Assignment 14

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***Abstract*—This document solves a problem of Linear Algebra.**

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1 Problem

Let $B : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ be the function $B(a, b) = ab$. Which of the following is true-

1) B is a linear transformation
2) B is a positive definite bilinear form
3) B is symmetric but not positive definite
4) B neither linear nor bilinear

2 SOLUTION

Let

$$\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x & y \end{pmatrix}^T \tag{2.0.1}$$

Then

$$B(x, y) = \mathbf{x}^T \frac{\mathbf{R}}{2} \mathbf{x} \tag{2.0.2}$$

where $\mathbf{R}$ is the reflection matrix defined as:-

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \tag{2.0.3}$$

(2.0.2) represent Quadratic form of B(x,y)

Options	Explanation
B is a linear transformation	Let the transformation be $B : \mathbb{R}\times\mathbb{R}\to\mathbb{R}$ such that, $B(\mathbf{x}) = xy$ where $\mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$ Now $B(\mathbf{e}) = ab$ where $\mathbf{e} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}$ Hence, $B(c\mathbf{e}) = c^2 B(\mathbf{e})$ Hence B is not a linear transformation. Hence incorrect.
B is a positive definite bilinear form Bilinear Form Symmetric Positive Definite	$f : \mathbb{V}\times\mathbb{V}\to\mathbb{F}$ where $\mathbb{V}$ is a vector space and $\mathbb{F}$ is a field f is a bilinear if the following holds true - If one variable is fixed then other should be linear Let's say x is fixed,x=c (2.0.2) becomes $B(x, y) = cy$,y is linear Let's say y is fixed,y=c (2.0.2) becomes $B(x, y) = cx$,x is linear Hence B is a bilinear form. Again a bilinear form f is symmetric if $f(\alpha,\beta) = f(\beta,\alpha)$ Here, $B(a, b) = ab$,from (2.0.2) $B(b, a) = ba$,from (2.0.2) $ba = ab$,Hence B is symmetric. A symmetric bilinear f is positive definite if $f(\alpha,\alpha) > 0 \ \forall\alpha \neq 0$ Here, $B(a, a) = a^2$ from (2.0.2) $a^2 > 0 \ \forall a \neq 0$ **Conclusion:** B is symmetric and positive definite bilinear form. Hence Correct.
B is symmetric but not positive definite	From previous proof it is obvious that B is both symmetric as well as positive definite Hence incorrect
B neither linear nor bilinear	From previous proofs it is obvious that B is bilinear. Hence incorrect.
Result	B is symmetric and positive definite bilinear form

TABLE 1: Finding Correct Option