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No Calculators Allowed; No Reference Materials; Just You and Your Pencil and Eraser.

1 Let $\vec{a} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} -8 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$.

- Compute \vec{p} , the projection of \vec{b} onto \vec{a} .
- Give a simplified expression for the angle between \vec{b} and \vec{a} . That is, give an expression which, keyed into a calculator, would give a very close approximation to the angle.
- Give a vector equation for the line parallel to \vec{b} which passes through the point whose position vector is \vec{a} . Explain whether $(7, 3, 1)$ lies on this line.
- Find an equation for the plane through the origin which lies parallel to both \vec{a} and \vec{b} .

(e) Explain whether $\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 5 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix}$ lies in the subspace spanned by \vec{a} and \vec{b} .

2 Let $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 10 & 7 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$, $\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 5 \\ -7 \end{bmatrix}$, and $\vec{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \\ -6 \end{bmatrix}$.

- Explain whether \vec{v} lies in the *range* of matrix \mathbf{A} .
 - Explain whether \vec{w} lies in the *range* of matrix \mathbf{A} .
 - Express each of the vectors \vec{v} and \vec{w} as a linear combination of columns of \mathbf{A} .
- 3 Certainly the *row space* of the matrix \mathbf{A} in problem 2 is spanned by three vectors. Explain whether the row space can be spanned by fewer than three vectors.
- 4 Let the matrix \mathbf{A} and the vectors \vec{v} and \vec{w} be as in problem 2. For each of the following sets, explain whether the set is a subspace of \mathbf{R}^n for $n = ?$
- The set of all \vec{x} such that $\mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \vec{v}$.
 - The set of all \vec{x} such that $\mathbf{A}\vec{x} = \vec{w}$.

5 Work at least **one** of the following parts (A)-(B). Raise your hand if you need more paper.

(A) Let \mathbf{W} be a subspace of \mathbf{R}^3 . Briefly explain what is meant by “ \mathbf{W} is closed under cross-product operation”. Then prove this assertion.

(B) Let \mathbf{W} be a subspace of \mathbf{R}^3 . Briefly explain what is meant by the assertion “ \mathbf{W} is closed under the operation of projecting one \mathbf{W} vector onto another \mathbf{W} vector”. Then prove this assertion.

6 Work at least **one** of the following parts (A)-(B). Raise your hand if you need more paper.

(A) Let \mathbf{A} be an m -by- n matrix. Suppose $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_q\}$ is a set of vectors in \mathbf{R}^n such that $\{\mathbf{A}\vec{v}_1, \mathbf{A}\vec{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{A}\vec{v}_q\}$ is a linearly-independent set of vectors in \mathbf{R}^m . Prove that $\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_q\}$ is a linearly-independent set.

(B) If \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} are subsets of \mathbf{R}^n , then the set $\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}$ is defined to be the set of all possible sums of form $\vec{a} + \vec{b}$, where $\vec{a} \in \mathbf{A}$ and $\vec{b} \in \mathbf{B}$.

Let \mathbf{U} and \mathbf{V} be subspaces of \mathbf{R}^n . Prove that the set $\mathbf{U} + \mathbf{V}$ is also a subspace of \mathbf{R}^n .