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MATHEMATICS

(Major)

Paper : 3.2

(Linear Algebra and Vector)

Full Marks : 80

Time : 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

GROUP—A

(Linear Algebra)

(Marks : 40)

1. Answer the following : 1×6=6

(a) If W is the vector space of all polynomials of degree $\leq n$, determine $\dim W$.

(b) Let W be a subspace of the vector space \mathbb{R}^3 over \mathbb{R} . If $\dim W = 1$, what does W represent geometrically?

- (c) Let $F: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be the mapping defined by $F(x, y) = (x+1, y+2)$. Is F linear? Justify.
- (d) Let S and T be linear operators on \mathbb{R}^2 defined by $S(x, y) = (y, x)$ and $T(x, y) = (0, x)$ respectively. Find the formula that defines the operator ST .
- (e) If A is a non-singular matrix, then write the relation between eigenvalues of A and eigenvalues of A^{-1} .
- (f) Let $AX = 0$ be a homogeneous system of m equations in n unknowns and S be the solution space of the system. If $\text{rank } A = k$, then determine dimension of S .

2. Answer the following :

$2 \times 2 = 4$

- (a) Let V be the vector space \mathbb{R}^3 over \mathbb{R} . If U and W are subspaces of V , where U is the xy -plane and W is the yz -plane, then show that $V = U + W$. Is the sum direct? Justify.
- (b) Find all eigenvalues of

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

over the real field \mathbb{R} .

3. Answer any one part :

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(a) (i) For any two subspaces W_1 and W_2 of a vector space V over a field F , prove that $W_1 + W_2$ is the subspace of V spanned by $W_1 \cup W_2$.

(ii) Let V be a vector space of dimension n over F . Show that any linearly independent set of n vectors of V is a basis of V .

(iii) Let U and W be distinct 4-dimensional subspaces of a vector space V of dimension 6. Find the possible dimension of $U \cap W$. 4+3+3

(b) (i) What do you mean by the term 'complement' of a vector space? Prove that every subspace of a finite dimensional vector space has a complement.

(ii) Let W be a subspace of a finite dimensional vector space V . Prove that

$$\dim \frac{V}{W} = \dim V - \dim W \quad 5+5$$

4. Answer any two parts :

5×2=10

- (a) Let U be a finite dimensional vector space and $T:U \rightarrow V$ be a linear transformation. Establish :

$$\dim U = \dim(\ker T) + \dim(\text{Im } T)$$

- (b) Let T be the linear operator on \mathbb{R}^3 defined by

$$T(x, y, z) = (2y + z, x - 4y, 3x)$$

Find the matrix of T relative to the basis

$$\{(1, 1, 1), (1, 1, 0), (1, 0, 0)\}$$

Also verify that the action of T is preserved by the matrix representation. Is T non-singular?

- (c) Consider the following bases of \mathbb{R}^2 over \mathbb{R} :

$$\{e_1 = (1, 0), e_2 = (0, 1)\} \text{ and}$$

$$\{f_1 = (1, 3), f_2 = (2, 5)\}$$

Find the transition matrix P from $\{e_i\}$ to $\{f_i\}$ and the transition matrix Q from $\{f_i\}$ to $\{e_i\}$. Hence show that $Q = P^{-1}$.

5. Answer any one part :

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- (a) (i) Let A and B be two $n \times n$ matrices. Show that AB and BA have same eigenvalues.

(ii) Let

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

Is A similar to a diagonal matrix? If so, find one such matrix.

- (iii) Verify Cayley-Hamilton for the matrix

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

Hence find A^{-1} .

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- (b) (i) Prove that the minimum polynomial of a square matrix exists and is unique.

- (ii) For what values of λ and μ the system of equations

$$x + y + z = 6$$

$$x + 2y + 3z = 10$$

$$x + 2y + \lambda z = \mu$$

has a unique solution?

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GROUP—B

(Vector)

(Marks : 40)

6. Answer the following :

1×4=4

- (a) If \vec{a} , \vec{b} and \vec{c} are three vectors such that \vec{a} and \vec{b} are parallel vectors, then determine

$$\vec{a} \cdot (\vec{b} \times \vec{c})$$

- (b) Evaluate

$$\hat{i} \cdot (\hat{j} \times \hat{k}) + \hat{j} \cdot (\hat{k} \times \hat{i}) + \hat{k} \cdot (\hat{i} \times \hat{j})$$

- (c) Write the geometrical interpretation of grad ϕ .

- (d) Find $\text{div } \vec{v}$, where

$$\vec{v} = 3x^2y\hat{i} + z\hat{j} + x^2\hat{k}$$

7. Answer the following :

2×3=6

- (a) Show that

$$\hat{i} \times (\vec{a} \times \hat{i}) + \hat{j} \times (\vec{a} \times \hat{j}) + \hat{k} \times (\vec{a} \times \hat{k}) = 2\vec{a}$$

- (b) Find the total work done in moving a particle in a force field, given by

$$\vec{F} = 3xy\hat{i} - 5z\hat{j} + 10x\hat{k}$$

along the curve $x = t^2 + 1$, $y = 2t^2$, $z = t^3$
from $t = 0$ to $t = 1$.

- (c) If S is a closed surface, \hat{n} is the outward drawn normal to S and V is the volume enclosed by S , then evaluate

$$\iiint_V \text{div } \hat{n} \, dv$$

8. Answer any one part :

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- (a) (i) Find the equation of the plane passing through the points $A(2, -1, 1)$, $B(3, 2, -1)$ and $C(-1, 3, 2)$.

(ii) Evaluate

$$\nabla \cdot (\vec{A} \times \vec{r}) \text{ if } \nabla \times \vec{A} = \vec{0}$$

- (iii) If $\vec{f} = xy\hat{i} - z\hat{j} + x^2\hat{k}$ and C is the curve $x = t^2$, $y = 2t$, $z = t^3$ from $t = 0$ to $t = 1$, then evaluate $\int_C \vec{f} \times d\vec{r}$.

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- (b) (i) Find the volume of the parallelepiped whose edges are represented by

$$\vec{A} = 2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{B} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} - \hat{k}$$

$$\vec{C} = 3\hat{i} - \hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

- (ii) Find the equation of the tangent plane to the surface

$$2xz^2 - 3xy - 4x = 7$$

at the point (1, -1, 2).

- (iii) If $\vec{f} = (2x^2 - 3z)\hat{i} - 2xy\hat{j} - 4x\hat{k}$, then evaluate

$$\iiint_V \nabla \times \vec{f} \, dv$$

where V is bounded by the coordinate planes and the plane $2x + 2y + z = 4$.

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9. Answer any two parts :

5×2=10

- (a) Establish the following :

$$\nabla \cdot (\phi \vec{A}) = (\nabla \phi) \cdot \vec{A} + \phi (\nabla \cdot \vec{A})$$

Hence evaluate $\nabla \cdot (r^3 \vec{r})$.

- (b) Find the constants a and b so that the surface $ax^2 - byz = (a+2)x$ will be orthogonal to the surface, $4x^2y + z^3 = 4$ at the point $(1, -1, 2)$.
- (c) If $\phi(x, y, z)$ is any solution of Laplace's equation, then show that $\nabla\phi$ is a vector which is both solenoidal and irrotational.

10. Answer any one part :

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(a) (i) Prove

$$(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{c} \times \vec{d}) = (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c})(\vec{b} \cdot \vec{d}) - (\vec{a} \cdot \vec{d})(\vec{b} \cdot \vec{c})$$

(ii) If $\vec{v} = \vec{w} \times \vec{r}$, prove that $\vec{w} = \frac{1}{2} \text{curl} \vec{v}$ where \vec{w} is a constant vector.

(iii) Using Stokes theorem, evaluate $\oint_C \vec{f} \cdot d\vec{r}$, where

$$\vec{f} = y^2 \hat{i} + x^2 \hat{j} - (x+z) \hat{k}$$

and C is the boundary of the triangle with vertices at $(0, 0, 0)$, $(1, 0, 0)$ and $(1, 1, 0)$.

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- (b) (i) Show that any four vectors \vec{a} , \vec{b} , \vec{c} and \vec{d} satisfy

$$[\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{c}] \vec{d} = [\vec{b} \vec{c} \vec{d}] \vec{a} + [\vec{c} \vec{a} \vec{d}] \vec{b} + [\vec{a} \vec{b} \vec{d}] \vec{c}$$

- (ii) Prove that a vector function, $\vec{f}(t)$ is of constant direction if and only if \vec{f} and $\frac{d\vec{f}}{dt}$ are perpendicular to each other.

- (iii) Evaluate

$$\iint_S \vec{F} \cdot \hat{n} dS$$

where $\vec{F} = 4xz\hat{i} - y^2\hat{j} + yz\hat{k}$ and S is the surface of the cube bounded by $x=0$, $x=1$, $y=0$, $y=1$, $z=0$ and $z=1$.

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