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Problem 1. Let Π denote the following parametrized plane in \mathbb{R}^3 :

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix} = s \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + t \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- (a) Let \vec{a} be some vector that is perpendicular to the plane Π . Write down a single matrix equation to encode this information.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \vec{a} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- (b) Solve the matrix equation from part (a) to find all such vectors \vec{a} .

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right) \rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

$$\rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} \hat{a} & \hat{b} & \hat{c} & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right). \quad \text{If } \vec{a} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} \text{ then we have}$$

$$\vec{a} = \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c \\ -c \\ c \end{pmatrix} = c \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- (c) Use your answer from (b) to tell me an equation for Π .

$$x - y + z = 0.$$

(d) Compute the matrix $P = \vec{a}(\vec{a}^T \vec{a})^{-1} \vec{a}^T$ that projects orthogonally onto the line $t\vec{a}$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 P &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \left((1 \ -1 \ 1) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right)^{-1} (1 \ -1 \ 1) \\
 &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} (3)^{-1} (1 \ -1 \ 1) = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} (1 \ -1 \ 1) \\
 &= \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.
 \end{aligned}$$

(e) Write down some matrix A whose column space is the plane Π .

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(f) Finally, compute the matrix $Q = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T$ that projects orthogonally onto the plane Π . [Hint: There is a shortcut using part (d).]

Since $P + Q = I$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q &= I - P = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\
 &= \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Problem 2. Consider the following matrix:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (a) Let B be some matrix whose second column is $(1, 2, 3)$. Compute the second column of the matrix AB

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (b) Use Gaussian elimination to compute the inverse matrix A^{-1} .

$$(A | I) = \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \begin{array}{l} R_1 \\ R_2 \\ R_3 \end{array}$$

$$\rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & -3 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right) \begin{array}{l} R_1 \\ R_2 - 2R_1 \\ R_3 - 3R_1 \end{array}$$

$$\rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right) \begin{array}{l} R_1 \\ R_2 \\ R_3 - R_2 \end{array}$$

$$A^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Problem 3. Consider a matrix A and two column vectors \hat{x}, \vec{b} such that the following matrices exist: $(A^T A)^{-1}$, $A\hat{x}$, and $A^T \vec{b}$.

(a) If A has shape $l \times m$, tell me the shapes of $(A^T A)^{-1}$, $A\hat{x}$, and $A^T \vec{b}$.

$(A^T A)^{-1}$ has shape $m \times m$

$A\hat{x}$ has shape $l \times 1$

$A^T \vec{b}$ has shape $m \times 1$.

(b) Now define the vector $\vec{e} := \vec{b} - A\hat{x}$. Tell me a single matrix equation that says that \vec{e} is perpendicular to all of the columns of A .

$$A^T \vec{e} = \vec{0}$$

(c) Solve the matrix equation from (b) to find a formula for \hat{x} .

$$A^T (\vec{b} - A\hat{x}) = \vec{0}$$

$$A^T \vec{b} - A^T A \hat{x} = \vec{0}$$

$$(A^T A) \hat{x} = A^T \vec{b}$$

$$\cancel{(A^T A)^{-1} (A^T A)} \hat{x} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T \vec{b}$$

$$\hat{x} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T \vec{b}$$

Problem 4. Consider the following three data points:

$$\begin{pmatrix} t \\ b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(a) Write down a matrix equation that would be true if all three points were on the same line $C + tD = b$. This equation will have no solution.

$$\begin{cases} C + (-1)D = 0 \\ C + (0)D = 2 \\ C + (1)D = 1 \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} C \\ D \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

(b) Write down the associated "normal equation", which does have a solution.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} C \\ D \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

(c) Solve the normal equation to find the best fit line.

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} C \\ D \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3C \\ 2D \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} C \\ D \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The best fit line is

$$1 + \frac{1}{2}t = b.$$