

B.Sc.- Physics(Hons) / III
(Mathematical Physics - III)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 50

Question No. 1 is **compulsory** & attempt **four** other questions, choosing at least one from each section.

Q 1 Answer any *four* : $4 \times 2\frac{1}{2} = 10$

(a) Solve

$$2x + 3y - 2z = 5$$

$$x - 2y + 3z = 5$$

$$4x - y + 4z = 1$$

(b) Consider the following transformation of the Cartesian plane \mathbb{R}^2 :

$$T[x, y] = [x \cos \theta - y \sin \theta, x \sin \theta + y \cos \theta]$$

Is this a linear transformation ?

(c) Prove that the determinant of a Hermitian matrix is real.

(d) Write u as a linear combination of the polynomials $v = 2t^2 + 3t - 4$ and $w = t^2 - 2t - 3$ where $u = 4t^2 - 6t - 1$.

(e) Prove that every linear transformation maps the zero vector to the zero vector.

Section A

Q 2 (a) If T and S are nonsingular transformations, then prove that

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$$(TS)^{-1} = S^{-1}T^{-1}$$

(b) Let U and W be the subspaces of \mathbb{R}^4 generated by

3 + 3

$\{(1, 1, 0, -1), (1, 2, 3, 0), (2, 3, 3, -1)\}$ and $\{(1, 2, 2, -2), (2, 3, 2, -3), (1, 3, 4, -3)\}$ respectively. Find (i) $\dim(U + W)$, (ii) $\dim(U \cap W)$.

- Q 3** (a) Let W be the space generated by the polynomials
 $u = t^3 + 2t^2 - 2t + 1$, $v = t^3 + 3t^2 - t + 4$ and $w = 2t^3 + t^2 - 7t - 7$
 Find a basis and the dimension of W . 6
- (b) Find the coordinate vector of $v = (4, -3, 2)$
 relative to the basis $\{(1, 1, 1), (1, 1, 0), (1, 0, 0)\}$. 4

Section B

- Q 4** Find the rank of matrix A where: 10

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 & -2 & -3 \\ 1 & 4 & 3 & -1 & -4 \\ 2 & 3 & -4 & -7 & -3 \\ 3 & 8 & 1 & -7 & -8 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Q 5** (a) Let u, v and w be independent vectors. Show that $u + w, u - w$ and $u - 2v + w$ are also independent. 4
- (b) In the space of polynomials $p(x)$ of degree ≤ 3 choose $\{1, x, x^2, x^3\}$ as a basis and let D be the derivative mapping: $Dp(x) = \frac{d}{dx}p(x)$. Represent D by a matrix. 6

Section C

- Q 6** (a) In a plane, T maps $[x, y]$ into $[x + y, x - y]$. Find the matrix representing T with respect to the basis $\{(1, -1), (1, 1)\}$. 6
- (b) Show that the polynomials $(1-t)^3, (1-t)^2, (1-t)$ and 1 generate the space of polynomials of degree ≤ 3 . 4
- Q 7** (a) Define a Skew-Hermitian matrix. Show that the diagonal elements of a skew-Hermitian matrix are either zero or purely imaginary. 6
- (b) Show that the determinant of an orthogonal matrix is either $+1$ or -1 . 4