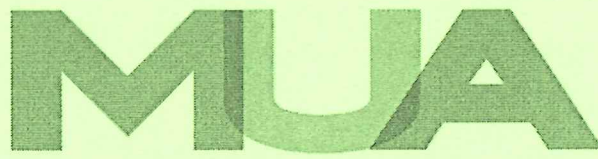


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DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS EDUCATION

MTH 211 : LINEAR ALGEBRA

DATE: 31ST March 2022

DURATION: 2 HOURS

MAXIMUM MARKS: 70

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Write your registration number on the answer booklet.
2. **DO NOT** write on this question paper.
3. This paper contains **SIX (6)** questions.
4. Question **ONE** is compulsory.
5. Answer any other **THREE** questions.
6. Question **ONE** carries **25 MARKS** and the rest carry **15 MARKS** each.
7. Write all your answers in the Examination answer booklet provided.

QUESTION ONE

- a) Solve the matrix equation for
- α
- , or explain why no solution exists;

$$\alpha \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 3 & 2 \\ -7 & 0 & -4 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 7 & -3 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 19 & 12 & 6 \\ 6 & 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3 \text{ marks})$$

- b) Compute
- $|2r + 3s|$
- given that
- $r = 2i - 4j + 5k$
- and
- $s = 3i + 7j - k$
- (4 marks)

- c) Evaluate the following and express as a vector; (3 marks)

$$2 \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -11 \\ 13 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix} + 4 \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 9 \\ -2 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} =$$

- d) Solve the following system of equations;

$$7x + 2y - z = 4$$

$$x + 3y + 2z = 1$$

$$2x - 4y - z = 12$$

(5 marks)

- e) The points
- A, B, C
- and
- D
- have position vectors
- $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$
- ,
- $\begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$
- ,
- $\begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix}$
- and
- $\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix}$
- respectively, relative to an origin
- O
- . A point
- E
- divides
- DC
- internally in the ratio 2:3. Another point
- G
- divides
- BC
- externally.

- i. Prove that the points
- O, A
- and
- E
- are collinear (4 marks)

- ii. Compute the coordinates of point
- G
- if the points
- A, E
- and
- G
- are collinear (6 marks)

QUESTION TWO

- a) Evaluate the value of
- α
- and
- β
- that solve the following equation;

$$\alpha \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \beta \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 4 \\ 4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (3 \text{ marks})$$

- b) Compute the product
- MN
- in the matrices below;

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 0 & -6 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \quad N = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad (4 \text{ marks})$$

- c) Let
- T
- be the set of columns in a matrix
- B
- below. Define
- $W = \langle T \rangle$
- and find a set
- R
- so that
- R
- has 3 vectors,
- R
- is a subset of
- T
- and
- $W = \langle R \rangle$
- . (8 marks)

$$\begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 & -2 & 7 \\ -1 & 2 & 1 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

QUESTION THREE

- a) Form the augmented matrix of the system of equations, convert the matrix to reduced row-echelon form by using equation operations and then describe the solution set of the original system of equations;

$$3x_1 + 2x_2 + 5x_3 = 9$$

$$2x_1 - 3x_2 - x_3 = 6$$

$$4x_1 - 2x_2 + 6x_3 = 16$$

(5 marks)

- b) Using vectors prove that "the shortest distance between two points is in a straight line". **(10 marks)**

QUESTION FOUR

- a) Evaluate the roots that satisfy the equation;

$$x^2 - 5x - 24 = 0$$

(3 marks)

- b) Sketch the following graphs;

i. $y = |3|$

(2 marks)

ii. $y = -|3|$

(2 marks)

iii. $y = |x| - 2$

(2 marks)

- c) Find a basis for the kernel and the nullity of;

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 & 10 & 0 \\ 2 & -2 & -2 & 0 \\ -2 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

(6 marks)**QUESTION FIVE**

- a) Suppose that $\{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n\}$ is a set of vectors.

Prove that $\{v_1 - v_2, v_2 - v_3, v_3 - v_4, \dots, v_n - v_1\}$ is a linearly dependent set.

(5 marks)

- b) Evaluate whether the following vectors are linearly independent or dependent;

i. $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ -2 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

(10 marks)

ii. $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 2 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 14 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

QUESTION SIX

- a) Compute for the unknown vector in the following equations; (3 marks)

$$7u = 2 \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 7 \\ 5 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix} + 3 \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 14 \\ 13 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- b) Find the reduced row echelon form of the following matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 4 & 6 & -2 \\ 8 & 10 & 12 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

(6 marks)

- c) Given that $f(x) = 2x + 3$ and $g(x) = x^2 - 1$ compute;

i. $f[g(x)]$

(3 marks)

ii. $g[f(x)]$

(3 marks)