

M A/M Sc Applied Mathematics, Semester - 3rd, 2016-17

End-Semester Examination

Course title: Linear Algebra

Course number: PGAMT3C002T

Time allowed: 3 hours

Maximum Marks: 100

Instructions for the candidates:

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- The question paper consist of three sections, namely, **Section A**, **Section B** and **Section C**.
 - The **section A** consist of 10 objective type questions, and all the questions are compulsory in this section.
 - The **section B** consist of 10 short answer type questions with 2 questions from each unit, and the candidate has to attempt 5 questions selecting one question from each unit.
 - The **section C** consist of 5 long answer type questions, and the candidate has to attempt any 3 questions.
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Section - A

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1. Let P be an $n \times n$ matrix over a field \mathbb{F} such that $PA = AP$; for all $n \times n$ matrices A over \mathbb{F} . Then, which of the following statement is true ?
 - (a) P is a diagonal matrix.
 - (b) $P = I_n$ the $n \times n$ identity matrix.
 - (c) $P = \lambda I_n$, where $\lambda \in \mathbb{F}$ and I_n is a $n \times n$ identity matrix.
 - (d) None of the above. $1\frac{1}{2}$
 2. Which of the following statement is false?
 - (a) Every matrix unit is not an invertible matrix.
 - (b) For $A, B \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$, $(A - B)(A + B) = A^2 - B^2$.
 - (c) Every elementary matrix in an invertible matrix.
 - (d) None of the above. $1\frac{1}{2}$
 3. If V is a vector space over \mathbb{C} of dimension n , then V as a vector space over \mathbb{R} , has dimension
 - (a) n
 - (b) $2n$
 - (c) $n + 1$
 - (d) None of the above. $1\frac{1}{2}$

4. Let V be a vector space of dimension n over a field \mathbb{F} . Then, which of the following statement is false:

- (a) If a subset $S = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ of vectors in V is linearly independent, then S spans V .
- (b) If a subset $S = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ of vectors in V spans V , then S is linearly independent.
- (c) Every subset of V consisting of n vectors is linearly independent.
- (d) None of the above.

$\frac{1}{2}$

5. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ be a 2×3 matrix over \mathbb{R} . Then, $\text{rank}(A)$ is equal to

- (a) 2
- (b) 3
- (c) 1
- (d) None of the above.

$\frac{1}{2}$

6. Which of the following statement is true?

- (a) If $m > n$, then there exist an onto linear map from \mathbb{R}^n to \mathbb{R}^m .
- (b) There exist an onto linear map from \mathbb{R}^4 to \mathbb{R}^4 .
- (c) If $m < n$, then there exist an injective linear map from \mathbb{R}^n to \mathbb{R}^m .
- (d) None of the above.

$\frac{1}{2}$

7. Let A be a $n \times n$ orthogonal matrix and $\{C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n\}$ be the set of columns of A . Then, which of the following is false?

- (a) $\langle C_i, C_j \rangle = \delta_{ij}$, where δ_{ij} is the Kronecker-delta function.
- (b) $\|AX\| = \|X\|$ for all $X \in \mathbb{R}^n$.
- (c) $\det(A) = \pm 1$.
- (d) None of the above.

$\frac{1}{2}$

8. Let A be a real symmetric matrix. Then the eigen values of A are

- (a) positive real numbers.
- (b) purely complex numbers.
- (c) real numbers.
- (d) None of the above.

$\frac{1}{2}$

9. Let A be a $n \times n$ unitary matrix. Then

- (a) eigenvalues of A are real numbers.
- (b) $\det(A) = 1$.
- (c) A is an invertible matrix.
- (d) None of the above.

$\frac{1}{2}$

10. Which of the following statement is false?

- (a) The eigenvalues of a skew Hermitian matrix are purely complex numbers of modulus 1.
- (b) The eigenvalues of a real symmetric positive definite matrix are positive real numbers.
- (c) If A is unitary matrix, then eigenvalues of A are complex numbers of modulus 1.
- (d) None of the above.

$\frac{1}{2}$

Section - B

Unit-I

- 1. Show that elementary matrices are invertible. 8
- 2. Compute the inverse of matrix $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ using row reduction. 8

Unit-II

- 3. Show that $W = \{A \in M_n(\mathbb{R}) : A \text{ is a symmetric matrix}\} \subset M_n(\mathbb{R})$ is subspace over the field \mathbb{R} of real numbers and compute its dimension. 8
- 4. Let V be a finite dimensional vector space over a field \mathbb{F} , S, T be finite subsets of V such that S is linearly independent and T spans V . Then $|T| \geq |S|$. 8

Unit-III

- 5. Define $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ as follows: For $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3$, define

$$T \left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \right) := \begin{bmatrix} x_1 + 2x_2 \\ 2x_3 + x_1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then show that T is a linear transformation, and compute the matrix of T with respect to ordered basis $B = \left\{ v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ and $B' = \left\{ e_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, e_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ of \mathbb{R}^3 and \mathbb{R}^2 , respectively. 8

- 6. Use Gram-Schmidt orthonormalisation to construct an orthonormal basis of \mathbb{R}^3 from the ordered basis $\left\{ v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$.

Unit-IV

- 7. Define the characteristic polynomial of a linear operator. Use the characteristic polynomial to show that if A is a 2×2 real symmetric matrix, then its eigenvalues are real numbers. 8

8. Let A be a $n \times n$ real matrix. Then show that the following statements are equivalent:

- (a) A is an orthogonal matrix.
- (b) The columns C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n of A are mutually orthogonal unit vectors in \mathbb{R}^n with respect to standard dot product on \mathbb{R}^n .

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Unit-V

9. Determine the type of conic defined by the polynomial equation $2x_1^2 + x_2^2 + 2x_1 + 2x_2 + 1 = 0$.

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10. Let $V = \frac{\mathbb{C}[t]}{\langle (t-\lambda)^n \rangle}$ be a cyclic $\mathbb{C}[t]$ -module. Then the matrix of linear map given by scalar multiplication by t on V as \mathbb{C} -vector space with respect to basis $\mathcal{B} = \{w_0, w_1, \dots, w_{n-1}\}$, where $w_0 = 1 + \langle (1-t)^n \rangle$ and $w_i = (t-\lambda)^i \cdot w_0$; $i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$, is a Jordan block J_{λ} .

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Section - C

1. (a) Let A and B be $n \times n$ matrices. Then, show that $\det(AB) = \det(A) \det(B)$. 8

(b) Let A be a $n \times n$ matrix. Then show that $\text{adj}(A) \cdot A = \delta \cdot I = A \cdot \text{adj}(A)$, where $\delta = \det(A)$. 7

2. (a) Let $S = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be a linearly independent set of vectors in a vector space V over a field \mathbb{F} , and $v \in V$. Then $S' = S \cup \{v\} = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n, v\}$ is a linearly independent subset of V if and only if v does not belong to the subspace spanned by $S = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$, i.e., $v \notin L(S)$. 9

(b) Consider

$$S = \left\{ v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \subset \mathbb{R}^3.$$

Extend S to a basis of \mathbb{R}^3 .

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3. (a) Define a linear transformation and give an example of a linear transformation from \mathbb{R}^2 to \mathbb{R}^2 . 4

(b) State and prove rank-nullity theorem. 11

4. (a) Define eigenvalue and eigenvector of a linear operator and give an example. 3

(b) Compute the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$ where $\theta \neq 0, \pi$. 12

5. State spectral theorem for a Hermitian operator, and use it to find a 2×2 unitary matrix P such that PAP^* is a real diagonal matrix, where $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & i \\ -i & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, a 2×2 hermitian matrix.

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