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**24BLMT12401 : ALGEBRA**  
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SET: A

**Instructions to the candidate:**

- 1) All questions are compulsory.
- 2) Figures to the right indicate full marks.
- 3) Use of calculator is **NOT** allowed.

**Q1) Attempt the following.****[1 X 10 = 10]**

- a) Evaluate:  $(-5 + 4i) \cdot (6 - 7i)$ .
- b) State any two types of matrix.
- c) Define limit of a function.
- d) If  $\vec{a} = \vec{i} + 2\vec{j} - \vec{k}$ ,  $\vec{b} = 3\vec{i} - 4\vec{k}$ , then find  $(\vec{a} \times \vec{b})$ .
- e) Define rank and nullity of linear transformation.
- f) What is mean by differentiability of a function?
- g) Write the standard basis of vector space for  $V = \mathbb{R}^3$ .
- h) Define scalar triple product.
- i) Perform elementary row operation  $R_2 + 2R_1$  on the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$ .
- j) Find the distance between the points  $P(7, -5, 1)$  and  $Q(-7, -2, -1)$ .

**Q2) Attempt ANY FIVE of the following.****[5 X 2 = 10]**

- a) Find the determinant of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 7 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .
- b) Express  $\frac{(9+i)}{(5-4i)}$  in the form of  $x + iy$ .
- c) Write the non-homogeneous system of linear equations and represent it in the matrix form.
- d) Evaluate the limit:  $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x-2}{x^2+x-6}$
- e) Define linear transformation.
- f) What is abstract vector space? Write its axioms.
- g) What are the applications of Mean Value Theorem?

**Q3) Attempt ANY FIVE of the following.****[5 X 3 = 15]**

- a) Examine for consistency the following system of equations:

$$\begin{aligned}x + z &= 2, \\ -2x + y + 3z &= 3, \\ -3x + 2y + 7z &= 4.\end{aligned}$$

- b) Prove that the function
- $f(x) = |x - a|$
- is continuous at
- $x = a$
- but not derivable at
- $x = a$
- .

- c) Using
- $\epsilon - \delta$
- definition of limit, prove that
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow 2} \frac{x^2 - 4}{x - 2} = 4$
- .

- d) If
- $A$
- is an
- $m \times n$
- matrix and
- $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$
- is multiplication by
- $A$
- , then prove that

i) nullity  $(T) = \text{nullity}(A)$

ii) rank  $(T) = \text{rank}(A)$

- e) Reduce the matrix
- $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -3 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
- to the row-echelon form.

- f) Prove that a square matrix
- $A$
- is invertible if and only if
- $A$
- is non-singular.

- g) Find the equation of the plane passing through the points
- $P_1(1, 2, -1)$
- ,
- $P_2(2, 3, 1)$
- and
- $P_3(3, -1, 2)$
- .

**Q4) Attempt ANY THREE of the following.****[3 X 5 = 15]**

- a) If
- $\vec{A} = \vec{i} - 2\vec{j} - 3\vec{k}$
- ,
- $\vec{B} = 2\vec{i} + \vec{j} - \vec{k}$
- , and
- $\vec{C} = \vec{i} + 3\vec{j} - 2\vec{k}$
- , then

find i)  $\vec{A} \cdot (\vec{B} \times \vec{C})$

ii)  $(\vec{A} \times \vec{B}) \cdot \vec{C}$

- b) If
- $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$
- and
- $B = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$
- , verify that
- $\text{adj}(AB) = (\text{adj } B) \cdot (\text{adj } A)$
- .

- c) Discuss the continuity of the function
- $f(x)$
- where,

$$\begin{aligned}f(x) &= \frac{x^2}{a} - a, & \text{for } 0 < x < a \\ &= 0, & \text{for } x = a \\ &= a - \frac{a^3}{x^2}, & \text{for } x > a\end{aligned}$$

- d) Solve the equation:
- $x^2 - i = 0$
- .

- e) Let
- $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$
- be a linear transformation such that
- $T(1,0,0) = (0,0)$
- ,
- $T(0,1,0) = (1,1)$
- and
- $T(0,0,1) = (1,-1)$
- . Compute
- $T(4, -1, 1)$
- and determine the rank and nullity of
- $T$
- .

**Q5) Attempt ANY TWO of the following.****[2 X 5 = 10]**

- a) State and prove De Moivre's Theorem.

- b) Define inverse of a matrix. If
- $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -2 \\ -1 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$
- , then find
- $A^{-1}$
- (if it exists) by adjoint method.

- c) State and prove Lagrange's Mean Value Theorem.

d) Test the following equation for consistency and solve it, if consistent.

$$2x - y - 5z + 4w = 1,$$

$$x + 3y + z - 5w = 18,$$

$$3x - 2y - 8z + 7w = -1.$$

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