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**CC13-MATHEMATICS**

**RING THEORY AND LINEAR ALGEBRA-II**

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 60

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.  
All symbols are of usual significance.*

**GROUP-A**

**Answer any four questions from the following**

3×4 = 12

1. Find all the prime ideals in the ring  $\mathbb{Z}_8$ .
2. Express the ideal  $4\mathbb{Z} + 10\mathbb{Z}$  in the ring  $\mathbb{Z}$  as a principal ideal of  $\mathbb{Z}$ .
3. Show that  $1 - i$  is irreducible in  $\mathbb{Z}[i]$ .
4. Give an example of a matrix  $A \in M_2(\mathbb{R})$  such that  $A$  has no eigenvalue.
5. Test for the diagonalizability of the matrix  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  in  $M_2(\mathbb{R})$ .
6. If  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are two subsets of a vector space  $V$  such that  $S_1 \subseteq S_2$  then prove that  $S_2^0 \subseteq S_1^0$ . Here  $S^0$  denotes the annihilator of  $S$ .

**GROUP-B**

**Answer any four questions from the following**

6×4 = 24

7. (a) Show that  $I = \{(a, 0) : a \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  is a prime ideal but not a maximal ideal in the ring  $\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{Z}$ . 3  
(b) Prove that in an integral domain, every prime element is an irreducible element. Is the converse true? Justify your answer. 3
8. (a) Show that  $2 + 11i$  and  $2 - 7i$  are relatively prime in the integral domain  $\mathbb{Z}[i]$ . 3  
(b) Prove that  $K[x]$  is a Euclidean domain where  $K$  is a field. 3

9. (a) Let  $\mathcal{B} = \{\beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3\}$  be a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , where  $\beta_1 = (1, 0, -1)$ ,  $\beta_2 = (1, 1, 1)$  and  $\beta_3 = (2, 2, 0)$ . Find the dual basis of  $\mathcal{B}$ . 3
- (b) Let  $W$  be the subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^5$  which is spanned by the vectors  $\alpha_1 = (2, -2, 3, 4, -1)$ ,  $\alpha_2 = (-1, 1, 2, 5, 2)$ ,  $\alpha_3 = (0, 0, -1, -2, 3)$  and  $\alpha_4 = (1, -1, 2, 3, 0)$ . Find  $W^\perp$ . 3
- 10.(a) Let  $V$  be a vector space over a field  $F$  and  $T : V \rightarrow V$  be a linear operator. Suppose  $\chi_T(t)$  and  $m(t)$  are the characteristic polynomial and minimal polynomial of  $T$  respectively. Then prove that  $m(t)$  divides  $\chi_T(t)$ . 3
- (b) Prove that for all  $\alpha, \beta$  in a Euclidean space  $V$ ,  $\langle \alpha, \beta \rangle = 0$  iff  $\|\alpha + \beta\|^2 = \|\alpha\|^2 + \|\beta\|^2$ . 3
- 11.(a) Let  $V$  be an inner product space and  $T$  be a linear operator on  $V$ . Then prove that  $T$  is an orthogonal projection iff  $T$  has an adjoint  $T^*$  and  $T^2 = T = T^*$ . 4
- (b) State Bessel's inequality regarding an orthogonal set of nonzero vectors in an inner product space  $V$ . 2
- 12.(a) Apply Gram-Schmidt process to the given subset  $S$  of the inner product space  $V$  to obtain an orthonormal basis  $\mathcal{B}$  for  $\text{span}(S)$ , where  $V = \mathbb{R}^3$  and  $S = \{(1, 1, 1), (0, 1, 1), (0, 0, 1)\}$ . 4
- (b) Let  $A \in M_2(\mathbb{R})$ , where  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ . Show that  $A$  is diagonalizable. 2

### GROUP-C

Answer any *two* questions from the following

12×2 = 24

- 13.(a) Let  $R$  be an integral domain. Suppose there exists a function  $\delta : R \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{N}_0$  such that for all  $a, b \in R \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $\delta(ab) \geq \delta(b)$ , where equality holds iff  $a$  is a unit. Then prove that  $R$  is a factorization domain. 6
- (b) If  $p$  be a nonzero non-unit element in a PID  $D$ , then prove that the following statements are equivalent: 6
- $p$  is a prime element in  $D$ .
  - $p$  is an irreducible element in  $D$ .
  - $\langle p \rangle$  is a nonzero maximal ideal of  $D$ .
  - $\langle p \rangle$  is a nonzero prime ideal of  $D$ .
- 14.(a) Prove that the integral domains  $\mathbb{Z}[i\sqrt{n}]$  for  $n = 6, 7, 10$  are factorization domains but not unique factorization domains. 6

- (b) Let  $V = M_n(\mathbb{R})$  and  $B \in V$  be a fixed vector. If  $T$  is the linear operator on  $V$  defined by  $T(A) = AB - BA$  and if  $f$  is the trace function, what is  $T'(f)$ ? Here  $T'$  denotes the transpose of  $T$ . 4
- (c) Let  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  be the standard inner product on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Let  $\alpha = (1, 2)$  and  $\beta = (-1, 1)$ . If  $\gamma$  is a vector such that  $\langle \alpha, \gamma \rangle = -1$  and  $\langle \beta, \gamma \rangle = 3$ , find  $\gamma$ . 2
- 15.(a) Let  $F$  be a field and  $f$  be the linear functional on  $F^2$ , defined by  $f(x_1, x_2) = ax_1 + bx_2$ . Then find  $T'f$ , where  $T : F^2 \rightarrow F^2$  is a linear operator defined by  $T(x_1, x_2) = (x_1 - x_2, x_1 + x_2)$  for all  $(x_1, x_2) \in F^2$ . 4
- (b) Find the minimal polynomial of the matrix  $A \in M_3(\mathbb{R})$ , where 5
- $$A = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -2 & 2 \\ 6 & -3 & 4 \\ 3 & -2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$
- (c) Let  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  be two linear operators on an inner product space  $V$ . Then prove that  $(T_1 T_2)^* = T_2^* T_1^*$ . 3
- 16.(a) Let  $V$  be an  $n$ -dimensional inner product space and  $W$  be a subspace of  $V$ . Then prove that  $\dim(V) = \dim(W) + \dim(W^\perp)$ , where  $W^\perp$  denotes the orthogonal complement of  $W$ . 5
- (b) Let  $T$  be a linear operator on a finite dimensional vector space  $V$  and let  $f(t)$  be the characteristic polynomial of  $T$ . Then prove that  $f(T) = T_0$ , where  $T_0$  denotes the zero transformation. 4
- (c) Let  $V$  be a finite dimensional vector space and  $W$  be a subspace of  $V$ . Then  $\dim(W^0) = \dim V - \dim W$ . 3

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