**Problem Q2.1** (20 points; 4 points each). Decide if each of the following is true or false. As usual, you may supply reasons for some points back.

Let  $V = \text{span}\{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5\}$  where

$$m{v}_1 = egin{bmatrix} -1 \ -5 \ 5 \ 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad m{v}_2 = egin{bmatrix} -3 \ -16 \ 20 \ 8 \end{bmatrix} \quad m{v}_3 = egin{bmatrix} 2 \ 7 \ 5 \ -9 \end{bmatrix} \quad m{v}_4 = egin{bmatrix} -2 \ -12 \ 19 \ 7 \end{bmatrix} \quad m{v}_5 = egin{bmatrix} 1 \ 3 \ 7 \ -9 \end{bmatrix}$$

and we have

$$\operatorname{rref}\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -3 & 2 & -2 & 1 \\ -5 & -16 & 7 & -12 & 3 \\ 5 & 20 & 5 & 19 & 7 \\ 3 & 8 & -9 & 6 & -9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -11 & 0 & -15 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}; \operatorname{rref}\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -5 & 5 & 3 \\ -3 & -16 & 20 & 8 \\ 2 & 7 & 5 & -9 \\ -2 & -12 & 19 & 7 \\ 1 & 3 & 7 & -9 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 32 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -9 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(a) False  $\mathcal{B}$  is a basis for V where

$$\mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1\\-5\\5\\3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3\\-16\\20\\8 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2\\7\\5\\-9 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

(b) True  $\mathcal{B}'$  is a basis for V where

$$\mathcal{B}' = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1\\ -5\\ 5\\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3\\ -16\\ 20\\ 8 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1\\ 3\\ 7\\ -9 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Note: This is true, but there is a mistake in intent. I should have had columns 1, 2, and 4, not 5. It is still true that columns 1, 2, and 5 of rref(A) are linearly independent, and so do form a basis for CS(rref(A)) and hence 1, 2, and 5 are a basis for CS(A). However, this was not my intent.

(c) True  $\mathcal{B}''$  is a basis for V where

$$\mathcal{B}'' = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1\\0\\0\\32 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0\\1\\0\\-9 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0\\0\\1\\-2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

- (d) True If  $\{v_1, \ldots, v_n\}$  spans a vector space V and  $\{u_1, \ldots, u_n\} \subseteq V$  is independent. Then  $\{u_1, \ldots, u_n\}$  spans V.
- (e) True Suppose U and W subspaces of a vector space V such that

$$U + W = V$$
, and  $U \cap W = \{0\}$ .

Then for every  $v \in V$ , there is a unique pair  $u \in U, w \in W$  so that u + w = v.

Recall:  $U + W = \{ \boldsymbol{u} + \boldsymbol{w} \mid \boldsymbol{u} \in U \text{ and } \boldsymbol{w} \in W \}.$ 

**Problem Q2.2** (10 pts). A square matrix A is called **anti-symmetric** if  $A^T = -A$ .

- a) Show that the anti-symmetric  $3 \times 3$  matrices form a subspace of all  $3 \times 3$  matrices.
- b) Give a basis,  $\mathcal{B}$ , for the  $3 \times 3$  anti-symmetric matrices.
- c) Give representation  $[v]_{\mathcal{B}}$  for  $v = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 \\ -2 & -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  with respect to the basis that you gave.

Denote by U the set of  $3 \times 3$  anti-symmetric matrices. Clearly,  $O = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \in U$ . Next, we need to show that U is closed under scalar multiplication and addition. This is done by just taking arbitrary elements of U and computing:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & a & b \\ -a & 0 & c \\ -b & -c & 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 & A & B \\ -A & 0 & C \\ -B & -C & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a+A & b+B \\ -(a+A) & 0 & c+C \\ -(b+B) & -(c+C) & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$\alpha \begin{bmatrix} 0 & a & b \\ -a & 0 & c \\ -b & -c & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \alpha a & \alpha b \\ -\alpha a & 0 & \alpha c \\ -\alpha b & -\alpha c & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

A basis is clearly given by

$$\mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

With this basis, clearly

$$\boldsymbol{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & 3 \\ -2 & -3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = (1) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + (2) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} + (3) \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

So  $[\boldsymbol{v}]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\2\\3 \end{bmatrix}$ 

**Problem Q2.3.** Find a basis for span $\{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5\}$  from the given vectors

$$m{v}_1 = egin{bmatrix} 1 \ 2 \ -2 \ -3 \end{bmatrix}, m{v}_2 = egin{bmatrix} 2 \ 4 \ -4 \ -6 \end{bmatrix}, m{v}_3 = egin{bmatrix} 0 \ 1 \ -2 \ 4 \end{bmatrix}, m{v}_4 = egin{bmatrix} -3 \ -4 \ 2 \ 17 \end{bmatrix}, m{v}_5 = egin{bmatrix} 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & -3 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 1 & -4 & 0 \\ -2 & -4 & -2 & 2 & 1 \\ -3 & -6 & 4 & 17 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A \underset{\substack{R_2 - 2R_1 \rightarrow R_2 \\ R_3 + 2R_1 \rightarrow R_3 \\ R_4 + 3R_1 \rightarrow R_4}}{\Longrightarrow} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -2 & -4 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 & 8 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \underset{\substack{R_3 + 2R_2 \rightarrow R_3 \\ R_4 - 4R_2 \rightarrow R_4}}{\Longrightarrow} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \underset{\substack{R_4 + 3R_3 \rightarrow R_4 \\ R_4 \rightarrow 3R_3 \rightarrow R_4}}{\Longrightarrow} \begin{bmatrix} \boxed{1} & 2 & 0 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \boxed{1} & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \boxed{1} & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \boxed{1} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

So  $\mathcal{B} = \{v_1, v_3, v_5\}$  is a basis. (This is all you need.)

In fact, from our CR decomposition, we know

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ -2 & -2 & 1 \\ -3 & 4 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \boxed{1} & 2 & 0 & -3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \boxed{1} & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \boxed{1} \end{bmatrix}$$

So we know  $v_2 = 2v_1$  and  $v_4 = -3v_1 + 2v_3$ .