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B.Sc.Mathematics - END SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS - APRIL 2025

SEMESTER - VI

20UMACT6013 - Linear Algebra

Total Duration : 2 Hrs.30 Mins.

Total Marks : 60

Section B

Answer any **SIX** questions ($6 \times 5 = 30$ Marks)

1. If $\{v_1, v_2, v_3 \dots v_n\}$ is a basis of V a vector space over F and if $\{w_1, w_2, w_3 \dots w_m\} \in V$ are linearly independent over F , prove that $m \leq n$.
2. If V is finite-dimensional and $v \neq 0 \in V$, then prove that there is an element $f \in \hat{V}$ such that $f(v) \neq 0$.
3. Derive Schwarz inequality.
4. Prove that the element $\lambda \in F$ is a characteristic root of $T \in A(V)$ if and only if for some $v \neq 0$ in V , $vT = \lambda v$.
5. If V is n -dimensional over F and if $T \in A(V)$ has the matrix $m_1(T)$ in the basis v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n and the matrix $m_2(T)$ in the basis w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n of V over F , then prove that there is an element $C \in F_n$ such that $m_2(T) = Cm_1(T)C^{-1}$.
6. Prove that the vectors $(1, 2, 1)$, $(2, 1, 0)$ and $(1, -1, 2)$ are linearly independent.
7. If V is finite dimensional over F , then prove that $T \in A(V)$ is invertible if and only if T maps V onto V .
8. If a, b, c are real numbers such that $a > 0$ and $a\lambda^2 + 2b\lambda + c \geq 0$ for all real numbers λ , prove that $b^2 \leq ac$.

Section C

Answer any **THREE** questions ($3 \times 10 = 30$ Marks)

9. If V is finite dimensional and if W is a subspace of V , then prove that
(a) $\dim W \leq \dim V$ and (b) $\dim(V/W) = \dim V - \dim W$.
10. If $\lambda \in F$ is a characteristic root of $T \in A(V)$, then prove that λ is a root of the minimal polynomial of T . In particular, T only has a finite number of characteristic root in F .
11. Let V be a finite dimensional inner product space then prove that V has an orthonormal set as a basis.

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12. Prove that if V is n -dimensional over F and if $T \in A(V)$ has all its characteristic roots in F , then T satisfies a polynomial of degree n over F .
13. Define linear span of s . also prove that:
- a) $L(s)$ is a subspace of v .
 - b) If $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n \in v$ are linearly independent then prove that every element in their $L(s)$ has a unique representation in the form $\lambda_1 v_1 + \dots + \lambda_n v_n$ with $\lambda_i \in F$.
