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**FIRST SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE (REGULAR/SUPPLEMENTARY)
EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2021**

[November 2020 session for SDE/Private students]

(CBCSS)

Mathematics

MTH 1C 02—LINEAR ALGEBRA

(2019 Admission onwards)

{Covid instructions are not applicable for PVT/SDE Students (November 2020 sessions)}

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

General Instructions

1. In cases where choices are provided, students can attend **all** questions in each section.
2. The minimum number of questions to be attended from the Section / Part shall remain the same.
3. The instruction if any, to attend a minimum number of questions from each sub section / sub part / sub division may be ignored.
4. There will be an overall ceiling for each Section / Part that is equivalent to the maximum weightage of the Section / Part.

Part A*Answer all questions.**Each question carries a weightage of 1.*

1. Let V be the vector space of all polynomial functions from a field F into itself. Let T be the linear operator defined as $T(f(x)) = xf(x)$ and D is the differential operator on V . Then prove that $TD \neq DT$.
2. Let 0 be the zero vector of a vector space V . Prove that $v0 = 0$ for all $v \in V$.
3. Let \mathbb{F} be a field and let T be the linear operator on \mathbb{F}^2 defined by $(x_1, x_2) \mapsto (x_1, 0)$. Find the matrix of T with respect to the standard ordered basis of \mathbb{F}^2 .
4. Check whether $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ defined as $T(x, y) = (x - y, 0)$ is a linear transformation or not.
5. Let V be a vector space over \mathbb{R} of all differentiable functions on $[a, b]$. Let $A: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined as $Af = f'(c)$ where c is a fixed real number in $[a, b]$. Is f a linear functional? Why?

Turn over

6. Find the rank, null space and nullity of identity transformation on a finite dimensional space V .
7. Let W_1, \dots, W_2 be subspaces of a vector space V . Prove that W_1 and W_2 are linearly independent and only if $W_1 \cap W_2 = \{0\}$.
8. State Bessel's inequality.

(8 × 1 = 8 weight)

Part B

Answer any **six** by choosing **two** questions from each unit.
Each question has weightage of 2.

UNIT I

9. Prove that \mathbb{R}^3 is a vector space over \mathbb{R} . Is it a vector space over \mathbb{C} ?
10. Let V be a finite dimensional vector space of dimension n . Prove that any subset of V more than n elements is linearly dependent.
11. Let V be an n -dimensional vector space over the field \mathbb{F} and let W be an m -dimensional space over \mathbb{F} . Prove that the dimension of the space $L(V, W)$ is mn .

UNIT II

12. Let A be an $n \times n$ triangular matrix over the field \mathbb{F} . Prove that the characteristic values of A are its diagonal entries.
13. Let T be a linear operator on a finite dimensional vector space V . Prove that if c is a characteristic value of T then $\det(T - cI) = 0$.
14. Let W_1 and W_2 be subspaces of a finite dimensional vector space. Prove that $W_1 = W_2$ if and only if $W_1^0 = W_2^0$.

UNIT III

15. Prove that an orthogonal set of non-zero vectors is linearly independent.
16. True or false : If E_1, E_2 are projections onto independent subspaces then $E_1 + E_2$ is also a projection. Justify.
17. Let T be a diagonalizable operator having characteristic values 0 and 1 only. Prove that T is a projection.

(6 × 2 = 12 weight)

Part C

*Answer any two questions.
Each question carries a weightage of 5.*

18. Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix with entries from a field \mathbb{F} . Define row rank of A and also prove that row rank of A is same as column rank of A .
19. Let E_1, E_2 be linear operators on the space V with $E_1 + E_2 = I$. Prove that $E_i^2 = E_i$ for $i = 1, 2$ if and only if $E_1 E_2 = 0$.
20. Let θ be a real number. Prove that the following two matrices are similar over \mathbb{C} ,

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{pmatrix}, B = \begin{pmatrix} e^{i\theta} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-i\theta} \end{pmatrix}.$$

21. Let T be a linear operator on a finite dimensional vector space V with c_1, \dots, c_k be the distinct characteristic values of T and let W_i be the space of characteristic values associated with characteristic value c_i . Prove that if $W = W_1 + \dots + W_k$ then $\sum_{i=1}^k \dim W_i = \dim W$.

(2 × 5 = 10 weightage)