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1 (30 pts.) Start with the vectors

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) Find two other vectors \mathbf{w} and \mathbf{z} whose linear combinations fill the same plane P as the linear combinations of \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} .
- (b) Find a 3 by 3 matrix M whose *column space* is that same plane P .
- (c) Describe all vectors \mathbf{x} in the nullspace ($M\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$) of your matrix M .

- 2 (30 pts.) (a) By elimination put A into its upper triangular form U . Which are the pivot columns and free columns?

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 8 & 5 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (b) Describe specifically the vectors in the nullspace of A . One way is to find the “special solutions” (*how many??*) to $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ by setting the free variables to 1 or 0.
- (c) Does $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ have a solution for the right side $\mathbf{b} = (3, 8, 5)$? If it does, find one particular solution and then the complete solution to this system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$.

- 3 (40 pts.)** (a) Apply row elimination to A and find the pivots and the upper triangular U . Factor this “Pascal matrix” into L times U .

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 6 & 10 \\ 1 & 4 & 10 & 20 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (b) How do L and U and the pivots confirm that A is invertible?
- (c) If you change the entry “20” to what number (??) then A will become singular.
- (d) What permutation matrix P will multiply A so that the rows of PA are in reverse order (rows 1, 2, 3, 4 of A become rows 4, 3, 2, 1 of PA)? What matrix multiplication would put the *columns* in reverse order?

