

Mathematics Pre-arrival course

Weekly Quiz 3 – Linear Algebra, Sequences and Series

1. The matrix A is given by

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -5 \\ -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The determinant of A is

- (a) 1
- (b) -1
- (c) 11
- (d) -11

2. Which of the following matrices represents a rotation of 30° anti-clockwise about the origin.

- (a) $\begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$.
- (b) $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$.
- (c) $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$.
- (d) $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$.

3. How many of the following statements are true?

- If a line is invariant under a transformation matrix A and a transformation matrix B , then it's also invariant under BA .
- Every rotation in 2D space about the origin through an angle of $\theta \neq 0$ anti-clockwise has at least one line of invariant points.
- Every rotation in 3D space about a given axis through an angle of $\theta \neq 0$ anti-clockwise has at least one line of invariant points.

- (a) 0
- (b) 1
- (c) 2
- (d) 3

4. All of the invariant **lines** under the transformation

$$\begin{bmatrix} -3 & 2 \\ -8 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

are

- (a) $y = 2x$
- (b) $y = 2x + c$, c any constant
- (c) $y = 3x$
- (d) $y = 3x$ and $y = 2x$

5. The triangle with vertices $(-2, 4)$, $(1, 4)$ and $(0, -6)$ is transformed with a transformation represented by

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 4 & -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The area of the image is:

- (a) 15 square units
- (b) 30 square units
- (c) 60 square units
- (d) 120 square units

6. What conclusion can we reach about the planes represented by the equations

$$\begin{aligned} 2x + 3y - z &= 9 \\ x - 2y - 3z &= 2 \\ x + 5y + 2z &= 7. \end{aligned}$$

- (a) They form a sheaf
- (b) They form a prism
- (c) They are parallel
- (d) They meet at a unique point

7. An expression for

$$\sum_{r=1}^n (2r^2 - 1) + \sum_{r=1}^n (3r + 1)$$

is

- (a) $\frac{1}{6}n(n+1)(2n+11)$
- (b) $\frac{1}{2}n(n+1)(2n+11)$
- (c) $\frac{1}{6}n(n+1)(4n+11)$
- (d) $\frac{1}{2}n(n+1)(4n+11)$

8. An expression for

$$\sum_{r=1}^n \frac{2r+1}{r^2(r+1)^2}$$

is

- (a) $\frac{n(n+2)}{(n+1)^2}$
- (b) $\frac{n^2-1}{n^2}$
- (c) $\frac{(n-2)n}{(n-1)^2}$
- (d) $\frac{(n+1)(n+2)}{n^2}$