

**FIRST SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2025**  
**(Regular/Improvement/Supplementary)**

**STATISTICS**  
**FMST1C03- ANALYTICAL TOOL FOR STATISTICS II**

**Time: 3 Hours****Maximum Weightage: 30****Part A: Answer any *four* questions. Each carries *two* weightage.**

1. Define basis and dimension of a vector space. Give an example of an infinite dimensional vector space.
2. Show that every subspace of a vector space has a complement.
3. Define row and column space of a matrix. What is the connection between the dimension of row and column space of a matrix?
4. Show that pre-multiplication by a non-singular matrix does not alter the rank of a matrix.
5. Explain the singular value decomposition of a matrix.
6. Show that the characteristic roots of an idempotent matrix are either 0 or 1.
7. If  $A$  is a positive definite matrix, then show that  $|A| > 0$ .

**(4 × 2 = 8 weightage)**

**Part B: Answer any *four* questions. Each carries *three* weightage.**

8. Show that all bases for a finite dimensional vector space have the same number of vectors.
9. Let  $A$  be a non-singular matrix of order  $n$  partitioned as  $A = \begin{bmatrix} C_1 & C_2 \\ 0 & C_3 \end{bmatrix}$ , where  $C_1$  is a non-singular matrix of order  $k < n$ . Derive the inverse of  $A$ .
10. If  $A$  is an idempotent matrix, then show that  $\text{rank}(A) = \text{trace}(A)$ .
11. State and prove Cayley-Hamilton Theorem. Mention one of its uses.
12. Explain the spectral decomposition of a real symmetric matrix. Discuss its properties.
13. State and prove rank nullity theorem.
14. If  $\bar{A}$  is a generalized inverse of  $A$ , then show that the general solution of  $AX = Y$  can be expressed in the form  $X = \bar{A}Y + (H - I)z$ , where  $H = \bar{A}A$  and  $z$  is an arbitrary vector.

**(4 × 3 = 12 weightage)**

**(P.T.O.)**

**Part C: Answer any two questions. Each carries five weightage.**

15. Define an orthonormal basis and show that an orthonormal basis always exists. Construct an orthonormal basis from  $\{(1, 1, 1), (-1, 0, -1), (-1, 2, 3)\}$ .

16. If  $A$  and  $B$  are two square matrices of order  $n$ , then show that:

$$\text{rank}(A) + \text{rank}(B) - n \leq \text{rank}(AB) \leq \text{Min}\{\text{rank}(A), \text{rank}(B)\}$$

17. Define algebraic multiplicity and geometric multiplicity of a characteristic root. Show that geometric multiplicity of a characteristic root cannot exceed its algebraic multiplicity.

18. Reduce the quadratic form  $x^2 + 2y^2 + 3z^2 + 2xy + 2yz - 2xz$  to its canonical form. Also identify the nature of the quadratic form.

**(2 × 5 = 10 weightage)**