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**Short answer questions (2 marks)**

- 1 Define vector space with an example.
- 2 Define spanning set. Give an example.
- 3 Define basis of a vector space. Give an example.
- 4 Define basis and orthonormal basis.
- 5 Define linearly independent set of vectors. Is the set  $\{(1, 2), (2, 2), (2, 3)\}$  linearly dependent?
- 6 State about the linear dependency of the following sets.  
 $A = \{ \}$   
 $B = \{ \}$
- 7 Examine whether the vectors  $\mathbf{a} = (2, 7, -8)$ ,  $\mathbf{b} = (5, 1, -4)$ , and  $\mathbf{c} = (3, 5, -4)$  are linearly independent.
- 8 Define dimension of a vector space. What is the dimension of  $\mathbf{V}_3 = \{(x, x, y) : x, y \in (-\infty, \infty)\}$ ?
- 9 Define null space and nullity.
- 10 Define symmetric and skew-symmetric matrices.
- 11 Define Hermitian and skew hermitian matrix.
- 12 What is rank of a matrix? State any two properties of it.
- 13 Define permutation matrix. Give one example.
- 14 Define reducible matrix. Give one example.
- 15 Define G-inverse. Obtain a g-inverse of  $[1 \ 2 \ 3]$ .
- 16 Define Moore-Penrose inverse.
- 17 Determine any two g-inverses of  $\mathbf{a} = [1, 3, 5]$ .
- 18 If matrix  $\mathbf{G}$  is a g-inverse of a matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ , show that  $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{GAG}$  is a g-inverse of  $\mathbf{A}$  such that  $\text{rank}(\mathbf{H}) = \text{rank}(\mathbf{A})$ .
- 19 Prove that inverse of a square matrix exists if and only if the matrix is nonsingular.
- 20 Prove that if inverse of a square matrix exists, it is unique.
- 21 Prove that all nonsingular matrices of the same order have the same rank.
- 22 Define homogeneous system. State a necessary and sufficient for existence of its non-trivial solution.
- 23 State necessary and sufficient conditions for
  - a) a system of linear equations  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$  to be consistent.
  - b) a system of linear equations  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$  to have a unique solution.
- 24 What is the maximum number of linearly independent solutions to a system of linear equations  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{0}$ , where  $\mathbf{A}$  is a  $3 \times 5$  matrix of rank 3?
- 25 State a necessary and sufficient condition for a system of equations  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$  to be inconsistent.
- 26 What is characteristic value problem?
- 27 What are the eigen values of a  $2 \times 2$  matrix whose determinant is 12 and trace is 8?
- 28 Define algebraic and geometric multiplicities of a characteristic root of a matrix.
- 29 The eigen values of a  $2 \times 2$  matrix are 2 and 6. What are its determinant and trace?
- 30 State how the singularity of a square matrix is related to its eigen values.
- 31 Prove that an idempotent matrix is singular if and only if zero is its eigen value.
- 32 If  $\lambda$  is an eigen value of a nonsingular matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ , show that  $1/\lambda$  is an eigen value of  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$ .

- 33 Prove that the eigen values of an idempotent matrix are either 0 or 1.
- 34 Define an idempotent matrix. State its eigen values.
- 35 Define an orthogonal matrix. State its eigen values.
- 36 Define quadratic form. State the type of the quadratic form  $x_1^2 + x_2^2$ ?
- 37 Define signature and index of quadratic form.
- 38 State the matrix associated with the quadratic form  $(x_1 + 5x_2 - 3x_3)^2$  and  $x_1^2 - 2x_3^2 - x_1x_2$ .
- 39 State a necessary and sufficient condition for a real quadratic form to be positive definite.
- 40 State the type of the quadratic forms  $x_1^2 + x_2^2$  and  $x_1^2 - 2x_3^2 - x_1x_2$ .

**Long answer questions (8 marks)**

- 1 Prove that a set of vectors  $\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k\}$  is linearly dependent if and only if someone of the  $a_i$ 's can be expressed as a linear combination of the rest.
- 2 Show that every basis for  $n$ -dimensional Euclidean space contains exactly  $n$  vectors.
- 3 Show that any subset of size  $(n - 1)$  of the set of vectors  $n$  vectors  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$  in  $n$ -dimensional Euclidean space is linearly independent, where
 
$$\begin{aligned}
 x_1 &= (1, -1, 0, 0, \dots, 0), \\
 x_2 &= (1, 0, -1, 0, \dots, 0), \\
 x_3 &= (1, 0, 0, -1, \dots, 0), \\
 &\vdots \\
 x_{n-1} &= (1, 0, 0, \dots, -1), \text{ and} \\
 x_n &= (n - 1, -1, -1 \dots -1).
 \end{aligned}$$
- 4 Define orthogonal and orthonormal basis. Describe Gram-Schmidt orthogonalisation.
- 5 Given a basis  $\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$  for  $n$ -dimensional space and a non-null vector  $b$  in  $n$ -dimensional space, show that if any vector  $a_i$  for which  $\alpha_i \neq 0$  in the representation of  $b$  as  $b = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i a_i$  is replaced from  $\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$  by  $b$ , then the new set is also a basis for  $n$ -dimensional space.
- 6 Show that any set of  $n$  linearly independent vectors in  $n$ -dimensional space forms a basis for  $n$ -dimensional Euclidean space.
- 7 Define and illustrate giving one example each: i) Linear Independence ii) Basis. Prove that the representation of unit vectors in terms of a basis vector is unique.
- 8 Prove that the  $n$  unit vectors  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n$  form a basis and any set of  $n$  mutually orthogonal vectors form a basis.
- 9 Prove that any subset of linearly independent set of vectors is linearly independent and any superset of linearly dependent vectors is linearly dependent.
- 10 Define symmetric and skew symmetric matrix. Give one example each. If  $S$  is real symmetric matrix, prove that  $(I + S)^{-1}(I - S)$  is an orthogonal matrix.
- 11 Define rank of matrix. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be  $m \times n$  and  $n \times p$  matrices, respectively. Show that  $\text{rank}(AB) \leq \min \{\text{rank}(A), \text{rank}(B)\}$ .
- 12 Define an orthogonal matrix. Show that the columns of an orthogonal matrix are linearly independent and converse of this is not true.
- 13 Define determinant of a  $n \times n$  matrix,  $n \geq 1$ . Consider a matrix  $a = (a_{ij})$  where  $a_{ij} = a$  if  $i = j = 1, \dots, n$  and  $a_{ij} = b$  if  $i \neq j = 1, \dots, n$ . Show that  $\det(A) = [a + (n - 1)b](a - b)^{n-1}$ .
- 14 Show that the rank of sum of two matrices cannot exceed sum of their ranks.
- 15 Explain the computation of the inverse of higher order matrix by partitioning.
- 16 Prove that every matrix has  $g$ -inverse. Also prove that matrix  $G$  is a  $g$ -inverse of matrix  $A$  if and only if  $AGA = A$ .
- 17 Define  $g$ -inverse and illustrate giving two examples. Prove that  $g$ -inverse always exist and it is not unique.

- 18 Show that the maximum number of linearly independent solutions to the system of equations  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{0}$  is  $n - \text{rank}(\mathbf{A})$ , where  $n$  is the number of columns in  $\mathbf{A}$ .
- 19 Show that the system of equations  $\mathbf{AX} = \mathbf{b}$  is consistent if and only if  $\rho(\mathbf{A}) = \rho(\mathbf{A}:\mathbf{b})$
- 20 Define Moore - Penrose (MP) inverse. Show that each  $m \times n$  matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ , there exists one and only one  $n \times m$  matrix  $\mathbf{A}^+$  (MP-inverse) with stating conditions.
- 21 Define characteristic roots and vectors and show that if  $\mathbf{A}$  is a real symmetric matrix then all characteristic roots and vectors are real.
- 22 Define characteristic root and find the same for idempotent and orthogonal matrix. Show that characteristic vectors corresponding to different characteristic roots are orthogonal.
- 23 Explain Algebraic and geometric multiplicities and show that Algebraic multiplicity is greater than geometric multiplicity.
- 24 Let  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$ , be the characteristic roots of an  $n \times n$  matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ . Show that  $|\mathbf{A}| = \prod_{i=1}^n \lambda_i$  and  $\text{trace}(\mathbf{A}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i$ .
- 25 Show that if a real symmetric matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  has eigen values 0 and 1 only then  $\mathbf{A}$  is idempotent.
- 26 Show that. i) Every orthogonal matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  can be expressed as  $(\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{S})(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{S})^{-1}$  provided -1 is not a characteristic root of  $\mathbf{A}$  and suitable choice of real skew-symmetric matrix  $\mathbf{S}$ . ii) If  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  are two square matrices then matrix  $\mathbf{AB}$  and  $\mathbf{BA}$  have the same characteristic roots.
- 27 State and prove the Cayley-Hamilton theorem and explain its application.
- 28 Find  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$  and  $\mathbf{A}^5$  using Cayley-Hamilton theorem, where  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ ;  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ ;  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$
- 29 Define symmetric, skew symmetric and orthogonal matrix with example. Show that if  $\mathbf{S}$  is real skew symmetric matrix then  $(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{S})$  is non singular and the matrix  $\mathbf{A} = (\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{S})(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{S})^{-1}$  is orthogonal.
- 30 Find the characteristic roots and characteristic vectors of  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$ .
- 31 Define g-inverse and obtain g-inverse of  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$  and verify the same.
- 32 Define g-inverse and Moore-Penrose generalized inverse. Obtain MP inverse of  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .
- 33 Find the inverse of the partitioned matrix.  
 $\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{B} \\ \mathbf{C} & \mathbf{D} \end{bmatrix}$  where,  
 $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$

- 34 Find the inverse of the partitioned matrix.

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix} \text{ where,}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, C = [1 \quad 1], D = [4]$$

- 35 Find inverse of the following matrices by partitioning method.

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 5 \\ 7 & 6 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

- 36 Find inverse of the following matrices by partitioning method.

$$N = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 & 4 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- 37 For what values of 'a', equation  $X+Y+Z=1$ ,  $X+2Y+4Z=a$ ,  $X+4Y+10Z=a^2$  has a solution and solve them completely in each cases.

- 38 Check whether following system of equations are consistent and if to solve the same.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{I. } & 2X_1 + X_2 + 4X_3 = 16 \\ & 3X_1 + 2X_2 + X_3 = 10 \\ & X_1 + 2X_2 + 3X_3 = 16 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{II. } & 2X_1 + 6X_2 = -11 \\ & 6X_1 + 20X_2 - 6X_3 = -3 \\ & 6X_2 - 18X_3 = -1 \end{aligned}$$

- 39 Show that quadratic form  $X^T A X$  is positive definite if and only if the characteristic roots of  $A$  are all positive.

- 40 Let  $A$  be a symmetric matrix with a characteristic root  $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_n$ . Prove that  $\sup_X \frac{X^T A X}{X^T X} = \lambda_1$

- 41 Define quadratic form and discuss definiteness of quadratic form with suitable example.

- 42 Show that the definiteness of the quadratic form is invariant under non-singular transformation. Also show that any quadratic form can be transformed to a form containing only square terms.

- 43 Define symmetric and skew-symmetric matrices. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two symmetric matrices such that characteristic roots  $|A - \lambda B| = 0$  are all distinct then show that there exists a matrix  $P$  such that  $P^T A P$  and  $P^T B P$  are both diagonal matrices.

- 44 Explain extrema of quadratic form. Show that if atleast one of  $A$  and  $B$  is positive definite or negative definite then  $X^T A X$  and  $X^T B X$  can be simultaneously reduced to diagonal form by non-singular transformation.

- 45 State and prove a necessary and sufficient condition for a real quadratic form to be positive definite.

- 46 Reduce the following quadratic form to a form containing only square terms.

$$x_1^2 + x_3^2 + 4x_1x_3 + 8x_2x_3. \text{ Examine whether the following quadratic form is positive definite. } x_1^2 + x_2^2 + 2x_3^2 + 2x_2x_3.$$

- 47 Reduce following quadratic forms into forms containing only square terms & classify them. Determine rank of the matrix.
- $(X_1 + X_2 + X_3)^2$
  - $X_1^2 + X_2^2 - 3X_3^2 + 2X_1X_2 - 6X_2X_3$
- 48 Obtain spectral decomposition of  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & \sqrt{2} \\ \sqrt{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and hence find  $A^3$  and  $A^4$ .
- 49 Explain Spectral decomposition of a real symmetric matrix A. For given matrix A find 5<sup>th</sup> power of matrices.  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0.3 & 0.3 \\ 0.3 & 2 & 0.7 \\ 0.3 & 0.7 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ .
- 50 Explain :
- Singular value decomposition,
  - Choleskey decomposition

**Short notes (4 Marks each)**

- Vector space
- Gram-Schmidt orthogonalisation
- Elementary operations on matrix
- Inverse of a matrix
- Inverse of a partitioned matrix
- Permutation matrix
- Kronecker product
- Generalized inverse
- Procedures to obtain generalized inverse of a matrix
- Moore-Penrose generalized inverse
- System of linear equations
- Characteristic roots and vectors of a matrix
- Cayley-Hamilton theorem
- Spectral decomposition of a real symmetric matrix
- Singular value decomposition
- Quadratic form and non-singular transformation
- Definiteness of quadratic forms
- Choleskey decomposition
- Extrema of a quadratic form
- Simultaneous reduction of two quadratic forms