

**2023**  
**B.A./B.Sc.**  
**Sixth Semester**  
CORE – 14  
**MATHEMATICS**  
*Course Code: MAC 6.21*  
(Ring Theory & Linear Algebra - II)

*Total Mark: 70*  
*Time: 3 hours*

*Pass Mark: 28*

*Answer five questions, taking one from each unit.*

**UNIT-I**

1. (a) If  $R[x]$  is the ring of polynomials of a ring  $R$ , prove that  $R$  is an integral domain if and only if  $R[x]$  is an integral domain. What can you say about  $R[x]$  if  $R$  is a field? 5
- (b) State and prove the division algorithm for polynomials. 5
- (c) Let  $F$  be a field. If  $f(x) \in F[x]$  and  $\deg f(x)$  is 2 or 3, prove that  $f(x)$  is reducible over  $F$  if and only if  $f(x)$  has a zero in  $F$ . 4
2. (a) Prove that the product of two primitive polynomials is primitive. 5
- (b) If  $f(x) \in Z[x]$  is reducible over  $Q$  (the field of rational), prove that  $f(x)$  is reducible over  $Z$  (the ring of integers). 4
- (c) If  $F$  is a field, prove that  $F[x]$  is a principal ideal domain. 5

**UNIT-II**

3. (a) Prove that every Euclidean domain is a principal ideal domain. 5
- (b) Show that  $\frac{Q[x]}{I}$ , where  $I = (x^2 - 5x + 6)$  is not a field. 2
- (c) Prove that every principal ideal domain is a unique factorization domain. 7
4. (a) Show that  $\sqrt{-5}$  is a prime element in the ring  $Z[\sqrt{-5}] = \{a + \sqrt{-5}b : a, b \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  3

- (b) If  $R$  is an integral domain with unity in which every non-zero, non unit element is a finite product of irreducible elements and every irreducible elements is prime, prove that  $R$  is unique factorization domain. 7
- (c) Prove that every irreducible element in  $R[x]$  is an irreducible polynomial in  $R[x]$ ,  $R$  being an integral domain with unity. Is the converse true? Justify. 4

### UNIT-III

5. (a) If  $B = \{ (1, -2, 3), (1, -1, 1), (2, -4, 7) \}$  is a basis of  $V_3(\mathbb{R})$ , find its dual basis. 5
- (b) If  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  is a basis of the vector space  $V$  over a field  $F$  and  $\{f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n\}$  is the dual basis of  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ , then prove that
- (i) any vector  $v \in V$  is expressible as  $v = \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(v)v_i$ .
- (ii) any linear functional  $f \in v^*$  is expressible as  $f = \sum_{i=1}^n f_i(v)f_i$ . 5
- (c) If  $T : V \rightarrow U$  is a linear map and  $T^* : U^* \rightarrow V^*$  is its transpose, show that the Kernel of  $T^*$  is the annihilator of the image of  $T$ . 4
6. (a) Let  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_k$  be the distinct eigen values of  $T \in L(V)$ . If  $W_i$  be the eigen space corresponding to the eigen values  $\lambda_i$  and if  $W = W_1 + W_2 + \dots + W_k$  then prove that  $\dim W = \dim W_1 + \dim W_2 + \dots + \dim W_k$  4
- (b) Prove that the minimal polynomial of a matrix of linear operator is unique. 4
- (c) If  $T$  is a linear operator on  $R^3$  which is represented in the standard

ordered basis by the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -9 & 4 & 4 \\ -8 & 3 & 4 \\ -16 & 8 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$ , prove that  $T$  is

diagonalizable by exhibiting a basis of  $R^3$  each of which is an eigen vector of  $T$ .

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### UNIT-IV

7. (a) Prove that every finite dimensional vector space is an inner product space. 5
- (b) Find an orthonormal basis of the vector space  $V$  of all real polynomials of degree not greater than two, in which the inner product space is defined as  $\langle \phi(x), \psi(x) \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 \phi(x), \psi(x) dx$  where  $\phi(x), \psi(x) \in V$ . 6
- (c) Prove that an orthonormal set of vectors is linearly independent. 3
8. (a) Let  $W$  be a subspace of an inner product space  $V$ . Show that  
 (i)  $V = W \oplus W^\perp$  (ii)  $W = W^{\perp\perp}$  5
- (b) If  $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$  be any finite orthonormal set in an inner product space  $V$  over a field  $F$  and if  $u$  is any vector in  $V$  then prove that  $\sum_{i=1}^n |\langle u, u_i \rangle|^2 \leq \|u\|^2$ . Furthermore, show that equality holds if and only if  $u$  is the subspace generated by  $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$ . 6
- (c) Find the norm of the vector  $v = (1, -2, 5)$ . Also normalize this vector. 3

### UNIT-V

9. (a) If  $T$  and  $S$  are linear operators on an inner product space  $V$  over field  $F$ , prove that  
 (i)  $(T + S)^* = T^* + S^*$  (ii)  $(aT)^* = \bar{a}T^*$  where  $a \in F$   
 (ii)  $(TS)^* = S^*T^*$  (iv)  $(T^*)^* = T$  4
- (b) Let  $A \in M_{n \times n}(F)$  and  $y \in F^n$ . Then prove that there exists  $x_0 \in F^n$  such that  $(A^*A)x_0 = A^*y$  and  $\|Ax_0 - y\| \leq \|Ax - y\| \forall y \in F^n$ . Furthermore, if  $rank(A) = n$  then prove that  $x_0 = (A^*A)^{-1}A^*y$ . 5

(c) Suppose  $T$  is a linear operator on an inner product space  $V(F)$ . Then show that the adjoint  $T^*$  of  $T$  exists such that  $TT^* = T^*T = I$  if and only if  $T$  is unitary. 5

10. (a) Let  $T$  be a linear operator on a complex inner product space  $V$ . Then prove that  $T$  is normal if and only if  $\|T^*(u)\| = \|T(u)\| \forall u \in V$ . 4

(b) Show that a linear operator  $E$  is a perpendicular projection in an inner product space if and only if it is idempotent and self-adjoint. 6

(c) Prove that if  $T$  be a normal operator on a finite dimensional complex inner product space  $V$ , then every subspace of  $V$  which is invariant under  $T$  is also invariant under  $T^*$ . 4

