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M. Sc. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION : OCTOBER 2022

SEMESTER 1 : MATHEMATICS

COURSE : 21P1MATT01 : LINEAR ALGEBRA

(For Regular - 2022 Admission and Supplementary - 2021 Admission)

Duration : Three Hours

Max. Weights: 30

PART A

Answer any 8 questions

Weight: 1

1. Find the rank of the linear transformation $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ defined by $T(x, y, z) = (x, y)$. (An, CO 2)
2. Define annihilator of a subset S of a vector space V . What is the annihilator of $S = \{0\}$? (U, CO 2)
3. Show that there is at least one non-zero polynomial that annihilates a given linear operator on a finite-dimensional vector space. (A, CO 4)
4. Is the set of vectors $\alpha = (a_1, \dots, a_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $a_1 a_2 = 0$, a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n ? (A, CO 1)
5. Define the terms characteristic value, characteristic vector and characteristic space with respect to a linear operator T on a vector space V . (U, CO 4)
6. Define commutative and non-commutative rings. Give examples for each. (U, CO 3)
7. Define a determinant function. (U, CO 3)
8. Define minimal polynomial for a linear operator T on a finite dimensional vector space V . State three properties which characterize the minimal polynomial. (U, CO 4)
9. Let V be the (real) vector space of all functions f from \mathbb{R} into \mathbb{R} . Is the set of all functions f such that $f(-1) = 0$, a subspace of V ? (U, CO 1)
10. Let $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be defined by $T(x_1, x_2) = (x_2, x_1)$. Is T linear? Explain (U, CO 2)
(1 x 8 = 8)

PART B

Answer any 6 questions

Weights: 2

11. If W_1 and W_2 are subspaces of a finite-dimensional vector space, show that $W_1 = W_2$ if and only if $W_1^\circ = W_2^\circ$. (An, CO 2)
12. Let T be a linear operator on a finite dimensional vector space V . Show that the minimal polynomial divides the characteristic polynomial for T . (A, CO 4)
13. If A^t denotes the transpose of an $n \times n$ matrix A with complex entries, prove that $\det A^t = \det A$. (A, CO 3)

14. Let V be a finite-dimensional vector space over the field F and let T be a linear operator on V . Show that T is diagonalizable if and only if the minimal polynomial for T is a product of linear polynomials over F . (A, CO 4)
15. Show that the vectors $\alpha_1 = (1, 1, 0, 0)$, $\alpha_2 = (0, 0, 1, 1)$, $\alpha_3 = (1, 0, 0, 4)$ and $\alpha_4 = (0, 0, 0, 2)$ form a basis for \mathbb{R}^4 . Find the coordinates of each of the standard basis vectors in the ordered basis $\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4\}$. (A, CO 1)
16. Are the vectors $(1, 1, 2, 4)$, $(2, -1, -5, 2)$, $(1, -1, -4, 0)$ and $(2, 1, 1, 6)$ linearly independent in \mathbb{R}^4 ? Justify your answer. (U, CO 1)
17. Find the subspace of \mathbb{R}^4 annihilated by the three linear functionals $f(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_3 + x_4$, $f(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = 2x_2 + x_4$ and $f(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = -2x_1 - 4x_3 + 3x_4$. (A, CO 2)
18. Define hyperspace in a vector space. Give an example. (U, CO 3)
(2 x 6 = 12)

PART C

Answer any 2 questions

Weights: 5

19. (a) Let T be a linear operator on a finite dimensional space V . Let c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k be the distinct characteristic values and W_1, W_2, \dots, W_k be the corresponding characteristic spaces. Prove that $\dim(W_1 + W_2 + \dots + W_k) = \dim W_1 + \dim W_2 + \dots + \dim W_k$. (An, CO 4)
(b) If W_1 and W_2 are subspaces of V then prove that they are independent if and only if $W_1 \cap W_2 = 0$.
20. (a) Define rank and nullity of a linear transformation.
(b) Let V be finite dimensional and $T : V \rightarrow W$ be a linear transformation. Prove that $\text{Rank } T + \text{Nullity } T = \dim V$ (A, CO 2)
(c) Determine a linear transformation from \mathbb{R}^4 into \mathbb{R}^3 which has its range the subspace spanned by $(1,0,0)$ and $(1,1,0)$. What is the Nullity of such a linear transformation?
21. (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 $j, j = 1, \dots, n$, the function E_j defined by $E_j(A) = \sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^{(i+j)} A_{ij} D_{ij}(A)$ 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 . (An, CO 3)
22. Let V be an n -dimensional vector space over the field F and let \mathcal{B} and \mathcal{B}' be two ordered bases of V . Show that there is a unique necessarily invertible $n \times n$ matrix P with entries in F such that $[\alpha]_{\mathcal{B}} = P[\alpha]_{\mathcal{B}'}$ and $[\alpha]_{\mathcal{B}'} = P^{-1}[\alpha]_{\mathcal{B}}$. (An, CO 1)

(5 x 2 = 10)

OBE: Questions to Course Outcome Mapping

CO	Course Outcome Description	CL	Questions	Total Wt.
CO 1	Summarize the concepts of vector spaces, subspaces, basis and dimension, coordinates and properties of row equivalence	U	4, 9, 15, 16, 22	11
CO 2	Explain the linear transformations and their algebra and representation of transformations by matrices.	An	1, 2, 10, 11, 17, 20	12
CO 3	Demonstrate the ideas of commutative Rings, determinant functions, permutation and uniqueness of determinants, additional properties of determinants	An	6, 7, 13, 18, 21	11
CO 4	Illustrate the ideas of characteristic values, annihilating polynomials, invariant subspace, direct sum decomposition	An	3, 5, 8, 12, 14, 19	12

Cognitive Level (CL): Cr - CREATE; E - EVALUATE; An - ANALYZE; A - APPLY; U - UNDERSTAND; R - REMEMBER;