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37233 LINEAR ALGEBRA

Solutions 9

Question 1

Vectors $\mathbf{u}_1$ and $\mathbf{u}_2$ are orthogonal so they form an orthogonal basis for $W = \text{Span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2\}$.

$$(a) \quad \hat{\mathbf{y}}_1 = \text{proj}_W \mathbf{y}_1 = \frac{-75 + 6 + 20}{225 + 4 + 16} \begin{bmatrix} -15 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{0 + 6 - 5}{4 + 1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{z}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix};$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}}_2 = \text{proj}_W \mathbf{y}_2 = \frac{-45 - 4 + 0}{225 + 4 + 16} \begin{bmatrix} -15 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{0 - 4 + 0}{4 + 1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{z}_2 = \mathbf{0};$$

$$(b) \quad \text{dist}(\mathbf{y}_1, W) = \|\mathbf{z}_1\| = 7 \text{ and } \text{dist}(\mathbf{y}_2, W) = 0.$$

Question 2

First, we need to make sure the vectors are linearly independent; they obviously are.

Then

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}; \quad \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 12 \\ 5 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{\mathbf{v}_2 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1}{\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1} \mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 12 \\ 5 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{50}{25} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 12 \\ -3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\text{Normalising these vectors we get} \quad \mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4/5 \\ 3/5 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 12/13 \\ -3/13 \\ 4/13 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Question 3

(a) After checking the vectors are linearly independent, apply Gram-Schmidt process:

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{4 + 2 + 0 + 0}{4 + 4 + 1 + 0} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2/3 \\ -1/3 \\ -2/3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v}'_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

where $\mathbf{v}'_2$ can be introduced (but this is not required) for simplifications, so then

$$\mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 18 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{36 + 0 + 0 + 0}{4 + 4 + 1 + 0} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{36 + 0 + 0 + 0}{4 + 1 + 4 + 0} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -4 \\ 4 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$$

It makes sense to verify (not shown) that the obtained vectors $\mathbf{v}_i$ are orthogonal.

(b) Normalising these vectors we get

$$\mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2/3 \\ 2/3 \\ 1/3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2/3 \\ -1/3 \\ -2/3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{u}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 \\ -0.4 \\ 0.4 \\ 0.8 \end{bmatrix}$$

Question 4

To extend the basis for W towards entire $\mathbb{R}^3$, we require a vector of unit length, which is orthogonal to $\mathbf{u}_1$ and to $\mathbf{u}_2$. Such a vector is easily found as $\mathbf{u}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1/3 \\ -2/3 \\ 2/3 \end{bmatrix}$.

- (a) Vectors $\mathbf{q}_i$ are of unit length each and are mutually orthogonal, as can be quickly checked for each pair, or alternatively by calculating $\mathbf{Q}^\top \mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{I}$. Thus they are three linearly independent orthonormal vectors in $\mathbb{R}^3$ and therefore form a basis for $\mathbb{R}^3$.
- (b) Multiplication shows that $\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{Q}^\top = \mathbf{I}$. Given that $\mathbf{Q}$ is an orthonormal basis for $\mathbb{R}^3$, the projection of an arbitrary vector $\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ onto $Q = \mathbb{R}^3$ is given by

$$\text{proj}_Q \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{Q}^\top \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{I}\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y}$$

which is certainly true, as the projection of any $\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^3$ onto $\mathbb{R}^3$ equals to $\mathbf{y}$ itself.

- (c) The change of basis matrix can be calculated by row-reducing $[\mathbf{q}_1 \mathbf{q}_2 \mathbf{q}_3 | \mathbf{u}_1 \mathbf{u}_2 \mathbf{u}_3] \rightarrow$

$$\cdots \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2/3 & -2/3 & -1/3 \\ 0 & 4/5 & 3/5 & 1/3 & 2/3 & -2/3 \\ 0 & 0 & -5/4 & 5/12 & -1/6 & 7/6 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2/3 & -2/3 & -1/3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2/3 & 11/15 & -2/15 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1/3 & 2/15 & -14/15 \end{bmatrix}$$

which yields the change of basis orthogonal matrix

$$\mathbf{P}_{Q \leftarrow U} \equiv [\mathbf{p}_1 \mathbf{p}_2 \mathbf{p}_3] = \begin{bmatrix} 2/3 & -2/3 & -1/3 \\ 2/3 & 11/15 & -2/15 \\ -1/3 & 2/15 & -14/15 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (d) The orthogonality can be verified by checking for orthonormality of its columns:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_1 &= 1, & \mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2 &= 0, & \mathbf{p}_1 \cdot \mathbf{p}_3 &= 0, \\ \mathbf{p}_2 \cdot \mathbf{p}_2 &= 1, & \mathbf{p}_2 \cdot \mathbf{p}_3 &= 0, & \mathbf{p}_3 \cdot \mathbf{p}_3 &= 1, \end{aligned}$$

or, likewise, for the rows, which requires essentially the same calculation.

Orthogonality makes it easy to get the matrix for the reverse basis change as

$$\mathbf{P}_{U \leftarrow Q} = \mathbf{P}_{Q \leftarrow U}^{-1} = \mathbf{P}_{Q \leftarrow U}^\top = \begin{bmatrix} 2/3 & 2/3 & -1/3 \\ -2/3 & 11/15 & 2/15 \\ -1/3 & -2/15 & -14/15 \end{bmatrix}$$

which is much faster than finding that by row-reduction from $[\mathbf{u}_1 \mathbf{u}_2 \mathbf{u}_3 | \mathbf{q}_1 \mathbf{q}_2 \mathbf{q}_3] \rightarrow$

$$\rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2/3 & -2/3 & -1/3 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1/2 & -1/2 & 4/5 & 3/5 \\ 0 & 0 & 3/2 & -1/2 & -1/5 & -7/5 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2/3 & 2/3 & -1/3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2/3 & 11/15 & 2/15 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1/3 & -2/15 & -14/15 \end{bmatrix}.$$