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**COLLEGE OF BUSINESS PEACE LEADERSHIP AND GOVERNANCE**

**NCSC 102: ALGEBRA**

**END OF SECOND SEMESTER FINAL EXAMINATIONS**

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**DURATION: 3 HRS**

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### **INSTRUCTIONS**

Answer **ALL QUESTIONS**

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END OF THE QUESTION.

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## Question 1

- (a) Given  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 3+2x & 4+x & -2 \end{pmatrix}$  Find  $X$  if  $\det(B) = -6$  [5 marks]
- (b) Find (i) the determinant and [5 marks]

ii. the inverse of matrix  $A$  if  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  [8 marks]

(c) Let Matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$

If  $\text{adj}(A) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -8 & a \\ 5 & c & 5 \\ b & -9 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$  find the values of  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  [9 marks]

(d) Given that the augmented matrix  $\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 3 & -1 & 8 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 & 11 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & 8 \end{array} \right]$  represents a system of equations, give the solution to the system of equations using the inverse of a matrix. [10 marks]

(e) Solve  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$  and give your answers in terms of  $s$  where  $s = z$  [8 marks]

Q2

a) If vector  $\mathbf{a} = \langle 4, 0, 3 \rangle$  and vector  $\mathbf{b} = \langle -2, 1, 5 \rangle$ , find:

i.  $|\mathbf{a}-\mathbf{b}|$  and [ 3 marks]

the vectors ii  $2\mathbf{a} - 3\mathbf{b}$ , [ 3.marks]

ii.  $2\mathbf{a} + 5\mathbf{b}$  [ 3marks]

b.

- i. Find the equation of the line passing through the points  $A(3, 5, 2)$  and  $B(2, -4, 5)$ . [ 4.marks]
- ii. Find the equation of the plane passing through the three points  $P_1(1,-1,4)$ ,  $P_2(2,7,-1)$ , and  $P_3(5,0,-1)$ . [5.marks]
- iii. Find an equation of the plane through the point  $(5,-2,4)$  with normal vector  $\mathbf{a}=(1,2,3)$  [4 marks]

iv.

Determine the point of intersection and the angle of intersection of the following lines

$$\text{Line 1 : } x = 3 + 2t \quad \text{Line 2 : } x = 4 - t$$

$$y = -2t \qquad y = 3 + 5t$$

$$z = 4 - t \qquad z = 2 - t$$

[8 marks]

v. Find the distance between the point  $Q(1, 3, -2)$  and the line given by the parametric equations:

$$x = 2 + t, \quad y = -1 - t \quad \text{and} \quad z = 3 + 2t \quad [5 \text{ marks}]$$

Q3

The points  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  have coordinates  $(2, -4, 6)$ ,  $(2, -3, -1)$  and  $(1, -2, 3)$ .

- a) Write down the position vectors of the points  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  relative to a fixed origin  $O$ . [ 3 marks]
- b) Write down the equation of the line  $AB$  in the form

$$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{a} + t\mathbf{b}. \quad [ 3 \text{ marks}]$$

c. The point  $D$  has coordinates  $(a, b, c)$  and lies on the line  $AB$  such that the line  $CD$  is perpendicular to the line  $AB$ . Find the values of  $a$ ,  $b$  and  $c$  and hence give the coordinates of the point  $D$ . [ 7 marks]

d. find the distance from the point  $P$  to the given plane

$$P = (-2, 5, -1), \quad 4x - 3z = 2 \quad [ 6 \text{ marks}]$$

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### Q3

**a. Two lines A and B, have the following formulas:**

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} + \lambda \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 8 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ -10 \\ -10 \end{pmatrix} + \mu \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -6 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$$

**i) determine whether these two lines intersect [6 marks]**

**ii) find the angle between them. [ 5 marks]**

**b. Find the line of intersection of the plane given by  $3x + 6y - 5z = -3$  and the plane given by  $-2x + 7y - z = 24$ . [ 7 marks]**

**End of Paper**