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SMA4202 ADVANCED LINEAR ALGEBRA

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Time 3 Hours

Candidates should attempt ALL questions from Section A and ANY FOUR questions from Section B.

SECTION A

A1 Compute $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A^n$ for

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{3}{4} \end{pmatrix} \quad [8]$$

A2 Find the canonical form of $\Phi = 5x_1^2 + 6x_2^2 + 7x_3^2 - 4x_1x_2 + 4x_2x_3$ and identify its type. [8]

A3 Let V and W be vector spaces, and let $T: V \rightarrow W$ be a linear transformation. Prove that T is one to one if and only if $\ker(T) = \{0\}$. [4]

A4 Let $(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$ be an inner product space. Let $\{e_1, e_2, \dots\}$ be a sequence of vectors i.e. elements of V . Say what is meant by $\{e_1, e_2, \dots\}$ is orthonormal. Let $\{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$ be linearly independent sequence of vectors. Write down the Gram – Schmidt formulae for obtaining an orthonormal sequence $\{e_1, e_2, \dots\}$ from $\{x_1, x_2, \dots\}$. You need not show that $\{e_1, e_2, \dots\}$ is orthonormal. [10]

A5 Let X be a vector space over \mathbb{R} . Define what is meant by a norm on X . Determine whether the following functions $\|\cdot\|$ are norms on the stated vector spaces X .

$$(i) \quad X = \mathbf{R}; \quad \|x\| = \frac{|x|}{1+|x|}, \quad (x \in \mathbf{R})$$

$$(ii) \quad X = \mathbf{R}, \quad \|x\| = \frac{1}{2} |x| \quad (x \in \mathbf{R}) \quad [10]$$

SECTION B

B6 Show that if $A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{2} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$

$$\text{then } A^r = \frac{1}{2} \left[-\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^r + 3\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^r \right] I + 2 \left[\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^r - \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^r \right] A, \quad r = 1, 2, \dots \text{ where by}$$

definition $A^0 = I$. Then if as $n \rightarrow \infty$ the sum of the series forming the element in row i and column j of S_n converges to the finite limit S_{ij} , infinite matrix series is said to have the sum S , where $S = [s_{ij}]$ and this is written as

$$S = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} A^r$$

Use the matrix A and the expression for A^r in the first part of the problem to show that

$$\sum_{r=0}^{\infty} A^r = \frac{16}{3} A \quad [15]$$

- B7** (a) Define what is meant by the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of a matrix A .
- (b) (i) If $k > 0$ is any integer and if x is an eigenvector corresponding to an eigenvalue λ . Show that x is also an eigenvector of A^k .
- (ii) Find the eigenvalue of A^k corresponding to x . if $A^k = I$ find all possible real values of λ , distinguishing the two cases, k even and k odd.

- (c) Find the eigenvalues of the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 12 & -6 \\ 0 & -7 & 3 \\ 0 & -18 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

and for each eigenvalue find the basis for its eigenspace. Hence write down the general solution of the system of differential equations:

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -x + 12y - 6z$$

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = -7y + 3z$$

$$\frac{dz}{dt} = -18y + 8z$$

[15]

- B8** (a) Determine whether the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ can be diagonalised by a similarity transformation.

- (b) The vector space
- V
- has an inner product.

- (i) State what it means to say that a linear transformation $T: V \rightarrow V$ is symmetric.
- (ii) Show that if T is symmetric and λ is an eigenvalue of T then λ is real. [15]

- B9** Suppose $T: V \rightarrow W$ is a linear transformation. Define $\ker(T)$ and $\text{Im}(T)$. Prove that,
- (i) $\ker T$ is a subspace of V
- (ii) $\text{Im } T$ is a subspace of W .

- (b) Prove that the following transformations are linear transformations and calculate their kernels and their image spaces:

(i) $T_1: P \rightarrow P$ (where P is the vector space of all real polynomials) defined by $T_1(p(x)) = \frac{d}{dx}(xp(x))$ for all $p \in P$.

(ii) $T_2: \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$ defined by

$$T_2 \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 - x_2 \\ x_2 - x_3 \\ x_3 - x_4 \\ x_4 - x_1 \end{pmatrix} \quad [15]$$

B10. Let $p(x) = c_0 + c_1x + \dots + c_nx^n$ be a polynomial in P_n and define

$$T: P_n \rightarrow P_{n+1} \text{ by } T(p(x)) = xp(x).$$

- (a) Show that: (i) T is a linear transformation
(ii) T is one to one

(b) What is the $\ker(T)$ and $\text{Im}(T)$?

(c) Find the matrix for T with respect to the standard bases

$$B = \{u_1, u_2\}, \quad B^1 = \{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$$

$$\text{where } u_1 = 1, u_2 = x; \quad \text{and } v_1 = 1, v_2 = x, v_3 = x^2 \quad [15]$$

B11 Let $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be the linear operator given by

$$T \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2x_3 \\ x_1 + 2x_2 + x_3 \\ x_1 + 3x_3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Find a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 relative to which the matrix for T is diagonal. [15]

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