

Please PRINT your name \_\_\_\_\_

**No calculators, cell phones, computers, notes, etc.**

Circle your answer. Make your work correct, complete and coherent.

Please take a picture of your quiz (for your records) just before you turn the quiz in. I will e-mail your grade and my comments to you. I will return your quiz when I next see you.

The quiz is worth 5 points. The solutions will be posted on my website later today.

**Math 241, Quiz 3, January 29, 2025**

Express  $\vec{v} = \vec{i} + 7\vec{j}$  as the sum of a vector parallel to  $\vec{b} = \vec{i} + 2\vec{j}$  and a vector perpendicular to  $\vec{b}$ . **Please make sure that your answer is correct.**

**Answer:** There is a picture on the next page. We compute

$$\begin{aligned}\text{proj}_{\vec{b}} \vec{v} &= \frac{\vec{v} \cdot \vec{b}}{\vec{b} \cdot \vec{b}} \vec{b} \\ &= \frac{(\vec{i} + 7\vec{j}) \cdot (\vec{i} + 2\vec{j})}{(\vec{i} + 2\vec{j}) \cdot (\vec{i} + 2\vec{j})} (\vec{i} + 2\vec{j}) \\ &= \frac{15}{5} (\vec{i} + 2\vec{j}) \\ &= 3\vec{i} + 6\vec{j}.\end{aligned}$$

We also compute

$$\vec{v} - \text{proj}_{\vec{b}} \vec{v} = (\vec{i} + 7\vec{j}) - (3\vec{i} + 6\vec{j}) = -2\vec{i} + \vec{j}.$$

We conclude that

$$\vec{v} = (3\vec{i} + 6\vec{j}) + (-2\vec{i} + \vec{j}), \text{ with } 3\vec{i} + 6\vec{j} \text{ parallel to } \vec{b} \text{ and } -2\vec{i} + \vec{j} \text{ perpendicular to } \vec{b}$$

**Check.** Observe that

- $(3\vec{i} + 6\vec{j}) + (-2\vec{i} + \vec{j}) = \vec{i} + 7\vec{j} = \vec{v}$  ✓,
- $3\vec{i} + 6\vec{j}$ , which is equal to 3 times  $\vec{b}$  is parallel to  $\vec{b}$  ✓, and
- $(-2\vec{i} + \vec{j}) \cdot \vec{b} = (-2\vec{i} + \vec{j}) \cdot (\vec{i} + 2\vec{j}) = 0$ . ✓

