



GENERAL MATHEMATICS 2024

Unit 4

Key Topic Test 1 – Matrix Arithmetic

Recommended writing time*: 45 minutes

Total number of marks available: 25 marks

SOLUTIONS

SECTION A – Multiple Choice (1 mark per question)

Question 1

Answer: A

Permutation matrix

- Contains only 1s and 0s
- Each row and column has exactly one 1

Question 2

Answer: D

$$a_{21} = 1, a_{23} = -6$$

$$1 - -6 = 7$$

Question 3

Answer: B

$$p_{11} = -5a + 2c = -18$$

$$p_{21} = 2a + 1c = 9$$

$$a = 4, c = 1$$

$$a + c = 5$$

Question 4

Answer: E

$2A + B$ is not possible as A is order 2×2 which doesn't match B of order 3×2

Question 5

Answer: D

$$(A + C) \text{ order } 2 \times 3$$

$$B^{-1} \text{ order } 3 \times 2$$

Columns of $(A + C)$ match rows of B^{-1}

SECTION B – Short Answer**Question 1**

- a. The columns of A do not match the rows of C

1 mark

b. $b_{22} = 1$

1 mark

c. $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} & \frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix} \text{ or } \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

1 mark

d. $\begin{bmatrix} -12 & -2 & 14 \\ 12 & 10 & 20 \end{bmatrix}$

1 mark

e. $A^T = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

1 mark

f. $AB = \text{order } 2 \times 3$

$(AB)C = \text{order } 2 \times 2$

1 mark

g. $P = \begin{bmatrix} -31 & 60 \\ 35 & 102 \end{bmatrix}$

$$P^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{17}{877} & \frac{10}{877} \\ \frac{35}{5262} & \frac{31}{5262} \end{bmatrix}$$

2 marks

h. $G = 3C \times 2B = \begin{bmatrix} 96 & 72 & 126 \\ 48 & 0 & -90 \\ -120 & 60 & 480 \end{bmatrix}$

G is a 3×3 matrix

$g_{21} = 48$

2 marks

Question 2

a. $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 7 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 \\ 5 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 9556 \\ 5899 \\ 3155 \end{bmatrix}$

1 mark

b. $A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 7 \\ 3 & 1 & 4 \\ 5 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{7}{10} & \frac{13}{10} & -\frac{3}{10} \\ \frac{17}{10} & -\frac{33}{10} & \frac{13}{10} \\ \frac{1}{10} & \frac{1}{10} & -\frac{1}{10} \end{bmatrix}$

1 mark

c. $\begin{bmatrix} -\frac{7}{10} & \frac{13}{10} & -\frac{3}{10} \\ \frac{17}{10} & -\frac{33}{10} & \frac{13}{10} \\ \frac{1}{10} & \frac{1}{10} & -\frac{1}{10} \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 9556 \\ 5899 \\ 3155 \end{bmatrix}$

$$x = 33, y = 880, z = 1230$$

2 marks

Question 3

a. $T^T = [1 \quad 8 \quad 20 \quad 16]$

1 mark

b. $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1.1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1.1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1.1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1.1 \end{bmatrix}$

1 mark

c. $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} t \\ f \\ u \\ r \\ i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f \\ r \\ u \\ i \\ t \end{bmatrix}$

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

2 marks

d. $P = \text{order } 5 \times 5$
 P is a permutation matrix

1 mark