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# M. Sc DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - OCTOBER 2019 <br> <br> SEMESTER 1 : MATHEMATICS 

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COURSE : 16P1MATT01 : LINEAR ALGEBRA
(For Regular - 2019 Admission and Supplementary - 2016/2017/2018 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours
Max. Marks: 75

## Section A <br> Answer all Questions (1.5 mark each)

1. Is the set of vectors $\alpha=\left(a_{1}, \ldots, a_{n}\right) \in \mathbb{R}^{n}$ such that $a_{1} \geq 0$ a subspace of $\mathbb{R}^{n}$ ?
2. Let $S$ be a linearly independent subset of a vector space $V$. Suppose $\beta$ is a vector in $V$ which is not in the subspace spanned by $S$. Show that the set obtained by adjoining $\beta$ to $S$ is linearly independent.
3. Prove that the space of all $m \times n$ matrices over the field $F$ has dimension $m n$, by exhibiting a basis for this space.
4. Define a non-singular transformation. Show that $T: \mathbb{R}^{2} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{2}$ defined by $T(x, y)=(x+y, y)$ is nonsingular.
5. Define range,rank, null space, and nullity of a linear transformation.
6. Define hyperspace in a vector space. Give an example.
7. Let $D$ be a 2-linear function with the property that $D(A)=0$ for all $2 \times 2$ matrices $A$ over $K$ having equal rows. Show that $D$ is alternating.
8. Show that similar matrices have the same characteristic polynomial.
9. Define the terms characteristic value, characteristic vector and characteristic space with respect to a linear operator $T$ on a vector space $V$.
10. Define invariant subspace with an example. Also state a necessary condition for a subspace to be invariant.
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## Section B

## Answer any 4 (5 marks each)

11. Let $V$ be the vector space of all functions from $\mathbb{R}$ into $\mathbb{R}$; let $V_{e}$ be the subset of even functions, $f(-x)=f(x)$; let $V_{o}$ be the subset of odd functions $f(-x)=-f(x)$.
(a) Prove that $V_{e}$ and $V_{o}$ are subspaces of $V$.
(b) Prove that $V_{e}+V_{o}=V$
(c) Prove that $V_{e} \cap V_{o}=\{0\}$.
12. Let $A$ be an $n \times n$ matrix over a field $F$ and suppose that the row vectors of $A$ form a linearly independent set of vectors in $F^{n}$. Show that $A$ is invertible.
13. Let $\mathscr{B}=\left\{\alpha_{1}, \alpha_{2}, \alpha_{3}\right\}$ be the basis for $\mathbb{C}^{3}$ defined by $\alpha_{1}=(1,0,-1), \alpha_{2}=(1,1,1), \alpha_{3}=(2,2,0)$. Find the dual basis of $\mathscr{B}$.
14. Show that $\{(1,2),(3,4)\}$ is a basis for $\mathbb{R}^{2}$. Let $T$ be the unique linear transformation from $\mathbb{R}^{2}$ to $\mathbb{R}^{3}$ such that $T(1,2)=(3,2,1)$ and $T(3,4)=(6,5,4)$. Find $T(1,0)$
15. Let $A$ be an $n \times n$ matrix with $\lambda$ as an eigen value. Show that,
(a) $k+\lambda$ is an eigen value of $A+k I$.
(b) If A is non-singular, $\frac{1}{\lambda}$ is an eigen value of $A^{-1}$.
16. Let $V$ be a finite dimensional vector space over a field $F$ and $T$ be a linear operator on $V$. Prove that $T$ is triangulable if and only if the minimal polynomial for $T$ is a product of linear polynomials over $F$.

## Section C <br> Answer any 4 (10 marks each)

17.1. (a) Let $V$ be the set of all complex valued functions on the real line such that $f(-t)=\overline{f(t)}$, where $\overline{f(t)}$ is the conjugate of $f(t)$. Show that $V$ is a vector space over $\mathbb{R}$. Is $V$ finite dimensional? Justify your answer.
(b) Let $V$ be the space of all $2 \times 2$ matrices over $\mathbb{R}$. Let $W_{1}$ be the set of all matrices of the form $\left[\begin{array}{ll}x & y \\ z & 0\end{array}\right]$ and $W_{2}$ be the set of all matrices of the form $\left[\begin{array}{ll}x & y \\ 0 & z\end{array}\right]$, where $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$. Show that $W_{1}$ and $W_{2}$ are subspaces.Find the intersection $W_{1} \cap W_{2}$ OR
2. Let $V$ be the vector space of all $2 \times 2$ matrices over the field $F$. Let $W_{1}$ be the set of matrices of the form $\left[\begin{array}{cc}x & -x \\ y & z\end{array}\right]$ and let $W_{2}$ be the set of matrices of the form $\left[\begin{array}{cc}a & b \\ -a & c\end{array}\right]$. Prove that $W_{1}$ and $W_{2}$ are subspaces of $V$. Also find the dimensions of $W_{1}, W_{2}, W_{1}+W_{2}$ and $W_{1} \cap W_{2}$.
18.1. Let $V$ be a finite- dimensional vector space over the field $F$. Prove that $V$ and $V^{* *}$ are isomorphic.Further show that each basis for $V^{*}$ is the dual of some basis for $V$.

## OR

2. (a) Does there exist a linear transformation $T: R^{3} \rightarrow R^{2}$ such
that $T(1,-1,1)=(1,0)$ and $T(1,1,1)=(0,1)$ ?. Justify.
(b) Let $V$ and $W$ be finite-dimensional vector spaces over the field $F$. Prove that $V$ and $W$ are isomorphic if and only if $\operatorname{dim} V=\operatorname{dim} W$.
(c) Let $T$ be the linear operator on $R^{2}$ defined by $T\left(x_{1}, x_{2}\right)=\left(x_{1}, 0\right)$. Compute the matrix of $T$ relative to the ordered basis $\{(1,1),(2,1)\}$.
19.1. (a) Let $D$ be an $n$-linear function on the space of $n \times n$ matrices over a field $K$. Suppose $D$ has the property that $D(A)=0$ whenever two adjacent rows of $A$ are equal. Show that $D$ is alternating.
(b) Let $n>1$ and let $D$ be an alternating $(n-1)$ linear function on an $(n-1) \times(n-1)$ matrix over
$K$. Show that for each $j, j=1, \ldots, n$, the function $E_{j}$ defined by $E_{j}(A)=\sum_{i=1}^{n}(-1)^{(i+j)} A_{i j} D_{i j}(A)$ is an alternating $n$-linear function on the space of $n \times n$ matrices $A$. If $D$ is the determinant function, so is $E_{j}$.

## OR

2. (a) If $A$ is an $n \times n$ skew symmetric matrix with complex entries and $n$ is odd, prove that det $A=0$.
(b) If $A$ is an $n \times n$ invertible matrix over a field $F$, show that $\operatorname{det} A \neq 0$.
20.1. (a) Let $T$ be a linear operator on a finite dimensional space $V$. Let $c_{1}, c_{2}, \cdots, c_{k}$ be the distinct characteristic values and $W_{1}, W_{2}, \cdots, W_{k}$ be the corresponding characteristic spaces. Prove that $\operatorname{dim}\left(W_{1}+W_{2}+\cdots+W_{k}\right)=\operatorname{dim} W_{1}+\operatorname{dim} W_{2}+\cdots+\operatorname{dim} W_{k}$.
(b) If $W_{1}$ and $W_{2}$ are subspaces of $V$ then prove that they are independent if and only if $W_{1} \cap W_{2}=0$.

## OR

2. (a) If $W$ is an invariant subspace for $T$, show that $W$ is invariant under every polynomial in $T$. Hence show that for each $\alpha \in V$, the $T$-conductor $(S \alpha, W)$ is an ideal in the polynomial ring $F[X]$.
(b) Let $W$ be an invariant subspace for $T$. Show that the characteristic polynomial for the restriction operator $T_{W}$ divides the characteristic polynomial for $T$ and the minimal polynomial for the restriction operator $T_{W}$ divides the minimal polynomial for $T$.
