

M.Sc. - I (Mathematics) (New CBCS Pattern) Semester - I  
**PSCMTH04 - Linear Algebra**

P. Pages : 2

Time : Three Hours



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Max. Marks : 100

- Notes : 1. Solve all **five** questions.  
2. All questions carry equal marks.

**UNIT - I**

1. a) Let  $V$  be a vector space and  $W$  a subset of  $V$ . Then prove that  $W$  is a subspace of  $V$  if and only if the following three conditions hold for the operations defined in  $V$ . **10**  
i)  $0 \in W$   
ii)  $x + y \in W$  whenever  $x \in W$  and  $y \in W$   
iii)  $cx \in W$  whenever  $c \in F$  and  $x \in W$
- b) Let  $S$  be a linearly independent subset of a vector space  $V$ , and let  $v$  be a vector in  $V$  that is not in  $S$ . Then prove that  $S \cup \{v\}$  is linearly dependent if and only if  $v \in \text{span}(S)$ . **10**

**OR**

- c) Let  $V$  be a vector space and  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  be distinct vectors in  $V$ . Prove that  $\beta = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$  is a basis for  $V$  if and only if each  $v \in V$  can be uniquely expressed as a linear combination of vectors of  $\beta$ . **10**
- d) State and prove Replacement theorem. **10**

**UNIT - II**

2. a) State and prove dimension theorem. **10**
- b) Let  $V$  and  $W$  be vector spaces over  $F$ , and suppose that  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  is a basis for  $V$ . Prove that for  $w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n$  in  $W$ , there exists exactly one linear transformation  $T: V \rightarrow W$  such that  $T(v_i) = w_i$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . **10**

**OR**

- c) Let  $V$  and  $W$  be finite-dimensional vector spaces (over the same field). Then prove that  $V$  is isomorphic to  $W$  if and only if  $\dim(V) = \dim(W)$ . **10**
- d) Prove that the solution space for  $y' + a_0 y = 0$  is of dimension 1 and has  $\{e^{-a_0 t}\}$  as a basis. **10**

**UNIT - III**

3. a) Let  $T$  be a linear operator on a finite-dimensional vector space  $V$ , and let  $\lambda$  be an eigen value of  $T$  having multiplicity  $m$ . Then prove that  $1 \leq \dim(E_\lambda) \leq m$ . **10**

- b) Find all the eigen vectors of the matrix. 10  

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

**OR**

- c) Prove that a linear operator  $T$  on a finite dimensional vector space  $V$  is diagonalizable if and only if  $V$  is the direct sum of the eigen spaces of  $T$ . 10
- d) State and prove Cayley-Hamilton theorem. 10

#### UNIT - IV

4. a) Let  $V$  be an inner product space over  $F$ . Then prove that for all  $x, y \in V$  the following statements are true. 10  
 i)  $|\langle x, y \rangle| \leq \|x\| \|y\|$   
 ii)  $\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$
- b) Let  $V$  be a finite-dimensional inner product space over  $F$ , and let  $g : V \rightarrow F$  be a linear transformation. Prove that there exists a unique vector  $y \in V$  such that  $g(x) = \langle x, y \rangle$  for all  $x \in V$ . 10

**OR**

- c) Let  $T$  be a linear operator on a finite dimensional vector space  $V$  such that the characteristic polynomial of  $T$  splits. Suppose that  $\lambda$  is an eigen value of  $T$  with multiplicity  $m$ . Then prove that. 10  
 i)  $\dim(k_\lambda) \leq m$   
 ii)  $k_\lambda = N((T - \lambda I)^m)$
- d) Let  $p(t)$  be a minimal polynomial of a linear operator  $T$  on a finite-dimensional vector space  $V$ . Prove that 10  
 i) For any polynomial  $g(t)$ , if  $g(t) = T_0$ , then  $p(t)$  divides  $g(t)$ . In particular,  $p(t)$  divides the characteristic polynomial of  $T$ .  
 ii) The minimal polynomial of  $T$  is unique.
5. a) Prove that: if  $x, y$  and  $z$  are vectors in a vector space  $V$  such that  $x + z = y + z$ , then  $x = y$ . 5
- b) Show that the linear transformation  $T : F^2 \rightarrow F^2$  defined by  $T(a_1, a_2) = (a_1 + a_2, a_1)$  is one-to-one and onto. 5
- c) Let  $A \in M_{n \times n}(F)$ . Prove that a scalar  $\lambda$  is an eigen value of  $A$  if and only if  $\det(A - \lambda I_n) = 0$ . 5
- d) Let  $A \in M_{m \times n}(F)$ . Then prove that  $\text{rank}(A^*A) = \text{rank}(A)$ . 5

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