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**KIRIRI WOMENS' UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**  
UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION, 2020/2021 ACADEMIC YEAR  
SECOND YEAR, FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION  
FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION ARTS

Date: 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2020  
Time: 8.30am – 10.30am

**KMA 2204 - LINEAR ALGEBRA 11**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

**ANSWER QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) AND ANY OTHER TWO QUESTIONS**

**QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)**

- a) i) Compute  $\langle u, v \rangle$  using the inner product  $\mathbb{R}^2$  defined by  $\langle u, v \rangle = 3u_1v_1 + 2u_2v_2$  where  $u = (2, 3)$ ,  $v = (-4, 5)$ . (2 Marks)
- ii) Use the inner product defined by  $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_0^1 f(x)g(x)dx$  to compute the  $\langle f, g \rangle$  for the vectors of  $f(x) = x$  and  $g(x) = e^x$  in  $C[0, 1]$ . (4 Marks)
- b) Let  $P_2$  have the inner product defined by  $\langle p, q \rangle = a_0b_0 + a_1b_1 + a_2b_2$ , where  $p(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2$  and  $q(x) = b_0 + b_1x + b_2x^2$ . Find  $\|p\|$  where  $p = -1 + x^2 + 2x$ . (4 Marks)
- c) Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Compute  $A^5$  (5 Marks)
- d) Find the coordinate vector and coordinate matrix of the vector  $v = (2, -1, 3)$  relative to the basis  $S = \{(1, 0, 0), (2, 2, 0), (3, 3, 3)\}$ . (5 Marks)
- e) Given the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 8 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$
- i) Find the characteristic equation of  $A$ . (2 Marks)
- ii) Find the eigenvalues of matrix  $A$ . (2 Marks)
- iii) Inverse of matrix  $A$ . (3 Marks)
- f) Find a unit vector orthogonal to both  $v_1 = (1, 1, 2)$  and  $v_2 = (0, 1, 3)$  (3 Marks)

**QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

- a) Given  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find a matrix  $B$  such that  $B^2 = A$ . (7 Marks)
- b) Consider the bases  $B = \{u_1, u_2, u_3\} = \{(1,0,0), (0,1,0), (0,0,1)\}$  and  $B' = \{v_1, v_2, v_3\} = \{(1,0,1), (0,-1,2), (2,3,-5)\}$  for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .
- i) Find the Transition matrix from  $B$  to  $B'$ . (7 Marks)
- ii) Compute the coordinate matrix  $[x]_B$ , where  $x = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$ . (3 Marks)
- iii) Find the transition matrix from  $B'$  to  $B$ . (3 Marks)

**QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

- a) Let  $\mathbb{R}^3$  have the Euclidean inner product. Find the cosine of the angle between  $u$  and  $v$  given that  $u = (-1, 5, 2), v = (2, 4, -9)$ . (5 Marks)
- b) Let  $\mathbb{R}^3$  have the Euclidean inner product. Determine whether the following vectors form an orthonormal set  
 $u_1 = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right), u_2 = (0, 1, 0), u_3 = \left(\frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0, \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$  (8 Marks)
- c) Use the Gram-Schmidt process to transform the basis  $\{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$  into an orthonormal basis using the Euclidean inner product in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  where  $u_1 = (1, 1, 1), u_2 = (-1, 1, 0), u_3 = (1, 2, 1)$ . (7 Marks)

**QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

- a) Find a matrix  $P$  that diagonalizes  $A$ , and hence determine  $P^{-1}AP$ , where  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  (10 Marks)
- b) State the Cayley – Hamilton theorem and hence use the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  to verify theorem. (10 Marks)

**QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

- a) Find a matrix  $P$  that diagonalises the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  (10 Marks)
- b) Use diagonalization to identify the conic section  $2x^2 + 2y^2 - 4xy = 1$ . (10 Marks)