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M. Sc. (Sem. II) Examination

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Mathematics : MCB - II

(Advanced Linear Algebra)

Time : 2 Hours]

[Total Marks : 35

- Instructions :** (1) Each the questions is compulsory and carry equal marks.  
(2) Follow the standard notations and conventions.

**Note :** Throughout the question paper assume that  $V$  is an  $n$ -dimensional vector space over a field  $F$ ,  $B = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  is an ordered basis of  $V$  over  $F$  and  $T \in A_F(V)$ .

- 1 (a) Define : Idempotent and Nilpotent linear transformations on an  $n$ -dimensional vector space  $V$  over a field  $F$ . Show that :
- (1) If  $T \in A_F(V)$  is idempotent, then  $V = V_0 \oplus V_1$ , where  $V_0 = \ker(T)$  and  $V_1 = \ker(T - I)$ .
  - (2) If  $S \in A_F(V)$  is nilpotent, then a characteristic roots of  $T$  is 0.
- (b) Show that an algebra  $A$ , with unit element, over a field  $F$  is isomorphic to a subalgebra of the algebra  $A_F(V)$ , for some vector space  $V$  over  $F$ .

OR

- (b) If  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \dots, \lambda_k$  in  $F$  are the distinct characteristic roots of  $T$  and  $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n$  are characteristic vectors of  $T$  belonging to  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \dots, \lambda_k$  respectively, for some integer  $k \leq n$ , show that  $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n$  are linearly independent over  $F$ .

- 2 (a) If  $T$  has all its characteristic roots in  $F$ , show that there is a basis of  $V$  over  $F$  in which the matrix of  $T$  in the basis  $B$ ,  $m(T) = [T]_B$ , is triangular matrix, and  $T$  satisfies a polynomial of degree  $n$  over  $F$ .

- (b) Show that the matrices of  $T$  in two bases of  $V$  over  $F$  are similar in  $F_n$ .

OR

- (b) Let  $F$  be a field with  $\text{char } F \neq 2$ , and  $V = F^{(3)}$  be the vector space over  $F$ . If

$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 6 \\ 1 & 0 & -11 \\ 0 & 1 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \in F_3$ , then determine its minimal polynomial over  $F$  and its similar matrix in  $F_3$  which is a diagonal matrix.

- 3 (a) Define  $\text{tr}(T)$  and establish that it is independent from choice of basis. Show that  $\text{tr}(T)$  is the sum of the characteristic roots of  $T$ .

OR

- (a) If  $T$  is nilpotent of index  $n_1$ , prove that there exists a basis  $B$  of  $V$  such that the matrix of  $T$  in this basis has the form diagonal matrix  $\text{diag} [M_{n_1} \ M_{n_2} \ \dots \ M_{n_r}]$  in  $F_n$ , Where  $n_1 \geq n_2 \geq \dots \geq n_r$  with  $n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_r = n$ .

- (b) For a matrix  $A \neq 0$  in  $F_n$ , where  $F = \mathbb{C}$ , prove that  $\text{tr}(A^*A) > 0$  and characteristic roots of a Hermitian matrix are all real.
- 3 (a) If all the distinct characteristic roots  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \dots, \lambda_k$  of  $T$  lie in  $F$ , show that  $V$  can be written as  $V = V_1 \oplus V_2 \oplus \dots \oplus V_k$ , where each subspace  $V_j = \ker\left((T - \lambda_j I)^{l_j}\right)$  and the linear transformation  $T_j$ , induced by  $T$  on  $V_j$ , has only one characteristic root  $\lambda_j$ , on  $V_j$ .

OR

- (a) If  $\text{char}(F) = 0$ , and if  $\text{tr}(T^j) = 0$  for all  $j \geq 1$ , prove that  $T$  is nilpotent.
- (b) If  $A \in F_n$ , prove that  $A = B + C$  where  $B \in F_n$  is symmetric matrix and  $C \in F_n$  is skew-symmetric matrix are uniquely determined.
- 4 (a) For  $A \in F_n$  prove that  $\det(A) = \det(A')$ .
- (b) Find the Jordan canonical form of any one

of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 4 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \in F_3$ .

OR

- (b) Show that the characteristic roots of  $A \in F_n$  are the roots with correct multiplicity of the equation  $\det(A - xI) = 0$ .

5 Answer Briefly any three :

- (a) Prove that  $T$  is invertible if and only if it maps  $V$  onto  $V$ .
- (b) Let  $F = \mathbb{F}_2$  and  $V = \mathbb{F}_2^2$  and  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \in F_2$  be the matrix of  $T$  relative to the standard ordered basis of  $V$  over  $F$ . Prove that the  $V$  and zero subspace are only the subspaces of  $V$  which are invariant under  $T$ .
- (c) For  $T, S \in A_F(V)$ , show that  $r(TS) \leq r(T)$  and  $r(TS) = r(ST)$  whenever  $S$  is regular.
- (d) If  $A \in F_n$  is invertible, prove that  $\det(A) \neq 0$ .
- (e) Let  $F = \mathbb{R}$  and  $V = \mathbb{R}^2$ , find the trace and determinant of  $T$  defined as  $T(a, b) = (a, a + b)$ .