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**Problem 1:** Let  $W$  be the subspace of  $\mathbf{R}^3$  spanned by the vectors  $(1\ 1\ 1)$  and  $(1\ 2\ 3)$ . Find the orthogonal space  $W^\perp$ , and the matrix  $P$  of projection onto  $W^\perp$ .

$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{A_2^{-1} \times 1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$  gives special solution  $a = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ; its span gives  $W^\perp$ .

So  $P$  is  $a \frac{1}{a^T a} a^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{6} (1\ -2\ 1) = \frac{1}{6} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 1 \\ -2 & 4 & -2 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

**Problem 2:** Solve the least-squares problem for the system  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Multiply by  $A^T$  to get normal equations  $\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 6 & | & 10 \\ 6 & 14 & | & 25 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{A_2^{-2} \times 1} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 6 & | & 10 \\ 0 & 2 & | & 5 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Back-solve to get  $y = \frac{5}{2}$  and then  $x = -\frac{5}{3}$ ; that is,  $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{6} \begin{pmatrix} -10 \\ 15 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Multiply by  $A$  to get  $\frac{1}{6} \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 20 \\ 35 \end{pmatrix}$  as approximation to original  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$ .

**Problem 3:** Apply the Gram-Schmidt process to the columns of  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Use the result to find the  $QR$ -factorization.

Call the columns  $a, b, c$ ; begin by setting  $A = a$ .

Then  $B = b - \text{proj}_A(b) = b - A \frac{1}{A^T A} (A^T b) = b - A \cdot \frac{1}{2} \cdot 1 = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Now note that  $c$  was orthogonal to  $a, b$ ; hence to "adjusted"  $A, B$ .

So  $C = c - \text{proj}_A(c) - \text{proj}_B(c)$  gives just  $c$  since projections are 0.

Divide  $A, B, C$  by lengths to get columns of orthogonal matrix  $Q = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ 0 & -\frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \end{pmatrix}$ .

Transpose columns and multiply by  $a, b, c$  above diagonal to get  $R = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{3}{\sqrt{6}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sqrt{3} \end{pmatrix}$ .

**Problem 4:** Compute the determinant  $|A|$  for  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ;

first using row operations, then by the cofactor method.

$$\text{(row ops)} \xrightarrow{A_2^{-1 \times 1}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{A_3^{-1 \times 2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ so } |A| = 1 \cdot 1 \cdot 2 = 2.$$

$$\text{(cofactors, top row)} |A| = 1(1 \cdot 1 - 1 \cdot 0) - 0 + 1(1 \cdot 1 - 0 \cdot 1) = 1 + 1 = 2.$$

**Problem 5:** Use Cramer's rule to solve  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$ .

$$|A| = 2 \cdot 4 - 1 \cdot 3 = 5. \text{ So } x = \frac{1}{5} \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ -2 & 4 \end{vmatrix} = 2 \text{ And } y = \frac{1}{5} \begin{vmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{vmatrix} = -1.$$

**Problem M:** (Makeup from Exam 1)

Show that the set  $W$  of symmetric  $2 \times 2$  matrices (those of form  $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{pmatrix}$ )

is a subspace of the space of all  $2 \times 2$  matrices.

*Note that "symmetric" requires the same value ("b") in the two off-diagonal positions.*

$$\text{Add two such matrices: } \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} d & e \\ e & f \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a+d & b+e \\ b+e & c+f \end{pmatrix}.$$

*Same value  $b+e$  off diagonal, so the sum is also symmetric.*

$$\text{Multiply such a matrix by a scalar } r: r \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} ra & rb \\ rb & rc \end{pmatrix}.$$

*Same value  $rb$  off diagonal, so the product is also symmetric.*

*So  $W$  is closed under both operations, hence forms a subspace.*