

**M. Sc. DEGREE END SEMESTER EXAMINATION - NOVEMBER 2024****SEMESTER 1 : MATHEMATICS****COURSE : 24P1MATT01 : LINEAR ALGEBRA***(For Regular - 2024 Admission and Improvement/Supplementary 2023/2022/2021 Admissions)*

Duration : Three Hours

Max. Weights: 30

**PART A****Answer any 8 questions****Weight: 1**

1. Verify whether  $D(A) = 1$  is 3-linear. (A, CO 3)
2. Let  $V, W$  and  $Z$  be vector spaces over the field  $F$ . Let  $T$  be a linear transformation from  $V$  to  $W$  and let  $U$  be a linear transformation from  $W$  to  $Z$ . Show that the composed function  $UT$  defined by  $UT(\alpha) = U(T(\alpha))$  is a linear transformation from  $V$  into  $Z$ . (U)
3. Define basis of a vector space. Write a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^2$  other than the standard ordered basis. (U, CO 1)
4. Let  $V$  be a  $n$ -dimensional vector space over  $F$ . What is the characteristic polynomial of the identity operator on  $V$ ? What is the characteristic polynomial for the zero operator? (U)
5. Define a determinant function. (U, CO 3)
6. Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  be defined by  $T(x_1, x_2) = (\sin x_1, x_2)$ . Is  $T$  linear? (A)
7. Let  $V$  be a vector space over the field  $F$ . Show that the intersection of any collection of subspaces of  $V$  is a subspace of  $V$ . (A, CO 1)
8. Define hyperspace in a vector space. Give an example. (A)
9. Prove that the determinant of a triangular matrix is the product of its diagonal entries. (A, CO 3)
10. If  $T^2 = T$ , show that  $T$  is diagonalizable. (A)

**(1 x 8 = 8)****PART B****Answer any 6 questions****Weights: 2**

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  $f(-x) = -f(x)$ . (An, CO 1)
  - (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  $\mathcal{B} = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3\}$  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  $\mathcal{B}$ . (A)
13. Verify whether  $D(A) = (A_{11})^2 + 3A_{11}A_{22}$  is 3-linear. (A, CO 3)
14. 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  $F$ . (A)
15. Let  $V$  and  $W$  be vector spaces over the field  $F$  and let  $T$  be a linear transformation from  $V$  into  $W$ . Suppose that  $V$  is finite dimensional. Prove that  $\text{rank}(T) + \text{nullity}(T) = \dim V$ . (A)

16. Let  $V$  be the real vector space of all polynomial function from  $\mathbb{R}$  into  $\mathbb{R}$  of degree 2 or less. Let  $t$  be a fixed real number and define  $g_1(x) = 1, g_2(x) = x + t, g_3(x) = (x + t)^2$ . Prove that  $\mathcal{B} = \{g_1, g_2, g_3\}$  is a basis for  $V$ . If  $f(x) = c_0 + c_1x + c_2x^2$ , what are the coordinates of  $f$  in this ordered basis  $\mathcal{B}$ ? (E, CO 1)
17. Using Cramer's rule solve the following system of equations:  $-x + y + z = 11; 2x - 6y - z = 0; 3x + 4y + 2z = 0$  (A, CO 3)
18. Let  $W$  be an invariant subspace under a linear operator  $T$  on a finite dimensional vector space  $V$  and let  $\alpha$  be any element of  $V$ . Show that the  $T$ -conductor of  $\alpha$  into  $W$  divides the minimal polynomial for  $T$ . (A)
- (2 x 6 = 12)**

**PART C**

**Answer any 2 questions**

**Weights: 5**

19. 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  $V$ . (An, CO 2)
20. (a) Let  $T$  be a linear operator on a finite-dimensional vector space  $V$ . Suppose that  $T\alpha = c\alpha$ . If  $f$  is any polynomial, show that  $f(T)\alpha = f(c)\alpha$ .  
 (b) Let  $T$  be a linear operator on the finite-dimensional space  $V$ . Let  $c_1, \dots, c_k$  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  $W = W_1 + W_2 + \dots + W_k$ , show that  $\dim W = \dim W_1 + \dim W_2 + \dots + \dim W_k$ . If  $\mathcal{B}_i$  is an ordered basis for  $W_i$ , show that  $\mathcal{B} = (\mathcal{B}_1, \mathcal{B}_2, \dots, \mathcal{B}_k)$  is an ordered basis for  $W$ . (An)
21. Let  $W$  be the subspace of  $\mathbb{C}^3$  spanned by  $\alpha_1 = (1, 0, i)$  and  $\alpha_2 = (1 + i, 1, -1)$ .  
 (a) Show that  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$  form a basis for  $W$ .  
 (b) Show that the vectors  $\beta_1 = (1, 1, 0)$  and  $\beta_2 = (1, i, 1 + i)$  are in  $W$  and form another basis for  $W$ . (An, CO 1)  
 (c) What are the coordinates of  $\alpha_1$  and  $\alpha_2$  in the ordered basis  $\{\beta_1, \beta_2\}$  for  $W$ ?
22. Let  $K$  be a commutative ring with identity and let  $n$  be a positive integer. Prove that there exists precisely one determinant function on the set of  $n \times n$  matrices over  $K$ . (A, CO 3)
- (5 x 2 = 10)**

**OBE: Questions to Course Outcome Mapping**

CO	Course Outcome Description	CL	Questions	Total Wt.
CO 1		A	3, 7, 11, 16, 21	11
CO 2		An	19	5
CO 3		An	1, 5, 9, 13, 17, 22	12

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