3 (Sem-5/CBCS) MAT HC 2

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## **MATHEMATICS**

(Honours Core)

Paper: MAT-HC-5026

(Linear Algebra)

Full Marks: 80

Time: Three hours

## The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.

- 1. Answer the following questions as directed: 1×10=10
  - (a) Give reason why a line in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  not passing through the origin is not a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

(b) Express 
$$W = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 6a - b \\ a + b \\ -7a \end{bmatrix}; a, b \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

as span of two vectors.

- (c) State whether the fallowing statement is true or false:
  - "A finite dimensional vector space has exactly one basis."
- (d) Find the dimension of the subspace of all vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  whose first and third entries are equal.
- (e) 0 is an eigenvalue of a matrix A if and only if A is \_\_\_\_\_. (Fill in the blank)
- When is a square matrix said to be diagonalizable?
- (g) Write the kernel of the linear transformation  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \to \mathbb{R}^3$  such that T(x,y,z) = (x,0,z).
- (h) If  $u = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $v = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$ , then compute u.v.
- (i) What is the distance between the vectors  $\vec{u} = (7,1)$  and  $\vec{v} = (3,2)$  in the  $\mathbb{R}^2$  plane?

- (j) What do you mean by orthogonal vectors in an inner product space?
- 2. Answer the following questions:  $2 \times 5 = 10$

(a) Let 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 12 \\ -3 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$
 and  $w = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Determine if w is in null space of A.

(b) Let P<sub>3</sub> be the vector space of all polynomials of degree atmost 3.Are the vectors

$$p(t) = 1 + t^2$$
 and  $q(t) = 1 - t^2$  linearly independent in  $\mathbb{P}_3$ ? Justify your answer.

(c) Find the eigenvalues of the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 5 & 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

(d) Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, b_2, b_3\}$  be a basis for a vector space V and  $T: V \to \mathbb{R}^2$  be a linear transformation such that

$$T(x_1b_1 + x_2b_2 + x_3b_3) = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 - 4x_2 + 5x_3 \\ -x_2 + 3x_3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find the matrix for T relative to B.

- (e) Let v=(1,-2,2,0) be a vector in  $\mathbb{R}^4$ . Find a unit vector u in the same direction as v.
- 3. Answer any four questions: 5×4=20
  - (a) If a vector space V has a basis  $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, b_2, ..., b_n\}$ , then prove that any set in V containing more than n vectors must be linearly dependent.

(b) Let 
$$b_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$
,  $b_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $x = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .
$$3+2=5$$

- (i) Show that the set  $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, b_2\}$  is a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^2$
- (ii) Find the coordinate vector [x] of x relative to B.
- (c) Given that 2 is an eigenvalue of the

matrix 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & 1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

Find a basis for the corresponding eigenspace.

(A) Prove that an  $n \times n$  matrix A is diagonalizable if and only if A has n linearly independent eigenvectors.

- (e) Compute the orthogonal projection of  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$  onto the line through  $\begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$  and the origin.
- (f) If  $\{u,v\}$  is an orthonormal set in an inner product space V, then show that  $||u-v|| = \sqrt{2}$ .

Answer either (a) or (b) from each of the following questions:  $10\times4=40$ 

4. (a) Find the rank and the nullity of the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & -5 & 8 & 0 & -17 \\ 1 & 3 & -5 & 1 & 5 \\ 3 & 11 & -19 & 7 & 1 \\ 1 & 7 & -13 & 5 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) Let 
$$b_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -9 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
,  $b_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $c_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$  and

C<sub>2</sub> 
$$\mathcal{E}\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$$
 consider the bases for  $\mathbb{R}^2$  given by  $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, b_2\}$  and  $C = \{c_1, c_2\}$  5+5=10

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(i) Find the change-of-coordinates matrix from C to B

- (ii) Find the change-of-coordinates matrix from & to B
- 5. (a) (i) If  $n \times n$  matrices A and B are similar, then show that they have the same characteristic polynomial.

(ii) If 
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & -2 \\ 2 & 5 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$
 then find an

invertible matrix P and a diagonal matrix D such that  $A = PDP^{-1}$  7

(b) (i) Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, b_2, b_3\}$  and  $\mathcal{D} = \{d_1, d_2\}$  be bases for vector spaces V and W respectively. Let  $T: V \to W$  be a linear transformation with the property that

$$T(b_1) = 3d_1 - 5d_2$$
,  $T(b_2) = -d_1 + 6d_2$ ,  $T(b_3) = 4d_2$ .  
Find the matrix for  $T$  relative to  $\mathcal{B}$  and  $\mathcal{D}$ .

(ii) Let A be a real 2×2 matrix with a complex eigenvalue

 $\lambda = a - bi(b \neq 0)$  and an associated eigenvector v in  $\mathbb{C}^2$ . Show that

A(Rev) = a Rev + b Imv and

$$A(Imv) = bRev + aImv 5$$

6. (a) Let, 
$$\mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$
 be a basis for a

subspace W of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Using the Gram-Schmidt process construct an orthogonal basis for W.

Hence, find an orthonormal basis.

8+2=10



b) What do you mean by an inner product on a vector space V?
Consider the inner product in

 $\mathbb{R}^2$  defined by  $\langle u, v \rangle = 4u_1v_1 + 5u_2v_2$ 

where  $u = (u_1, u_2), v = (v_1, v_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ .

If x = (1,1) and y = (5,-1), then find

||x||, ||y|| and  $|\langle x, y \rangle|^2$ . Also, show that in an inner product space V over  $\mathbb{R}$ ,

 $\langle u, v \rangle = \frac{1}{4} ||u + v||^2 - \frac{1}{4} ||u - v||^2, \forall u, v \in V.$ 

2+3+5=10

7. (a) State Cayley-Hamilton theorem for matrices. Verify the theorem for the matrix. 2+6+2=10

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

and hence find  $M^{-1}$ .

(b) If possible, diagonalize the symmetric matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -2 & -1 \\ -2 & 6 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$