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Q1: Id Number:

$$\left. \begin{array}{ccc} 2 & 3 & 3 \\ & 1 & 2 & 5 & 0 \\ & x_1 & x_2 & x_3 \\ y_3 & y_2 & y_1 \\ z_1 & z_2 & z_3 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ \vec{y} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \\ \vec{z} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \end{cases}$$

Q2: (i)  $\vec{x} \cdot \vec{y} =$ 

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = 2 \times 1 + 5 \times 3 + 0 \times 3 = 17$$

$$(ii) \underline{\vec{x} \times (\vec{x} \times \vec{y})} \times \vec{x} \times (\vec{y} \times \vec{z}) =$$

$$\vec{x} \times \left( \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right) = \vec{x} \times \begin{pmatrix} 2 \times 3 - 1 \times 3 \\ 3 \times 3 - 1 \times 2 \\ 1 \times 1 - 3 \times 3 \end{pmatrix} = \vec{x} \times \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 7 \\ -8 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 7 \\ -8 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \times (-8) - 0 \times 7 \\ 0 \times 3 - 2 \times (-8) \\ 2 \times 7 - 3 \times 5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -40 \\ 16 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{x} \times (\vec{y} \times \vec{z}) = \begin{pmatrix} -40 \\ 16 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(iii) (\vec{x} \times \vec{y}) \times \vec{z} =$$

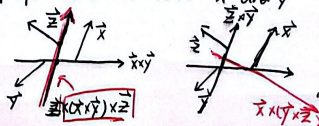
$$\left( \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \right) \times \vec{z} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \times 3 - 0 \times 3 \\ 0 \times 1 - 2 \times 3 \\ 2 \times 3 - 5 \times 1 \end{pmatrix} \times \vec{z} = \begin{pmatrix} 15 \\ -6 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -6 \times 2 - 1 \times 1 \\ 1 \times 3 - 15 \times 2 \\ 15 \times 1 - (-6) \times 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -13 \\ -27 \\ 33 \end{pmatrix}$$

therefore,  $\begin{cases} (\vec{x} \times \vec{y}) \times \vec{z} = \begin{pmatrix} -13 \\ -27 \\ 33 \end{pmatrix} \\ \vec{x} \times (\vec{y} \times \vec{z}) = \begin{pmatrix} -40 \\ 16 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \end{cases}$ , obviously  $(\vec{x} \times \vec{y}) \times \vec{z}$  is not equal to  $\vec{x} \times (\vec{y} \times \vec{z})$

From observation we see that

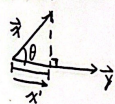
$$\vec{x} \times \vec{y} = \begin{pmatrix} 15 \\ -6 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ while } \begin{cases} \vec{x} \cdot (\vec{x} \times \vec{y}) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 15 \\ -6 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = 30 - 30 + 0 = 0 \\ \vec{y} \cdot (\vec{x} \times \vec{y}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 15 \\ -6 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = 15 - 18 + 3 = 0 \end{cases}$$

therefore the cross product of  $\vec{x}$  and  $\vec{y}$  creates a vector that is perpendicular to both  $\vec{x}$  and  $\vec{y}$ given three vectors  $\vec{x}, \vec{y}, \vec{z}$ , it will be likeThere fore  $\vec{x}(\vec{y} \times \vec{z}) \neq (\vec{x} \times \vec{y}) \times \vec{z}$ 

$P_2$   $\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$   $\vec{y} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$   $\vec{z} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$

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Q2 (iv)



given the illustration, the vector (orthogonal) projection of  $\vec{x}$  onto  $\vec{y}$  can be obtained by:

$$\vec{x'} = |\vec{x}| \cdot \cos \theta \cdot \frac{\vec{y}}{|\vec{y}|}$$

$\cos \theta$  can be obtained by:

$$\begin{cases} \vec{x} \cdot \vec{y} = |\vec{x}| \cdot |\vec{y}| \cdot \cos \theta = 17 \\ |\vec{x}| = \sqrt{29} \\ |\vec{y}| = \sqrt{19} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{17}{|\vec{x}| \cdot |\vec{y}|} = \frac{17}{\sqrt{551}}$$

therefore  $\vec{x'} =$

$$\left( \sqrt{29} \times \frac{17}{\sqrt{551}} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{19}} \right) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{17}{19} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{17}{19} \\ \frac{51}{19} \\ \frac{51}{19} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{x'} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{17}{19} \\ \frac{51}{19} \\ \frac{51}{19} \end{pmatrix}$$

Q2 (v) The Parametric Form:

Assuming  $\begin{cases} \vec{x} = \vec{OX} \\ \vec{y} = \vec{OY} \\ \vec{z} = \vec{OZ} \end{cases}$ , we can obtain  $\begin{cases} \vec{YX} = \vec{x} - \vec{y} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \\ \vec{YZ} = \vec{z} - \vec{y} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \end{cases}$ , where  $\vec{YX}, \vec{YZ}$  are both vectors on the given plane;  $Y(1, 3, 3)$  is a point on the plane.

Then set a point  $P(p_1, p_2, p_3)$ ,  $P = Y + s \vec{YX} + t \vec{YZ}$  ( $s, t \in \mathbb{R}$ )

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} p_1 \\ p_2 \\ p_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + s \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then  $\begin{cases} p_1 = 1 + s + 2t \\ p_2 = 3 + 2s - 2t \\ p_3 = 3 - s - t \end{cases}$  ( $s, t \in \mathbb{R}$ ), the set of equations represents plane  $XYZ$ .

Q3 (i)

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$AB = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$AB = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \times 1 + 5 \times 3 + 0 & 2 \times 2 + 5 \times 5 + 0 & 2 \times 3 + 5 \times 1 + 0 \\ 1 \times 1 + 3 \times 3 + 3 \times 3 & 1 \times 2 + 3 \times 5 + 0 & 1 \times 3 + 3 \times 1 + 3 \times 2 \\ 3 \times 1 + 3 \times 1 + 2 \times 3 & 3 \times 2 + 1 \times 5 + 0 & 3 \times 3 + 1 \times 1 + 2 \times 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$AB = \begin{pmatrix} 17 & 29 & 11 \\ 19 & 17 & 12 \\ 12 & 11 & 14 \end{pmatrix}$$

(go to  $P_3$ )



$$\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \vec{y} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \vec{z} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Q3(ii) (continue from P2)

$$BA = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 5 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \times 2 + 2 \times 1 + 3 \times 3 & 1 \times 5 + 2 \times 3 + 3 \times 1 & 1 \times 0 + 2 \times 3 + 3 \times 2 \\ 3 \times 2 + 5 \times 1 + 1 \times 3 & 3 \times 5 + 5 \times 3 + 1 \times 1 & 3 \times 0 + 5 \times 3 + 1 \times 2 \\ 3 \times 2 + 1 \times 0 + 2 \times 3 & 3 \times 5 + 0 \times 3 + 2 \times 1 & 3 \times 0 + 0 \times 3 + 2 \times 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$BA = \begin{pmatrix} 13 & 14 & 12 \\ 14 & 31 & 17 \\ 12 & 17 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad AB = \begin{pmatrix} 17 & 29 & 11 \\ 19 & 17 & 12 \\ 12 & 11 & 14 \end{pmatrix}$$

Q3(cii)

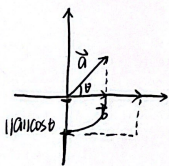
BA is not equal to AB.

Assume that A, B are both  $n \times n$  matrices,

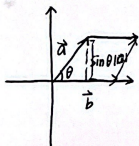
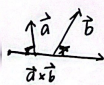
$$AB = \begin{pmatrix} R_{A1}C_{B1} & R_{A1}C_{B2} & \dots & R_{A1}C_{Bn} \\ R_{A2}C_{B1} & - & - & - \\ \vdots & - & - & - \\ R_{An}C_{B1} & - & - & - R_{An}C_{Bn} \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{matrix} (R_{A1} \text{ means Row 1 of Matrix A} \\ C_{B1} \text{ means Column 1 of Matrix B}) \end{matrix}$$

$$BA = \begin{pmatrix} R_{B1}C_{A1} & R_{B1}C_{A2} & \dots & R_{B1}C_{An} \\ R_{B2}C_{A1} & - & - & - \\ \vdots & - & - & - \\ R_{Bn}C_{A1} & - & - & - R_{Bn}C_{An} \end{pmatrix}$$

No item in BA and AB necessarily equals to another item.

Also I had some thoughts on the ~~dot~~<sup>vector</sup> product, but they do not help solving the problem.

$\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = |\vec{a}||\vec{b}|\cos\theta$ , the result equals to the area of a rectangular which consists of  $|\vec{a}|\cos\theta$  and  $|\vec{b}|$  as its two sides.  
i.e.  $|\vec{b}|$ , and  $\vec{a}$ 's orthogonal projection onto  $\vec{b}$

known  $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = |\vec{a}||\vec{b}|\sin\theta$ that is the area of the parallelogram consists of  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$  as its sides.also from Q2.ciii), the vector  $(\vec{a} \times \vec{b})$  is a new vector perpendicular to both  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$ 

I do not have any other thoughts, but I will be happy to learn more about vector products' meaning in linear space!

Q4:  $x=0, y=5, z=2$

Then 
$$\begin{cases} 2x+y-2z = 2 \times 0 + 5 - 2 \times 2 = 1 = b_1 \\ 2x+3y+z = 2 \times 0 + 3 \times 5 + 2 = 17 = b_2 \\ 3x+2y+2z = 3 \times 0 + 2 \times 5 + 2 \times 2 = 14 = b_3 \end{cases}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} 2x+y-2z=1 \\ 2x+3y+z=17 \\ 3x+2y+2z=14 \end{cases}$$

Q5: the set of equations can be rewritten into an augmented matrix:

$$(a) \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 1 & -2 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 & 17 \\ 3 & 2 & 2 & 14 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_3} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 3 & 2 & 2 & 14 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 & 17 \\ 2 & 1 & -2 & 1 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_1 - R_2} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & -3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 & 17 \\ 2 & 1 & -2 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_2 - R_1} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 & 16 \\ 2 & 1 & -2 & 1 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_3 - 2R_1} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 & 16 \\ 0 & 3 & -4 & 7 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_3 \leftrightarrow R_2} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 3 & -4 & 7 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 & 16 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_3 - 2R_2} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 3 & -4 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 17 & 34 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{\frac{R_3}{17}} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 3 & -4 & 7 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right) \xrightarrow{R_2 + 7R_3} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 3 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\xrightarrow{R_1 + R_3} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 3 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right) \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} x = 0 \\ y = 5 \\ z = 2 \end{cases}$$

(b) First the solutions for  $x, y, z$  match the values I obtained in Question 4.

Second compare the matrix to the set of equations:  
say these steps:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 3 & 2 & 2 & 14 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 & 17 \\ 2 & 1 & -2 & 1 \end{array} \right\} \xrightarrow{R_1 - R_3} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & -3 & -3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 & 17 \\ 2 & 1 & -2 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} 3x+2y+2z &= 14 \\ 2x+3y+z &= 17 \end{aligned} \xrightarrow{R_1 - b_1(3x-2y)+ (2y-3y) + (2z-2)} \begin{aligned} &= 14-17 \\ &= -3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & -7 & -9 \\ 0 & 0 & 17 & 34 \end{array} \right\} \xrightarrow{\frac{R_3}{17}} \left( \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & -3 \\ 0 & 1 & -7 & -9 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 \end{array} \right)$$

$$17z = 34 \xrightarrow{\frac{R_3}{17}} z = 2$$

the left hand side equals to the right hand side,  
the right hand side, so the answer given  
by Gaussian elimination is equal to  
the solutions to the original set of equations.