

1. Let $V = \{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid 2x - y + z = 0\}$ and $\mathbf{u} = (1, 0, 1)$. Compute $\text{proj}_V \mathbf{u}$.

First, we need a basis for V . Any one will do, such as $\{(1, 2, 0)^T, (0, 1, 1)^T\}$. Once we have a basis, there are two different approaches we can take.

(a) Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$. Since A has linearly independent columns, $A^T A$ is invertible, and

$$\text{proj}_V \mathbf{u} = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T \mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1/2 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(b) We can apply Gram-Schmidt to our basis to obtain an orthogonal basis for V :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{p}_1 &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ \mathbf{p}_2 &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}}{\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Since $\mathbf{u} \perp \mathbf{p}_2$,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{proj}_V \mathbf{u} &= \text{proj}_{\mathbf{p}_1} \mathbf{u} + \text{proj}_{\mathbf{p}_2} \mathbf{u} \\ &= \text{proj}_{\mathbf{p}_1} \mathbf{u} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1/2 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

2. Let $T : P_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be defined by

$$T(p) = \begin{pmatrix} p(0) \\ p'(1) \end{pmatrix}.$$

Let $B = \{1, x - 1, (x - 1)^2\}$ and C be the standard basis on \mathbb{R}^2 . Compute $[T]_{BC}$.

First we need to apply T to the elements of B :

$$\begin{aligned} T(1) &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ T(x - 1) &= \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ T((x - 1)^2) &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Since C is the standard basis, each of these vectors is equal to its own coordinate vector relative to C .
Therefore

$$[T]_{BC} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$