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MT1004 – Linear Algebra

Homework # 2

Question # 1

Determine if the vector $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 11 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix}$ is in the span of the columns of the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Question # 2

Let $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} h \\ -3 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$. For what value(s) of h is \mathbf{w} in the plane generated by \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} ?

Question # 3

Consider the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & -4 \\ 0 & 2 & 6 & 7 \\ 2 & 9 & 5 & -7 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (i) Do the columns of A span \mathbb{R}^3 ?
- (ii) Do the columns of A span \mathbb{R}^4 ?
- (iii) Does the equation $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ have a solution for each \mathbf{b} in \mathbb{R}^4 ?

Question # 4

Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 & 4 \\ -4 & -4 & -8 \\ 0 & -3 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ -12 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (i) Describe all solutions of $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$. Express the solutions in parametric form.
- (ii) Describe all solutions of $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$. Express the solutions in parametric form.
- (iii) Describe the geometric interpretation of the solution sets obtained in part (i) and (ii).