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1. Let $W = \text{Span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2\}$. Is $\mathbf{u}_3 \in W^\perp$?
2. Is $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3\}$ an orthogonal set?
3. Let $\mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$. Find the coefficients of \mathbf{y} in the basis $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3\}$. That is, find $c_1, c_2, c_3 \in \mathbb{R}$ so that

$$\mathbf{y} = c_1\mathbf{u}_1 + c_2\mathbf{u}_2 + c_3\mathbf{u}_3.$$

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1. Find $\hat{\mathbf{y}}$, the orthogonal projection of \mathbf{y} onto \mathbf{u}_2 .
2. What is the distance from \mathbf{y} to the line spanned by \mathbf{u}_2 ?
3. We can also project onto subspaces with dimension greater than 1. Looking ahead to §6.3, the projection of \mathbf{y} onto W is the sum of two projections. Can you see which ones?

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