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All questions may be attempted but only marks obtained on the best **four** solutions will count.

The use of an electronic calculator is **not** permitted in this examination

1) (i) Replace the formula  $(q \wedge \neg p) \vee \neg(p \wedge \neg r)$  by an equivalent one which does not involve  $\neg$ ,  $\wedge$  or  $\vee$ .

(ii) Negate the formula  $(\forall x) ( (\exists y)P(x, y) \wedge (\forall y)\neg Q(x, y) )$  and replace it by an equivalent formula which does not involve either  $\neg$  or  $\forall$ .

Let  $f : A \rightarrow B$  be a mapping between sets  $A, B$ . Explain what is meant by saying that (a)  $f$  is injective ; (b)  $f$  is bijective ; (c)  $f$  is invertible.

Prove that a mapping is invertible if and only if it is bijective.

Decide with proof whether the mapping  $f : \mathbf{Z} \rightarrow \mathbf{Z}$ ,  $f(x) = x^3 + x$  is surjective.

Justifying your statement in each case, decide

(iii) for which, if any,  $\alpha \in \mathbf{R}$  the mapping  $g : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  ;  $g(x) = x^3 + \alpha x$  is injective ;

(iv) for which, if any,  $\alpha \in \mathbf{C}$  the mapping  $h : \mathbf{C} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  ;  $h(x) = x^3 + \alpha x$  is injective.

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2) Let  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  be a subset of a vector space  $V$ . Explain what is meant by saying that  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  is linearly independent.

Decide with proof whether the vectors below are linearly independent. If they are not, give an explicit dependence relation between them.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Suppose that the subset  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  spans  $V$  and that  $v_n$  can be expressed as a linear combination

$$v_n = \lambda_1 v_1 + \dots + \lambda_{n-1} v_{n-1}.$$

Show that  $\{v_1, \dots, v_{n-1}\}$  also spans  $V$ .

For the matrix  $A$  below, find  $A^{-1}$  and express  $A^{-1}$  as a product of elementary matrices; hence also express  $A$  as a product of elementary matrices.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & -3 \\ 0 & 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

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3) Let  $V, W$  be vector spaces over a field  $F$  and let  $T : V \rightarrow W$  be a linear mapping; explain what is meant by

(a) the kernel,  $\text{Ker}(T)$  and (b) the image,  $\text{Im}(T)$ .

State without proof a relationship which holds between  $\dim \text{Ker}(T)$  and  $\dim \text{Im}(T)$ .

Find the general solution to the system  $Ax = \mathbf{b}$  when

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 & 1 & -3 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Denoting by  $T_A : \mathbf{Q}^7 \rightarrow \mathbf{Q}^4$  the linear map  $T_A(\mathbf{x}) = Ax$  find also

(i) a basis for  $\text{Ker}(T_A)$  and (ii) a basis for  $\text{Im}(T_A)$ .

4) Let  $T : U \rightarrow V$  be a linear map between vector spaces  $U, V$ , and let  $\mathcal{E} = (e_i)_{1 \leq i \leq m}$  be a basis for  $U$  and  $\Phi = (\varphi_j)_{1 \leq j \leq n}$  be a basis for  $V$ .

Explain what is meant by the matrix  $\mathcal{M}(T)_{\mathcal{E}}^{\Phi}$  of  $T$  taken with respect to  $\mathcal{E}$  (on the left)  $\Phi$  (on the right).

If  $S : V \rightarrow W$  is also linear and  $\Psi = (\psi_k)_{1 \leq k \leq p}$  is a basis for  $W$  prove that

$$\mathcal{M}(S \circ T)_{\Psi}^{\Phi} = \mathcal{M}(S)_{\Psi}^{\Phi} \mathcal{M}(T)_{\mathcal{E}}^{\Phi}.$$

Let  $T : \mathbf{Q}^3 \rightarrow \mathbf{Q}^3$  be the mapping  $T \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2x_2 & -x_3 \\ 2x_1 & +5x_2 & +2x_3 \\ -2x_1 & -3x_2 \end{pmatrix}$

and let  $\mathcal{E} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  and  $\Phi = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ .

Write down (i)  $\mathcal{M}(T)_{\mathcal{E}}^{\mathcal{E}}$  and (ii)  $\mathcal{M}(\text{Id})_{\Phi}^{\mathcal{E}}$ . Hence find  $\mathcal{M}(T)_{\Phi}^{\Phi}$ .

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5) Let  $V$  be the vector space consisting of all functions  $f : \mathbf{R} \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  of the form

$$f(x) = \lambda_1 \sin(x) + \lambda_2 \cos(x) + \lambda_3 x \sin(x) + \lambda_4 x \cos(x) \quad (\lambda_i \in \mathbf{Q})$$

and let  $D : V \rightarrow V$  be the linear map

$$D(f) = \frac{df}{dx}.$$

Taking  $\{\sin(x), \cos(x), x \sin(x), x \cos(x)\}$  as basis for  $V$  find :

i) the matrix of  $D$  ; ii) the matrix of  $D^3$  ; iii) the matrix of  $D^{-1}$ .

Hence *without further explicit differentiation or integration* write down

iv)  $\frac{d^3}{dx^3}(2\sin(x) - 3\cos(x) + x\sin(x))$

v)  $\int \{2\sin(x) - 3\cos(x) + x\sin(x)\} dx$

[You may ignore the constant of integration in v)].

6) Let  $\sigma$  be a permutation of the set  $\{1, \dots, n\}$ . Explain what is meant by saying

(i)  $\sigma$  is an adjacent transposition ; (ii)  $\sigma$  is a cycle of length  $m$ .

Prove that any permutation can be written as a product of adjacent transpositions.

Define  $\text{sign}(\sigma)$ , and prove that if  $\sigma$  is a cycle of length  $m$  then

$$\text{sign}(\sigma) = (-1)^{m-1}.$$

Decompose the following permutation

$$\sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 & 10 & 11 & 12 & 13 \\ 11 & 5 & 7 & 13 & 12 & 10 & 2 & 9 & 1 & 8 & 6 & 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

into a product of disjoint cycles and hence compute  $\text{ord}(\sigma)$  and  $\text{sign}(\sigma)$ .

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