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Example: Reflecting in a plane

Lets put all this together... use of our  
transformation and basis knowledge  
in order to do something.... TRICKY... @  
and in same process make our  
life a bit simpler...

What we want to do we know  
what a vector looks like when we  
reflect it in same FUNNY PLANE

Eg ~~Board~~ Reflection example, mirrored effect  
But mirror is in same funny angle.

First Challenge: we do not know the  
plane of the mirror very well.

But we do know 2 vectors in mirror

$(1, 1, 1)$  and  $(2, 0, 1)$

and third vector outside plane of mirror  
 $(3, 1, 1)$

in plane

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$V_1$        $V_2$        $V_3$



Let's do Gram-Schmidt, to get an orthonormal vector to describe our plane and its "normal"  $V_3$ .

$$e_1 = \frac{V_1}{|V_1|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ (will just be the normalized version of } V_1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} u_2 &= V_2 - (V_2 \cdot e_1) e_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \left[ \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right] \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$e_2 = \frac{u_2}{|u_2|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



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 $U_2 = V_2 - \text{Some number of } e_1, \text{ which is the}$   
 projection of  $V_2$  onto  $e_1$  times  $e_1$   
 $(V_2 \cdot e_1)$

Ans.  $e_2 =$  If I want to normalize  $U_2$ ,  $e_2$  is  
 equal to normalized version of  $U_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$

Now we need to find  $U_3$

$U_3 = V_3 - \text{projection of } V_3 \text{ onto } e_1, \text{ minus}$   
 the projection  $V_3$  onto  $e_2$

$$U_3 = V_3 - (V_3 \cdot e_1)e_1 - (V_3 \cdot e_2)e_2 =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} - \left[ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right] \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} -$$

$$\left[ \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right] \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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- Then normalize this to get  $e_3$

$$e_3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

∴ New Transformation Matrix  $E$ .

$$E = \begin{bmatrix} [e_1] & [e_2] & [e_3] \end{bmatrix}$$

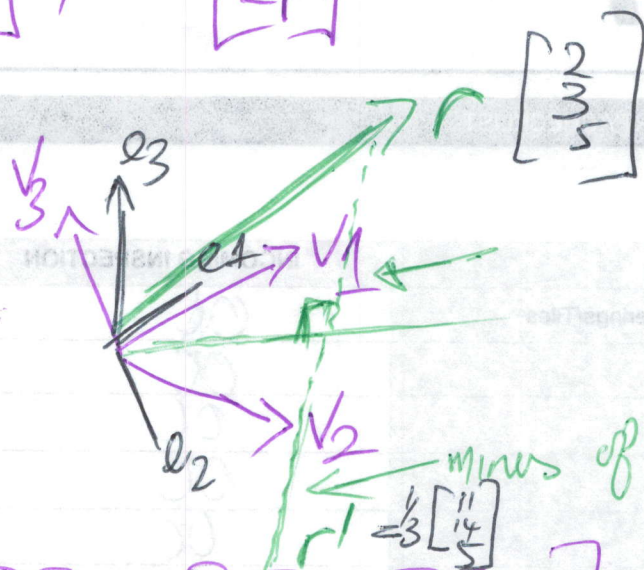
↑ All Column vectors

$e_1, e_2$  (plane)  
 $e_3$  (normal to plane)



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$$V_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, V_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, V_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$E = [e_1 | e_2 | e_3] = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \\ 1 & 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Note: Have original vectors  $V_1$  and  $V_2$

- we defined  $e_1$  to be the normalized version of  $V_1$
- we defined  $e_2$  to be the perpendicular part of  $V_2$ , to  $e_1$  (Normalized to unit length)
- so they all in plane
- $e_3$  is normal to that plane, the hat of  $V_3$  (that we call) that we can't make by projection on  $V_1$  or  $V_2$ , of unit length.



Let's say we have vector  $r$ , so we  
want to reflect  $r$  down to the plane,  
drop  $r$  down down, and on the  
other side to get vector  $r'$

Let's say  $r$  has number  $(2, 3, 5)$

$\Rightarrow$  But now everything is flipping and awkward (with),  
(and how can I do projection, will be a lot of trigonometry)

But we can think of  $r$  as been composed  
of vector that is in the plane  
that is same vector that normal to  $e_3$

— same minus bit, to get top...

Then we can write:

$T_E =$  keep the  $e_1$  but the same, keep  
 $e_2$  but the same, and reflect the  
 $e_3$  bit from been up, to been  
down.

$\therefore$  a reflection matrix in  $e_3$

$\therefore$  reflection in plane



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

so this  $T_E$  is in the basis of plane,

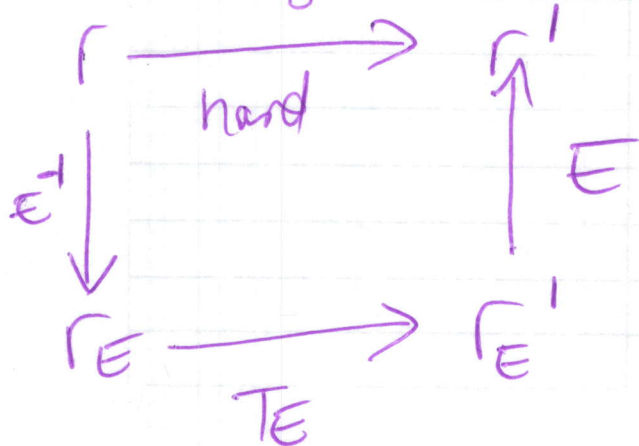
not in my basis, but in the Basis plane.

⇒ So if I can get  $r$  defined in the plane  
Basis vector set ( $e$ ), I can then

do the reflection, and put it  
back to my basis vector set.

(and there a complete transformation)

through some transformation:



But I can transform it into  
Basis of plane, and do it  
using  $E^{-1}$

then can do reflection,  
and get  $r'_E$ , that is  
transformed, in basis  
of plane, then read  
back to my basis by  
doing  $E$ .

$$\therefore E^T E E^{-1} r = r'$$

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$$r = E T_E E^T r \quad [\text{now let's do Calc}]$$

Transformation we going to do.

Note: we have Carefully Constructed  $E$  through Gram-Schmidt.  
to be orthonormal, we knew:

$$E^T = E^T$$

$$E T_E E^T = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{3} + 0 + \frac{5}{6} \\ \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{3} + 0 + \frac{2}{6} \\ \frac{1}{3} + 0 + \frac{2}{6} & \frac{1}{3} + 0 + \frac{2}{6} & \frac{1}{3} + 0 - \frac{4}{6} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 2 \\ -1 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = T$$

$$r = T r = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 11 \\ 14 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

This is something that would be very difficult to do with trigonometry



Recap:

- Here we have put all that we know of mirror together to describe how to do something like, such as to reflect point in space in a mirror
- Ideal for transforming face facing in one direction to facing it in another direction.
- (then afterwards use NM to recognize the face)
- ————— next different technique 😊