

Kuwait University Faculty of Science Department of Mathematics

Advanced Linear Algebra

0410-363 First Exam

Monday, March 18, 2019 Spring 2018/19



Instructions to students

Time allowed: 1.25 hours.

This exam contains 4 questions.

ممنوع دخول الألات الحاسبة أو أي وسيلة للإتصال داخل قاعة الإختبار.

Calculators and communication devices are not allowed in the examination room.

Question 1	
Question 2	
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Question 4	
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تعليمات للطالب

وقت الإختبار: ساعة وربع. يحتوي هذا الإختبار على 4 أسئلة. (a) Show that the set \mathbb{W} of all symmetric matrices is a subspace of $M_{n \times n}(\mathbb{F})$, for a field \mathbb{F} .

(b) Let
$$\mathbb{W} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & a-b \\ a+b & b \end{pmatrix} : a, b \in \mathbb{R} \right\}.$$

Show that \mathbb{W} is a subspace of $M_{2\times 2}(\mathbb{R})$. Find a basis for \mathbb{W} and find its dimension.

2. (3+3 pts.)

- (a) Let x and y be distinct vectors of a vector space \mathbb{V} . Show that if $\beta = \{x, y\}$ is a basis for \mathbb{V} and a is a nonzero scalar, then $\gamma = \{x + y, ax\}$ is also a basis for \mathbb{V} .
- (b) Let $\beta = \{1 + x, 1 x, x^2\}$ be an ordered basis for $\mathbb{P}_2(\mathbb{R})$. Find $[3 + 5x + x^2]_{\beta}$.

3. (**3+3 pts.**)

- (a) Let $\mathbb{W} = \{ f(x) \in \mathbb{P}_2(\mathbb{R}) : f(0) = f'(0) \text{ and } f(1) = f'(1) \}$. Find a basis for \mathbb{W} .
- (b) Let $\mathbb{W} = \{ (x, y, x 2y) : x, y \in \mathbb{R} \}$ be a subset of \mathbb{R}^3 . Show that \mathbb{W} is a subspace for \mathbb{R}^3 .

4. (3+4 pts.)

- (a) Show that $\mathbf{T}: \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{P}_1(\mathbb{R})$, defined by $\mathbf{T}(a, b) = a + bx$ is linear.
- (b) Let $\mathbf{T} : \mathbb{P}_1(\mathbb{R}) \to \mathbb{P}_2(\mathbb{R})$ be a linear for which $\mathbf{T}(t+1) = t^2 t$ and $\mathbf{T}(t-1) = t^2 + 1$. What is $\mathbf{T}(5t+1)$? Explain.