1. Let A be a 4 × 4 matrix. Which of the following statements is always TRUE? A. The reduced echelon form of A has at least 1 pivot. A = OA

- 2. For which of the following five values of the parameter *a* is the set  $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a \\ a \\ a \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ a \\ a \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ a \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  linearly independent?
  - (i) a = 0
  - (ii) a = 1
  - (iii) a = 2
  - (iv) a = 3

(v) 
$$a = 4$$

- A. (iv) and (v) only
- B. (iii) and (v) only
- C. (i), (ii), and (iv) only
- D. (ii), (iii), and (iv) only
- E. (i), (ii), (iii), and (iv) only

 $(m \times n)(n \times l) \rightarrow m \times l$ 

- **3.** Let  $T : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^m$  be a linear transformation and  $T(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$ , where A is the standard matrix for T. Which of the following statements must be TRUE?
- $\mathbf{X}$  (i) A is an  $n \times m$  matrix.
- (ii) If the columns of A are linearly independent, then T is one-to-one. (iii) If m > n, then T is onto.  $T(x_1) = T(x_2)$

(iv) If 
$$n > m$$
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4. Consider the system of linear equations

$$x + 3y - z = 5$$
$$2x + 5y + az = 9$$
$$x + y + a^{2}z = a$$

Under which conditions does this system have infinitely many solutions?

- A.  $a \neq -1$
- B.  $a \neq 3$
- C. a = -1
- D. a = 3
- E.  $a \neq -1$  and  $a \neq 3$



10. The points (1,2), (2,4), (4,5), and (5,7) are the vertices of a parallelogram on the coordinate plane. What is the area of this parallelogram?

- A. -3
- B. 3
- C. 6
- D. 0
- E. 1

**15.** Let the transformation  $T : \mathbf{x} \to A\mathbf{x}$  be the composition of a rotation by angle  $\theta \in (-\pi, \pi]$ , followed by a scaling by the factor r > 0. If  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -9\sqrt{3} & 9 \\ -9 & -9\sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix}$ , find  $\theta$  and r.



**16.** Consider the following system of differential equations

$$x'(t) = 4x(t) + 2y(t)$$
  
 $y'(t) = 2x(t) + 4y(t)$ 

with the initial condition x(0) = 8, y(0) = 2. What is the value of x(1) + y(1)?

- A.  $10e^{6}$
- B.  $10e^{-6}$
- C.  $6e^6$
- D.  $10e^6 + 6e^2$
- E.  $6e^6 + 10e^2$

