B. Sc. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - MARCH 2020

SEMESTER – 6: MATHEMATICS (CORE COURSE)

COURSE: 15U6CRMAT12: LINEAR ALGEBRA AND METRIC SPACES

(Common for Regular 2017 Admission & Supplementary 2016 /2015/2014 Admissions)

Time: Three Hours

Max. Marks: 75

 $(1 \times 10 = 10)$

PART A

Answer all questions. Each question carries 1 mark

- 1. Define linear independence of vectors.
- 2. What is the dimension of the space of all polynomials in one variable over the field of real numbers?
- 3. If a nonzero vector space is spanned by 5 vectors what can you say about its dimension?
- 4. Show that T: $R \rightarrow R$ defined by T(x) = 2x is linear.
- 5. Linear transformation T: $R^2 \rightarrow R^2$ is such that T(0,1) = (0,0) and T(1,0) = (0,2) .Find T(x, y).
- 6. Define the null space of a linear transformation.
- 7. What is the usual metric on R?
- 8. What do you mean by an interior point of a metric space?
- 9. Define the convergence of a sequence in a metric space.
- 10. What is a dense set? Give an example.

PART B

Answer any Eight questions. Each question carries 2 marks

- 11. Show that a set containing the zero of a vector space is linearly dependent.
- 12. If an $n \times n$ matrix has two identical rows, what can be concluded about its rank?
- 13. Check whether { (1, 0, -1), (0, 0, 2), (1, 0, 0)} is a basis of R^3 .
- 14. Give an example of a nonzero linear transformation with nonzero null space.
- 15. Prove that a subset of a vector space consisting of a single vector 'v' is linearly dependent if and only if v = 0.
- 16. Define the rank and nullity of a linear transformation.
- 17. What is an open subset of a metric space?
- 18. Show that a finite subset is a closed subset of a metric space.
- 19. Is the set of natural numbers N is open in the metric space R of real numbers. Justify
- 20. Give an example of a sequence with more than one limit point.

 $(2 \times 8 = 16)$

 $(5 \times 5 = 25)$

PART C

Answer any Five questions. Each question carries 5 marks

- 21. Prove that the set of all polynomials in one variable is a subspace of the space of all functions from R into R.
- 22. Find the dimension of the space of all 2×2 matrices by establishing a basis.
- 23. Let V be the vector space of all polynomials of degree at most three. Let $T: V \to V$ be the linear transformation given by $T(p(x)) = p^{\dagger}(x)$ where $p^{\dagger}(x)$ is the derivative of p(x). Find the matrix of the linear transformation T relative to the basis $\{1, x, x^2, x^3\}$.
- 24. Let $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}^2$ be defined by T(x, y) = (y, x). Prove that T is linear. What is the null space of T? Is T invertible?
- 25. Prove that in any metric space X each open sphere is an open set. What about the converse. Justify.
- 26. Let X be a metric space and G be open in X. Prove that G is disjoint from a set A if and only if G is disjoint from \overline{A} .
- 27. Show that the Cantor set is nowhere dense.

PART D

Answer any Two questions. Each question carries 12 marks

- 28. (a) Let V be a vector space over R. Suppose that there are vectors v₁, v₂, ... v_n which span V. Prove that V is finite dimensional.
 - (b) Find three vectors in R³ which are linearly dependent, and are such that any two of them are linearly independent.
- 29. The linear transformation T on R^3 is defined by T(x, y, z) = (3x+z, -2x+y, -x+2y+4z)
 - (a) What is the matrix of T in the standard ordered basis for R^3 .
 - (b) What is the matrix of T in the basis { (1, 0, 1), (-1, 2, 1), (2, 1, 1)}
- 30. Define d(X, Y) = max { $|x_1 x_2|$, $|y_1 y_2|$ } where X = (x₁, y₁) and Y = (x₂, y₂). Show that d is metric on R^2 . Draw the closed sphere of radius one unit and center at the origin.
- 31. (a) State and prove Cantor's Intersection Theorem.
 - (b) Let X and Y be metric spaces and f be function from X into Y. Prove that f is continuous if and only if $f^{-1}(G)$ is open in X whenever G is open in Y. (12 x 2 = 24)
