

Notations:

$R$  = the set of real numbers.

$P_n(R)$  = the set of all polynomials with coefficients from  $R$  having degree less than or equal to  $n$ .

1. Let  $u$  and  $v$  be linearly independent vectors of a vector space over a field  $F$ . If  $a, b, c,$  and  $d$  are elements of  $F$ , prove that the vectors  $au + bv$  and  $cu + dv$  are linearly independent iff  $ad - bc \neq 0$ . 10%
  
2. Let  $V$  be the vector space of all functions from  $R$  into  $R$ ; let  $W_1$  be the subspace of even functions,  $f(-x) = f(x)$ ; let  $W_2$  be the subspace of odd functions,  $f(-x) = -f(x)$ . Prove that  $V = W_1 \oplus W_2$ . 10%
  
3. Let  $T : P_2(R) \longrightarrow P_3(R); T(f(x)) = xf(x) + f'(x)$ . ( $f'(x)$  is the formal derivative of  $f(x)$ )
  - a) Prove that  $T$  is a linear transformation. 5%
  - b) Find bases for  $N(T)$  and  $R(T)$ . 10%  
( $N(T)$  is the null space of  $T$  and  $R(T)$  is the range of  $T$ )
  - c) Determine whether  $T$  is one-to-one or onto. 5%
  
4. Suppose that  $T : R^2 \longrightarrow R^3$  is linear and that  $T(1, 1) = (1, 0, 2)$  and  $T(2, 3) = (1, -1, 4)$ . What is  $T(8, 11)$ ? Is  $T$  one-to-one? Justify your answer. 10%
  
5. Let  $T : P_2(R) \longrightarrow P_2(R)$  define by  $T(f) = f'' + 2f' - f$ . ( $f''$  is the second formal derivative of  $f$ ) Prove that  $T$  is invertible and compute  $T^{-1}$ . 15%
  
6. Let  $T : P_2(R) \longrightarrow P_2(R)$  defined by  $T(f) = f(0) + f(1)(x + x^2)$ . Find a basis  $\beta$  such that  $[T]_{\beta}$  is a diagonal matrix. ( $[T]_{\beta}$  is the matrix that represents  $T$  in the ordered basis  $\beta$ ) 10%
  
7. Disprove the following statements.
  - a) Similar matrices always have the same eigenvalues. 5%
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8. Let
 
$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$
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Find an orthogonal matrix  $P$  and a diagonal matrix  $D$  such that  $P^*AP = D$ . ( $P^*$  is the conjugate transpose of  $P$ )