

MAT 22A Problem Set 1 (Due 6/26 8 AM)

1. Let

$$\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Describe the following linear combinations geometrically where  $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ .  
(Lie on a line, lie in a plane, etc.)

- (a)  $a\mathbf{v}$
- (b)  $a\mathbf{v} + b\mathbf{w}$
- (c)  $a\mathbf{v} + b\mathbf{w} + c\mathbf{u}$
- (d)  $a\mathbf{v} + c\mathbf{u}$
- (e)  $a\mathbf{v} + b\mathbf{w} + c\mathbf{u}$

2. Draw the following vectors in the  $xy$ -plane.

- (a)  $\mathbf{v} = (2, 1)$
- (b)  $\mathbf{w} = (-1, 1)$
- (c)  $\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}$
- (d)  $\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{w}$

3. Let

$$\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Do the vectors  $\mathbf{v}$ ,  $\mathbf{w}$  lie in a plane? If so, what is the equation of the plane? If not, find the vector equation of the line that passes through the origin and points in the same direction as  $\mathbf{v}$  and  $\mathbf{w}$ .

4. Consider the linear combination

$$a \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $0 \leq a \leq 4$  and  $-1 \leq b \leq 0$ . Shade the region covered by the linear combination.

5. If possible, find  $a$  and  $b$  so that

$$a\mathbf{v} + b\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{c}$$

where

(a)

$$\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{c} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b)

$$\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{c} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

6. Let

$$\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Compute the following

- (a)  $\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w}$
- (b)  $\mathbf{v} \cdot (\mathbf{w} + \mathbf{u})$
- (c) Check the Schwarz inequality  $|\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w}| \leq \|\mathbf{v}\| \|\mathbf{w}\|$ .

7. Let  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^{2n}$  such that  $v_i = 1$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, 2n$ . Find a unit vector  $\mathbf{u}$  that points in the same direction as  $\mathbf{v}$ . Find a vector  $\mathbf{w}$  that is perpendicular to  $\mathbf{v}$ .

8. Prove

$$\|\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{w}\|^2 = 2\|\mathbf{v}\|^2 + 2\|\mathbf{w}\|^2.$$

9. Prove

$$\|\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{w}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 - 2\|\mathbf{v}\| \|\mathbf{w}\| \cos \theta + \|\mathbf{w}\|^2.$$

10. Let  $\mathbf{w} = (a, b, c)$  and  $\mathbf{v} = (c, b, a)$  where  $a + b + c = 0$ . Find the angle between  $\mathbf{w}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$ .