

Math 403 - Test #3 - Review Questions

These questions certainly do not cover everything that could appear on the test, but should at least give you an idea of the types of questions to expect. I do not have written up for these!

The test will cover Sections 3.1-3.7, 4.1-4.2

1. All homework questions should always be considered possible test questions.
2. Give the definition of each of the following. You should give the definition used in our textbook or handouts.
 - (a) scalar product of two vectors
 - (b) length of a vector
 - (c) distance from X to Y
 - (d) orthogonal vectors
 - (e) circumcenter of a triangle
 - (f) altitudes of a triangle
 - (g) orthocenter of a triangle
 - (h) Euler line of a triangle (and what are the three special points which are on the Euler line?)
 - (i) projection of X onto line l or onto vector Y .
 - (j) isometry
 - (k) linear isometry (answer: an isometry α with the property $\alpha(O) = 0$. See Theorem 4.3 for important properties of a linear isometry.)
 - (l) collineation
 - (m) fixed point (of an isometry)
3. Give an example of each of the following or explain why it cannot exist.
 - (a) A vector X such that $X \cdot X = -1$
 - (b) A vector which is orthogonal to all vectors.
 - (c) A triangle whose circumcenter is outside of the triangle.
 - (d) A triangle whose orthocenter is outside of the triangle.
 - (e) Two nonzero vectors X and Y such that $X \cdot Y = |X||Y|$.
 - (f) A linear isometry with no fixed point.
 - (g) A linear isometry with exactly two fixed points.
 - (h) An isometry with an infinite number of fixed points.
 - (i) An isometry having all points fixed.
4. Which of the following properties are preserved by all isometries?
 - (a) straight lines
 - (b) angles

- (c) distance
 - (d) centroids
 - (e) midpoints of segments
 - (f) triangles
 - (g) parallel lines
 - (h) rectangles
5. Give the statement of the Nine-Point Circle Theorem and illustrate with a sketch.
 6. State and prove the Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality.
 7. Consider the central dilation $\delta_{C,r}$ with $r = 3$ and center $C = (1, 1)$. Find a vector A and a linear isometry β such that $\delta_{C,r} = \tau_A \circ \beta$.
 8. Prove that if α is an isometry with fixed points X and Y , then every point on the line through X and Y is fixed by α . (you should be able to prove most of the theorems and propositions and sections 4.1 and 4.2).
 9. True or False?
 - (a) Every central dilatation sends a circle to a circle.
 - (b) Every central dilatation sends a circle to a circle of the same radius.
 - (c) If $d(X, Y) = 0$, then $X = Y$.
 - (d) Let a, b, c be the side lengths of a triangle and let $s = \frac{1}{2}(a + b + c)$. Then the area of the triangle is $\sqrt{(s - a)(s - b)(s - c)}$.
 - (e) Every isometry has an inverse which is also an isometry.
 - (f) Every isometry can be written as the composition of a translation and a linear isometry.
 - (g) The set of all linear isometries is a group.
 - (h) Every isometry is an affine transformation. (answer is True)
 - (i) Every affine transformation is an isometry.
 - (j) Every similarity is an isometry.
 - (k) Every isometry is a similarity.