



**EASTERN UNIVERSITY, SRI LANKA**

**SECOND YEAR EXAMINATION IN SCIENCE - 2012/2013**

**FIRST SEMESTER (February/March, 2016)**

**PM 203 - EIGENSPACES AND QUADRATIC FORMS**

**(PROPER & REPEAT)**

Answer all Questions

Time: Two hours

1. (a) Define what is meant by the terms *eigenvalue* and *eigenvector* of a linear transformation  $T : V \rightarrow V$ , where  $V$  is a vector space.

Find the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 5 & 8 & 16 \\ 4 & 1 & 8 \\ -4 & -4 & 11 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- (b) i. Prove that the eigenvectors that corresponding to distinct eigenvalues of a linear transformation are linearly independent.
- ii. Prove that all the eigenvalues in the set of all complex numbers,  $\mathbb{C}$  of a real orthogonal matrix have modulus 1.
- iii. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be  $n$ -square matrices. Show that  $AB$  and  $BA$  have the same eigenvalues.

- (c) Orthogonally diagonalize the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 4 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

2. Define what is meant by the term *minimum polynomial* of a square matrix.

(a) State and prove the *Cayley-Hamilton* theorem.

Find the minimum polynomial of the square matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(b) Prove that if  $m(t)$  is a minimum polynomial of an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  and  $\psi_A(t)$  is the characteristic polynomial of  $A$ , then  $\psi_A(t)$  divides  $[m(t)]^n$ .

(c) Let  $M = \begin{pmatrix} A & O_1 \\ O_2 & B \end{pmatrix}$ , where  $A, B$  are square matrices and  $O_1, O_2$  are zero matrices of respective orders. Show that the minimum polynomial of  $M$  is the least common multiple of the minimum polynomials of  $A$  and  $B$ , respectively.

3. (a) Find an orthogonal transformation which reduces the following quadratic form to a diagonal form

$$2x_1^2 - 2x_1x_3 + 2x_2^2 - 2x_2x_3 + 3x_3^2 = 16.$$

(b) Simultaneously diagonalize the following pair of quadratic forms

$$\phi_1 = x_1^2 - x_2^2 - 2x_3^2 - 2x_1x_2 + 4x_2x_3,$$

$$\phi_2 = x_1^2 + 2x_2^2 + 2x_3^2 - 2x_1x_2 - 2x_2x_3.$$

4 (a) Define what is meant by an *inner product* on a vector space.

Let  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ ,  $y = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , where  $x_i, y_i \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

Let the inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  be defined on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  as

$$\langle x, y \rangle = xy^T = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i.$$

Show that  $(\mathbb{R}^n, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$  is an inner product space.

(b) Prove that for any vectors  $x, y$  in an inner product space,  $|\langle x, y \rangle| \leq \|x\| \|y\|$ .

(c) State the *Gram Schmidt* process.

Find the orthonormal set for span of  $M$  in  $\mathbb{R}^4$ , where

$$M = \{(1, 1, 1, 1)^T, (1, 1, 2, 4)^T, (1, 2, -4, -3)^T\}.$$