

Today's main problems

$\mathcal{V} = \{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3\}$ where

$$\vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \vec{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

1. (a) Show that \mathcal{V} is an orthogonal basis. Is it an orthonormal basis?
 (b) Create an orthonormal basis $\mathcal{B} = \{\vec{b}_1, \vec{b}_2, \vec{b}_3\}$ by “fixing” the vectors in \mathcal{V} so they are orthonormal.
 (c) Write the vector $\vec{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ as a linear combination of vectors in the \mathcal{B} basis.
2. Consider the three planes $\mathcal{P}_1 = \text{span}\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2\}$, $\mathcal{P}_2 = \text{span}\{\vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3\}$, $\mathcal{P}_3 = \text{span}\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_3\}$.
 (a) Find the normal vectors of the planes \mathcal{P}_1 , \mathcal{P}_2 , and \mathcal{P}_3 .
 (b) Find the projection of $\vec{w} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ onto \mathcal{P}_1 , \mathcal{P}_2 , and \mathcal{P}_3 .
 (c) Write $\vec{w} = \vec{a} + \vec{b}$ where $\vec{a} \in \mathcal{P}_1$ and \vec{b} is perpendicular to \mathcal{P}_1 .

Further Questions

3. Let $B = [\vec{b}_1 | \vec{b}_2 | \vec{b}_3]$ and $V = [\vec{v}_1 | \vec{v}_2 | \vec{v}_3]$ where \vec{b}_i and \vec{v}_i are from problem 1.
 (a) Compute B^{-1} (Hint, this is easy. No computation required!)
 (b) Compute V^{-1} (This requires a little thinking, but not much computation).
4. V is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^3 and P is a matrix that projects vectors in \mathbb{R}^3 onto V . Further, $\text{rank}(P) = 3$.
 (a) How many vectors are in a basis for V ?
 (b) Let $\vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ and $\vec{w} = \vec{v} - P\vec{v}$. What is the angle between \vec{w} and any vector in V ?
 (c) What is $\text{rank}(I - P)$?

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Challenge questions

Recall that the trace of a matrix is the sum of the diagonal entries and that $\text{trace}(A) = \text{trace}(B)$ if A and B are similar.

5. Let P be a projection matrix. Show that $\text{trace}(P)$ is always an integer (Hint, think about what a projection matrix must be similar to).
6. Show that in fact $\text{trace}(P)$ is the dimension of the subspace that P projects onto.

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Objectives

Hidden objectives

Suggestions

Wrapup

Choose a question that most of the class has started but not yet finished, or a question that people particularly struggled with.

Solutions

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