

## Step-1

The objective is to determine a vector perpendicular to  $\mathbf{P}$ , matrix that has the plane  $\mathbf{P}$  as its null space, and what matrix has  $\mathbf{P}$  as its row.

## Step-2

Given plane is  $\mathbf{P} = x + 2y - z = 0$ .

Put,  $y = k$  and  $z = m$ .

Parameters, write this as  $x = m - 2k$

$$\text{So, } \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = k \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + m \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

In other words, the plane is the subspace of  $\mathbf{R}^3$  spanned by  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Clearly, this plane is a 2-dimensional subspace of  $\mathbf{R}^3$

## Step-3

Any subspace  $\mathbf{Q}$  perpendicular to the plane  $\mathbf{P}$  is perpendicular to both the vectors span  $\mathbf{P}$ .

Suppose  $(x, y, z)$  is a vector perpendicular to  $\mathbf{P}$ .

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} 1x + 0y + 1z &= 0 \\ -2x + 1y + 0z &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Consider the coefficients as a matrix and reduce it using the row operations, and get;

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + 2R_1$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

This is the row reduced form.

So, rewrite the homogeneous equations from this.

$$\begin{aligned}x + z &= 0 \\ y + 2z &= 0\end{aligned}$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned}x &= -z \\ y &= -2z\end{aligned}$$

So, the solution set is  $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$  by putting  $t = -z$  a parameter.

Thus, the orthogonal complement of the given plane is the straight line spanned by  $\boxed{(1, 2, -1)}$

## Step-4

The vector spanning the null space of the matrix is  $(1, 2, -1)$  and so, is perpendicular to the given plane  $\mathbf{P}$ .

The matrix reduced is  $\boxed{A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}}$

## Step-5

Now, to find the matrix  $B$  that has the plane  $\mathbf{P}$  as its row space as,

$$P = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} : x + 2y - z = 0 \right\}$$

$$P = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} : x = -2y + z \right\}$$

$$P = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -2y \\ y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} z \\ 0 \\ z \end{bmatrix} : y, z \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

$$P = \left\{ y \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + z \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} : y, z \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

$$= \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Therefore, matrix  $B$  that has  $P$  as its row space, is,

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$