

**PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE**  
(AUTONOMOUS)

**BSc DEGREE EXAMINATION MAY 2024**  
(Sixth Semester)

Branch – MATHEMATICS

**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. If the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & x+2 \\ 2x-3 & x+1 \end{bmatrix}$  is symmetric, then  $x =$  \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a) 3                      b) 5                      c) 2                      d) 4
2.  $F^{(n)}$  is isomorphic  $F^{(m)}$  if and only if \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a)  $n < m$               b)  $n > m$               c)  $n \neq m$               d)  $n = m$
3. Let  $V = \mathbb{R}^2$  with inner product defined by  $\langle u, v \rangle = u_1v_1 + u_2v_2$ , then  $\|(1,2)\| =$  \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a)  $\sqrt{2}$                       b)  $\sqrt{3}$                       c)  $\sqrt{4}$                       d)  $\sqrt{5}$
4. Find the value of  $k$  such that the rank of a matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 & 8 \\ 3 & 6 & 9 & k \end{bmatrix}$  is 1  
 a) 8                      b) 16                      c) 12                      d) 9
5. The kernel of a matrix transformation  $T_A: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  is a subspace of  
 a)  $\mathbb{R}^n$                       b)  $\mathbb{R}^m$                       c)  $\mathbb{R}^{n-m}$                       d)  $\mathbb{R}^{n+m}$

**SECTION - B (15 Marks)**

Answer ALL Questions

ALL Questions Carry EQUAL Marks

(5 x 3 = 15)

6. a) Prove that given  $A$  is a Hermitian Matrix, then  $iA$  is a skew Hermitian matrix.  
 OR  
 b) Show that the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$  is orthogonal.
7. a) If  $U$  and  $W$  are subspaces of  $V$ , prove that  $U + W = \{v \in V | v = u + w, u \in U, w \in W\}$  is a subspace of  $V$ .  
 OR  
 b) If  $F$  is the field of real numbers, prove that vectors  $(1,1,0,0)$ ,  $(0,1,-1,0)$  and  $(0,0,0,3)$  in  $F^{(4)}$  are linearly independent over  $F$ .
8. a) Prove that  $A(W)$  is a subspace of  $\hat{V}$ .  
 OR  
 b) State and prove Schwarz inequality.
9. a) Show that the matrices  $A$  and  $P^{-1}AP$  have the same characteristic roots.  
 OR  
 b) Prove that the characteristic roots of a Hermitian matrix are all real.

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10. a) Compute the matrix product  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

OR

- b) Prove that if  $T \in A(V)$  and if  $\dim_F V = n$  then  $T$  can have at most  $n$  distinct characteristic roots in  $F$ .

**SECTION -C (30 Marks)**

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks (5 x 6 = 30)

11. a) If  $A$  be  $m \times n$  matrix and  $B$  be  $n \times p$  matrix then prove that  $(AB)^T = B^T A^T$ .

OR

- b) Prove that for given  $A$  and  $B$  be symmetric matrices of order  $n$  then  $AB+BA$  is symmetric and  $AB$  is symmetric if  $AB = BA$ .

12. 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) Prove that if  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  are in  $V$  then either they are linearly independent or some  $v_k$  is a linear combination of the preceding ones,  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{k-1}$ .

13. a) Prove that let  $V$  and  $W$  be vector spaces over the field  $F$  then  $\text{Hom}(V, W)$  is a vector space over  $F$ .

OR

- b) Prove that for given  $V$  is a finite-dimensional inner product space and  $W$  is a subspace of  $V$ , then  $V = W + W^\perp$ .

14. a) Prove that for given  $A$  and  $B$  are two square matrices, then the matrices  $AB$  and  $BA$  have the same characteristic roots.

OR

- b) Prove that the Matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & -3 & 4 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  satisfies Cayley-Hamilton theorem, also find the matrix  $A^{-1}$ .

15. a) Given  $V$  is a vector space over  $F$  then for  $S, T \in A(V)$ . Prove that.

1.  $r(ST) \leq r(T)$

2.  $r(TS) \leq r(T)$

3.  $r(ST) \leq r(TS) = r(T)$  for  $S$  regular in  $A(V)$ .

OR

- b) Prove that for given  $T, S \in A(V)$  and if  $S$  is regular, then  $T$  and  $STS^{-1}$  have the same minimal polynomial.

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