

**Example 3.3 (Decomposing a vector into its mean and deviation components)** Let us carry out the decomposition of  $\mathbf{y}_i$  into  $\bar{x}_i \mathbf{1}$  and  $\mathbf{d}_i = \mathbf{y}_i - \bar{x}_i \mathbf{1}$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , for the data given in Example 3.2:

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ -1 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Here,  $\bar{x}_1 = (4 - 1 + 3)/3 = 2$  and  $\bar{x}_2 = (1 + 3 + 5)/3 = 3$ , so

$$\bar{x}_1 \mathbf{1} = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \bar{x}_2 \mathbf{1} = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Consequently,

$$\mathbf{d}_1 = \mathbf{y}_1 - \bar{x}_1 \mathbf{1} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$\mathbf{d}_2 = \mathbf{y}_2 - \bar{x}_2 \mathbf{1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

We note that  $\bar{x}_1 \mathbf{1}$  and  $\mathbf{d}_1 = \mathbf{y}_1 - \bar{x}_1 \mathbf{1}$  are perpendicular, because

$$(\bar{x}_1 \mathbf{1})'(\mathbf{y}_1 - \bar{x}_1 \mathbf{1}) = [2 \quad 2 \quad 2] \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 4 - 6 + 2 = 0$$

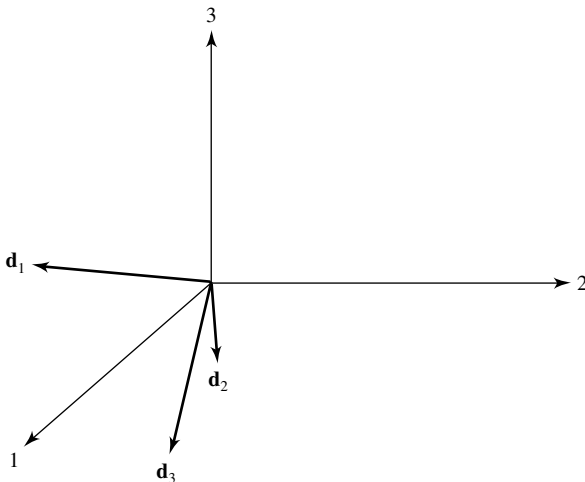
A similar result holds for  $\bar{x}_2 \mathbf{1}$  and  $\mathbf{d}_2 = \mathbf{y}_2 - \bar{x}_2 \mathbf{1}$ . The decomposition is

$$\mathbf{y}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{y}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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For the time being, we are interested in the deviation (or residual) vectors  $\mathbf{d}_i = \mathbf{y}_i - \bar{x}_i \mathbf{1}$ . A plot of the deviation vectors of Figure 3.3 is given in Figure 3.4.



**Figure 3.4** The deviation vectors  $\mathbf{d}_i$  from Figure 3.3.