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**M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION – MATHEMATICS**

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**PMT1MC01 – LINEAR ALGEBRA**

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## SECTION A

Answer ALL the questions

<b>1</b>	<b>Answer the following</b>	<b>(5 x 1 = 5)</b>	
a)	Write the minimal polynomial of $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$	K1	CO1
b)	Define direct sum of a vector space.	K1	CO1
c)	Give an example for a nilpotent operator.	K1	CO1
d)	Define T-admissible subspace	K1	CO1
e)	Write the adjoint of an identity operator	K1	CO1
<b>2</b>	<b>Multiple Choice Questions</b>	<b>(5 x 1 = 5)</b>	
a)	The eigen values of a nilpotent matrix of order 4 are a) 0, 0, 1, 1    b) 0, 0, 0, 0    c) 1, 1, 1, 1    d) 1, 2, 3, 4	K2	CO1
b)	Similar matrices have a) Different characteristic polynomial. b) real eigen values    c) Non negative eigen values    d) Same characteristic polynomial	K2	CO1
c)	A linear operator has distinct eigen values then it is a) not diagonalizable    b) diagonalizable    c) nilpotent    d) zero matrix	K2	CO1
d)	Let A be a matrix in rational form. Then each diagonal block of A is a) diagonal matrix    b) triangular matrix    c) companion matrix    d) zero matrix	K2	CO1
e)	In $R^2$ $(\alpha \beta) = ax_1y_1 + bx_2y_2$ where $\alpha = (x_1, x_2)$ , $\beta = (y_1, y_2)$ is an inner product if a) $a = 0, b = -3$ b) $a = 2, b = 0$ c) $a = 2, b = 2$ d) For any real $a$ and $b$ .	K2	CO1

## SECTION B

<b>Answer any THREE of the following.</b>		<b>(3 x 10 = 30)</b>	
<b>3</b>	State and prove Cayley-Hamilton theorem.	K3	CO2
<b>4</b>	Let $V$ be a finite-dimensional vector space over the field $F$ and let $T$ be a linear operator on $V$ . Then prove that $T$ is triangulable if and only if the minimal polynomial for $T$ is a product of linear polynomials over $F$ .	K3	CO2
<b>5</b>	Discuss about any four properties of nilpotent operators.	K3	CO2
<b>6</b>	If $U$ is a linear operator on the finite dimensional space $W$ , then show that $U$ has a cyclic vector if and only if there is some ordered basis for $W$ in which $U$ is represented by the companion matrix of the minimal polynomial for $U$ .	K3	CO2
<b>7</b>	Prove that an orthonormal set of non-zero vectors is linearly independent. Also construct an infinite orthonormal set.	K3	CO2

## SECTION C

<b>Answer any TWO of the following .</b>		<b>(2 x 12.5 = 25)</b>	
<b>8</b>	a) Let $T$ be a linear operator on a finite-dimensional space $V$ and let $c$ be a scalar. Prove that the following are equivalent. i) $c$ is a characteristic value of $T$ .	K4	CO3

	ii) The operator $(T - cI)$ is singular (not invertible). iii) $\det(T - cI) = 0$ b) Suppose $T\alpha = c\alpha$ and if $f$ is a polynomial then show that $f(T)\alpha = f(c)\alpha$		
9	State and prove primary decomposition theorem.	K4	CO3
10	Let $\alpha$ be any non-zero vector in $V$ and let $p_\alpha$ be the $T$ -annihilator of $\alpha$ . Show that (i) The degree of $p_\alpha$ is equal to the dimension of the cyclic subspace $Z(\alpha; T)$ . (ii) If the degree of $p_\alpha$ is $k$ , then the vectors $\alpha, T\alpha, T^2\alpha, \dots, T^{k-1}\alpha$ form a basis for $Z(\alpha; T)$ . (iii) If $U$ is the linear operator on $Z(\alpha; T)$ induced by $T$ , then the minimal polynomial for $U$ is $p_\alpha$ .	K4	CO3
11	Let $V$ be a finite-dimensional inner product space. If $T$ and $U$ are linear operators on $V$ and $c$ is a scalar then prove that (i) $(T+U)^* = T^* + U^*$ ; (ii) $(cT)^* = \bar{c} T^*$ ; (iii) $(TU)^* = U^*T^*$ ; (iv) $(T^*)^* = T$	K4	CO3
<b>SECTION D</b>			
<b>Answer any ONE of the following . (1 x 15 = 15)</b>			
12	Let $V$ be a finite-dimensional inner product space, and $f$ a linear functional on $V$ . Then show that there exists a unique vector $\beta$ in $V$ such that $f(\alpha) = (\alpha \beta)$ for all $\alpha$ in $V$ . Illustrate this theorem through an example on $R^2$ .	K5	CO4
13	Let $F$ be a field and let $B$ be an $n \times n$ matrix over $F$ . Then $B$ is similar over the field $F$ to one and only one matrix which is in rational form. If $T$ is a nilpotent transform then discuss about each block in its rational form.	K5	CO4
<b>SECTION E</b>			
<b>Answer any ONE of the following . (1 x 20 = 20)</b>			
14	a) Let $T$ be a linear operator on the finite-dimensional vector space $V$ over the field $F$ . Suppose that the minimal polynomial for $T$ decomposes over $F$ into a product of linear polynomials. Then show that there is a diagonalizable operator $D$ on $V$ and a nilpotent operator $N$ on $V$ such that (i) $T = D + N$ . (ii) $DN = ND$ . The diagonalizable operator $D$ and the nilpotent operator $N$ are uniquely determined by (i) and (ii) and each of them is a polynomial in $T$ .  b) Let $V$ the space of all polynomials of degree less than or equal to 3. Let $T$ be differential operator on $V$ . Discuss about the properties of the matrix of $T$ in the standard basis. Also write its Jordan form.	K6	CO5
15	Write about the existence of cyclic decomposition theorem. Discuss about various possibilities of Jordan forms of $A$ if it has characteristic polynomial $(x - 3)^2(x - 2)^4$ and has minimal polynomial $(x - 3)(x - 2)^2$ .	K6	CO5

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