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Q1. Let A be a 6×6 matrix of rank 4. Let S be the affine subspace of \mathbb{R}^6 defined by $S = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^6 : Ax = b\}$, where b is the 4th column of A . What is the dimension of S ?

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Q2. Let $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be a linear transformation defined as $T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (6x_2, 4x_3, x_1)$. Consider two ordered bases $\beta = \{(1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1)\}$ and $\gamma = \{(0, 0, 1), (1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0)\}$ of \mathbb{R}^3 . Consider the following two matrices:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 6 \\ 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Are A and B equivalent

Options:

- A. True
- B. False

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Q3. If A or B is invertible, then AB and BA are similar matrices (i.e., AB is similar to BA).

Options:

A. TRUE

B. FALSE

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Q4. Any two scalar matrices are similar.

Options:

A. TRUE

B. FALSE

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Q5. If A is similar to B , then A^k is similar to B^k , for any positive integer k .

Options:

A. TRUE

B. FALSE

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Q6. If A and B are two 3×3 matrices, which are similar to each other. Suppose the homogeneous system of linear equations $Ax = 0$ has a unique solution, then the homogeneous system of linear equations $Bx = 0$ also has a unique solution.

Options:

A. TRUE

B. FALSE

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Q7. An inner product on a vector space V is a function $\langle . , . \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfying the following conditions:

Condition 1: $\langle v, v \rangle > 0$ for all $v \in V \setminus \{0\}$; $\langle v, v \rangle = 0$ if and only if $v = 0$

Condition 2: $\langle v_1 + v_2, v_3 \rangle = \langle v_1, v_3 \rangle + \langle v_2, v_3 \rangle$

Condition 3: $\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle = \langle v_2, v_1 \rangle$

Condition 4: $\langle cv_1, cv_2 \rangle = c \langle v_1, v_2 \rangle$

Define $V = \mathbb{R}^2$ and the function defined as:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle . , . \rangle : V \times V &\rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ \langle (x_1, y_1) , (x_2, y_2) \rangle &= 2x_1x_2 + 3y_1y_2 \end{aligned}$$

Which of the above conditions are satisfied for the above function?

Options:

- A. Condition 1
- B. Condition 2
- C. Condition 3
- D. Condition 4

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Q8. An inner product on a vector space V is a function $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfying the following conditions:

Condition 1: $\langle v, v \rangle > 0$ for all $v \in V \setminus \{0\}$; $\langle v, v \rangle = 0$ if and only if $v = 0$

Condition 2: $\langle v_1 + v_2, v_3 \rangle = \langle v_1, v_3 \rangle + \langle v_2, v_3 \rangle$

Condition 3: $\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle = \langle v_2, v_1 \rangle$

Condition 4: $\langle cv_1, v_2 \rangle = c\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle$

Let $V = \mathbb{R}^2$ and consider the function defined as:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V &\rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ \langle (x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2) \rangle &= x_1y_1 - x_1y_2 - x_2y_1 + x_2y_2 \end{aligned}$$

Which of the following are satisfied by the above function?

Options:

- A. Condition 1 is satisfied.
- B. Condition 2 is satisfied.
- C. Condition 3 is satisfied.
- D. Condition 4 is satisfied.

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Q9. Let U be a subspace of the vector space \mathbb{R}^3 and suppose $\{(1, 0, 1), (0, 1, 2)\}$ is a basis of U . Then which of the following subsets of \mathbb{R}^3 are appropriate candidates for the affine subspaces of \mathbb{R}^3 such that the corresponding vector subspaces is U ?

- A. $\{(x, y, z) \mid x + 2y + z = 2, x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}\}$
- B. $\{(x, y, z) \mid x + 2y + z = 1, x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}\}$
- C. $\{(x, y, z) \mid x - 2y - z = 0, x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}\}$
- D. $\{(x, y, z) \mid x - 2y - z = 1, x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}\}$
- E. $\{(x, y, z) \mid x + 2y - z = 2, x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}\}$

F. $\{(x, y, z) \mid x + 2y - z = 0, x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}\}$

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Q10. Let us consider the following matrices:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Consider the following pairs of matrices:

- **Pair I:** A, B
- **Pair II :** A, C
- **Pair III :** B, C

Choose the correct option from the following.

Options:

- A. Only the matrices in Pair I are similar matrices.
- B. All the pairs consist of similar matrices.
- C. Only the matrices in Pair III are similar matrices.
- D. None of these pairs consist of similar matrices.

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Q11. A norm on a vector space V is a function

$$\begin{aligned} \|\cdot\| : V &\rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ x &\rightarrow \|x\| \end{aligned}$$

satisfying the following conditions:

Condition 1: $\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$ for all $x, y \in V$

Condition 2: $\|cx\| = |c| \|x\|$ for all $c \in \mathbb{R}$ and for all $x \in V$

Condition 3: $\|x\| \geq 0$ for all $x \in V$; $\|x\| = 0$ if and only if $x = 0$

Consider a function $\|\cdot\| : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined as

$$\|(x_1, x_2, x_3)\| = |x_1 + x_2 + x_3|$$

on the vector space \mathbb{R}^3 .

Which of the following are satisfied by the above function?

Options:

- A. Condition 1 is satisfied.
- B. Condition 2 is satisfied.
- C. Condition 3 is satisfied.
- D. None of these conditions are satisfied.

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Q12. Which of the following options is/are true?

Options:

A. Every matrix is similar to itself

B. If A is similar to B , then A^{-1} is similar to B^{-1}

C. $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ is similar to $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

D. If A is similar to $B + C$, then $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(B) = \text{rank}(C)$

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Q13. Consider $V = \mathbb{R}^2$ with respect to the inner product defined as

$\langle (x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2) \rangle = x_1 y_1 - (x_1 y_2 + x_2 y_1) + 2x_2 y_2$, for all $(x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$.

Answer the subquestions based on the given data

Sub Questions:

Q1) Find $\|(1, 3)\|^2$

Q2) Which of the following is/are unit vectors in V ?

Options:

A. $(1, 1)$

B. $\frac{1}{2}(2, 2)$

C. $\frac{1}{\sqrt{13}}(2, 3)$

D. $(0, 1)$

E. None of these

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Q14. The teacher asked Soumya and Sohini to consider an affine space each Soumya considered the affine subspace L and Sohini considered the affine subspace L' of \mathbb{R}^3 , where $L = U$ and $L' = (2, 0, 1) + U'$, for some vector subspaces $U = \text{Span}\{(2, 0, 1), (1, 1, 0), (0, 1, 0)\}$ and $U' = \text{Span}\{(1, 0, 1), (0, 1, 1)\}$ of \mathbb{R}^3 . Suppose there is a linear transformation $T : U \rightarrow U'$ such that $(0, 1, 0) \in \ker(T)$, $T(2, 0, 1) = (0, 1, 1)$ and $T(1, 1, 0) = (1, 0, 1)$. An affine mapping $f : L \rightarrow L'$ is obtained by defining $f(u) = (2, 0, 1) + T(u)$, for all $u \in U$. By using the above information answer the given subquestions:

Sub Questions:

Q1) Which of the following affine subspaces was considered by Soumya?

Options:

- A. $L = \{(x, y, z) \mid x - y - 2z = 0\}$
- B. $L = \{(x, y, z) \mid x + y - z = 1\}$
- C. $L = \{(x, y, z) \mid x + y - z = 0\}$
- D. $L = \mathbb{R}^3$

Q2) Which of the following affine subspaces was considered by Sohini?

Options:

- A. $L = \{(x, y, z) \mid x - y - 2z = 0\}$
- B. $L = \{(x, y, z) \mid x + y - z = 1\}$
- C. $L = \{(x, y, z) \mid x + y - z = 0\}$
- D. $L = \mathbb{R}^3$

Q3) Which of the following functions represents f correctly?

Options:

- A. $f(x, y, z) = (x - 2z + 2, z, x - z + 1)$
- B. $f(x, y, z) = \left(x - 2z + 2, \frac{x}{2}, x - z + 1\right)$
- C. $f(x, y, z) = (x - 2z, z, x - z)$

D. It cannot be determined from the given information

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Q15. An inner product on a vector space V is a function $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfying the following conditions:

Condition 1: $\langle v, v \rangle > 0$ for all $v \in V \setminus \{0\}$; $\langle v, v \rangle = 0$ if and only if $v = 0$

Condition 2: $\langle v_1 + v_2, v_3 \rangle = \langle v_1, v_3 \rangle + \langle v_2, v_3 \rangle$

Condition 3: $\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle = \langle v_2, v_1 \rangle$

Condition 4: $\langle cv_1, v_2 \rangle = c\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle$

Let $V = \mathbb{R}^2$ and consider the function defined as:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V &\rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ \langle (x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2) \rangle &= x_1y_1 - x_2y_1 + x_2y_2 \end{aligned}$$

Which of the following is/are satisfied by the above functions?

Options:

- A. Condition 1 is satisfied.
- B. Condition 2 is satisfied.
- C. Condition 3 is satisfied.
- D. Condition 4 is satisfied.

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Q16. Let $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be a linear transformation defined by $T(x, y) = (x + y, x - y, 3x + y)$.

If $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \\ e & f \end{pmatrix}$ denote the matrix of T with respect to $\{(1, 1), (1, -1)\}$ for \mathbb{R}^2 and

$\{(1, 1, 1), (1, 1, 0), (-1, 0, 0)\}$ for \mathbb{R}^3 . Let B denote the matrix of T with respect to the standard ordered bases for \mathbb{R}^2 and \mathbb{R}^3 . Choose the correct options

Options:

- A. A is equivalent to B .
- B. A is not equivalent to B .
- C. There exist two invertible matrices C and D such that $BD = CA$.
- D. There are no matrices C and D such that $BD = CA$.

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Q17. Consider the system of linear equations $Ax = b$, where $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $X = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$

and $b = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$. Let L denote the set of all solutions of the above system. Clearly, L forms an affine space. Let W denote the subspace corresponding to L . Answer the given sub questions

Sub Questions:

Q1) What is the nullity of A ?

Q2) What is the dimension of L ?

Q3) Define $T : W \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ by $T(x, y, z) = (0, x - z)$, what is the rank of T ?

Q4) If the $m \times n$ matrix B is the matrix of T with respect to some basis for W and the standard basis for \mathbb{R}^2 , then what is $m + n$?

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Q18. An inner product on a vector space V is a function $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfying the following conditions:

Condition 1: $\langle v, v \rangle > 0$ for all $v \in V \setminus \{0\}$; $\langle v, v \rangle = 0$ if and only if $v = 0$

Condition 2: $\langle v_1 + v_2, v_3 \rangle = \langle v_1, v_3 \rangle + \langle v_2, v_3 \rangle, \forall v_1, v_2, v_3 \in V$

Condition 3: $\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle = \langle v_2, v_1 \rangle, \forall v_1, v_2 \in V$

Condition 4: $\langle cv_1, v_2 \rangle = c\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle, \forall v_1, v_2 \in V$

Let $V = \mathbb{R}^2$ and consider the function defined as:

$$\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$\langle (x_1, x_2), (y_1, y_2) \rangle = x_1y_1 - x_2y_1 - x_2y_2$$

Which of the following is/are satisfied by the above functions?

Options:

- A. Condition 1 is satisfied.
- B. Condition 2 is satisfied.
- C. Condition 3 is satisfied.
- D. Condition 4 is satisfied.

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Q19. Let $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ be the linear transformation defined by

$$T(x, y, z) = (x + y + z, x - y - z, x).$$

If $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix}$ denotes the matrix of T with respect to $\{(1, 1, 1), (1, 1, 0), (1, 0, 0)\}$ for

domain and co-domain and let B denote the matrix of T with respect to the standard ordered basis for both domain and co-domain. Choose the correct option(s)

Options:

- A. A is similar to B
- B. A is not similar to B
- C. $\det(A) = \det(B) = 0$
- D. $\det(A) = \det(B) = 2$

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Q20. Let A and B be $n \times n$ matrices. Which of the following statement(s) is/are true?

Options

- A. If A and B are similar, then the nullity of A and nullity of B are equal
- B. Let A and B be similar matrices. Then the homogeneous system of linear equations $Ax = 0$ has a unique solution if and only if the homogeneous system of linear equation $Bx = 0$ has a unique solution
- C. If A^k and B^k are similar for some positive integer k , then A and B are similar
- D. If A and B are similar matrices where A is a scalar matrix, then $A = B$

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Q21. Let $L = \{(x, y) : y = x + 1\}$ and $L' = \{(x, x + z - 2, z) : x, z \in \mathbb{R}\}$

Based on the above data, answer the given subquestions.

Sub questions:

Q1) Choose the correct option from the following.

- A. The subspace associated with the affine space L is the line $y = x + 1$
- B. The subspace associated with the affine space L is given by $\{(x, x) : x \in \mathbb{R}\}$
- C. The subspace associated with the affine space L' is given by $\{(x, y, z) : x - y + z = 0\}$
- D. The subspace associated with the affine space L' is the xz - plane

Q2) If the dimension of L is m and the dimension of L' is n , then $m + n$ is

