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There are 10 points possible on this quiz. No aids (book, calculator, etc.) are permitted. **Show all work for full credit.**

1. (1 point) Complete the following statement:

A subset  $S = \{\vec{s}_1, \vec{s}_2, \dots, \vec{s}_n\}$  of a vector space is linearly independent if and only if  $c_1\vec{s}_1 + c_2\vec{s}_2 + \dots + c_n\vec{s}_n = \vec{0}$

has only 1 solution.

2. (3 points) Show that the set  $S = \{f(x) = x^2, g(x) = e^x\}$  is linearly independent in the vector space of all functions from  $\mathbb{R}$  to  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Consider  $c_1x^2 + c_2e^x = 0$ .

Pick  $x=0$  and  $x=1$  to obtain  $c_2 = 0$  and  $c_1 + ec_2 = 0$ .

So  $c_2 = 0$  and  $c_1 = 0$ . Thus,  $S$  is linearly independent.

3. (1 point) State the definition of a basis. of  $V$

$B$  is a sequence so that  $B$  is linearly independent and spans  $V$ .

4. (4 points) It is a fact that  $B = \left\langle \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\rangle$  is a basis for  $\mathcal{M}_{2 \times 2}$  the vector space of all 2 by 2 matrices.

(a) Confirm that  $B$  spans  $\mathcal{M}_{2 \times 2}$ .

We need  $c_i$ 's so that

$$c_1 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_3 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + c_4 \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$

$$c_1 + c_2 = a$$

$$c_2 = b$$

$$c_3 + c_4 = c$$

$$-c_4 = d$$

$$\text{So } c_1 = a - b, c_2 = b, c_3 = c + d, c_4 = -d$$

So  $B$  spans  $\mathcal{M}_{2 \times 2}$ .

- (b) Represent  $\vec{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ -3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$  with respect to the basis  $B$ .

$$c_1 = 1 - 2 = -1$$

$$c_2 = 2$$

$$c_3 = -3 + 4 = 1$$

$$c_4 = -4$$

$$\text{rep}_B(\vec{v}) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}$$