

**LINEAR ALGEBRA**  
**(MATH 4182)**

**Time Allotted : 3 hrs**

**Full Marks : 70**

*Figures out of the right margin indicate full marks.*

*Candidates are required to answer Group A and any 5 (five) from Group B to E, taking at least one from each group.*

*Candidates are required to give answer in their own words as far as practicable.*

**Group - A**  
**(Multiple Choice Type Questions)**

1. Choose the correct alternative for the following: **10 × 1 = 10**
- (i) The eigenvalues of the matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -3 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$  are  
(a)  $(0, -1, -3)$       (b)  $(0, -2, -3)$       (c)  $(0, 2, 3)$       (d)  $(0, 1, 3)$ .
- (ii) The number of linearly independent eigenvectors of the matrix  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$  is  
(a) 1      (b) 2      (c) 3      (d) 0.
- (iii) The dimension of the vector space of all  $2 \times 2$  matrices such that  $a_{11} + a_{22} = 0$  is  
(a) 2      (b) 3      (c) 4      (d) 5.
- (iv) Which of the following is not always true?  
(a) The determinant of a positive definite matrix is positive  
(b) A positive definite matrix is invertible  
(c) A diagonal matrix with positive diagonal entries is positive definite  
(d) A symmetric matrix with positive determinant is positive definite.
- (v) If  $\|\cdot\|$  represents the usual norm in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\|v\|$  when  $v = (4, -2, 2, 1)$  is given by  
(a) 25      (b) 5      (c)  $\sqrt{5}$       (d)  $5\sqrt{5}$ .
- (vi) When the matrix equation  $Ax = b$  is inconsistent and  $p$  is the projection of  $b$  onto the column space of  $A$ , then the least-squares solution of  $Ax = b$  minimizes  
(a)  $\|b - Ax\|$       (b)  $\|p - Ax\|$       (c)  $\|A^T Ax\|$       (d)  $\|Ax\|$ .
- (vii) Which of the following sets form a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ?  
(a)  $\{(0, 1, 0), (-1, 0, 0), (3, 2, 0)\}$       (b)  $\{(0, 0, 3), (0, 2, 3), (0, -1, 0)\}$   
(c)  $\{(3, 0, 0), (0, -2, 0), (0, 0, 5)\}$       (d)  $\{(3, 0, -2), (1, 0, 0), (0, 0, 1)\}$ .

- (viii) The kernel of the linear transformation  $T: U \rightarrow V$  is  
 (a) subspace of  $U$  (b) subgroup of  $U$   
 (c) subset of  $U$  (d) subspace of  $V$ .
- (ix) The intersection of the Range and Null space of  $T$  is the  
 (a)  $\dim(T)$  (b)  $\text{rank}(T)$   
 (c) zero sub-space of  $V$  (d) nullity( $T$ ).
- (x) Let  $V$  be the vector space of functions with basis  $S = \{\sin t, \cos t, e^t\}$  and let  $D$  be the usual differential operator on  $V$  defined by  $D(f(t)) = \frac{d}{dt}(f(t))$ . Then the matrix representing  $D$  in the basis  $S$  is given by  
 (a)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  (b)  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  (c)  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  (d)  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

**Group - B**

2. (a) Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the matrix given by  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ .  
 Determine the algebraic multiplicity and geometric multiplicity of each of the eigenvalues.
- (b) Diagonalize the following matrix and hence find  $A^6$ , where  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 5 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .  
**6 + 6 = 12**
3. (a) Find the singular value decomposition (SVD) of the matrix given by  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$ .
- (b) Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ . Find a “real cube root” of  $A$ , that is, find a matrix  $B$  having real eigenvalues such that  $B^3 = A$ .  
**6 + 6 = 12**

**Group - C**

4. (a) (i) Investigate if  $S = \{(x_1, x_2 + 1, x_3, x_4) | x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 \in \mathbb{R}\}$  forms a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .  
 (ii) Let  $V$  be the set of all ordered pairs  $(x, y)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  with vector addition defined as  $(x_1, y_1) + (x_2, y_2) = (2x_1 - 3x_2, y_1 - y_2)$  and scalar multiplication defined as  $\alpha(x_1, y_1) = \left(\frac{\alpha x_1}{3}, \frac{\alpha y_1}{3}\right)$ . Discuss whether  $V$  is a vector space or not.
- (b) Show whether the given sets of vectors are identical or not:  
 $S = \text{span}\{(1, 2, -1), (-3, 0, 0)\}$ ,  $T = \text{span}\{(1, 0, 0), (1, 3, 0)\}$ .  
**(3 + 3) + 6 = 12**
5. (a) Find the dimension and basis of the vector space spanned by the set of vectors  $S = \{(1, 3, 5), (2, -1, 4), (-2, 8, 2)\}$ .
- (b) Determine whether the vectors  $v_1 = (1, 1, -2, -2)$ ,  $v_2 = (2, -3, 0, 2)$ ,

$v_3 = (-2, 0, 2, 2), v_4 = (3, -3, -2, 2)$  are linearly dependent or independent in  $\mathbb{R}^4$ .

6 + 6 = 12

### Group - C

6. (a) Consider  $f(t) = 3t - 5$  and  $g(t) = t^2$  in the polynomial space  $P(t)$  with inner product  $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_0^1 f(t)g(t)dt, \forall f, g \in P(t)$ . Find
- (i)  $\langle f, g \rangle$   
 (ii)  $\|f\|$  and  $\|g\|$ .
- (b) Consider the vector space  $P(t)$  with inner product  $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_0^1 f(t)g(t)dt$ . Apply Gram-Schmidt algorithm to the set  $\{1, t, t^2\}$  to obtain an orthogonal set with integer coefficients.

(2 + 4) + 6 = 12

7. (a) Find the QR factorization of the matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .
- (b) Find an orthogonal matrix  $P$  whose first row is  $(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3})$ .

6 + 6 = 12

### Group - E

8. (a) Determine whether the transformations given below are linear transformations or not:
- (i)  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  such that  $T(x, y) = (0, 0, 0)$   
 (ii)  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  such that  $T(x, y) = (1, 1, 1)$ .
- (b) Let  $f: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be a linear transformation defined by  $f(x, y, z) = (x + 2y - z, y + z, x + y - 2z)$ . Find a basis and the dimension of (i) the image of  $f$ , and (ii) the kernel of  $f$ .
9. (a) Verify the rank-nullity-dimension theorem for the linear transformation defined by  $f(x, y, z, w) = (x - y + z + w, x + 2z - w, x + y + 3z - 3w)$ .
- (b) Let  $T$  be a linear operator in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  defined by  $T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (3x_1 + x_3, -2x_1 + x_2, -x_1 + 2x_2 + 4x_3)$ . Find the matrix of  $T$  in the ordered basis  $\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3\}$  where  $\alpha_1 = (1, 0, 1), \alpha_2 = (-1, 2, 1)$  and  $\alpha_3 = (2, 1, 1)$ .

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