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B.Sc.- MATHEMATICS

MAXIMUM MARKS: 50

SEMESTER: VI

TIME: 3 HOURS

**PART-III**  
**LINEAR ALGEBRA**

**SECTION – A**

(10 X 1 = 10 MARKS)

ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS.

MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS.

(K1)

- 1) If  $A$  is  $2 \times 2$  matrix such that  $A^2 = 0$  then \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (A)  $A = 0$  (B)  $A \neq 0$   
 (C)  $\text{Rank } A = 0$  (D)  $\text{Rank } A \neq 0$
- 2) If  $V$  is a finite-dimensional vector space, then any two bases of  $V$  have the \_\_\_\_\_ number of elements.  
 (A) finite (B) infinite (C) same (D) fixed
- 3) Let the vector spaces  $V$  and  $W$  have dimensions 8 and 4 respectively over  $F$ . Then the dimension of  $L(V, W)$  is \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (A) 32 (B) 2 (C) 4 (D) 12
- 4) Let  $A$  and  $B$  be  $n \times n$  matrices over the field  $F$ . Then  $B$  is similar to  $A$  over  $F$  if there is an invertible  $n \times n$  matrix  $P$  over  $F$  such that  $B =$  \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (A)  $PAP^{-1}$  (B)  $P^{-1}AP$  (C)  $P^{-1}A$  (D)  $AP$
- 5) If  $A$  be any  $m \times n$  matrix over the field  $F$  and  $T$  is the linear transformation from  $F^n$  into  $F^n$ , then  $\text{rank}(T) =$  \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (A) row rank ( $A$ ) (B) column rank ( $A$ ) (C) rank ( $A$ ) (D) all of the above

ANSWER THE FOLLOWING IN ONE OR TWO SENTENCES.

- 6) Define a matrix is row-reduced.
- 7) Define a subspace.
- 8) Define linear transformation.
- 9) Define linear functional.
- 10) What is a hyperspace?

**SECTION – B**

(5 X 3 = 15 MARKS)

ANSWER EITHER (a) OR (b) IN EACH OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS. (K3)

- 11) (a) Find the solution of the system of equations  $-x_1 + ix_2 = 0, -ix_1 + 3x_2 = 0, x_1 + 2x_2 = 0$ .  
 (OR)  
 (b) Let  $e$  be an elementary row operation and let  $E$  be the  $m \times m$  elementary matrix  $E = e(I)$ .  
 Then, prove that for every  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$ ,  $e(A) = EA$ .

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- 12) (a) Prove that if  $A$  is a  $m \times n$  matrix over  $F$  and  $B, C$  are  $n \times p$  matrices over  $F$ , then  $A(dB + C) = d(AB) + AC$  for each scalar  $d$  in  $F$ .

(OR)

- (b) Let  $R$  be a non-zero row-reduced echelon matrix. Then prove that the non-zero row vectors of  $R$  form a basis for the row space of  $R$ .

- 13) (a) Let  $V$  be a finite-dimensional vector space over the field  $F$  and let  $\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n\}$  be an ordered basis for  $V$ . Let  $W$  be a vector space over the same field  $F$  and let  $\beta_1, \dots, \beta_n$  be any vector in  $W$ . Then prove that there is precisely one linear transformation  $T$  from  $V$  into  $W$  such that  $T\alpha_j = \beta_j, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

(OR)

- (b) Let  $V$  and  $W$  be vector spaces over the field  $F$  and let  $T$  be a linear transformation from  $V$  into  $W$ . If  $T$  is invertible, then the inverse function  $T^{-1}$  is a linear transformation from  $W$  onto  $V$ .

- 14) (a) Let  $V$  be a finite-dimensional vector space over the field  $F$ , and let  $\mathfrak{B} = \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n\}$  and  $\mathfrak{B}' = \{\alpha'_1, \dots, \alpha'_n\}$  be ordered bases for  $V$ . Suppose  $T$  is a linear operator on  $V$ . If  $P = \{P_1, \dots, P_n\}$  is the  $n \times n$  matrix with columns  $P_j = [\alpha'_j]_{\mathfrak{B}}$ , then prove that  $[T]_{\mathfrak{B}'} = P^{-1}[T]_{\mathfrak{B}}P$ .

(OR)

- (b) Find the vectors in the subspace annihilate to the following functionals on  $R^4$ :

$$f_1(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_3 + x_4,$$

$$f_2(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = 2x_2 + x_4,$$

$$f_3(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = -2x_1 - 4x_3 + 3x_4.$$

- 15) (a) 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  $V^*$ . Prove that the mapping  $\alpha \rightarrow L_\alpha$  is an isomorphism of  $V$  onto  $V^{**}$ .

(OR)

- (b) Let  $V$  and  $W$  be finite-dimensional vector spaces over the field  $F$ . Let  $\mathfrak{B}$  be an ordered basis for  $V$  with dual basis  $\mathfrak{B}^*$ , and let  $\mathfrak{B}'$  be an ordered basis for  $W$  with dual basis  $\mathfrak{B}'^*$ . Let  $T$  be a linear transformation from  $V$  into  $W$ ; let  $A$  be the matrix of  $T$  relative to  $\mathfrak{B}, \mathfrak{B}'$  and let  $B$  be the matrix of  $T^t$  relative to  $\mathfrak{B}'^*, \mathfrak{B}^*$ . Then prove that  $B_{ij} = A_{ji}$ .

## SECTION – C

(5 X 5 = 25 MARKS)

ANSWER EITHER (a) OR (b) IN EACH OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS. (K4 (Or) K5)

- 16) (a) Prove that every  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$  is row equivalent to a row reduced echelon matrix.

(OR)

- (b) Discover whether  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{5} \end{bmatrix}$  is invertible, and find  $A^{-1}$ .

- 17) (a) If  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  are finite dimensional subspace of a vector space  $V$ , then prove that  $W_1 + W_2$  is infinite dimensional and

$$\dim W_1 + \dim W_2 = \dim(W_1 + W_2) + \dim(W_1 \cap W_2).$$

(OR)

- (b) Let  $F$  be a subfield of the complex numbers. Then find the basis of  $P = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 2 & -3 \\ 0 & 0 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$  and also find the coordinates of each standard basis vectors.

18) a) Let  $V$  and  $W$  be vector space over the Field  $F$  and let  $T$  be a linear transformation from  $V$  into  $W$ . Suppose that  $V$  is finite dimensional then prove that  $\text{rank}(T) + \text{nullity}(T) = \dim V$ .

(OR)

(b) Prove that every  $n$ -dimensional vector space over the field  $F$  isomorphic to the space  $F^n$ .

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19) a) Let  $V$  be the space of all polynomial in variable  $x$  of degree at most 3 and let  $D$  be the differential operator and let  $\mathfrak{B} = \{f_1, \dots, f_n\}$  be the ordered basis for  $V$  defined by  $f_i(x) = x^{i-1}$ . Let  $A$  be the matrix of  $D$  w.r.t some basis for  $V$ , then find the matrix of  $A$ .

(OR)

(b) Let  $V$  be a finite-dimensional vector space over the field  $F$ , and let  $W$  be a subspace of  $V$ . Then prove that  $\dim W + \dim W^\perp = \dim V$ .

20) (a) If  $f$  is a non-zero linear functional on the vector space  $V$ , then prove that the null space of  $f$  is a hyperspace in  $V$ . Conversely, prove that every hyperspace in  $V$  is the null space of a (not unique) non-zero linear functional on  $V$ .

(OR)

(b) Let  $V$  and  $W$  be vector spaces over the field  $F$ , and let  $T$  be a linear transformation from  $V$  into  $W$ . The null space of  $T^t$  is the annihilator of the range of  $T$ . If  $V$  and  $W$  are finite-dimensional, then prove that

(i)  $\text{rank}(T^t) = \text{rank}(T)$

(ii) the range  $T^t$  is the annihilator of the null space of  $T$ .

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