## Dawson College: Linear Algebra (SCIENCE): 201-NYC-05-S8: Winter 2025: Quiz 8

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Books, watches, notes or cell phones are not allowed. The only calculators allowed are the Sharp EL-531\*\*. You must show all your work, the correct answer is worth 1 mark the remaining marks are given for the work.

**Question 1.** (5 marks) Let V and W be subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  that are spanned by (3, 1) and (2, 1), respectively. Find a vector **v** in V and a vector **w** in W for which  $\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w} = (3, 5)$ .

**Question 2.** (5 marks) Prove that if  $\{v_1, v_2\}$  is linearly independent and  $v_3$  does not lie in span  $\{v_1, v_2\}$ , then  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  is linearly independent.

**Question 3.** Let *W* be the subspace of all polyomials in  $\mathbb{P}_3$  such that p(1) = 0

- a. (4 marks) Find a basis  $\mathscr{B}$  of W.
- b. (1.5 marks) State dim ( $\mathbb{P}_3$ ), dim (W), and dim ( $\{0 + 0x + 0x^2 + 0x^3\}$ ).
- c. (1 mark) Find the coordinate vector of  $p(x) = 1 + x + x^2 3x^3$  relative to the basis found in part a.

**Question 4.** (3.5 marks) Determine whether the following statement is true or false. If the statement is false provide a counterexample. If the statement is true provide a proof of the statement.

Every basis of  $\mathbb{P}_4$  contains at least one polynomial of degree 3 or less.

Bonus. (1 mark) State your favorite proof in Linear Algebra.