

PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE  
(AUTONOMOUS)

BSc DEGREE EXAMINATION DECEMBER 2023  
(Fifth Semester)

Branch – MATHEMATICS WITH COMPUTER APPLICATION

LINEAR ALGEBRA

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 50 Marks

SECTION-A (5 Marks)

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL marks

(5 x 1 = 5)

1. In a vector space,  $\alpha(v - w) =$  \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (i)  $\alpha v - \alpha w$       (ii)  $\frac{\alpha v}{\alpha w}$       (iii)  $\alpha - \beta w$       (iv)  $\alpha v + w$
2. If  $\dim_F V = m$  then  $\dim_F \text{Hom}(V, V) =$  \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (i)  $n$       (ii)  $m^2$       (iii)  $-n$       (iv)  $m + n$
3. An element in  $A(V)$  which is not regular is called  
 (i) regular      (ii) singular      (iii) Euler      (iv) irreducible
4. A \_\_\_\_\_ for a subspace  $H$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a linearly independent set in  $H$  that spans  $H$ .  
 (i) basis      (ii) null set      (iii) angle      (iv) empty set
5. An  $n \times n$  matrix with  $n$  distinct eigen values is \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (i) diagonalizable      (ii) IVP      (iii) orthonormal      (iv) Jacobis method

SECTION - B (15 Marks)

Answer ALL Questions

ALL Questions Carry EQUAL Marks

(5 x 3 = 15)

6. a If  $V$  is the internal direct sum of  $U_1, \dots, U_n$ , then prove that  $V$  is isomorphic to the external direct sum of  $U_1, \dots, U_n$ .  
 OR  
 b If  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  are in  $V$  then show that either they are linearly independent or some  $v_k$  is a linear combination of the preceding ones,  $v_1, \dots, v_{k-1}$ .
7. a Prove that  $A(A(W)) = W$ .  
 OR  
 b If  $u, v \in V$  and  $\alpha, \beta \in F$  then show that  
 $(\alpha u + \beta v, \alpha u + \beta v) = \alpha \bar{\alpha} (u, u) + \alpha \bar{\beta} (u, v) + \bar{\alpha} \beta (v, u) + \beta \bar{\beta} (v, v)$ .
8. a If  $V$  is finite – dimensional over  $F$ , then prove that  $T \in A(V)$  is invertible if 3 and only if the constant term of the minimal polynomial for  $T$  is not 0.  
 OR  
 b If  $m(s) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $m(T) = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$  then, find  $m(ST)$ .
9. a Determine the rank of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 & -3 & -4 & 8 \\ 4 & 7 & -4 & -3 & 9 \\ 6 & 9 & -5 & 2 & 4 \\ 0 & -9 & 6 & 5 & -6 \end{bmatrix}$ .

OR

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b If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 5 \\ -3 & -7 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $C = \begin{bmatrix} -7 & -5 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , then find  $AC$  and  $CA$ .

10. a Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 \\ 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $u = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $v = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ . Are  $u$  and  $v$  eigenvectors of  $A$ ?

OR

b Find the characteristic equation of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -2 & 6 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 & -8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**SECTION -C (30 Marks)**

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks

(5 x 6 = 30)

11. a If  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  is a basis of  $V$  over  $F$  and if  $w_1, \dots, w_m$  in  $V$  are linearly independent over  $F$ , then prove that  $m \leq n$ .

OR

b If  $V$  is a vector space over  $F$  then show that

(i)  $\alpha 0 = 0$  for  $\alpha \in F$ ,

(ii)  $0v = 0$  for  $v \in V$

(iii)  $(-\alpha)v = -(\alpha v)$  for  $\alpha \in F, v \in V$

(iv) If  $v \neq 0$ , then  $\alpha v = 0$  implies that  $\alpha = 0$ .

12. a If  $V$  and  $W$  are of dimensions  $m$  and  $n$ , respectively, over  $F$ , then prove that  $\text{Hom}(V, W)$  is of dimension  $mn$  over  $F$ .

OR

b Let  $V$  be a finite – dimensional inner product space; then show that  $V$  has an orthonormal set as a basis.

13. a If  $A$  is an algebra, with unit element, over  $F$ , then show that  $A$  is isomorphic to a subalgebra of  $A(V)$  for some vector space  $V$  over  $F$ .

OR

b (i) If  $V$  is finite – dimensional over  $F$ , then prove that  $T \in A(V)$  is regular if and only if  $T$  maps  $V$  onto  $V$ .

(ii) If  $T \in A(V)$  and if  $S \in A(V)$  is regular, then show that  $r(T) = r(STS^{-1})$ .

14. a Find the inverse of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 4 & -3 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$ , if it exists.

OR

b Find a basis for the null space of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 6 & -1 & 1 & -7 \\ 1 & -2 & 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & -4 & 5 & 8 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$ .

15. a Determine if the following matrix is diagonalizable,  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -8 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

OR

b Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} .5 & -.6 \\ .75 & 1.1 \end{bmatrix}$  find the eigenvalues of  $A$ , and find a basis for each eigenspace.

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