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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 a vector space  $V$  over  $F$  and if  $\{w_1, w_2, w_3, \dots, w_m\} \in V$  are linearly independent over  $F$ , then prove that  $m \leq n$ .
2. If  $V$  is finite -dimensional and  $v \neq 0 \in V$ , then prove that there is an element  $f \in v$  such that  $f(v) \neq 0$
3. Derive Cauchy – Schwarz inequality.
4. Prove that the element  $\lambda \in F$  is a characteristics root of  $T \in A(v)$  if and only if for some  $v \neq 0$  in  $V, vT = \lambda v$
5. If  $V$  is finite dimensional over  $F$ , prove that  $T \in A(V)$  is singular if and only if there exists  $v \neq 0$  such that  $vT = 0$ .
6. Prove that the vectors  $(1, 2, 1)$ ,  $(2, 1, 0)$  and  $(1, -1, 2)$  are linearly independent.
7. Prove that  $F^{(n)}$  is isomorphic  $F^{(m)}$  if and only if  $n=m$ .
8. If  $T, S \in A(V)$  and if  $S$  is regular, prove that  $T$  and  $STS^{-1}$  have the same minimal polynomial.

### 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  $V$  and  $W$  are of dimensions  $m$  and  $n$  respectively over  $F$  then prove that  $\text{Hom}(V, W)$  is of dimension  $mn$  over  $F$  .
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. If  $V$  is finite-dimensional over  $F$ , prove that  $T \in A(V)$  is invertible if and only if the constant term of the minimal polynomial for  $T$  is not zero.
13. If  $\lambda \in F$  is a characteristic root of  $T \in A(V)$  prove that  $\lambda$  is a root of the minimal polynomial of  $T$ .

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