

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

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

**FIFTH SEMESTER – NOVEMBER 2015**

**MT 5508/MT 5502 - LINEAR ALGEBRA**

Date : 11/09/2015  
Time : 09:00-12:00

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Max. : 100 Marks

**PART – A**

**Answer ALL questions:**

**(10 x 2 = 20 marks)**

1. Define a vector space over a field  $F$ .
2. If  $V$  is a vector space over  $F$ , then prove that  $ao = o$  for  $a \in F$ .
3. Define a basis of a vector space.
4. Is the mapping  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  defined by  $T(a,b) = (a+1, 2b, a+b)$  a homomorphism? Justify.
5. Define an inner product space.
6. Define Eigen values and Eigen vectors of a linear transformation.
7. For  $A, B \in F_n$ , prove that  $t_r(A+B) = t_r(A) + t_r(B)$ .
8. If  $A$  and  $B$  are Hermitian, then prove that  $AB + BA$  is Hermitian.
9. Define an orthonormal set.

10. Show that  $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix}$  is unitary.

**PART – B**

**Answer any FIVE questions**

**(5 x 8 = 40 marks)**

11. Prove that the intersection of two subspaces of a vector space  $V$  is a subspace of  $V$ .
12. Prove that the vectors  $(1,0,0)$ ,  $(1,1,0)$  and  $(1,1,1)$  form a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , where  $\mathbb{R}$  is the field of real numbers.
13. Verify that  $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  defined by  $T(a,b) = (a - b, b - a, -a)$  for all  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  is a vector space homomorphism. Find the rank and nullity of  $T$ .
14. Show that the vectors  $(1,1)$  and  $(-3, 2)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  are linearly independent over  $\mathbb{R}$ .
15. Prove that  $T \in A(V)$  is singular if and only if there exists an element  $N \neq 0$  in  $V$  such that  $T(v) = 0$ .
16. Let  $T \in A(V)$  and  $\lambda \in F$ . Then prove that  $\lambda$  is an eigen value of  $T$  if and only if  $\lambda I - T$  is singular.
17. Show that any square matrix  $A$  can be expressed uniquely as the sum of a symmetric matrix and skew-symmetric matrix.
18. Prove that the eigen values of a unitary transformation are of absolute value 1.

**PART – C**

**Answer any TWO questions**

**(2 x 20 = 40 marks)**

19. a) 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  $w_1 \cap w_2 = (0)$ .

b) Let  $V$  be a vector space over  $R$ . If  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are linearly independent vectors of  $V$ , prove that the vectors  $\alpha + \beta, \alpha - \beta, \alpha - 2\beta + \gamma$  are also linearly independent over  $R$ . (12+8)

20. a) If  $V$  is a vector space of dimension  $n$  and  $w$  is a subspace of  $V$ , then  $\dim v/w = \dim v - \dim w$ .

b) If  $A$  and  $B$  are subspaces of a vector space  $V$  over  $F$ , prove that  $(A+B)/B \cong A/(A \cap B)$ . (10+10)

21. a) Let  $V = R^3$  and suppose that  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$  is the matrix of  $T \in A(V)$  relative to the standard

basis  $N_1 = (1,0,0), N_2 = (0, 1, 0), v_3 = (0, 0, 1)$ . Find the matrix of  $T$  relative to the basis  $w_1 = (1, 1, 0), w_2 = (1, 2, 0), w_3 = (1, 2, 1)$ .

b) Let  $T$  be a linear transformation on  $R^2$  defined by  $T(a_1, a_2) = (2a_2, 3a_1, -a_2)$ . Find the matrix of  $T$  relative to the standard basis  $N_1 = (1, 0)$  and  $N_2 = (0, 1)$ . (12+8)

22. a) Verify Cayley – Hamilton theorem for the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  and find its inverse.

$$x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 = 11,$$

b) Show that the system of equations  $4x_1 + 6x_2 + 5x_3 = 8,$  is inconsistent. (10 +10)

$$2x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 = 19$$

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