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EECS 16A    Designing Information Devices and Systems I  
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### 1. Matrix Multiplication

Consider the following matrices:

$$\mathbf{A} = [1 \ 4] \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{C} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\mathbf{E} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 9 & 5 & 7 \\ 4 & 3 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{F} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 5 & 8 \\ 6 & 1 & 2 \\ 4 & 1 & 7 \\ 3 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{G} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 & 1 & 6 \\ 3 & 5 & 7 \\ 4 & 9 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 8 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

For each matrix multiplication problem, *if the product exists*, find the product by hand. Otherwise, explain why the product does not exist.

(a)  $\mathbf{A B}$

(b)  $\mathbf{C D}$

(c) **D C**

(d) **C E**

(e) **F E** (only note whether or not the product exists and optionally compute the product if it does)

(f) **E F** (only note whether or not the product exists and optionally compute the product if it does)

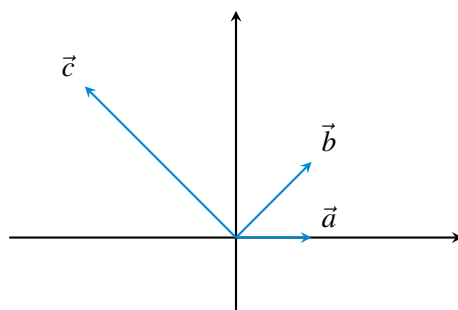
(g) **G H** (Practice on your own)

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## 2. Visualizing Span

We are given a point  $\vec{c}$  that we want to get to, but we can only move in two directions:  $\vec{a}$  and  $\vec{b}$ . We know that to get to  $\vec{c}$ , we can travel along  $\vec{a}$  for some amount  $\alpha$ , then change direction and travel along  $\vec{b}$  for some amount  $\beta$ . We want to find these two scalars  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , such that we reach point  $\vec{c}$ . That is,  $\alpha\vec{a} + \beta\vec{b} = \vec{c}$ .



(a) First, consider the case where  $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\vec{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $\vec{z} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ . Draw these vectors on a sheet of paper.

(b) We want to find the two scalars  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , such that by moving  $\alpha$  along  $\vec{x}$  and  $\beta$  along  $\vec{y}$ , we can reach  $\vec{z}$ . Write a system of equations to find  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  in matrix form.

(c) Solve for  $\alpha, \beta$ .

### 3. Span Basics

(a) What is  $\text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ ?

(b) Is  $\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  in  $\text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ ?

(c) What is a possible choice for  $\vec{v}$  that would make  $\text{span}\left\{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{v}\right\} = \mathbb{R}^3$  ?

(d) For what values of  $b_1, b_2, b_3$  is the following system of linear equations consistent? (“Consistent” means there is at least one solution.)

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix}$$