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**Sixth Semester B.Sc. Degree (CBCSS – Reg./Supple./Improve.)**  
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**(2014 – 2018 Admissions)**  
**CORE COURSE IN MATHEMATICS**  
**6B10 MAT : Linear Algebra**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 48

**SECTION – A**

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

1. Define a vector space  $V$  over a field  $F$ .
2. When we say  $V$  is the direct sum of the subspaces  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  ?
3. Find the characteristic roots of  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ .
4. Show that the vectors starting from the origin and terminating at  $(-3, 1, 7)$  and  $(9, -3, -21)$  are parallel.

**SECTION – B**

Answer **any eight** questions. **Each** question carries **2** marks.

5. Let  $W_1, W_2$  are two subspaces of a vector space  $V$  then prove that  $W_1 \cap W_2$  is a subspace.
6. Show that  $2x^3 - 2x^2 + 12x - 6$  is a linear combination of  $x^3 - 2x^2 - 5x - 3$  and  $3x^3 - 5x^2 - 4x - 9$ .
7. Prove Cancellation law of vector addition.
8. Let  $V$  and  $W$  be vector spaces and  $T : V \rightarrow W$  be linear then show that  $N(T)$  is a subspace of  $V$ .



9. Let  $V$  and  $W$  be vector spaces and  $T$  from  $V$  to  $W$  be linear then prove that  $T$  is one to one if and only if  $N(T) = \{0\}$ .
10. Show that  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  by  $T(a_1, a_2) = (2a_1 + a_2, a_1)$  is linear.
11. Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix and let  $B$  and  $C$  be  $n \times p$  matrices then prove that  $A(B + C) = AB + AC$ .
12. Find the product of characteristic roots of  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ .
13. Find the characteristic equation of  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & \sqrt{2} \\ \sqrt{2} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .
14. Define eigenvalue and eigenvector of a Matrix.
15. Show that  $A$  and  $A'$  have the same eigenvalues.
16. Show that every singular matrix is a right as well as left zero divisor.
17. If  $X_1, X_2$  are solutions of  $AX = 0$ , then show that  $k_1X_1 + k_2X_2$  is also a solution. Where  $k_1, k_2$  are scalars.
18. Find the equation of line through  $(-2, -1, 5)$  and  $(9, -3, -21)$ .
19. Use Gaussian elimination method, solve  $2x + y + z = 10; 3x + 2y + 3z = 18; x + 4y + 9z = 16$ .
20. Show that  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  is diagonalizable.

## SECTION - C

Answer **any four** questions. **Each** question carries **4** marks.

21. Let  $S$  be a linearly independent subset of a vector space  $V$ , and let  $x$  be an element of  $V$  that is not in  $S$ . Then prove that  $S \cup \{x\}$  is linearly dependent if and only if  $x \in \text{Span}(S)$ .
22. Let  $V$  be a vector space and  $S$  a subset that generates  $V$ . If  $B$  is a maximal linearly independent subset of  $S$ , then show that  $B$  is a basis for  $V$ .
23. Define  $U : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  by  $U(a_1, a_2) = (a_1 - a_2, 2a_1, 3a_1 + 2a_2)$ . Find the matrix of  $U$  with respect to standard ordered basis.



24. Prove that every square matrix satisfies its characteristic equations.
25. If  $A$  is non singular, prove that the eigenvalues of  $A^{-1}$  are the reciprocals of the eigenvalues of  $A$ .
26. Check the consistency and solve  $x + y + z = 6; x - y + z = 2; 2x + y - z = 1$ .
27. Use Gauss Jordan method, solve  $5x - 2y + z = 4; 7x + y - 5z = 8; 3x + 7y + 4z = 10$ .
28. Find the characteristic roots and the corresponding characteristic vectors of the matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} 8 & -6 & 2 \\ -6 & 7 & -4 \\ 2 & -4 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ .

## SECTION - D

Answer **any two** questions. **Each** question carries **6** marks.

29. If  $S$  is a non empty subset of a vector space  $V$ , then show that the set  $W$  consist of all linear combinations of elements of  $S$  is a subspace of  $V$ . Moreover  $W$  is the smallest subspace of  $V$  containing  $S$ .
30. Find a bases for the subspaces  $W_1 = \{(a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, a_5) \in F^5 / a_1 - a_3 - a_4 = 0\}$  and  $W_2 = \{(a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4, a_5) \in F^5 / a_2 = a_3 = a_4 = 0, a_1 + a_5 = 0\}$  of  $F^5$ . What are the dimension of  $W_1$  and  $W_2$ ?
31. If  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . Show that for every integer  $n \geq 4$ ,  $A^n = A^{n-2} + A^3 - A$ . Hence evaluate  $A^{20}$ .

32. Find all latent vectors of the matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} a & h & g \\ 0 & b & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & c \end{pmatrix}$ .

33. Use Gauss method compute the inverse of  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$ .

34. Investigate for what value of  $\lambda, \mu$ , the system of equation  $x + y + z = 6; x + 2y + 3z = 10; x + 2y + \lambda z = \mu$  has (i) No solution, (ii) a unique solution, (iii) a infinite number of solutions.