

**Question 1.**

Consider the linear system with augmented matrix

$$\left( \begin{array}{cccc|c} 0 & 0 & 3 & 1 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 5 & 7 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 5 & 13 \\ 4 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 5 \end{array} \right)$$

**Which statement is true?**

- (a) The linear system has a unique solution
- (b) The linear system is inconsistent
- (c) The linear system has one degree of freedom
- (d) The linear system has two degrees of freedom
- (e) I prefer not to answer.

**Question 2.**

Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & t & -t \\ 5 & -t & t \\ 4 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Which statement is true?**

- (a)  $\text{rk } A = 3$  for all values of  $t$
- (b)  $\text{rk } A = 2$  for a unique value of  $t$ , otherwise  $\text{rk } A = 3$
- (c)  $\text{rk } A = 1$  for a unique value of  $t$ , otherwise  $\text{rk } A = 3$
- (d)  $\text{rk } A < 3$  for two different values of  $t$
- (e) I prefer not to answer.

**Question 3.**

Let  $V = \text{Col}(A)$  and let  $\mathbf{v}_i$  be the  $i$ 'th column vector of  $A$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$  when

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 7 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 5 & 8 \\ 3 & 5 & 5 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Which statement is true?**

- (a)  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_4\}$  is a base of  $V$
- (b)  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3, \mathbf{v}_4\}$  are linearly independent, but is not a base of  $V$
- (c)  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$  is a base of  $V$ , and  $\mathbf{v}_4$  is a linear combination of  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ .
- (d)  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_4\}$  is a base of  $V$ , and  $\mathbf{v}_3$  is a linear combination of  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_4\}$ .
- (e) I prefer not to answer.

**Question 4.**

Consider the quadratic form  $f(x, y, z) = x^2 + 4xy - 2xz + 5y^2 - 4yz + z^2$ . **Which statement is true?**

- (a)  $f$  is indefinite
- (b)  $f$  is negative semi-definite but not negative definite
- (c)  $f$  is positive semi-definite but not positive definite
- (d)  $f$  is positive definite
- (e) I prefer not to answer.

**Question 5.**

Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Which statement is true?**

- (a)  $A$  has three distinct eigenvalues
- (b)  $A$  has an eigenvalue of multiplicity two, and another eigenvalue of multiplicity one
- (c)  $A$  has an eigenvalue of multiplicity three
- (d)  $A$  has one eigenvalues of multiplicity one, and no other eigenvalues
- (e) I prefer not to answer.

**Question 6.**

Consider the function  $f(x, y) = 2x^3 + xy^2 + 5x^2 + y^2$ . **Which statement is true?**

- (a) The function  $f$  has both a local minimum and a local maximum point.
- (b) The function  $f$  has a local minimum but no local maximum point.
- (c) The function  $f$  has a local maximum but no local minimum point.
- (d) All stationary points of  $f$  are saddle points.
- (e) I prefer not to answer.

**Question 7.**

Consider the function  $f(x, y, z) = x^2 + 4xy - 2xz + 5y^2 - 4yz + hz^2 + z^4$  with parameter  $h$ . **Which statement is true?**

- (a)  $f$  is convex for all values of  $h$
- (b)  $f$  is convex for  $h \geq 0$
- (c)  $f$  is convex for  $h \geq 1$
- (d)  $f$  is not convex for any value of  $h$
- (e) I prefer not to answer.

**Question 8.**

Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & s^3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Which statement is true?**

- (a)  $A$  is diagonalizable for all values of  $s$
- (b)  $A$  is diagonalizable for  $s = 0$ , but not for  $s \neq 0$
- (c)  $A$  is diagonalizable for  $s \neq 0$ , but not for  $s = 0$
- (d)  $A$  is not diagonalizable for any value of  $s$
- (e) I prefer not to answer.