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6B10 MAT : Linear Algebra

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 48

SECTION - A

All the first 4 questions are compulsory. They carry 1 mark each.

- Give an example of a proper non trivial subspace of P(R), the vectorspace of all polynomials with real coefficients.
- A subset of a linearly dependent set can possibly be linearly independent. Justify by giving an example.
- 3. The null space of the operator $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}^2$ given by $T(a_1, a_2) = (a_1, 0)$ is
- 4. The number of linearly independent solutions of the equation x + y + z = 0 is

SECTION - B

Answer any 8 questions from among the questions 5 to 14. These questions carry 2 marks each.

- 5. In any vectorspace V show that (a + b) (x + y) = ax + bx + ay + by for all scalars a and b and all vectors x and y.
- Let V = R² = R x R where vector addition and scalar multiplication are defined by;
 (x₁, x₂) + (y₁, y₂) = (x₁ + y₁, x₂ + y₂) and r(x₁, x₂) = (rx₁, x₂).
 Is V a vectorspace over R? Justify.
- Show that any intersection of subspaces of a vectorspace V is again a subspace of V.
- Let T: V → W be a linear transformation. Prove that N(T), the nullspace of T, is a subspace of V.
- Let T: V → W be an invertible linear transformation. Use dimension theorem to observe that dimV = dimW.

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- 10. Let V = C[a,b] be the vectorspace of all continuous real valued functions defined over the closed bounded interval [a, b]. Describe the fundamental theorem of calculus interms of linear transformations on V.
- 11. Find the values of λ for which the following system of equations have non zero solutions.

$$\lambda x + 8y = 0$$

- $2x + \lambda y = 0$
- Verify that the set of all characteristic vectors of a square matrix associated with a fixed characteristic value λ is a subspace of the respective Eucledian space.
- 13. Use Gauss elimination to solve the system of equations :

$$2x + y + z = 10$$

$$3x + 2y + 3z = 18$$

$$x + 4y + 9z = 16$$

14. Use Gauss Jordan elimination to solve the system of equations :

$$2x + y + z = 10$$

$$3x + 2y + 3z = 18$$

$$x + 4y + 9z = 16$$

SECTION - C

Answer any 4 questions from among the questions 15 to 20. These questions carry 4 marks each.

- Define vectorspace and show that in every vector space (-1) x is the additive inverse of x.
- 16. Define a basis of a vectorspace. Give an example of a basis of M_{2v2}(R).
- 17. Let V and W be vectorspaces and let T: V → W be linear. Then prove that T is one to one if and only if N(T) = {0}.
- 18. Suppose that AX = B has a solution. Show that this solution is unique if and only if AX = 0 has only the trivial solution.

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 Test the following system of equations for consistency and solve it if it is consistent.

$$x + 2y + 3z = 14$$

 $3x + y + 2z = 11$

$$2x + 3y + z = 11$$

 Find the largest characteristic value and a corresponding characteristic vector of the matrix.

SECTION - D

Answer any 2 questions from among the questions 21 to 24. These questions carry 6 marks each.

- 21. If S is a nonempty subset of a vectorspace V, then show that span (S) is a subspace of V and is the smallest subspace of V containing S. Under what further condition S can become a basis of V?
- 22. Let V and W be vectorspaces over a common field F and suppose that V has a basis {x₁, x₂, ..., xₙ}. Prove that for any fixed vectors y₁, y₂, ..., yₙ in W there exists exactly one linear transformation T: V → W such that T(xᵢ) = yᵢ for i = 1 ... n.
- 23. Show that the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

satisfies Cayley Hamilton theorem and hence obtain A-1.

24. Prove that

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -2 & -3 \\ 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

is diagonalizable and find the diagonal form.