

**Indian Statistical Institute, Bangalore**  
B. Math. (hons.) First Year, First Semester  
Linear Algebra I

Mid Term Examination  
Maximum marks: 30

Date : 12 October 2022  
Time: 120 minutes

Answer any Five, each question carries 6 marks.

1. Prove that the number of elements in any linearly independent set is less than the number of elements in a (finite) basis of a vector space.
2. If  $W_1, W_2$  are subspaces of a vector space, prove that  $\dim(W_1+W_2) = \dim(W_1) + \dim(W_2) - \dim(W_1 \cap W_2)$ .
3. Prove that  $A^2 = A$  if and only if  $\mathbb{K}^m = C(A) + C(I - A)$  and  $C(I - A) = N(A)$ .
4. (i) Let  $A$  be a  $m \times n$ -matrix with rank  $m$  and  $B$  be a  $r \times m$ -matrix with rank  $r$ . Find the rank of  $BA$  (**Marks 4**).  
(ii) Let  $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  be a bijective linear transformation and  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k$  are linearly independent vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Prove that  $T(v_1), T(v_2), \dots, T(v_k)$  are also linearly independent vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
5. Prove that  $C(A^m) = C(A^{m+1})$  implies  $C(A^n) = C(A^m)$  for all  $n > m$  and there is a smallest integer  $m$  such that  $C(A^m) = C(A^{m+1})$ .
6. Let  $T: \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$  be a linear transformation given by  $T(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = (x_2, 2x_3, 0, 0)$  and  $A$  be the matrix of  $T$  with respect to the standard basis. Find g-inverses of  $A$  for all possible ranks.
7. Prove that there is a g-inverse of  $A$  with rank same as that of  $A$ .