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Time: 3 Hours

Weightage: 30

Part A (Short Answer Questions)

Answer any **eight** questions.

Weight **1** each.

1. Define vector space. Is \mathbb{C} a vector space over \mathbb{R} ?
2. Let V be a vector space over a subfield F of the complex numbers. Suppose α , β , and γ are linearly independent vectors in V . Prove that $(\alpha + \beta)$, $(\beta + \gamma)$, and $(\gamma + \alpha)$ are linearly independent.
3. Find T^2 where $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ is a linear operator defined as $T(x_1, x_2) = (x_2, x_1)$.
4. Show that the space \mathbb{C} of complex numbers and \mathbb{R}^2 are isomorphic, considering as vector spaces over \mathbb{R} .
5. If $T : \mathbb{C}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^2$ is a linear operator defined as $T(x_1, x_2) = (x_1, 0)$, find the matrix of T in the standard ordered basis for \mathbb{C}^2 .
6. Define commutative ring. Give examples for commutative and non-commutative rings.
7.
$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & a & b \\ -a & 0 & c \\ -b & -c & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
 If K is a commutative ring with identity and A is the matrix over K given by $A =$ then find $\det A$.
8. Show that if two matrices are similar, then their determinants are the same.
9. Prove that similar matrices have the same characteristic values.
10. Find a 3×3 matrix for which the minimal polynomial is x^2 .

(8×1=8 weightage)

Part B (Short Essay/Problems)

Answer any **six** questions.

Weight **2** each.

11. Let V be the vector space of all 2×2 matrices over the field \mathbb{C} of complex numbers. Let W_1 be the subset of V consisting of all matrices of the form $\begin{bmatrix} x & y \\ z & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and let W_2 be the subset of V consisting of all matrices of the form $\begin{bmatrix} x & 0 \\ 0 & y \end{bmatrix}$.

- (i) Prove that W_1 and W_2 are subspaces of V .
(ii) Show that $W_1 + W_2 = V$.
(iii) Find $W_1 \cap W_2$. Is it a subspace? If so, find its dimension.

12. Show that the vectors $\alpha_1 = (\cos \theta, \sin \theta)$, $\alpha_2 = (-\sin \theta, \cos \theta)$ form a basis for \mathbb{R}^2 . Find the coordinates of each of the standard basis vectors in the ordered basis $\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2\}$.

13. If W_1 and W_2 are subspaces of a finite dimensional vector space V then prove that

$$(i) W_1 \subset W_2 \Rightarrow W_2^0 \subset W_1^0$$
$$(ii) (W_1 + W_2)^0 = W_1^0 \cap W_2^0$$

14. Let V be a vector space of any dimension over the field F . Prove that every hyper space in V is the null space of a non-zero linear functional on V .

15. Let V and W be vector spaces over the field F and $T : V \rightarrow W$ is a linear transformation. Prove that null space of T^t is the annihilator of the range of T .

16. Let $n > 1$ and let D be an alternating $(n-1)$ -linear function on $(n-1) \times (n-1)$ matrices over K . For each j , $1 \leq j \leq n$, show that the

$$E_j(A) = \sum_{i=1}^n (-1)^{i+j} A_{ij} D_{ij}(A)$$

function E_j defined by is an alternating n -linear function on $n \times n$ matrices A .

17. Let T be a linear operator on \mathbb{R}^4 which is represented in the standard ordered basis by the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ a & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & b & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & c & 0 \end{bmatrix}. \text{ Under what conditions on } a, b \text{ and } c, T \text{ is diagonalizable.}$$

18. Let V be a finite dimensional vector space and let W_1, \dots, W_k be subspaces of V such that $V = W_1 + \dots + W_k$ and $\dim W_1 + \dim W_2 + \dots + \dim W_k = \dim V$. Prove that $V = W_1 \oplus \dots \oplus W_k$.

(6×2=12 weightage)



Part C (Essay Type Questions)

Answer any **two** questions.

Weight 5 each.

19. (a) Show that row-equivalent matrices have the same row space.
(b) Let R be a non-zero row-reduced echelon matrix. Then prove that the non-zero row vectors of R form a basis for the row space of R .
20. a) If A is an $n \times n$ matrix with entries in the field F . Then prove that the row rank and column rank of A are equal.
b) Determine the row rank of the Matrix A , by finding a basis for its row space, where
- $$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & -4 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$
21. (a) If D is any alternating n -linear function on $K^{n \times n}$, then prove that for each $n \times n$ matrix A , $D(A) = (\det A)D(I)$.
(b) If A and B are two $n \times n$ matrices over K , then show that $\det(AB) = (\det A)(\det B)$.
- 22.
1. Let V be a finite dimensional vector space over the field F and let T be a linear operator on V . Prove that T is diagonalizable if and only if the minimal polynomial for T has the form $p = (x - c_1)(x - c_2) \cdots (x - c_k)$ where c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k are distinct elements of F .
 2. Every matrix A such that $A^2 = A$ is similar to a diagonal matrix

(2×5=10 weightage)