**Problem 2.1** (20 points; 4 points each). Decide if each of the following are true or false and provide a small proof or counterexample in each case. All vector spaces are assumed to be finite-dimensional here.

(a)  $C \subseteq \mathcal{B}$  Given a basis  $\mathcal{B} = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  for a vector space V and U a subspace of V, then there is  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathcal{B}$  that is a basis for U.

(b) \_\_\_\_\_ Given a basis  $\mathcal{C}$  for a subspace U of a vector space V,  $\mathcal{C}$  can be extended to a basis  $\mathcal{B}$  for V.

(c)  $\underline{\qquad}$  If  $\mathbf{v} \in \text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$ , then it is guaranteed that there are unique scalars  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$  so that  $\mathbf{v} = \sum \alpha_i \mathbf{v}_i$ .

(d) \_\_\_\_\_ If  $\{\boldsymbol{v}_1,\ldots,\boldsymbol{v}_n\}$  span V and  $\{\boldsymbol{u}_1,\ldots,\boldsymbol{u}_n\}\subseteq V$  is linearly independent, then  $\{\boldsymbol{u}_1,\ldots,\boldsymbol{u}_n\}$  span V.

(e) \_\_\_\_\_ Suppose V is a vector space and  $U \subseteq V$  is a subspace. For any  $v \in V$ , there is a **unique**  $u \in U$  so that v = u + (v - u), that is, there is a unique "projection" of V into U.

**Problem 2.2** (10 pts). A square matrix A is called **horizontally-symmetric** if flip(A) = A where flip(A) is the matrix you obtain from A by flipping it horizontally, for example,

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

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

**Problem 2.3.** 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:  $U + W = \{ \boldsymbol{u} + \boldsymbol{w} \mid \boldsymbol{u} \in U \text{ and } \boldsymbol{w} \in W \}.$