

Question 5. The trace of $D = AB$, where $A = (a_{ij})$, $B = (b_{ij})$ $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{n,n}$ are two lower triangular matrices, is:

- (A) $Tr(D) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ii}b_{ii}$.
- (B) $Tr(D) = \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{ij}b_{ij}$.
- (B) $Tr(D) = Tr(A) \cdot Tr(B)$.

Question 6. Given the matrices $F = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 3 \\ 4 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ and $G = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ the product FG is:

- (A) $\begin{pmatrix} -4 & 3 \\ 1 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$
- (B) $\begin{pmatrix} -4 & 2 \\ 0 & -3 \end{pmatrix}$
- (C) $\begin{pmatrix} -4 & 1 \\ 0 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$

Question 7. Let A be a $n \times n$ square matrix, $A = (C_1, \dots, C_n)$ where $det(A) \neq 0$, and $k \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$. Which one of the following statements is false ?

- (A) $det(kC_1 + kC_2 + \dots + kC_n, C_2, \dots, C_n) = 0$
- (B) $det(kC_1, kC_2, \dots, kC_n) = k^n \cdot det(C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n)$
- (C) $det(C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n) = -det(C_2, C_1, \dots, C_n)$

Question 8. If $A, B \in GL(n)$ then:

- (A) $det[(AB)^{-1}] = [det(B)]^{-1}[det(A)]^{-1}$
- (B) $det(AB) = -det(BA)$
- (C) $det(A + B) = det(A) + det(B)$

Question 9. Let V, W be two \mathbb{R} -vector spaces. If v_1, v_2 belongs to the kernel $ker(f)$ (or null space) of a linear transformation $f : V \rightarrow W$ then:

- (A) $v_1 + v_2 \in ker(f)$
- (B) $\alpha f(v_1) + \beta f(v_2)$ is a non-zero vector of $Im(f)$
- (C) $\beta f(v_1) - \alpha f(v_2)$ is a non-zero vector of W

Question 10. Which one, among the following sets, describes a line in \mathbb{A}^3 ?

- (A) $\{(x, y, z) \mid y = xz + z_0, \text{ where } z_0 \in \mathbb{R}\}$
- (B) $\{(x, y, z) \mid 2y = x, \quad 2y - z = 1\}$
- (C) $\{(x, y, z) \mid x_0x + (y_0 + y)z + z_0z = 0, \text{ where } x_0, y_0, z_0 \in \mathbb{R}\}$

Question 11. In the euclidean space E^2 let's consider the orthogonal projection P_W onto the subspace $W = \{v \mid v = \lambda(1, 0), \lambda \in \mathbb{R}\}$ of E^2 . Then it is:

- (A) P_W has eigenvalues 1 and 2.
- (B) $Im(P_W) = \{v \mid v = \lambda(1, 0)\}$ and $ker(P_W) = \{v \mid v = \lambda(0, 1)\}$
- (C) $Im(P_W) = \{v \mid v = \lambda(0, 1)\}$ and $ker(P_W) = \{v \mid v = \lambda(1, 0)\}$

Question 12. Given the matrix A of a linear map $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$, let's consider the eigenvalue problem:

$$Au = \lambda u.$$

If $\lambda = 0$ is an eigenvalue, then:

- (A) the eigenvalue problem is ill-defined
- (B) $u \in ker(f)$
- (C) $u \in Im(f)$

Question 13. Let v, w be two vectors of the Euclidean vector space E^n . Which one of the following inequalities is false for any v, w ?

- (A) $|v \cdot w| \leq \|v\| \|w\|$
- (B) $|v \cdot w| \leq 1$
- (C) $|v| + |w| < |v + w|$

Question 14. The matrix (w.r.t. canonical basis) associated to the following quadratic form $Q(\mathbf{x}) = x_1^2 - 4x_2x_3 + 6x_1x_3 + 3x_2^2 + 4x_3^2$ is:

- (A) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 & -2 \\ 3 & -2 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ (B) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 3 & -4 \\ 6 & -4 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ (C) $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1/6 \\ 0 & 3 & -1/4 \\ 1/6 & -1/4 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$

Question 15. Given the following polynomial $p(x) = -2x^3 + x^2 + 2x - 1$, which one among the following numbers is a root (or a zero) of $p(x)$?

- (A) 0
 - (B) -2
 - (C) $\frac{1}{2}$
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