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Date : 10/09/2016

MATHEMATICS (Honours)

Time : 11 am – 1 pm

Paper : III

Full Marks : 50

[Use a separate Answer Book for each group]

## Group – A

(Answer any five questions)

[5×5]

1. Let  $U$  and  $W$  be two subspaces of a finite dimensional vector space  $V$  over a field  $F$ . Then prove that  $\dim(U + W) = \dim U + \dim W - \dim(U \cap W)$ . [5]

2. Let  $U$  be the subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$  generated by  $\{(1,0,1,1), (1,2,1,0)\}$ . Find two different subspaces  $P, Q$  of  $\mathbb{R}^4$  such that  $U \oplus P = \mathbb{R}^4$  and  $U \oplus Q = \mathbb{R}^4$ . [5]

3. Let  $A, B$  be two matrices over the same field  $F$  such that  $AB$  is defined. Then show that  $\text{rank of } AB \leq \min\{\text{rank } A, \text{rank } B\}$

For what values of 'a' the following system is consistent? [3+2]

$$x - y + z = 1$$

$$x + 2y + 4z = a$$

$$x + 4y + 6z = a^2$$

4. Find the rank of  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 7 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . Also express the matrix, as a product of two matrices with

rank 'rank  $A$ '. Find all  $1 \times 3$  real matrices  $B$  such that  $BA = O$  where  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & 2 \\ 4 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ . [3+2]

5. For what values of 'k' the planes

$$x + y + z = 2$$

$$3x + y - 2z = k$$

$$2x + 4y + 7z = k + 1$$

form a triangular prism. Let  $V$  and  $W$  are vector spaces over the same field  $F$ . Let  $T$  be a linear transformation from  $V$  to  $W$ . Then show that  $\text{Im } T$  is a subspace of  $W$ . [3+2]

6. Find the values of 'a' and 'b' for which the system

$$x + y + z = b$$

$$2x + y + 3z = b + 1$$

$$5x + 2y + az = b^2$$

has (a) only one solution, (b) no solution, (c) many solutions. [5]

7. Let  $V$  and  $W$  be vector spaces over the same field  $F$ . Also let  $T : V \rightarrow W$  be a linear transformation. If  $V$  is finite-dimensional, then show that  $\text{nullity}(T) + \text{rank}(T) = \dim V$ . [5]

8. Let  $V$  be the vector space of all real polynomials of degree  $\leq 3$  and  $D: V \rightarrow V$  is defined by  $Dp(x) = \frac{d}{dx} p(x)$ ,  $p(x) \in V$  and  $T: V \rightarrow V$  is defined by  $Tp(x) = x \frac{d}{dx} p(x)$ ,  $p(x) \in V$ . Relative to the ordered basis  $\{1, x, x^2, x^3\}$  determine the matrix of the linear transformation  $TD - DT$ . [5]

### **Group – B**

(Answer any three questions)

[3×5]

9. A particle describes an ellipse under a force which is always directed towards the centre of the ellipse. Find the law of force.
10. If  $h$  be the height attained by a particle when projected with a velocity  $V$  from the earth's surface supposing its attraction constant, and  $H$  the corresponding height when the variation of gravity is taken into account, prove that  $\frac{1}{h} - \frac{1}{H} = \frac{1}{r}$ , where  $r$  is the radius of the earth.
11. A heavy uniform chain of length  $2\ell$ , hangs over a small smooth fixed pulley, the length  $\ell + c$  being at one side and  $\ell - c$  at the other; if the end of the shorter portion be held and then let go, show that the chain will slip off the pulley in time  $\left(\frac{\ell}{g}\right)^{1/2} \log \frac{\ell + \sqrt{\ell^2 - c^2}}{c}$  ( $\ell > c$ ).
12. A mass is suspended from a ceiling by a light elastic string of natural length  $\ell$ . When the mass hangs in equilibrium, the length of the string is  $\ell + c$ . The mass is started off from this position of equilibrium with downward vertical velocity  $v$ . If in the subsequent motion the string never becomes slack, show that  $v^2 \leq cg$ .
13. A particle is projected with velocity  $u$  at an inclination  $\alpha$  above the horizontal in a medium whose resistance per unit mass is  $k$  times the velocity. Show that its direction will again make angle  $\alpha$  below the horizontal after a time  $\frac{1}{k} \log \left(1 + \frac{2ku \sin \alpha}{g}\right)$ .

### **Group – C**

(Answer any two questions)

[2×5]

14. Prove that the lines whose direction cosines are given by the equations  $a\ell + bm + cn = 0$ ,  $u\ell^2 + vm^2 + wn^2 = 0$  are perpendicular if  $a^2(v+w) + b^2(w+u) + c^2(u+v) = 0$  and parallel if  $\frac{a^2}{u} + \frac{b^2}{v} + \frac{c^2}{w} = 0$ .
15. If  $2c$  be the shortest distance between the lines  $\frac{x}{\ell} - \frac{z}{n} = 1$ ,  $y = 0$  and  $\frac{y}{m} + \frac{z}{n} = 1$ ,  $x = 0$ , show that  $\frac{1}{c^2} = \frac{1}{\ell^2} + \frac{1}{m^2} + \frac{1}{n^2}$ .
16. Find the smallest sphere which touches the lines  $\frac{x-2}{1} = \frac{y-1}{-2} = \frac{z-6}{1}$  and  $\frac{x+3}{7} = \frac{y+3}{-6} = \frac{z+3}{1}$ .

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