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B.A. (Hons.) Programme J
Discipline Centred Concurrent Course-
ECONOMICS
(For Economics Hons.)
(Maths : Linear Algebra and Calculus)
(Admission of 2005 and onwards)

Time : 2 Hours

Maximum Marks : 38

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Attempt six questions in all, selecting **two** questions from each section.

SECTION – I

1. (a) Define vector space \mathbb{R}^n over \mathbb{R} . Show that :

(i) If $\alpha \cdot x = 0$, then $\alpha = 0$ or $x = 0$
where $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$.

(ii) $(-\alpha)x = \alpha(-x) = -(\alpha x)$ where $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$,
 $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$. 4

(b) Prove that the following subset S of \mathbb{R}^3 is a spanning set of \mathbb{R}^3 , but not a basis of \mathbb{R}^3

$S = \{(1, 0, 0), (1, 1, 0), (1, 1, 1), (0, 1, 0)\}$ 4

2. (a) Is there a linear transformation
 $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ such that
 $T(1, 0, 1) = (4, 6)$, $T(1, 1, 0) = (3, 5)$. If yes,
 find $T(1, 2, 3)$. 4

- (b) Verify rank-nullity theorem for linear transformation
 $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ such that
 $T(x, y, z) = (3x, x - y, 2x + y + z)$ 4

3. (a) Prove that $|\langle u, v \rangle| = \|u\| \|v\|$ iff u and v are linearly dependent. 4

- (b) Define an orthonormal basis of \mathbb{R}^3 .

Prove that

$$\left\{ \left(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{-2}{3}, \frac{-2}{3} \right), \left(\frac{2}{3}, \frac{-1}{3}, \frac{2}{3} \right), \left(\frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{-1}{3} \right) \right\}$$

form an orthonormal set in \mathbb{R}^3 w.r.t. standard inner product on \mathbb{R}^n . 4

SECTION - II

4. Use $\epsilon - \delta$ definition to prove that the following function is continuous at $x = 3$:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x^2-9}{x-3} & \text{if } x \neq 3 \\ 6 & \text{if } x = 3 \end{cases} \quad 6$$

5. Let f be a continuous function on $[a, b]$ and x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n be points of $[a, b]$. Show that there exists a point $C \in [a, b]$ such that

$$f(C) = \frac{1}{n} [f(x_1) + f(x_2) + \dots + f(x_n)] \quad 6$$

6. Let function f be continuous on $[a - b, a + b]$ and derivable in $(a - b, a + b)$. Prove that there is a real number θ between 0 and 1 for which

$$f(a + b) - 2f(a) + f(a - b) = h[f'(a + \theta h) - f'(a - \theta h)] \quad 6$$

SECTION - III

7. Let $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by setting :

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{xy}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} & , \text{ if } (x, y) \neq (0, 0) \\ 0 & , \text{ if } (x, y) = (0, 0) \end{cases}$$

Show that f is continuous at $(0, 0)$ but f is not differentiable at $(0, 0)$. 5

8. Find the maxima and minima of the function $4xy - x^4 - y^4$. 5