

1. (10%) Determine whether the vectors  
 $\mathbf{v}_1 = (1, 2, 2, -1)$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_2 = (4, 9, 9, -4)$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_3 = (5, 8, 9, -5)$   
 are linearly independent. Please justify your answer.
2. (10%) Calculate the scalar triple product  $\mathbf{u} \cdot (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{w})$  of the vectors  
 $\mathbf{u} = (5, 1, 0)$ ,  $\mathbf{v} = (6, 2, 0)$ ,  $\mathbf{w} = (4, 2, 2)$ .
3. (10%) Find the values of  $k$  for which  $A$  is non-invertible.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ k & 2 & k \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

4. (10%) Find a matrix  $P$  that diagonalizes  $A$  and compute  $A^{100}$ , where

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

5. (10%) Let the vector space  $P_2$  have the inner product

$$\langle \mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q} \rangle = \int_1^1 p(x)q(x)dx.$$

Apply the Gram-Schmidt process to transform the standard basis  $\{1, x, x^2\}$  for  $P_2$  into an orthogonal basis  $\{\phi_1(x), \phi_2(x), \phi_3(x)\}$ .

6. Determine the truth value of each of these statements if the universe of discourse of each variable consists of all real numbers.
  - a) (3%)  $\forall x \exists y (x^2 = y)$
  - b) (3%)  $\forall x \exists y (x = y^2)$
  - c) (3%)  $\exists x \forall y (xy = 0)$
  - d) (3%)  $\forall x \exists y (x + y = 1)$
  - e) (3%)  $\exists x \exists y (x + 2y = 2 \wedge 2x + 4y = 5)$

7. Prove or disprove each of these statements about the floor and ceiling functions.

- a) (5%)  $\lceil xy \rceil = \lceil x \rceil \lceil y \rceil$  for all real numbers  $x$  and  $y$ .

- b) (5%)  $\lfloor x+y \rfloor = \lfloor x \rfloor + \lfloor y \rfloor$  for all real numbers  $x$  and  $y$ .

8. (10%) How many  $r$ -digits binary sequences that have no adjacent 1s are there?  
Justify your answer.

9. In this problem, we consider only undirected graphs without self-loops. Let  $G$  be a

graph with two connected components. The numbers of vertices of the connected components are  $p$  and  $q$ , respectively. We assume that  $p > q > 2$ . Answer the following questions (No explanations are necessary).

- a) (3%) How many vertices do we need to choose to ensure that two of them are from different components?
- b) (3%) What is the possible maximum number of edges in  $G$ ?
- c) (3%) What is the possible minimum number of edges in  $G$ ?
- d) (3%) If we randomly pick two vertices, what is the probability that the two vertices are in different components?
- e) (3%) Let  $H$  be the transitive closure of  $G$ . If we randomly pick three vertices in  $H$ , what is the probability that the three vertices form a triangle (clique) in  $H$ ?