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Lecture 8

Last time If $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is a linear transformation i.f.f. its a matrix transformation. The matrix for T is given column-wise by

$$[T] = [T(\vec{e}_1) \dots T(\vec{e}_n)]$$

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Standard basis vectors

Ex $T: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ (is linear)

$$T\left(\begin{smallmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{smallmatrix}\right) = \left[\begin{smallmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{smallmatrix}\right], T\left(\begin{smallmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{smallmatrix}\right) = \left[\begin{smallmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{smallmatrix}\right], T\left(\begin{smallmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{smallmatrix}\right) = \left[\begin{smallmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{smallmatrix}\right]$$

The matrix of T is $\left[\begin{smallmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \end{smallmatrix}\right]$

* easily determined the matrix because the given input vectors of T are $\left(\begin{smallmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{smallmatrix}\right), \left(\begin{smallmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{smallmatrix}\right), \left(\begin{smallmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{smallmatrix}\right)$. *

$\underbrace{\quad \quad \quad}_{\text{Standard basis vectors}}$

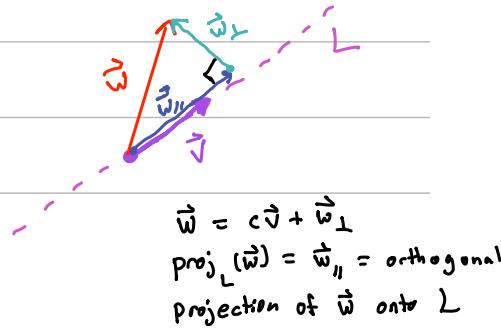
Orthogonal Projection

Theorem \rightarrow Given a non- $\vec{0}$ $\vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ let $L = \{c\vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n : c \in \mathbb{R}\}$
this is the line through $\vec{0} + \vec{v}$.

If $\vec{w} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ then there are unique vectors $\vec{w}_{||}, \vec{w}_{\perp} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

such that :

- $\vec{w} = \vec{w}_{||} + \vec{w}_{\perp}$
- $\vec{w}_{||} \in L$
- \vec{w}_{\perp} is perpendicular to L



$\text{proj}_L = \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is a linear transformation.

Agenda (for this lecture and part of the next)

Step 0 : What's orthogonal ?

Step 1 : Prove Thm + get a formula for $\text{proj}_L(\vec{w})$

Step 2 : Show proj_L is linear + find its matrix

Step 0 :

Def - the length (or norm) of $\vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is the quantity :

$$\|\vec{v}\| = \sqrt{(v_1)^2 + \dots + (v_n)^2}$$

Ex

$$\vec{v} = \langle 1, 2, 3 \rangle \quad \|\vec{v}\| = \sqrt{(1)^2 + (2)^2 + (3)^2} = \sqrt{14}$$

Remark: We call $\vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ a unit vector if $\|\vec{v}\| = 1$

- Can scale any non-zero vector $\vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ to get a unit vector

example $\vec{u} = \frac{\vec{v}}{\|\vec{v}\|}$

3 key properties of length:

- $\|\vec{v}\| \geq 0$ and $(\|\vec{v}\| = 0 \text{ i.f.f. } \vec{v} = \vec{0})$

- $c \in \mathbb{R}, \vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \|\vec{c}\vec{v}\| = |c|\|\vec{v}\|$

- Triangle inequality $\|\vec{v} + \vec{w}\| \leq \|\vec{v}\| + \|\vec{w}\|$