

- (15) 1. (a) Let  $W$  be the subset of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  consisting of all the vectors  $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}$  such that  $a = 3b$ , that is,  $W = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid a = 3b \right\}$ . Is  $W$  a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ? Justify your answer.

(b) Let  $W$  be the subset of  $P_2(\mathbb{R})$  consisting of the polynomials  $f(x)$  of the form  $a_0 + a_2x^2$  where  $a_0, a_2 \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $a_2 = a_0 + 1$ . Is  $W$  a subspace of  $P_2(\mathbb{R})$ ? Justify your answer.

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- (15) 2. Find a basis for the subspace  $W$  of  $P_4(\mathbb{R})$  spanned by  $\{x^2 + 1, 2x, (x + 1)^2\}$ . You can use any (valid) method but you must fully justify your answer.

- (15) 3. Let  $V$  and  $W$  be vector spaces over a field  $\mathbb{F}$  and let  $T : V \rightarrow W$  be a linear transformation.
- (a) Prove that  $T(0_V) = 0_W$ , where  $0_V$  and  $0_W$  are the zero vectors in  $V$  and  $W$ , respectively. (Be sure to justify your steps.)
- (b) Define the *null space*  $N(T)$  of  $T$ .
- (c) Prove that  $T$  is one-to-one if and only if  $N(T) = \{0_V\}$ .

- (15) 4. Let  $V$  be a vector space over a field  $\mathbb{F}$  and let  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  be distinct vectors in  $V$ . Assume that each vector in  $V$  can be uniquely expressed as a linear combination of vectors in the set  $\beta = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$ . Prove that  $\beta$  is a basis for  $V$ .

(15) 5. Define the linear transformation  $T : P_3(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  by

$$T(f(x)) = \begin{pmatrix} f(0) \\ f(1) \\ f(0) + f(1) \end{pmatrix}.$$

(a) Find a basis for the range  $R(T)$  of  $T$ .

(b) Use your result to determine the rank of  $T$ .

(c) Use the Dimension Theorem to determine the nullity of  $T$ .

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(15) 6. Let  $T$  be the linear transformation from  $\mathbb{R}^2$  to  $\mathbb{R}^2$  defined by

$$T \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 - a_2 \\ a_1 + 2a_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Let  $\beta = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  be the standard ordered basis of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , and also consider the ordered basis  $\beta' = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

(a) Write down a matrix  $A$  such that  $T = L_A$ . ( $L_A$  means “left multiplication by  $A$ .”)

(b) Find the matrix  $[T]_\beta$  of  $T$  with respect to the standard ordered basis  $\beta$ . (Note that  $[T]_\beta$  can also be written as  $[T]_\beta^\beta$ .) You must justify your answer.

(c) Find the matrix  $[T]_\beta^{\beta'}$  of  $T$  with respect to the ordered bases  $\beta$  and  $\beta'$ . As usual, justify your answer.

(10) 7. Let  $\mathbb{F}$  be a field.

(a) Are the vector spaces  $\mathbb{F}^6$  and  $M_{2 \times 3}(\mathbb{F})$  isomorphic? Justify your answer briefly.

(b) Are the vector spaces  $P_5(\mathbb{F})$  and  $\mathbb{F}^5$  isomorphic? Justify your answer briefly.

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**Do all 7 problems.**

**Show all your work and justify your answers.**

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