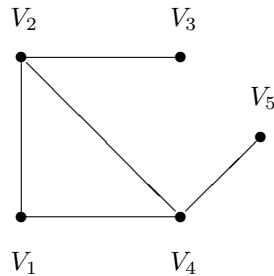


Test I

Instructions: Show all work in your bluebook. Calculators that do linear algebra or calculus are not allowed.

1. Define the following:
 - (a) **(5 pts.)** $C[a, b]$, and its operations of addition and scalar multiplication.
 - (b) **(5 pts.)** $\text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$.
2. **(10 pts.)** Find the adjacency matrix A for the graph below, and compute the first row of A^2 . What do these entries tell you about walks of length 2 that start from V_1 ?



3. **(20 pts.)** A linear system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ has the augmented matrix $[A|\mathbf{b}]$ given below. Use row reduction to solve the system. Also, identify the leading variables and free variables, and find $N(A)$.

$$[A|\mathbf{b}] = \left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & -2 & 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 3 & -6 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ -2 & 4 & -2 & -2 & 4 \end{array} \right)$$

4. **(10 pts.)** Let $S = \{(x_1 \ x_2 \ x_3)^T \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid x_1 - 2x_2 = x_3\} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$. Determine whether or not S is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 .

5. Let $C = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 4 & 1 \\ -2 & -5 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$.

- (a) **(15 pts.)** Find C^{-1} by row reducing the augmented matrix $[C|I]$, keeping careful track of the row operations that you use.
- (b) **(10 pts.)** By inspecting these row operations, give elementary matrices E, E', E'' such that $E''E'EC = U$, where U is upper triangular.
- (c) **(10 pts.)** Find $\det C$, using any method.

6. (15 pts.) Do one of the following problems.

- (a) Define the term *inverse* of an $n \times n$ matrix A . Show that if A and B are invertible, then AB is, too, and $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$.
- (b) Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix. Show that if $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ has *only* $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ as a solution, then A is row equivalent to the identity.
- (c) Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix. Show that if A is row equivalent to the identity, then A is nonsingular.