



- (g) The minimal polynomial of the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & -6 & -6 \\ -1 & 4 & 2 \\ 3 & -6 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$  is
- (i)  $(x+1)(x-2)$     (ii)  $(x-1)(x-2)$     (iii)  $(x-1)(x-2)^2$     (iv)  $(x-1)(x-2)(x-3)$ .
- (h) Let  $T$  be a linear operator on  $\mathbb{C}^3$  defined by  $T(x, y, z) = (2x, 0, x)$ , then the adjoint operator  $T^*$  of  $T$  is
- (i)  $T^*(x, y, z) = (2x+z, 0, 0)$     (ii)  $T^*(x, y, z) = (2x, 0, z)$   
 (iii)  $T^*(x, y, z) = (2x, 2y, 2z)$     (iv)  $T^*(x, y, z) = (0, 0, 2x+z)$ .
- (i) Signature of the quadratic form  $5x^2 + y^2 + 10z^2 - 4yz - 10zx$  is
- (i) 1    (ii) 2    (iii) 3    (iv) 4.
- (j) If  $B = \{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  is an ordered basis for  $\mathbb{C}^3$  defined by  $v_1 = (1, 0, -1)$ ,  $v_2 = (1, 1, 1)$ ,  $v_3 = (2, 2, 0)$ , then the dual basis  $\{f_1, f_2, f_3\}$  of  $B$  is given by
- (i)  $f_1(x, y, z) = x + y$ ;  $f_2(x, y, z) = x + y + z$ ;  $f_3(x, y, z) = \frac{x - y + z}{2}$   
 (ii)  $f_1(x, y, z) = x - y$ ;  $f_2(x, y, z) = x - y + z$ ;  $f_3(x, y, z) = -\frac{1}{2}x + y - \frac{1}{2}z$   
 (iii)  $f_1(x, y, z) = x + y$ ;  $f_2(x, y, z) = -\frac{1}{2}x + y - \frac{1}{2}z$ ;  $f_3(x, y, z) = x - y - z$   
 (iv) None of the above.

### Unit - I

#### (Group Theory)

2. Answer **any four** questions :

- (a) (i) Show that  $|\text{Aut}(Z_n)| = \phi(n)$  where  $\phi$  is the Euler  $\phi$ -function.  
 (ii) Give examples of two groups  $G$  and  $H$  such that  $G \not\cong H$  but  $\text{Aut}(G) \cong \text{Aut}(H)$ .    3+2
- (b) (i) Show that  $\text{Inn}(S_3) \cong S_3$ .  
 (ii) Let  $G$  be a group. If  $\text{Inn}(G)$  is cyclic, then show that  $G$  must be abelian.    3+2
- (c) Prove that  $Z_m \times Z_n$  is cyclic if and only if  $\text{gcd}(m, n) = 1$ . Is  $Z \times Z$  cyclic? Justify.    4+1
- (d) Let  $G$  be a group,  $H$  and  $K$  be normal subgroups of  $G$  such that  $G = HK$ . Let  $H \cap K = N$ . Show that  $G/N \cong H/N \times K/N$ .    5

- (e) (i) Let  $G$  be a commutative group of order 99. Show that  $G$  has a unique normal subgroup  $H$  of order 11.
- (ii) Show that  $8\mathbb{Z} / 56\mathbb{Z} \simeq \mathbb{Z}_7$ . 2+3
- (f) Show that for any prime  $p$ , there exist only two non-isomorphic groups of order  $p^2$ . 5
- (g) (i) If  $G$  is the internal direct product of  $N_1, N_2, \dots, N_k$  and if  $a \in N_i, b \in N_j$  for  $i \neq j$ , then prove that  $N_i \cap N_j = \{e\}$  and  $ab = ba$ .
- (ii) Let  $p, q$  be odd primes and let  $m$  and  $n$  be positive integers. Is  $U(p^m) \times U(q^n)$  cyclic? Justify. Here  $U(n)$  denotes the group of units modulo  $n$ . 3+2

### Unit - II

#### (Linear Algebra)

3. Answer **any five** questions :

- (a) Reduce the equation  $7x^2 - 2xy + 7y^2 - 16x + 16y - 8 = 0$  into canonical form and determine the nature of the conic. 5
- (b) (i) Prove that any two matrix representations of a bilinear form are congruent.
- (ii) Let  $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 + xy$ . Find the Hessian matrix of  $f$  at  $(0, 0)$  and show that  $f$  has a local minimum at the origin. 2+3
- (c) Let  $W$  be the subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  spanned by  $(1, 1, 0)$  and  $(0, 1, 1)$ . Find a basis of the annihilator of  $W$ . 5
- (d) (i) Let  $\beta$  be a basis for a finite-dimensional inner product space. Prove that if  $\langle x, z \rangle = 0$  for all  $z \in \beta$ , then  $x = 0$ .
- (ii) Show that the sum of two inner products is again an inner product. 3+2
- (e) (i) Let  $V$  be a vector space over  $F$ ,  $\beta = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be a basis of  $V$  and  $\beta^* = \{f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n\}$  be the dual basis. Then show that for every  $v \in V$ ,  $v = f_1(v)v_1 + f_2(v)v_2 + \dots + f_n(v)v_n$ .
- (ii) Consider the linear transformation  $T : M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$  defined by  $T(A) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} A$  for all  $A \in M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R})$ , check whether the subspace  $W = \{A \in M_{2 \times 2}(\mathbb{R}) / A^t = A\}$  is  $T$ -invariant. 2+3
- (f) Diagonalise the symmetric matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ . 5

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(g) (i) Use Gram–Schmidt orthonormalization process to find an orthonormal basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  from the basis  $\{(1, 0, 1), (1, 1, 1), (1, 3, 4)\}$ .

(ii) Find the adjoint of the linear operator  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  defined by

$$T(x, y, z) = (x + y - z, x - z, y - z) \text{ for all } (x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3. \quad 3+2$$

(h) Show that the matrix  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & -2 \\ -1 & 0 & 5 \\ -1 & -1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$  has a Jordan canonical form. Find a Jordan canonical

form of  $A$ . What are the number of distinct Jordan canonical forms of  $A$ ? 1+3+1

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