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(For candidates admitted from the academic year 2011-12 & thereafter)

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B. Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2016
BRANCH I – MATHEMATICS
SIXTH SEMESTER

COURSE : MAJOR CORE
PAPER : VECTOR SPACES AND LINEAR TRANSFORMATIONS
TIME : 3 HOURS MAX. MARKS : 100

SECTION – A

ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS. (10X2=20)

1. Define a vector space over a field F .
2. Give an example of a subspace of the vector space $F[x]$, of all polynomials in x over the field F .
3. Define the dual space of a vector space V .
4. Give any two bases of the space R^2 over the field R of real numbers.
5. Define the orthogonal complement W^\perp of a subspace W of an inner product space V .
6. Give an orthonormal basis of the inner product space R^2 over R .
7. Define a singular linear transformation.
8. If T is identity transformation on a vector space V of dimension n , then what is the rank of T ?
9. When do you say a matrix is orthogonally diagonalizable?
10. Define similar matrices.

SECTION –B

ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS. (5X8=40)

11. Let V be a vector space over a field F and $\mathbf{0}$ be the zero element of V . Prove that
 - (i) $\alpha \mathbf{0} = \mathbf{0}$, for every $\alpha \in F$
 - (ii) $\alpha v = \mathbf{0}$, for every v in V .
 - (iii) $\alpha(-v) = -(\alpha v)$, for every $\alpha \in F, v \in V$.
 - (iv) If $v \neq \mathbf{0}$, then $\alpha v = \mathbf{0}$ implies that $\alpha = 0$.
12. If v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n is a basis of V over F and if independent w_1, w_2, \dots, w_m in V are linearly independent over F , then prove that $m \leq n$.
13. Find an orthonormal basis for the inner product space of polynomials in x of degree 2 or less over the field R of real numbers.
14. Prove that the characteristic vectors corresponding to distinct characteristic roots of $T \in A(V)$ are linearly independent in V .

15. Show that the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -3 \\ 3 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ is not diagonalizable.
16. State and prove Schwartz inequality.
17. Prove that any orthonormal set of vectors in an inner product space are linearly independent.

SECTION –C

ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS.

(2X20=40)

18. (a) If $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n \in V$ are linearly independent, then prove that every element in their linear span has a unique representation in the form $\lambda_1 v_1 + \dots + \lambda_n v_n$.
- (b) If $V = R^3$ is 3-dimensional Euclidean space and if $S = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. Find $L(S)$.
- (c) If V is a finite dimensional space over a field F and W is a subspace of V , then prove that W is also finite dimensional, $\dim(W) \leq \dim(V)$ and $\dim(V/W) = \dim(V) - \dim(W)$. (5+5+10)
19. (a) Prove that any finite dimensional inner product space V has an orthonormal basis.
- (b) If V is finite dimensional over F and if $S, T \in A(V)$, then prove that
- $r(ST) \leq r(T)$
 - $r(TS) \leq r(T)$
 - $r(ST) = r(TS) = r(T)$ for S regular in $A(V)$
 - If $T \in A(V)$ and if $S \in A(V)$ is regular, then prove that $r(T) = r(STS^{-1})$. (10+10)
20. (a) Orthogonally diagonalize the symmetric matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.
- (b) Is union of two subspaces of a vector space V a subspace of V ? If the answer is yes, prove your answer. If the answer is no, then state and prove the necessary and sufficient condition(s) for union two subspaces of V to be a subspace of V . (10+10)



