four elements in  $V$ .

$$\underline{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}}$$

(b) [1pt] Is  $V$  closed under addition? Provide your reasons.

No, e.g.,  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$  are in  $V$   
 but  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \notin V$ .

(c) [1pt] Is  $V$  closed under scalar multiplication? Provide your reasons.

Yes, if  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$  has  $xy \geq 0$   
 then  $\begin{bmatrix} kx \\ ky \end{bmatrix}$  also has  $(kx)(ky) = k^2 \cdot xy \geq 0$   
 for any  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ .

(d) [1pt] Does  $V$  contain a zero vector? If yes, what is the zero vector in  $V$ ?

Yes,  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(e) [1pt] Find the additive inverse of  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

$\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$

2. Let  $S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2\}$  with

$$\mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(a) [1pt] Find an element in  $[S]$ .

$$\underline{u_1 + u_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}$$

(b) [1pt] Find an element not in  $[S]$ .

Any element  $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} \in [S]$  must have  $x_1 = x_4$ ,

$$\text{so } \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \notin S.$$

(c) [1pt] Prove, by definition, that  $[S]$  is closed under addition.

Note that  $[S] = \{a_1 \vec{u}_1 + a_2 \vec{u}_2 : a_1, a_2 \in \mathbb{R}\}$ .

Suppose  $a_1 \vec{u}_1 + a_2 \vec{u}_2 \in [S]$  and  $b_1 \vec{u}_1 + b_2 \vec{u}_2 \in [S]$ .

Then their sum is  $(a_1 + b_1) \vec{u}_1 + (a_2 + b_2) \vec{u}_2 \in [S]$ .

(d) [1pt] Prove, by definition, that  $[S]$  is closed scalar multiplication.

Suppose  $a_1 \vec{u}_1 + a_2 \vec{u}_2 \in [S]$  and  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$$\text{Then } k(a_1 \vec{u}_1 + a_2 \vec{u}_2) = (ka_1) \vec{u}_1 + (ka_2) \vec{u}_2 \in [S]$$

(e) [1pt] Is  $S$  an independent set? Provide your reasons.

Yes. Suppose  $c_1 \vec{u}_1 + c_2 \vec{u}_2 = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ 0 \\ c_2 \\ c_1 \end{bmatrix}$

for some  $c_1, c_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$$\text{Then } \begin{cases} c_1 + 0c_2 = 0 \\ 0 + c_2 = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow c_1 = c_2 = 0$$

3. Let  $S = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3, \mathbf{u}_4, \mathbf{u}_5, \mathbf{u}_6\}$  be the columns of

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 6 & 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 & 8 & 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

(a) [2pt] Find two different nontrivial linear relations in  $S$ .

$$A \rightsquigarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 6 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ has solutions } \left\{ c_3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_6 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} : c_3, c_6 \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

$$\text{e.g. Pick } \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow -2\vec{u}_2 + \vec{u}_3 = \vec{0}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow -\vec{u}_4 - \vec{u}_5 + \vec{u}_6 = \vec{0}$$

(b) [3pt] Find a subset  $T \subset S$  such that  $T$  is linearly independent and  $[T] = [S]$ . Provide your reasons.

By  $-2\vec{u}_2 + \vec{u}_3 = \vec{0}$ . Removing  $\vec{u}_3$  will not change the span.

By  $-\vec{u}_4 - \vec{u}_5 + \vec{u}_6 = \vec{0}$  Removing  $\vec{u}_6$  will not change the span.

$$\text{Choose } T = \{\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, \vec{u}_4, \vec{u}_5\}$$

There is no <sup>nontrivial</sup> solution above with  $c_3 = c_6 = 0$ .

So  $[T] = [S]$  and  $T$  is indep.

4. [5pt] Mathematical essay: Write a few paragraphs to introduce *linear independence*.

Your score will be based on the following criteria.

- The definition is clear.
- Some sentences are added to explain the definition.
- Examples or pictures are included to help understanding.
- The sentences are complete.

5. [extra 2pt] Let  $S = \{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z}\}$  be a set of vectors. Suppose  $S$  is linearly independent. Show that  $T = \{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y} + \mathbf{z}\}$  is also linearly independent.

Suppose  $c_1 \vec{x} + c_2(\vec{x} + \vec{y}) + c_3(\vec{x} + \vec{y} + \vec{z}) = \vec{0}$

Then  $(c_1 + c_2 + c_3) \vec{x} + (c_2 + c_3) \vec{y} + c_3 \vec{z} = \vec{0}$ .

Since  $S$  is indep, we have

$$\begin{cases} c_1 + c_2 + c_3 = 0 \\ c_2 + c_3 = 0 \\ c_3 = 0 \end{cases},$$

which leads to  $c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0$ .

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