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Math 432 - Major Exam I

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Time Allowed: 120 Minutes

Name: ID number:

- Textbook, notes, mobiles and smart devices are not allowed in this exam.
 - Write neatly and legibly. You may lose points for messy work.
 - Show all your work. No points for answers without justification.
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Question	Marks	Max Marks
1		25
2		15
3		15
4		20
5		15
6		10
Total		100

1. Given the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 5 & 8 \\ 4 & 11 & 16 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Find elementary matrices E_1 , E_2 , and E_3 such that $E_3E_2E_1A = U$, where U is an upper triangular matrix.
- Find the LU factorization of the matrix A (i.e., demonstrate that $A = LU$).
- Using the results from part (b), solve the system $Ax = d$ where $d = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$.

2. Under what conditions on its entries is the matrix B invertible?

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & 0 \\ f & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. Under what conditions on b_1 and b_2 (if any) does $Ax = b$ have a solution?

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 & 7 \end{bmatrix}, \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Find the nullspace of A , and the complete solution to $Ax = b$.

4. Consider the following 3×5 matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & -3 & -7 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Find the reduced row echelon form R , and write down the bases for the four fundamental subspaces associated with A .

5. Solve **3** questions from the following:

- Find a 1 by 3 matrix whose nullspace consists of all vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 such that $x_1 + 2x_2 + 4x_3 = 0$. Find a 3 by 3 matrix with the same nullspace.
- If $Ax = b$ always has at least one solution, show that the only solution to $A^T y = 0$ is $y = 0$.
- If $AB = 0$, the columns of B are in the nullspace of A . If those vectors are in \mathbb{R}^n , prove that $\text{rank}(A) + \text{rank}(B) \leq n$.
- If u and v are linearly independent vectors, show that $u + v$ and $u - v$ are linearly independent.
- Show that the set of all positive real numbers, with $x + y$ and cx redefined to equal the usual xy and x^c , is a vector space. What is the “zero vector”?

6. Write down the 6 by 4 incidence matrix of the following graph:

