Terms to know for Math 2142 final exam

For the final exam, you should be able to state precisely the following definitions and results. In these definitions, let $S = \{\overline{v}_1, \dots, \overline{v}_k\}$ be a set of vectors in \mathbb{R}^n .

- $\overline{u} \in \text{Span}(S) \Leftrightarrow \text{there are scalars } c_1, \dots, c_k \text{ such that } \overline{u} = c_1 \overline{v}_1 + \dots + c_k \overline{v}_k.$
- S is linearly independent \Leftrightarrow if $c_1\overline{v}_1 + \cdots + c_k\overline{v}_k = \overline{0}$, then $c_1 = \cdots = c_k = 0$.
- S is a basis for $\mathbb{R}^n \Leftrightarrow S$ is linearly independent and $\mathrm{Span}(S) = \mathbb{R}^n$.
 - On the exam, you are welcome to use the fact that S is a basis for \mathbb{R}^n if and only if S is linearly independent and |S| = n. But the definition above is the official definition of a basis.
- Triangle Inequality: For vectors $\overline{u}, \overline{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $\|\overline{u} + \overline{v}\| \leq \|\overline{u}\| + \|\overline{v}\|$.
- Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality: For vectors $\overline{u}, \overline{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n, |\overline{u} \cdot \overline{v}| \leq ||\overline{u}|| ||\overline{v}||$.