



**LOYOLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), CHENNAI – 600 034**

**B.Sc., DEGREE EXAMINATION – MATHEMATICS**

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**MT 5508/MT 5502 – LINEAR ALGEBRA**

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Time : 9:00 - 12:00

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**PART A**

**ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS**

**(10 2 = 20 marks)**

1. If  $V$  is a vector space over a field  $F$ , show that  $(-a)v = a(-v) = -(av)$  for  $a \in F, v \in V$ .
2. Show that the vectors  $(1,1)$  and  $(-3,2)$  in  $R^2$  are linearly independent over  $R$  the field of real numbers.
3. Define a basis of a vector space.
4. Let  $T : R^2 \rightarrow R^3$  be a vector space homomorphism defined by  $T(a,b) = (a-b, b-a, -a)$  for all  $a, b \in R$ . Find nullity of  $T$ .
5. Normalize  $(1 + 2i, 2 - i, 1 - i)$  in  $C^3$  relative to the standard inner product.
6. Let  $T \in A(V)$  and  $\lambda \in F$ . If  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $T$ , prove that  $\lambda I - T$  is singular.
7. Define Nilpotent and Idempotent matrices.
8. Show that  $\begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}$  is orthogonal.
9. Find the rank of the matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 5 & -7 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  over the field of rational numbers.
10. Define unitary linear transformation.

**PART B**

**ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS**

**(5 8 = 40 marks)**

11. Show that a nonempty subset  $W$  of a vector space  $V$  over  $F$  is a subspace of  $V$  if and only if  $aw_1 + bw_2 \in W$  for all  $a, b \in F, w_1, w_2 \in W$
12. Prove that the vector space  $V$  over  $F$  is a direct sum of two of its subspaces  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  if and only if  $V = W_1 + W_2$  and  $W_1 \cap W_2 = (0)$ .
13. If  $V$  is a vector space of dimension  $n$ , then prove that
  - i) Any  $n + 1$  vectors in  $V$  are linearly dependent
  - ii) Any set of  $n$  linearly independent vectors of  $V$  is basis of  $V$ .
14. If  $A$  and  $B$  are subspaces of a vector space  $V$  over  $F$ , prove that  $(A+B)/B \cong A/A \cap B$ .
15. State and prove Schwarz inequality.

16. If  $\lambda \in F$  is an eigenvalue of  $T \in A(V)$ , then prove that for any polynomial  $f(x) \in F[x]$ ,  $f(\lambda)$  is an eigenvalue of  $f(T)$ .
17. Show that any square matrix  $A$  can be expressed uniquely as the sum of a symmetric matrix and a skew-symmetric matrix.
18. If  $T \in A(V)$  is skew-Hermitian, prove that all of its eigenvalues are pure imaginaries.

### PART C

ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS

(2 20 = 40 marks)

19. a) If  $S$  and  $T$  are subsets of a vector space  $V$  over  $F$ , then prove that
- $S$  is a subspace of  $V$  if and only if  $L(S) = S$ .
  - $S \subseteq T$  implies that  $L(S) \subseteq L(T)$ .
  - $L(L(S)) = L(S)$ .
  - $L(S \cup T) = L(S) + L(T)$ .
- b) If  $V$  is a vector space of finite dimension and  $W$  is a subspace of  $V$ , then prove that  $\dim V / W = \dim V - \dim W$ .
20. a) If  $V$  is a vector space of finite dimension, and is the direct sum of its subspaces  $U$  and  $W$ , then prove that  $\dim V = \dim U + \dim W$
- b) If  $U$  and  $V$  are vector spaces over  $F$ , and if  $T$  is a homomorphism of  $U$  onto  $V$  with kernel  $W$ , then prove that  $U / W \cong V$ .
21. State and prove Gram-Schmidt orthonormalization process.
22. a) Let  $V = R^3$ , and let  $T \in A(V)$  be defined by  $T(a_1, a_2, a_3) = (3a_1 + a_3, -2a_1 + a_2, -a_1 + 2a_2 + 4a_3)$ . What is the matrix of  $T$  relative to the basis  $v_1 = (1, 0, 1), v_2 = (-1, 2, 1), v_3 = (2, 1, 1)$ ?
- b) Investigate for what values of  $\lambda, \mu$  the system of equations  $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 6, x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 = 10, x_1 + 2x_2 + \lambda x_3 = \mu$  over the rational field has a) no solution b) a unique solution c) an infinite number of solutions.

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