

FIRST SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, DECEMBER 2017

(CUCSS)

Mathematics

MT 1C 02—LINEAR ALGEBRA

(2016 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 36 Weightage

Part A

*Answer all the questions.**Each question carries weightage 1.*

1. Let v be a vector space over a field F . Show that if c is a scalar and o is the zero-vector then $c \cdot o = 0$.
2. Describe all subspaces of \mathbb{R}^2 .
3. Let W_1 and W_2 be subspaces of a vector space V such that $W_1 + W_2 = V$ and $W_1 \cap W_2 = \{0\}$. Prove that for each vector α in V there are unique vectors α_1 in W_1 and α_2 in W_2 such that $\alpha = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2$.
4. Write a basis for the vector space of all 2×2 matrices over the field F of real numbers. Justify your answer.
5. Verify that the function $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ defined by $T(x_1, x_2) = (1 + x_1, x_2)$ is a linear transformation.
6. Let T be the linear transformation from \mathbb{R}^3 into \mathbb{R}^2 defined by $T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_1 + x_2, 2x_3 - x_1)$. If \mathcal{B} is the standard ordered basis for \mathbb{R}^3 and \mathcal{B}' is the standard ordered basis for \mathbb{R}^2 , What is the matrix of T relative to \mathcal{B} and \mathcal{B}' .
7. Show that if s is a subset of a vector space V , then s^0 is a subspace of V^* .
8. Show that similar matrices have the same characteristic polynomial.
9. Let V be a finite-dimensional vector space. Determine the minimal polynomial for a diagonal operator on V .
10. Let E be a projection of a vector space with range R . Show that a vector β is in the range R iff $\beta = E\beta$.

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11. Let T be the linear operator on \mathbb{R}^2 , the matrix of which in the standard ordered basis is $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

Show that the subspace W_1 spanned by the vector $(1, 0)$ is invariant under T .

12. Define inner product on a vector space.

13. Show that if s is any subset of a vector space V , then its orthogonal complement s^\perp is a subspace of V .

14. Let (\cdot) be the standard inner product on \mathbb{R}^2 . Let $\alpha = (1, 2)$, $\beta = (-1, 1)$. If γ is a vector in \mathbb{R}^2 such that $(\alpha/\gamma) = -1$ and $(\beta/\gamma) = 3$, find γ .

(14 × 1 = 14 weightage)

Part B

Answer any seven questions.

Each question carries weightage 2.

15. Let V be a vector space over the field F . Show that the intersection of any collection of subspaces of V is a subspace of V .
16. Let $\mathcal{B} = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3\}$ be the ordered basis for \mathbb{R}^3 consisting of $\alpha_1 = (1, 0, -1)$, $\alpha_2 = (1, 1, 1)$, $\alpha_3 = (1, 0, 0)$. What are the co-ordinates of the vector (a, b, c) in the ordered basis \mathcal{B} ?
17. Let T be a linear transformation from a vector space V into a vector space W over the same field F . Show that T is non-singular iff T carries each linearly independent subset of V onto a linearly independent subset of W .
18. Let V be a finite-dimensional vector space over the field F , and let W be a subspace of V . Show that $\dim W + \dim W^\perp = \dim V$.
19. Let T be a linear operator on an n -dimensional vector space V . Show that the characteristic and minimal polynomials for T have the same roots, except for multiplicities.
20. Let T be a diagonalizable linear operator on the n -dimensional vector space V , and let W be a subspace which is invariant under T . Prove that the restriction operator T_W is diagonalizable.

21. Let V be the vector space of all $n \times n$ matrices over \mathbb{R} . Let $W_1 = \{A \in V : A^t = A\}$ and $W_2 = \{A \in V : A^t = -A\}$ be subspaces of V . Show that $W_1 \oplus W_2 = V$.
22. Let E be a projection and T be a linear operator on a vector space V . show that the range of E is invariant under T iff $ETE = TE$.
23. Show that if V is an inner product space, then for any vectors α, β in V ; $|\langle \alpha, \beta \rangle| \leq \|\alpha\| \cdot \|\beta\|$.
24. State and prove Bessel's inequality.

(7 × 2 = 14 weightage)

Part C

*Answer any two questions.
Each question carries 4 weightage.*

25. Show that if W_1 and W_2 are finite dimensional subspaces of V , then $W_1 + W_2$ is finite-dimensional and $\dim W_1 + \dim W_2 = \dim (W_1 \cap W_2) + \dim (W_1 + W_2)$.
26. Let W be the subspace of \mathbb{R}^5 spanned by the vectors $\alpha_1 = (2, -2, 3, 4, -1)$, $\alpha_2 = (-1, 1, 2, 5, 2)$, $\alpha_3 = (0, 0, -1, -2, 3)$, $\alpha_4 = (1, -1, 2, 3, 0)$. Describe W° , the annihilator of W .
27. Let V be a finite-dimensional vector space over the field F and Let T be a linear operator on V . Show that T is triangulable iff the minimal polynomial for T is a product of linear polynomials over F .
28. Apply the Gram-Schmidt process to the vectors $\beta_1 = (1, 0, 1)$, $\beta_2 = (1, 0, -1)$, $\beta_3 = (0, 3, 4)$, to obtain an orthonormal basis for \mathbb{R}^3 with the standard inner product.

(2 × 4 = 8 weightage)