

# IAS



## MATHEMATICS

### LINEAR ALGEBRA

Previous year Questions from **1992 To 2017**

#### Syllabus

Vector spaces over  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $\mathbb{C}$ , linear dependence and independence, subspaces, bases, dimension; Linear transformations, rank and nullity, matrix of a linear transformation. Algebra of Matrices; Row and column reduction, Echelon form, congruence's and similarity; Rank of a matrix; Inverse of a matrix; Solution of system of linear equations; Eigenvalues and eigenvectors, characteristic polynomial, Cayley-Hamilton theorem, Symmetric, skew-symmetric, Hermitian, skew-Hermitian, orthogonal and unitary matrices and their eigenvalues.

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## 2017

1. Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ . Find a non-singular matrix  $P$  such that  $P^{-1}AP$  is a diagonal matrix .

**[10 Marks]**

2. Show that similar matrices have the same characteristic polynomial. **[10 Marks]**

3. Consider the matrix mapping  $A: R^4 \rightarrow R^3$ , where  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 5 & -2 \\ 3 & 8 & 13 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$ . Find a basis

and dimension of the image of  $A$  and those of the kernel  $A$ . **[15 Marks]**

4. Prove that distinct non-zero eigenvectors of a matrix are linearly independent.

**[10 Marks]**

5. Consider the following system of equations in  $x, y, z$ :

$$x + 2y + 2z = 1$$

$$x + ay + 3z = 3$$

$$x + 11y + az = b.$$

(i) For which values of  $a$  does the system have a unique solution?

(ii) For which pair of values  $(a, b)$  does the system have more than one solution?

**[15 Marks]**

6. For what values of the constants  $a, b$  and  $c$  the vector

$\vec{V} = (x + y + az)\hat{i} + (bx + 2y - z)\hat{j} + (-x + cy + 2z)\hat{k}$  is irrotational. Find the divergence in cylindrical coordinates of this vector with these values .

**[10 Marks]**

## 2016

1. (i) Using elementary row operations, find the inverse of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  **[6 Marks]**

(ii) If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 13 \\ 5 & 2 & 6 \\ -2 & -1 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$  then find  $A^{14} + 3A - 2I$ .

**[4 Marks]**

2. (i) Using elementary row operation find the condition that the linear equations have a solution

$$x - 2y + z = a$$

$$2x + 7y - 3z = b$$

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

**[7 Marks]**

(ii) If

$$w_1 = \{(x, y, z) | x + y - z = 0\}, w_2 = \{(x, y, z) | 3x + y - 2z = 0\}, w_3 = \{(x, y, z) | x - 7y + 3z = 0\}$$

then find  $\dim(w_1 \cap w_2 \cap w_3)$  and  $\dim(w_1 + w_2)$ .

**[3 Marks]**

3. (i) If  $M_2(R)$  is space of real matrices of order  $2 \times 2$  and  $P_2(x)$  is the space of real polynomials of degree at most 2, then find the matrix representation of

$$T: M_2(R) \rightarrow P_2(x) \text{ such that } T\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}\right) = a + b + c + (a - d)x + (b + c)x^2, \text{ with}$$

respect to the standard bases of  $M_2(R)$  and  $P_2(x)$  further find null space of T

**[10 Marks]**

- (ii) If  $T: P_2(x) \rightarrow P_3(x)$  is such that  $T(f(x)) = f(x) + 5 \int_0^x f(t) dt$ , then choosing

$\{1, 1+x, 1-x^2\}$  and  $\{1, x, x^2, x^3\}$  as bases of  $P_2(x)$  and  $P_3(x)$  respectively find the matrix of T.

**[6 Marks]**

4. (i) if  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , then find the Eigen values and Eigenvectors of A. [6 Marks]

- (ii) Prove that Eigen values of a Hermitian matrix are all real. **[8 Marks]**

5. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  is the matrix representation of a linear transformation  $T: P_2(x) \rightarrow P_2(x)$  with respect to the bases  $\{1-x, x(1-x), x(1+x)\}$  and  $\{1, 1+x, 1+x^2\}$  then find T.

**[18 Marks]**

**2015**

6. The vectors  $V_1 = (1, 1, 2, 4)$ ,  $V_2 = (2, -1, -5, 2)$ ,  $V_3 = (1, -1, -4, 0)$  and  $V_4 = (2, 1, 1, 6)$  are linearly independent. Is it true? justify your answer. **[10 Marks]**
7. Reduce the following matrix to row echelon form and hence find its rank:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 1 & 4 & 5 \\ 1 & 5 & 5 & 7 \\ 8 & 1 & 14 & 17 \end{bmatrix}$$

**[10 Marks]**

8. If matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  then find  $A^{30}$

**[12 Marks]**

9. Find the Eigen values and Eigen vectors of the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 5 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  [12Marks]
10. Let  $V=R^3$  and  $T \in A(V)$ , for all  $a_i \in A(V)$ , be defined by  $T(a_1, a_2, a_3) = (2a_1 + 5a_2 + a_3, -3a_1 + a_2 - a_3, a_1 + 2a_2 + 3a_3)$ . What is the matrix  $T$  relative to the basis  $V_1 = (1, 0, 1)$ ,  $V_2 = (-1, 2, 1)$ ,  $V_3 = (3, -1, 1)$ ? [12Marks]
11. Find the dimension of the subspace of  $R^4$ , spanned by the set  $\{(1, 0, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0, 0), (1, 2, 0, 1), (0, 0, 0, 1)\}$ . Hence find its basis. [12Marks]

## 2014

12. Find one vector in  $R^3$  which generates the intersection of  $V$  and  $W$ , where  $V$  is the xy-plane and  $W$ , is the space generated by the vectors  $(1, 2, 3)$  and  $(1, -1, 1)$  [10Marks]
13. Using elementary row or column operations, find the rank of the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

[10Marks]

14. Let  $V$  and  $W$  be the following subspaces of  $R^4$ :  $V = \{(a, b, c, d) : b - 2c + d = 0\}$  and  $W = \{(a, b, c, d) : a = d, b = 2c\}$ . Find a basis and the dimension of (i)  $V$  (ii)  $W$  (iii)  $V \cap W$ . [15Marks]
15. Investigate the values of  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  so that the equations  $x + y + z = 6$ ,  $x + 2y + 3z = 10$ ,  $x + 2y + \lambda z = \mu$  have (i) no solution (ii) unique solution, (iii) an infinite number of solutions. [10Marks]
16. Verify Cayley -Hamilton theorem for the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  and hence find its inverse. Also, find the matrix represented by  $A^5 - 4A^4 - 7A^3 + 11A^2 - A - 10I$  [10Marks]

17. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 & -3 \\ 2 & 1 & -6 \\ -1 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find the Eigen values of  $A$  and the corresponding Eigen vectors. [8 Marks]

18. Prove that Eigen values of a unitary matrix have absolute value 1. [7 Marks]

## 2013

19. Find the inverse of the matrix :  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 & 7 \\ 3 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  by using elementary row operations.

Hence solve the system of linear equations  $x + 3y + z = 10$   $2x - y + 7z = 12$   $3x + 2y - z = 4$  [10 Marks]

20. Let  $A$  be a square matrix and  $A^*$  be its adjoint, show that the Eigen values of matrices  $AA^*$  and  $A^*A$  are real. Further show that  $\text{trace}(AA^*) = \text{trace}(A^*A)$  [10 Marks]
21. Let  $P_n$  denote the vector space of all real polynomials of degree at most  $n$  and  $T: P_2 \rightarrow P_3$  be linear transformation given by  $T(f(x)) = \int_0^x p(t) dt, p(x) \in P_2$ . Find the matrix of  $T$  with respect to the bases  $\{1, x, x^2\}$  and  $\{1, x, 1+x^2, 1+x^3\}$  of  $P_2$  and  $P_3$  respectively. Also find the null space of  $T$  [10 Marks]
22. Let  $V$  be an  $n$ -dimensional vector space and  $T: V \rightarrow V$  be an invertible linear operator. If  $\beta = \{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n\}$  is a basis of  $V$ , show that  $\beta' = \{TX_1, TX_2, \dots, TX_n\}$  is also a basis of  $V$ . [8 Marks]
23. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \omega^2 & \omega \\ 1 & \omega & \omega^2 \end{bmatrix}$  where  $\omega (\neq 1)$  is a cube root of unity. If  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3$  denote the Eigen values of  $A^2$ , Show that  $|\lambda_1| + |\lambda_2| + |\lambda_3| \leq 9$  [8 Marks]
24. Find the rank of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 & 8 & 12 \\ 3 & 5 & 8 & 12 & 17 \\ 3 & 5 & 8 & 17 & 23 \\ 8 & 12 & 17 & 23 & 30 \end{bmatrix}$  [8 Marks]
25. Let  $A$  be a Hermitian matrix having all distinct Eigen values  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$ . If  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  are corresponding Eigen vectors then show that the  $n \times n$  matrix  $C$  whose  $k^{\text{th}}$  column consists of the vector  $X_n$  is non singular. [8 Marks]
26. Show that the vectors  $X_1 = (1, 1+i, i)$ ,  $X_2 = (i, -i, 1-i)$  and  $X_3 = (0, 1-2i, 2-i)$  in  $C^3$  are linearly independent over the field of real numbers but are linearly dependent over the field of complex numbers. [8 Marks]

## 2012

27. Prove or disprove the following statement: if  $B = \{b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4, b_5\}$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^5$  and  $V$  is a two dimensional subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^5$ , Then  $V$  has a basis made of two members of  $B$ . [12 Marks]
28. Let  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be the linear transformation defined by  $T(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) = (\alpha + 2\beta - 3\gamma, 2\alpha + 5\beta - 4\gamma, \alpha + 4\beta + \gamma)$ . Find a basis and the dimension of the image of  $T$  and the kernel of  $T$  [12 Marks]
29. Let  $V$  be the vector space of all  $2 \times 2$  matrices over the field of real numbers. Let  $W$  be the set consisting of all matrices with zero determinant. Is  $W$  a subspace of  $V$ ? Justify your answer? [8 Marks]
30. Find the dimension and a basis for the space  $W$  of all solutions of the following homogeneous system using matrix notation:
- $$\begin{aligned} x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 - 2x_4 + 4x_5 &= 0 \\ 2x_1 + 4x_2 + 8x_3 + x_4 + 9x_5 &= 0 \\ 3x_1 + 6x_2 + 13x_3 + 4x_4 + 14x_5 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$
- [12 Marks]

31. (i) Consider the linear mapping  $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  by  $f(x, y) = (3x+4y, 2x-5y)$ . Find the matrix A relative to the basis  $\{(1, 0), (0, 1)\}$  and the matrix B relative to the basis  $\{(1, 2), (2, 3)\}$

[12 Marks]

- (ii) If  $\lambda$  is a characteristic root of a non-singular matrix A, then prove that  $\frac{|A|}{\lambda}$  is a characteristic root of  $\text{Adj } A$

[8 Marks]

32. Let  $H = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & i & 2+i \\ -i & 2 & 1-i \\ 2-i & 1+i & 2 \end{pmatrix}$  be a Hermitian matrix. Find a non-singular matrix P such that  $D = P^T H \bar{P}$  is diagonal.

[20 Marks]

## 2011

33. Let A be a non-singular  $n \times n$ , square matrix. Show that  $A \cdot (\text{adj } A) = |A| \cdot I_n$ . Hence show that  $|\text{adj}(\text{adj } A)| = |A|^{(n-1)^2}$

[10 Marks]

34. Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 6 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $X = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 6 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$  solve the system of equations given by  $AX=B$

Using the above, also solve the system of equations  $A^T X = B$  where  $A^T$  denotes the transpose of matrix A.

[10 Marks]

35. Let  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$  be the Eigen values of a  $n \times n$  square matrix A with corresponding Eigen vectors  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$ . If B is a matrix similar to A, show that the Eigen values of B are same as that of A. Also find the relation between the Eigen vectors of B and Eigen vectors of A.
36. Show that the subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  spanned by two sets of vectors  $\{(1, 1, -1), (1, 0, 1)\}$  and  $\{(1, 2, 3), (5, 2, 1)\}$  are identical. Also find the dimension of this subspace. [10 Marks]
37. Find the nullity and a basis of the null space of the linear transformation  $A: \mathbb{R}^{(4)} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{(4)}$

$$\text{given by the matrix } A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -3 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

[10 Marks]

38. i) Show that the vectors  $(1, 1, 1)$ ,  $(2, 1, 2)$  and  $(1, 2, 3)$  are linearly independent in  $\mathbb{R}^{(3)}$ . Let  $\mathbb{R}^{(3)} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{(3)}$  be a linear transformation defined by  $T(x, y, z) = (x+2y+3z, x+2y+5z, 2x+4y+6z)$ . Show that the images of above vectors under T are linearly dependent. Give the reason for the same.

- (ii) Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  and C be a non-singular matrix of order  $3 \times 3$ . Find the

Eigen values of the matrix  $B^3$  where  $B=C^{-1}AC$ .

[10 Marks]

**2010**

39. If  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3$  are the Eigen values of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 26 & -2 & 2 \\ 2 & 21 & 4 \\ 44 & 2 & 28 \end{bmatrix}$  Show that

$$\sqrt{\lambda_1^2 + \lambda_2^2 + \lambda_3^2} \leq \sqrt{1949}$$

[12 Marks]

40. What is the null space of the differentiation transformation  $\frac{d}{dx}: P_n \rightarrow P_n$  Where  $P_n$  is the space of all polynomials of degree  $\leq n$  over the real numbers? What is the null space of the second derivative as a transformation of  $P_n$ ? What is the null space of the  $k^{\text{th}}$  derivative?

[12 Marks]

41. Let  $M = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  Find the unique linear transformation  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  So that M is the matrix of T with respect to the basis  $\beta = \{v_1=(1,0,0), v_2=(1,1,0), v_3=(1,1,1)\}$  of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  and  $\beta' = \{w_1=(1,0), w_2=(1,1)\}$  of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Also find  $T(x,y,z)$ .

[20 Marks]

42. Let A and B be  $n \times n$  matrices over real's. Show that BA is invertible if  $I - AB$  is invertible. Deduce that AB and BA have the same Eigen values.

[20 Marks]

43. (i) In the space  $\mathbb{R}^n$  determine whether or not the  $\{e_1 - e_2, e_2 - e_3, \dots, e_{n-1} - e_n, e_n - e_1\}$  set is linearly independent.  
(ii) Let T be a linear transformation from a vector V space over real's into V such that  $T - T^2 = I$  Show that is invertible.

[20 Marks]

**2009**

44. Find A Hermitian and skew-Hermitian matrix each whose sum is the matrix.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2i & 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 2+3i & 2 \\ -i+1 & 4 & 5i \end{bmatrix}$$

[12 Marks]

45. Prove that the set V of the vectors  $(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4)$  in which  $\mathbb{R}^4$  satisfy the equation  $x_1 + x_2 + 2x_3 + x_4 = 0$  and  $2x_1 + 3x_2 - x_3 + x_4 = 0$ , is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ . What is dimension of this subspace? Find one of its bases.

[12 Marks]

46. Let  $\beta = \{(1,1,0), (1,0,1), (0,1,1)\}$  and  $\beta' = \{(2,1,1), (1,2,1), (-1,1,1)\}$  be the two ordered bases of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Then find a matrix representing the linear transformation  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  which transforms  $\beta$  into  $\beta'$ . Use this matrix representation to find  $T(\bar{x})$ , where  $\bar{x} = (2,3,1)$ .

[20 Marks]

47. Find a  $2 \times 2$  real matrix A which is both orthogonal and skew-symmetric. Can there exist a  $3 \times 3$  real matrix which is both orthogonal and skew-symmetric? Justify your answer.

[20 Marks]

48. Let  $T: \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be a linear transformation defined by  $L = (x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) \mapsto (x_3 + x_4 - x_1 - x_2, x_3 - x_2, x_4 - x_1)$ . Then find the rank and nullity of L. Also determine null space and range space of L.

[20 Marks]

49. Prove that the set  $V$  of all  $3 \times 3$  real symmetric matrices forms a linear subspace of the space of all  $3 \times 3$  real matrices. What is the dimension of this subspace? Find atleast one of the bases for  $V$ . **[20 Marks]**

## 2008

50. Show that the matrix  $A$  is invertible if and only if the  $\text{adj}(A)$  is invertible. Hence find  $|\text{adj}(A)|$  **[12 Marks]**
51. Let  $S$  be a non-empty set and let  $V$  denote the set of all functions from  $S$  into  $\mathbb{R}$ . Show that  $V$  is vector space with respect to the vector addition  $(f+g)(x)=f(x)+g(x)$  and scalar multiplication  $(c.f)(x)=cf(x)$  **[12 Marks]**
52. Show that  $B=\{(1,0,0),(1,1,0),(1,1,1)\}$  is a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  be a linear transformation such that  $T(1,0,0)=(1,0,0)$ ,  $T(1,1,0)=(1,1,1)$  and  $T(1,1,1)=(1,1,0)$ . Find  $T(x,y,z)$  **[15 Marks]**
53. Let  $A$  be a non-singular matrix. Show that if  $I+A+A^2+\dots+A^n=0$  then  $A^{-1}=A^n$ . **[15 Marks]**
54. Find the dimension of the subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$  spanned by the set  $\{(1,0,0,0),(0,1,0,0),(1,2,0,1),(0,0,0,1)\}$ . Hence find a basis for the subspace. **[15 Marks]**

## 2007

55. Let  $S$  be the vector space of all polynomials,  $P(x)$  with real coefficients, of degree less than or equal to two considered over the real field  $\mathbb{R}$  such that  $p(0)$  and  $p(1)=0$ . Determine a basis for  $S$  and hence its dimension. **[12 Marks]**
56. Let  $T$  be linear transformation from  $\mathbb{R}^3$  to  $\mathbb{R}^4$  define by  $T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (2x_1+x_2+x_3, x_1+x_2, x_1+x_3, 3x_1+x_2+2x_3)$  for each  $(x_1, x_2, x_3) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ . Determine a basis for the Null space of  $T$ . What is the dimension of the Range space of  $T$ ? **[12 Marks]**
57. Let  $W$  be the set of all  $3 \times 3$  symmetric matrices over  $\mathbb{R}$ . Does it form a subspace of the vector space of the  $3 \times 3$  matrices over  $\mathbb{R}$ ? In case it does, construct a basis for this space and determine its dimension **[15 Marks]**
58. Consider the vector space  $X := \{p(x)\}$  is a polynomial of degree less than or equal to 3 with real coefficients. Over the real field  $\mathbb{R}$  define the map  $D : X \rightarrow X$  by  $(Dp)(x) := P_1 + 2P_2x + 3P_3x^2$  where  $P(x) = P_0 + P_1x + P_2x^2 + P_3x^3$  is  $D$  a linear transformation on  $X$ ? if it is then construct the matrix representation for  $D$  with respect to the order basis  $\{1, x, x^2, x^3\}$  for  $X$ . **[15 Marks]**
59. Reduce the quadratic form  $q(x,y,z) := x^2 + 2y^2 - 4xz + 4yz - 7z^2$  to canonical form. Is  $q$  positive definite? **[15 Marks]**

## 2006

60. Let  $V$  be the vector space of all  $2 \times 2$  matrices over the field  $F$ . Prove that  $V$  has dimension 4 by exhibiting a basis for  $V$ . **[12 Marks]**
61. State Cayley-Hamilton theorem and using it, find the inverse of  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ . **[12 Marks]**
62. If  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  is defined by  $T(x,y) = (2x-3y, x+y)$  compute the matrix of  $T$  relative to the basis  $\beta\{(1,2),(2,3)\}$  **[15 Marks]**



63. Using elementary row operations, find the rank of the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & -3 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

[15 Marks]

64. Investigate for what values of  $\lambda$  the equations  $x+y+z=6$   
 $x+2y+.3z=10$   
 $x+2y+\lambda z=m$

Have

- (i) no solution;  
 (ii) a unique solution;  
 (iii) infinitely many solutions

[15 Marks]

65. Find the quadratic form  $q(x,y)$  corresponding to the symmetric matrix  $a = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -3 \\ -3 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$  is this quadratic form positive definite? Justify your answer.

[15 Marks]

## 2005

66. Find the values of  $k$  for which the vectors  $(1,1,1,1)$ ,  $(1,3,-2,k)$ ,  $(2,2k-2,-k-2,3k-1)$  and  $(3,k+2,-3,2k+1)$  are linearly independent in  $\mathbb{R}^4$ . [12 Marks]
67. Let  $V$  be the vector space of polynomials in  $x$  of degree  $\leq n$  over  $\mathbb{R}$ . Prove that the set  $\{1,x,x^2,\dots,x^n\}$  is a basis for the set of all polynomials in  $x$ . [12 Marks]
68. Let  $T$  be a linear transformation on  $\mathbb{R}^3$  whose matrix relative to the standard basis of

$$\mathbb{R}^3 \text{ is } \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \text{ Find the matrix of } T \text{ relative to the basis}$$

$$\beta = \{(1,1,1), (1,1,0), (0,1,1)\}.$$

[15 Marks]

69. Find the inverse of the matrix given below using elementary row operations only:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 5 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

[15 Marks]

70. If  $S$  is a skew-Hermitian matrix, then show that  $A = (I+S)(I-S)^{-1}$  is a unitary matrix. Also show that  $-1$  is not an Eigen value of  $A$ . [15 Marks]
71. Reduce the quadratic form  $6x_1^2+3x_2^2+3x_3^2-4x_1x_2-2x_2x_3+4x_3x_1$  to the sum of squares. Also find the corresponding linear transformation, index and signature. [15 Marks]

## 2004

72. Let  $S$  be space generated by the vectors  $\{(0,2,6), (3,1,6), (4,-2,-2)\}$  what is the dimension of the space  $S$ ? Find a basis for  $S$ . [12 Marks]

73. Show that  $f: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a linear transformation, where  $f(x, y, z) = 3x + y - z$  what is the dimension of the Kernel? Find a basis for the Kernel. **[12 Marks]**
74. Show that the linear transformation from  $\mathbb{R}^3$  to  $\mathbb{R}^4$  which is represented by the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

is one-to-one. Find a basis for its image. **[12 Marks]**

75. Verify whether the following system of equation is consistent  $x + 3z = 5$   
 $-2x + 5y - z = 0$   
 $-x + 4y + z = 4$  **[15 Marks]**

76. Find the characteristic polynomial of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  Hence find  $A^{-1}$  and  $A^6$  **[15 Marks]**

77. Define a positive definite quadratic form. Reduce the quadratic form to canonical form. Is this quadratic form positive definite? **[15 Marks]**

## 2003

78. Let  $S$  be any non-empty subset of a vector space  $V$  over the field  $F$ . Show that the set  $\{a_1\alpha_1 + a_2\alpha_2 + \dots + a_n\alpha_n : a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \in F, \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n \in S, n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is the subspace generated by  $S$ . **[12 Marks]**

79. If  $f = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  then find the matrix represented by

$$2A^{10} - 10A^9 + 14A^8 - 6A^7 - 3A^6 + 15A^5 - 21A^4 + 9A^3 + A - I.$$

**[12 Marks]**

80. Prove that the Eigen vectors corresponding to distinct Eigen values of a square matrix are linearly independent. **[15 Marks]**
81. If  $H$  is a Hermitian matrix, then show that  $A = (H + iI)^{-1}(H - iI)$  is a unitary matrix. Also show that every unitary matrix can be expressed in this form, provided 1 is not an Eigen value of  $A$ .

82. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -2 & 2 \\ -2 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  then find a diagonal matrix  $D$  and a matrix  $B$  such that  $A = BDB'$

where  $B'$  denotes the transpose of  $B$ .

**[15 Marks]**

83. Reduce the quadratic form given below to canonical form and find its rank and signature  $x^2 + 4y^2 + 9z^2 + u^2 - 12yz + 6zx - 4xy - 2xu - 6zu$ . **[15 Marks]**

## 2002

84. Show that the mapping  $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  where  $T(a, b, c) = (a - b, b - c, a + c)$  is linear and non singular **[12 Marks]**
85. A square matrix  $A$  is non-singular if and only if the constant term in its characteristic polynomial is different from zero. **[12 Marks]**

86. Let  $T: R^5 \rightarrow R^5$  be a linear mapping given by  $T(a,b,c,d,e) = (b-d, d+e, b, 2d+c, b+e)$  obtain bases for its null space and range space. **[15 Marks]**
87. Let A be a real  $3 \times 3$  symmetric matrix with Eigen values 0, 0 and 5 if the corresponding Eigen -vectors are  $(2,0,1)$ ,  $(2,1,1)$  and  $(1,0,-2)$  then find the matrix A. **[15 Marks]**

88. Show the following system of linear equations 
$$\begin{aligned} x_1 - 2x_2 - 3x_3 + 4x_4 &= -1 \\ -x_1 + 3x_2 + 5x_3 - 5x_4 - 2x_5 &= 0 \\ 2x_1 + x_2 - 2x_3 + 3x_4 - 4x_5 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$
 **[15 Marks]**

89. Use Cayley-Hamilton theorem to find the inverse of the following matrix : 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 **[15 Marks]**

## 2001

90. Show that the vectors  $(1,0,-1)$ ,  $(0,-3,2)$  and  $(1,2,1)$  form a basis for the vector space  $R^3(R)$  **[12 Marks]**
91. If  $\lambda$  is a characteristic root of a non-singular matrix A then prove that  $\frac{|A|}{\lambda}$  is a characteristic root of  $\text{Adj.}A$  **[15 Marks]**

92. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  show that for every integer  $n \geq 3$ ,  $A^n = A^{n-2} + A^2 - I$  Hence determine  $A^{50}$ . **[15 Marks]**

93. When is square matrix A said to be congruent to a square matrix B? Prove that every matrix congruent to skew-symmetric matrix is skew symmetric. **[15 Marks]**
94. Determine an orthogonal matrix P such that is a diagonal matrix, where =

$$\begin{pmatrix} 7 & 4 & 4 \\ 4 & -8 & -1 \\ -4 & -1 & -8 \end{pmatrix}$$
 **[15 Marks]**

95. Show that the real quadratic form  $\phi = n(x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_n^2) - (x_1x_2 + \dots + x_n)^2$  in n variables is positive semi-definite. **[15 Marks]**

## 2000

96. Let V be a vector space over R and  $T = \{(x,y) | x,y \in v\}$  Let. Define addition in component wise and scalar multiplication by complex number  $\alpha + i\beta$  by  $(\alpha + i\beta)(x,y) = (\alpha x + \beta y, \beta y + \alpha x) \forall \alpha, \beta \in R$  show that T is a vector space over C. **[12 Marks]**
97. Show that if  $\lambda$  is a characteristic root of a non-singular matrix A then  $\lambda^{-1}$  is a characteristic root of  $A^{-1}$  **[15 Marks]**

98. Prove that a real symmetric matrix  $A$  is positive definite if and only  $A=BB'$  if for some

non-singular matrix.  $B$  show also that  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 5 & 7 \\ 3 & 7 & 11 \end{bmatrix}$  is positive definite and find the

matrix  $B$  such that  $A=BB'$  Here  $B'$  stands for the transpose of  $B$ . **[15 Marks]**

99. Prove that a system  $AX=B$  if  $n$  non-homogeneous equations in  $n$  unknowns has a unique solution provided the coefficient matrix is non-singular. **[15 Marks]**
100. Prove that two similar matrices have the same characteristic roots. Is its converse true? Justify your claim. **[15 Marks]**
101. Reduce the equation  $x^2+y^2+z^2-2xy-2yz+2zx+x-y-2z+6=0$  into canonical form and determine the nature of the quadratic. **[15 Marks]**

## 1999

102. Let  $V$  be the vector space of functions from  $R$  to  $R$  (the real numbers). Show that  $f, g, h$  in  $V$  are linearly independent where  $f(t) = e^{2t}$ ,  $g(t) = t^2$  and  $h(t)=t$ . **[20 Marks]**
103. If the matrix of a linear transformation  $T$  on  $V_2(R)$  with respect to the basis, then what is the matrix of with respect to the ordered basis  $B = \{(1,0),(0,1)\}$  is  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  then what is the matrix of  $T$  with respect to the ordered basis **[20 Marks]**

104. Diagonalize the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$  **[20 Marks]**

105. Test for congruency of the matrices  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & i \\ -i & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  Prove that  $A^{2n}=B^{2m}I$  When  $n$  and  $m$  are positive integers. **[20 Marks]**

106. If  $A$  is a skew symmetric matrix of order  $n$  Prove that  $(I-A)(I+A)^{-1}$  is orthogonal. **[20 Marks]**
107. Test for the positive definiteness of the quadratic form  $2x^2+y^2+2z^2-2zx$ . **[20 Marks]**

## 1998

108. Given two linearly independent vectors  $(1,0,1,0)$  and  $(0,-1,1,0)$  of  $R^4$  find a basis of which included these two vectors **[20 Marks]**
109. If  $V$  is a finite dimensional vector space over  $R$  and if  $f$  and  $g$  are two linear transformations from  $V$  to  $R$  such that  $f(v)=0$  implies  $g(v)=0$  then prove that  $g=\lambda f$  for some  $\lambda$  in  $R$ . **[20 Marks]**
110. Let  $T: R^3 \rightarrow R^3$  be defined by  $T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_2, x_3, -cx_1 - bx_2 - ax_3)$  where  $a, b, c$  are fixed real numbers. Show that  $T$  is a linear transformation of  $R^3$  and that  $A^3 + aA^2 + baA + cI = 0$  where  $A$  is the matrix of  $T$  with respect to standard basis of  $R^3$  **[20 Marks]**
111. If  $A$  and  $B$  are two matrices of order  $2 \times 2$  such that  $A$  is skew Hermitian and  $AB=B$  then show that  $B=0$  **[20 Marks]**

112. If  $T$  is a complex matrix of order  $2 \times 2$  such that  $\text{tr} T = \text{tr} T^2 = 0$  then show that  $T^2 = 0$  [20 Marks]
113. Prove that a necessary and sufficient condition for a  $n \times n$  real matrix to be similar to a diagonal matrix  $A$  is that the set of characteristic vectors of  $A$  includes a set of linearly independent vectors. [20 Marks]
114. Let  $A$  be a  $m \times n$  matrix. Then show that the sum of the rank and nullity of  $A$  is  $n$ . [20 Marks]
115. Find all real  $2 \times 2$  matrices  $A$  whose characteristic roots are real and which satisfy  $AA' = I$  [20 Marks]
116. Reduce to diagonal matrix by rational congruent transformation the symmetric matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & 3 \\ -1 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

[20 Marks]

## 1997

117. Let  $V$  be the vector space of polynomials over  $\mathbb{R}$ . Find a basis and dimension of the subspace  $W$  of  $V$  spanned by the polynomials  
 $v_1 = t^3 - 2t^2 + 4t + 1$ ,  $v_2 = 2t^3 - 3t^2 + 9t - 1$ ,  $v_3 = t^3 + 6t - 5$ ,  $v_4 = 2t^3 - 5t^2 + 7t + 5$  [20 Marks]
118. Verify that the transformation defined by  $T(x_1, x_2) = (x_1 + x_2, x_1 - x_2, x_2)$  is a linear transformation from  $\mathbb{R}^2$  to  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . Find its range, null space and nullity. [20 Marks]
119. Let  $V$  be the vector space of  $2 \times 2$  matrices over  $\mathbb{R}$ . Determine whether the matrices  $A, B, C \in V$  are dependent where  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -5 \\ -4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  [20 Marks]
120. Let a square matrix  $A$  of order  $n$  be such that each of its diagonal elements is  $\mu$  and each of its off diagonal elements is 1. If  $B = \lambda A$  is orthogonal, determine the values of  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  [20 Marks]
121. Show that  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  is diagonalisable over  $\mathbb{R}$  and find a matrix  $P$  such that  $P^{-1}AP$  is diagonal. Hence determine  $A^{25}$  [20 Marks]
122. Let  $A = [a_{ij}]$  be a square matrix of order  $n$  such that  $|a_{ij}| \leq M \quad \forall i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . Let  $\lambda$  be an Eigen value of  $A$ . Show that  $|\lambda| \leq nM$  [20 Marks]
123. Define a positive definite matrix. Show that a positive definite matrix is always non-singular. Prove that its converse does not hold. [20 Marks]
124. Find the characteristics roots and their corresponding vectors for the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 6 & -2 & 2 \\ -2 & 3 & -1 \\ 2 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

[20 Marks]

125. Find an invertible matrix  $P$  which reduces  $Q(x,y,z)=2xy+2yz+2zx$  to its canonical form. [20 Marks]

## 1996

126.  $R^4$ ,  $W_1$  be the space generated by  $(1,1,0,-1), (2,4,6,0)$  and  $(-2,-3,-3,1)$  and let  $W_2$  be the space generated by  $(-1,-2,-2,2), (4,6,4,-6)$  and  $(1,3,4,-3)$ . Find a basis for the space  $W_1+W_2$ . [20 Marks]
127. Let  $V$  be a finite dimensional vector space and  $v \in V, v \neq 0$ . Show that there exist a linear functional  $f$  on  $V$  such that  $f(v) \neq 0$ . [20 Marks]
128. Let  $V=R^3$  and  $v_1, v_2, v_3$  be a basis of  $R^3$ . Let  $T:V \rightarrow V$  be a linear transformation such that. By writing the matrix of  $T$  with respect to another basis, show that the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ is similar to } \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad [20 \text{ Marks}]$$

129. Let  $V=R^3$  and  $T:V \rightarrow V$  be linear map defined by  $T(x,y,z) = (x+z, -2x+y, -x+2y+z)$ . What is the matrix of  $T$  with respect to the basis  $(1,0,1), (-1,1,1)$  and  $(0,1,1)$ ? Using this matrix, write down the matrix of  $T$  with respect to the basis  $(0,1,2), (-1,1,1)$  and  $(0,1,1)$ . [20 Marks]

130. Let  $V$  and  $W$  be finite dimensional vector spaces such that  $\dim V \geq \dim W$ . show that there is always a linear map from  $V$  onto  $W$ . [20 Marks]

131. Solve  
 $x+y-2z=1$   
 $2x-7z=3$  by using Cramer's rule  
 $x+y-z=5$  [20 Marks]

132. Find the inverse of the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ by computing its characteristic polynomial.} \quad [20 \text{ Marks}]$$

133. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be  $n \times n$  matrices such that  $AB=BA$ . Show that  $A$  and  $B$  have a common characteristic vector. [20 Marks]

134. Reduce to canonical form the orthogonal matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 2/3 & -2/3 & 1/3 \\ 2/3 & 1/3 & -2/3 \\ 1/3 & 2/3 & 2/3 \end{bmatrix}$  [20 Marks]

## 1995

135. Let  $T$  be the linear operation in  $R^3$  defined  $T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (3x_1+x_3, -2x_1+x_2, -x_1+2x_2+4x_3)$ . What is the matrix of  $T$  in the standard ordered basis of  $R^3$ ? What is a basis of range space of  $T$  and a basis of null space of  $T$ ? [20 Marks]
136. Let  $A$  be a square matrix of order  $n$ . Prove that  $AX=b$  has solution if and only if  $b \in R^n$  is orthogonal to all solutions  $Y$  of the system  $A^T Y=0$ . [20 Marks]

137. Define a similar matrix. Prove that the characteristic equation of two similar matrices is the same. Let 1, 2 and 3 be the Eigen-values of a matrix. Write down such a matrix. Is such a matrix unique? **[20 Marks]**

138. Show that  $\begin{bmatrix} 5 & -6 & -6 \\ -1 & 4 & 2 \\ 3 & -6 & -4 \end{bmatrix}$  is diagonalizable and hence determine  $A^5$ . **[20 Marks]**

139. Let A and B be matrices of order n. Prove that if  $(I-AB)$  is invertible, then  $(I-BA)$  is also invertible and  $(I-BA)^{-1} = I + B(I-AB)^{-1}A$ . Show that AB and BA have precisely the same characteristic values. **[20 Marks]**

140. If a and b complex numbers such that  $|b| = 1$  and H is a hermitian matrix, show the Eigen values of  $aI + bH$  lie on a straight line in the complex plane. **[20 Marks]**

141. Let A be a symmetric matrix. Show that A is positive definite if and only if its Eigen values are all positive. **[20 Marks]**

142. Let A and B be square matrices of order n. Show that  $AB - BA$  can never be equal to unit matrix. **[20 Marks]**

## 1994

144. Show that  $f_1(t) = 1, f_2(t) = t - 2, f_3(t) = (t - 2)^2$  form a basis of  $P_3$ , the space of polynomials with degree  $\leq 2$ . Express  $3t^2 - 5t + 4$  as a linear combination of  $f_1, f_2, f_3$ . **[20 Marks]**

145. If  $T: V_4(R) \rightarrow V_3(R)$  is a linear transformation defined by  $T(a, b, c, d) = (a - b + c + d, a + 2c - d, a + b + 3c - 3d)$ . For  $a, b, c, d \in R$ , then verify that  $\text{Rank } T + \text{Nullity } T = \dim V_4(R)$  **[20 Marks]**

146. If T is an operator on  $R_3$  whose basis is  $B = \{(1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0), (-1, 1, 0)\}$  such that

$$[T:B] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ find the matrix T with respect to a basis}$$

$$B_1 = \{(0, 1, -1), (1, -1, 1), (-1, 1, 0)\}$$

147. If  $A = [a_{ij}]$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix such that  $a_{ii} = n, a_{ij} = r$  if  $i \neq j$ , show that  $[A - (n - r)I]^n = 0$ . Hence find the inverse of the  $n \times n$  matrix  $B = [b_{ij}]$ . Where **[20 Marks]**

$$b_{ii} = 1, b_{ij} = \rho \text{ when } i \neq j \text{ and } \rho \neq 1, \rho \neq \frac{1}{1 - n}$$
 **[20 Marks]**

148. Prove that the Eigen vectors corresponding to distinct Eigen values of a square matrix are linearly independent. **[20 Marks]**

149. Determine the Eigen values and eigen vectors of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 2 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$

**[20 Marks]**

150. Show that a matrix congruent to a skew-symmetric is skew-symmetric. Use the result to prove that the determinant of skew-symmetric matrix of even order is the square of a rational function of its elements. **[20 Marks]**



151. Find the rank of the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & c & -b & a' \\ -c & 0 & a & b' \\ b & -a & 0 & c' \\ -a' & -b' & -c' & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  where  $aa'+bb'+cc'=0$   $a, b, c$  are all

positive integers.

[20 Marks]

152. Reduce the following symmetric matrix to a diagonal form and interpret the result

terms of quadratic forms:  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  [20 Marks]

**1993**

153. Show that the set  $S = \{(1,0,0), (1,1,0), (1,1,1), (0,1,0)\}$  spans the vector space  $R^3(R)$  but it is not a basis set. [20 Marks]

154. Define rank and nullity of a linear transformation  $T$ . If  $V$  be finite dimensional vector space and  $T$  a linear operator on  $V$  such that  $\text{rank } T^2 = \text{rank } T$ , then prove that the null space of  $T =$  the null space of  $T^2$  and the intersection of the range space and null space to  $T$  is the zero subspace of  $V$ . [20 Marks]

155. If the matrix of a linear operator  $T$  on  $R^2$  relative to the standard basis  $\{(1,0), (0,1)\}$  is

$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  what is the matrix of  $T$  relative to the basis  $B = \{(1,1), (1,-1)\}$ ? [20 Marks]

156. Prove that the inverse of  $\begin{bmatrix} A & O \\ B & C \end{bmatrix}$  is  $\begin{bmatrix} A^{-1} & O \\ C^{-1}BA^{-1} & C^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$  where  $A, C$  are not singular

matrices and hence find the inverse of  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  [20 Marks]

157. If  $A$  be an orthogonal matrix with the property that  $-1$  is not an Eigen value, then show that  $A$  is expressible as  $(I-S)(S+S)^{-1}$  for some suitable skew-symmetric matrix  $S$ . [20 Marks]

158. Show that any two Eigen vectors corresponding to two distinct Eigen value of

(i) Hermitian matrix

(ii) Unitary matrix are orthogonal

[20 Marks]

159. A matrix  $B$  of order  $n \times n$  is of the form  $\lambda A$  where  $\lambda$  is a scalar and  $A$  has unit elements everywhere except in the diagonal which has elements  $\mu$ . Find  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  so that  $B$  may be orthogonal. [20 Marks]

160. Find the rank of the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 3 & 6 \\ 1 & 3 & -3 & -4 \\ 5 & 3 & 3 & 11 \end{bmatrix}$  by reducing it to canonical form.



[20 Marks]

161. Determine the following form as definite, semi-definite or indefinite:

$$2x_1^2 + 2x_2^2 + 3x_3^2 - 4x_2x_3 - 4x_3x_1 + 2x_1x_2$$

[20 Marks]

**1992**

162. Let  $V$  and  $U$  be vector spaces over the field  $K$  and let  $V$  be of finite dimension. Let  $T: V \rightarrow U$  be a linear Map.  $\dim V = \dim R(T) + \dim N(T)$

[20 Marks]

163. Let  $S = \{(x, y, z) / x + y + z = 0\}$ ,  $x, y, z$  being real. Prove that  $S$  is a subspace of  $R^3$ . Find a basis of  $S$

[20 Marks]

164. Verify which of the following are linear transformations?

(i)  $T: R \rightarrow R^2$  defined by  $T(x) = (2x, -x)$

(ii)  $T: R^2 \rightarrow R^3$  defined by  $T(x, y) = (xy, y, x)$

(iii)  $T: R^2 \rightarrow R^3$  defined by  $T(x, y) = (x + y, y, x)$

(iv)  $T: R \rightarrow R^2$  defined by  $T(x) = (1, -1)$

[20 Marks]

165.  $T: M_{2,1} \rightarrow M_{2,3}$  be a linear transformation defined by (with usual notations)

$$T \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 4 & 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix}, T \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ Find } T \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$$

[20 Marks]

166. For what values of  $\eta$  do the following equations

$$x + y + z = 1$$

$$x + 2y + 4z = \eta$$

$$x + 4y + 10z = \eta^2$$

Have solutions? Solve them completely in each case. [20 Marks]

167. Prove that a necessary and sufficient condition of a real quadratic form  $X'AX$  to be positive definite is that the leading principal minors of  $A$  are all positive. [20 Marks]

168. State Cayley-Hamilton theorem and use it to calculate the inverse of the matrix  $\rightarrow$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 4 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

[20 Marks]

169. Transform the following to the diagonal forms and give the transformation employed:

$$x^2 + 2y, 8x^2 - 4xy + 5y^2$$

[20 Marks]

170. Prove that the characteristic roots of a Hermitian matrix are all real and a characteristic root of a skew-Hermitian is either zero or a pure imaginary number.

[20 Marks]