

**FIRST SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2024**

(CBCSS - PG)

(Regular/Supplementary/Improvement)

**CC19P MTH1 C02 - LINEAR ALGEBRA**

(Mathematics)

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

**Part A**Answer *all* questions. Each question carries 1 weightage.

1. Let  $V$  be a vector space over the field  $F$  and  $\alpha$  be any vector in  $V$  then prove that  $(-1)\alpha = -\alpha$ .
2. Describe the subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .
3. Let  $V$  be vector space over the field and let  $T$  be a linear transformation from  $V$  into  $V$ . Prove that the inverse function  $T^{-1}$  is a linear transformation from  $V$  onto  $V$ .
4. Let  $T$  be a linear operator on  $\mathbb{R}^2$  defined by  $T(x_1, x_2) = (2x_1 + x_2, x_1 - 3x_2)$ . Find the matrix of  $T$  in the standard ordered basis for  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .
5. Define transpose of a linear transformation. Prove that transpose of a linear transformation is again a linear transformation.
6. Define  $T$  conductor of  $\alpha$  into  $W$ . Prove that  $S(\alpha, W)$  is an ideal in the polynomial algebra  $F[x]$ .
7. Let  $(|)$  be the standard inner product on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Let  $\alpha = (1, 2), \beta = (-1, 1)$ . If  $\gamma$  is a vector such that  $(\alpha|\gamma) = -1$  and  $(\beta|\gamma) = 3$ , find  $\gamma$ .
8. Prove that an orthogonal set of non-zero vectors is linearly independent.

**(8 × 1 = 8 Weightage)****Part B**Answer any *two* questions from each unit. Each question carries 2 weightage.**UNIT - I**

9. If  $V$  is a finite dimensional vector space, then show that any two bases of  $V$  have the same number of elements.
10. Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3\}$  be the ordered basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$  consisting of  $\alpha_1 = (1, 0, -1), \alpha_2 = (1, 1, 1), \alpha_3 = (1, 0, 0)$ . What are the coordinates of the vector  $(a, b, c)$  in the ordered basis  $\mathcal{B}$
11. Let  $V$  and  $W$  be vector spaces over the field  $F$  and let  $T$  be a linear transformation from  $V$  in to  $W$ . Suppose that  $V$  is finite dimensional Then prove that  $\text{rank}(T) + \text{nullity}(T) = \dim V$

## UNIT - II

12. Find the dual basis of  $\mathcal{B}$ . where  $\mathcal{B} = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3\}$  be a basis for  $C^3$  defined by  $\alpha_1 = (2, 0, -2), \alpha_2 = (1, 1, 1), \alpha_3 = (1, 1, 0)$ .
13. Let  $V$  be a finite dimensional vector space over the field  $F$ . For each vector  $\alpha$  in  $V$  define  $L_\alpha(f) = f(\alpha), f \in V^*$ . Then prove that the mapping  $\alpha \rightarrow L_\alpha$  is an isomorphism of  $V$  onto  $V^{**}$ .
14. Let  $T$  be a linear operator on the finite dimensional space  $V$ . Let  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k$  be the distinct characteristic values of  $T$  and let  $W_i$  be the space of characteristic vectors associated with the characteristic value  $c_i$ . If  $W = W_1 + W_2 + \dots + W_k$ , then prove that  $\dim W = \dim W_1 + \dim W_2 + \dots + \dim W_k$ .

## UNIT - III

15. If  $V = W_1 \oplus W_2 \oplus \dots \oplus W_k$ , then prove that there exist  $k$  linear operators  $E_1, E_2, \dots, E_k$  on  $V$  such that
1. Each  $E_i$  is a projection;
  2.  $E_i E_j = 0$  if  $i \neq j$
  3.  $I = E_1 + E_2 + \dots + E_k$
  4. The range of  $E_i$  is  $W_i$

Conversely, prove that if  $E_1, E_2, \dots, E_k$  are  $k$  linear operators on  $V$  which satisfy conditions (i), (ii), (iii) and if we let  $W_i$  be the range of  $E_i$ , then prove that  $V = W_1 \oplus W_2 \oplus \dots \oplus W_k$ .

16. If  $V$  is an inner product space then for any vectors  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in  $V$  prove that  $|\langle \alpha, \beta \rangle| \leq \|\alpha\| \|\beta\|$
17. If  $W$  is a finite dimensional subspace of an inner product space  $V$  and  $\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n\}$  is any orthonormal basis for  $W$ , then prove that the vector  $\alpha = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\langle \beta, \alpha_k \rangle}{\|\alpha_k\|^2} \alpha_k$  is the unique best approximation to  $\beta$  by vectors in  $W$ .

(6 × 2 = 12 Weightage)

## Part C

Answer any *two* questions. Each question carries 5 weightage.

18. Show that  $\dim W_1 + \dim W_2 = \dim(W_1 \cap W_2) + \dim(W_1 + W_2)$  where  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  are finite dimensional subspace of a vector space.
19. (a) Let  $T$  be a linear transformation from  $V$  into  $W$ . where  $V$  and  $W$  are finite dimensional and  $\dim V = \dim W$  then prove that  $T$  is non-singular if and only if  $T$  is onto
- (b) Show that every  $n$  dimensional vector space over the field  $F$  is isomorphic to the space  $F^n$ .
20. Let  $T$  be a linear operator on a finite dimensional vector space  $V$ . If  $f$  is the characteristic polynomial for  $T$ , prove that the minimal polynomial divides the characteristic polynomial for  $T$ .
21. (a) Prove that the mapping  $\beta \rightarrow \beta - E\beta$  is the orthogonal projection of  $V$  on  $W^\perp$ . where  $V$  is an inner product space,  $W$  a finite dimensional subspace, and  $E$  the orthogonal projection of  $V$  on  $W$ .
- (b) State and Prove Bessel's Inequality.

(2 × 5 = 10 Weightage)

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