Based on the uploaded document "Basics of Linear Algebra for Machine Learning by Jason Brownlee" and your request, here are **50 multiple-choice questions (MCQs)** of **all difficulty levels** (Easy, Medium, Hard) covering essential topics like vectors, matrices, matrix operations, decomposition, PCA, and applications in machine learning.

Z Easy Level (1–20)

1. What is a vector?

- A) A table of numbers
- B) A single number
- C) An array of numbers arranged in a row or column
- D) A matrix with more than one row

Ans: C

2. Which operation is used to compute similarity between two vectors?

- A) Cross product
- B) Dot product
- C) Scalar addition
- D) Vector subtraction

Ans: B

3. What does L1 norm measure?

- A) Max element
- B) Sum of squared values
- C) Sum of absolute values
- D) Average of all elements

Ans: C

4. The dot product of two orthogonal vectors is:

- A) 1
- B) -1
- C) 0
- D) Undefined

Ans: C

5. Which matrix has only diagonal elements non-zero?

- A) Identity matrix
- B) Diagonal matrix
- C) Sparse matrix
- D) Null matrix

Ans: B

6. Which type of matrix has equal rows and columns?

- A) Row matrix
- B) Column matrix

- C) Square matrix D) Triangular matrix Ans: C 7. Matrix multiplication is valid when: A) Dimensions match
 - - B) Rows of A = columns of B
 - C) Columns of A = rows of B
 - D) Any two matrices

Ans: C

- 8. Which function is used in NumPy to compute transpose?
 - A) .swap()
 - B) .transpose()
 - C) .inverse()
 - D) .rank()

Ans: B

- 9. The identity matrix acts like:
 - A) A scalar
 - B) Zero matrix
 - C) Neutral element in multiplication
 - D) Transpose of any matrix

Ans: C

- 10. Which norm is also known as Euclidean norm?
 - A) L0
 - B) L1
 - C) L2
 - D) Max Norm

Ans: C

- 11. Which matrix operation changes rows into columns?
 - A) Transpose
 - B) Inverse
 - C) Multiplication
 - D) Decomposition

Ans: A

- 12. What is the determinant of an identity matrix?
 - A) 0
 - B) -1
 - C) 1
 - D) Undefined

Ans: C

13. Which matrix has a determinant of zero?

- A) Invertible
- B) Non-singular
- C) Singular
- D) Orthogonal

Ans: C

14. Which matrix type is equal to its own transpose?

- A) Diagonal
- B) Triangular
- C) Symmetric
- D) Orthogonal

Ans: C

15. The inverse of an orthogonal matrix is equal to:

- A) Zero matrix
- B) Diagonal matrix
- C) Its transpose
- D) Its determinant

Ans: C

16. What is the rank of a matrix?

- A) Number of columns
- B) Number of rows
- C) Number of linearly independent rows or columns
- D) Maximum value in matrix

Ans: C

17. Principal Component Analysis (PCA) is used for:

- A) Data normalization
- B) Dimensionality reduction
- C) Data encoding
- D) Classification

Ans: B

18. Which of the following is not a matrix decomposition technique?

- A) LU
- B) QR
- C) FFT
- D) Cholesky

Ans: C

19. What is a sparse matrix?

- A) A matrix with only diagonal elements
- B) A matrix with many zero elements
- C) A matrix with only one row
- D) A matrix with all elements zero

Ans: B

20. Which value in eigendecomposition indicates the importance of a component?

- A) Eigenvector
- B) Eigenvalue
- C) Diagonal entry
- D) Trace

Ans: B

Medium Level (21–40)

21. If a matrix has full rank, it means:

- A) It has zero determinant
- B) All rows or columns are linearly independent
- C) It is singular
- D) It is sparse

Ans: B

22. Which method is used to solve Ax = b when A is not square?

- A) SVD
- B) LU
- C) Dot product
- D) Identity matrix

Ans: A

23. What is the purpose of the covariance matrix in PCA?

- A) Normalize data
- B) Measure variance
- C) Capture relationships between variables
- D) None

Ans: C

24. Which matrix has 1s on diagonal and 0 elsewhere?

- A) Symmetric
- B) Identity
- C) Diagonal
- D) Inverse

Ans: B

25. In SVD, the matrix is decomposed into:

- A) Q, R
- B) L, U
- C) U, Σ, V^T
- D) X, Y, Z

Ans: C

26. Which matrix decomposition is used when the matrix is symmetric and positive-definite?

- A) LU
- B) Cholesky
- C) QR
- D) PCA

Ans: B

27. Which Python library is widely used for matrix computation?

- A) Matplotlib
- B) Pandas
- C) NumPy
- D) Scikit-learn

Ans: C

28. Which of the following is not a vector operation?

- A) Norm
- B) Addition
- C) Dot product
- D) Rank

Ans: D

29. Trace of a matrix refers to:

- A) Sum of elements
- B) Product of diagonals
- C) Sum of diagonal elements
- D) Determinant

Ans: C

30. A matrix is invertible if:

- A) Its determinant is zero
- B) It is symmetric
- C) It has full rank
- D) All entries are non-zero

Ans: C

31. Which concept ensures axes in PCA are orthogonal?

- A) Covariance
- B) Eigenvectors
- C) Transpose
- D) Rank

Ans: B

32. NumPy's dot() function computes:

A) Element-wise multiplication

- B) Transpose C) Dot product D) Diagonal Ans: C 33. Matrix A is of size 3x2. Matrix B is of size 2x3. What will be the shape of AB? A) 2x2 B) 3x3 C) 2x3 D) 3x2 Ans: B 34. Which operation cannot be applied to all matrices? A) Transpose B) Inverse C) Dot product D) Addition Ans: B 35. What happens if you multiply a matrix by its inverse? A) Identity matrix B) Zero matrix C) Transpose D) Rank 1 matrix Ans: A 36. Which matrix multiplication rule is correct? A) AB = BA always B) AB ≠ BA generally C) AB = A+BD) AB = B/AAns: B 37. Which of the following reduces overfitting in linear regression? A) Normal equation B) Regularization C) Transpose D) Covariance Ans: B
- 38. Which matrix has eigenvalues 1?
 - A) Identity
 - B) Diagonal
 - C) Singular
 - D) Rank deficient

Ans: A

- 39. If eigenvalue is 0, then the matrix is:
 - A) Non-invertible
 - B) Invertible
 - C) Diagonal
 - D) Orthogonal

Ans: A

- 40. Which is not a reason to use PCA?
 - A) Reduce noise
 - B) Increase accuracy of raw features
 - C) Reduce dimensionality
 - D) Speed up training

Ans: B

Mard Level (41–50)

- 41. If a matrix is not square but full rank, which decomposition helps compute a pseudoinverse?
 - A) QR
 - B) LU
 - C) SVD
 - D) Eigen

Ans: C

- 42. Which property defines an orthogonal matrix Q?
 - A) $Q = Q^2$
 - B) $Q^T = Q$
 - C) $Q^{-1} = Q^{T}$
 - D)Q = -Q

Ans: C

- 43. Which of the following does PCA rely on?
 - A) LU decomposition
 - B) Singular values
 - C) Covariance matrix
 - D) Determinant

Ans: C

- 44. What does it mean if all eigenvalues of a matrix are real and positive?
 - A) Matrix is diagonal
 - B) Matrix is orthogonal
 - C) Matrix is positive definite
 - D) Matrix is singular

Ans: C

45. Which decomposition is used in gradient descent initialization for linear						
	regression?					
	A) QR					
	B) LU					
	C) Cholesky					
	D) None					
	Ans: D					
46.	The PCA components are:					
	A) Eigenvectors of input matrix					
	B) Eigenvectors of covariance matrix					
	C) Diagonal elements					
	D) Singular values					
	Ans: B					
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47	What is the shape of the covariance matrix for m features?					
• • •	A) m x 1					
	B) m x m					
	C) 1 x m					
	D) m x n					
	Ans: B					
	Alls: D					
48	In PCA, what does projecting data onto eigenvectors achieve?					
4 0.	A) Noise addition					
	,					
	B) Data corruption					
	C) Data reconstruction					
	D) Dimensionality reduction					
	Ans: D					
40	What is the eigen decomposition formula for symmetric matrix A?					
49.	A) A = $U\Sigma V^T$					
	1					
	B) $A = Q \wedge Q^T$					
	C) A = LU					
	D) $A = AB$					
	Ans: B					
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50.	In SVD, which matrix contains singular values?					
	A) U					
	Β) Σ					
	C) V					
	D) V^T					
	Ans: B					