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CORE COURSE IN MATHEMATICS

6B10MAT : Linear Algebra

(2014 Admn. Onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Marks : 48

SECTION – A

All the **first 4** questions are **compulsory**. They carry **1 mark each**.

1. Prove or disprove: If there exists a linearly dependent set $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ in the vector space V , then $\dim(V) \leq n$.
2. What is the dimension of the vector space of all 2×2 matrices over \mathbb{R} ?
3. There is not a linear transformation $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ such that $T(1, 0, 3) = (1, 1)$ and $T(-2, 0, -6) = (2, 1)$. Why?

4. Find the algebraic multiplicity of the eigenvalue of the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$. **(1×4=4)**

SECTION – B

Answer **any 8** questions from among the questions 5 to 14. These questions carry **2 marks each**.

5. Determine whether the following vectors span \mathbb{R}^3 . Justify your answer.
 $u = (1, 1, 1)$, $v = (2, 3, 1)$, $w = (3, 4, 2)$.
6. Let $T : \mathbb{F}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{F}^2$ be the linear transformation defined by $T(a_1, a_2) = (a_1 + a_2, a_1)$. Determine whether T is one-to-one and onto.
7. Construct a linear transformation $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ such that $T(1, 1) = (1, 0, 2)$ and $T(2, 3) = (1, -1, 4)$.



8. Find the eigenvalues of the matrix $R_\theta = \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix}$.
9. True or False ? Justify : If v is an eigenvector of both A and B , then it is an eigenvector of the sum $A + B$.
10. Show that if A is a matrix such that $A^4 = I$, then the only possible eigenvalues of A are $1, -1, i$ and $-i$.
11. Determine the null space of the (a) Zero matrix and the (b) Identity matrix.
12. True or False ? Justify : If A is a 5×6 matrix of rank 4, then the nullity of A is 1.
13. Determine whether $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$ is diagonalizable or not.
14. Using Gauss elimination, solve :

$$2x + y + z = 10, 3x + 2y + 3z = 18, x + 4y + 9z = 16. \quad (2 \times 8 = 16)$$

SECTION – C

Answer **any 4** questions from among the questions **15** to **20**. These questions carry **4** marks **each**.

15. Suppose that $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ is a linearly independent subset of a vector space V . Show that $\{v_1, v_1 + v_2, v_1 + v_2 + v_3\}$ is also linearly independent.
16. a) Let α be a scalar and u be a vector in a vector space V . If $\alpha u = 0$ then show that either $\alpha = 0$ or $u = 0$.
- b) Prove that if $u \neq 0$ and $\alpha u = \beta u$ in a vector space V , then $\alpha = \beta$.
17. Let V and W be vector spaces and $T : V \rightarrow W$ be linear. Show that $N(T)$ and $R(T)$ are subspaces of V and W respectively.
18. Find the characteristic roots and the corresponding characteristic vectors of the matrix , $\begin{bmatrix} 6 & -2 & 2 \\ -2 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$.



- 19. Find a basis of the solution space of the following system of equations.
 $x + y - z + t = 0, x - y + 2z - t = 0, 3x + y + t = 0.$
- 20. Let T be the linear operator on $P_2(\mathbb{R})$ defined by $T(f(x)) = f'(x)$. Show that T is not diagonalizable. (4×4=16)

SECTION – D

Answer **any 2** questions from among the questions **21 to 24**. These questions carry **6 marks each**.

- 21. Let V be a vector space with dimension n . Prove the following :
 - a) Any finite generating set for V contains at least n vectors and a generating set for V that contains exactly n vectors is a basis for V .
 - b) Any linearly independent subset of V that contains exactly n vectors is a basis for V .
 - c) Every linearly independent subset of V can be extended to a basis for V .
- 22. Let $h(x) = 3 - 2x + x^2$. Let $U : P_2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be the linear transformation defined by $U(a + bx + cx^2) = (a + b, c, a - b)$. Let β and γ be the standard ordered bases of $P_2(\mathbb{R})$ and \mathbb{R}^3 respectively. Compute $[U]_{\beta}^{\gamma}$, $[h(x)]_{\beta}$ and $[U(h(x))]_{\gamma}$ and verify that $[U]_{\beta}^{\gamma} [h(x)]_{\beta} = [U(h(x))]_{\gamma}$.
- 23. Find all the values of a and b so that the following system of equations has
 - i) no solution
 - ii) a unique solution and
 - iii) infinitely many solutions.
$$x - y + 2z = 4, 3x - 2y + 9z = 14, 2x - 4y + az = b.$$

- 24. Using Gauss elimination method, find the inverse of the matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$.

(6×2=12)
