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Lectures on Linear Algebra, Week 2.

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**Question 1.** Let  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  be vectors of a real vector space  $V$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}, n > 1$ . If any  $v \in V$  can be written as  $v = a_1v_1 + \dots + a_nv_n$ , where  $a_i \in \mathbb{R}$ , then:

- (A)  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  is a basis of  $V$ .
- (B)  $v_i \cdot v_j = k\delta_{ij}$ , where  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ .
- (C)  $V$  is a finitely generated vector space.

**Question 2.** Which one, among the following equations, describes a plane in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  ?

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

**Question 3.** If  $A, B \in GL(n)$  then:

- (A)  $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$
- (B)  $AB=BA$
- (C)  $(AB)^2 = AB$

**Question 4.** In  $V = \mathbb{R}^2$  consider the bilinear symmetric form  $g : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  defined on the canonical basis  $\{e_1, e_2\}$  as:  $g(e_1, e_1) = 2, g(e_1, e_2) = g(e_2, e_1) = 0, g(e_2, e_2) = 3$ . Then, it is true that:

- (A)  $g(v, v) > 0 \forall v \in V$ .
- (B) The vectors  $v_1, v_2 \in (V, g)$  defined by:  $v_1 = (1/\sqrt{2}, 0), v_2 = (0, 1/\sqrt{3})$ , are orthonormal.
- (C)  $g$  is not positively definite.

**Question 5.** Given the matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{3,2}$ , with  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 2 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$ , the rank of  $A$  is such that:

- (A)  $rk(A) = 1$
- (B)  $rk(A) = 3$
- (C)  $rk({}^tA) = rk(A)$

**Question 6.** Let  $V, W$  be two  $\mathbb{R}$ -vector spaces. A linear transformation  $f : V \rightarrow W$  is injective if it is found that:

- (A)  $f(0_V) = 0_W$
- (B)  $ker(f) = \{0_V\}$
- (C)  $f(k_1v_1 + k_2v_2) = k_1f(v_1) + k_2f(v_2), \forall k_1, k_2 \in \mathbb{R}$  and any  $v_1, v_2 \in V$ .

**Question 7.** Let  $(V, \cdot)$  be an euclidean real vector space. If a basis  $\mathcal{B} = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  is given on  $V$  such that  $v, w \in V$  are written as  $v = \sum_{j=1}^n a_jv_j, w = \sum_{j=1}^n b_jv_j$ , then  $v \cdot w$  is:

- (A)  $\sum_{k=1}^n a_k b_k$
- (B) always positive if  $v_i \cdot v_j \geq 0 \forall i, j$
- (C)  $\sum_{k=1}^n a_k b_k$ , for example, when  $\mathcal{B}$  has been obtained by using the Gram-Schmidt method.