

Inner Product Spaces, Orthogonal Projections, and Orthonormal Bases

Def: An inner product on a vector space V is a map $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

- (a) $\langle f, g \rangle = \langle g, f \rangle$ (Symmetry)
 (b) $\langle f+h, g \rangle = \langle f, g \rangle + \langle h, g \rangle$
 (c) $\langle cf, g \rangle = c\langle f, g \rangle$
 (d) $\langle f, f \rangle \geq 0$ for all $f \neq 0$ in V (positive definite)
- } LT in 1st coordinate.

Note: By (c), we can see that $\langle f, f \rangle = 0$ if and only if $f = 0$.

Note: Applying the symmetry condition (a) to conditions (b) and (c), we see that

$$\langle f, g+h \rangle = \langle f, g \rangle + \langle f, h \rangle \text{ and } \langle f, cg \rangle = c\langle f, g \rangle.$$

So inner products are linear transformations in both coordinates.

Example: The dot product on \mathbb{R}^n is the most common example of an inner product. Show that the dot product is an inner product.

(a) $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = v_1w_1 + v_2w_2 + \dots + v_nw_n = w_1v_1 + w_2v_2 + \dots + w_nv_n = \vec{w} \cdot \vec{v}$

(b) $(\vec{v} + \vec{u}) \cdot \vec{w} = (v_1 + u_1)w_1 + \dots + (v_n + u_n)w_n = [v_1w_1 + \dots + v_nw_n] + [u_1w_1 + \dots + u_nw_n] = \vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} + \vec{u} \cdot \vec{w}$

(c) $(c\vec{v}) \cdot \vec{w} = (cv_1)w_1 + \dots + (cv_n)w_n = c(v_1w_1 + \dots + v_nw_n) = c(\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w})$

(d) $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v} = v_1^2 + \dots + v_n^2 = 0 \iff v_1 = \dots = v_n = 0$. So $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v} > 0$ for all $\vec{v} \neq 0$.

Example: Let $V = \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$, the space of all $n \times m$ matrices with entries in \mathbb{R} . Define a pairing on V by $\langle A, B \rangle = \text{tr}(A^T B)$ for all matrices A, B in V . Show that $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ is an inner product.

(a) $\text{tr}(A^T B) = \text{tr}((A^T B)^T) = \text{tr}(B^T A) = \langle B, A \rangle$

(b) $\langle A+C, B \rangle = \text{tr}((A+C)^T B) = \text{tr}(A^T B + C^T B) = \text{tr}(A^T B) + \text{tr}(C^T B) = \langle A, B \rangle + \langle C, B \rangle$

(c) $\langle cA, B \rangle = \text{tr}((cA)^T B) = \text{tr}(cA^T B) = c \text{tr}(A^T B) = c \langle A, B \rangle$

(d) If $A \neq 0$, say $A = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & \dots & v_m \end{bmatrix}$. Then $\langle A, A \rangle = \text{tr} \left(\begin{bmatrix} - & \dots & - \\ v_1 & \dots & v_m \\ - & \dots & - \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & \dots & v_m \end{bmatrix} \right) = \text{tr} \begin{pmatrix} v_1^2 & v_1v_2 & \dots & v_1v_m \\ v_2v_1 & v_2^2 & \dots & v_2v_m \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ v_mv_1 & v_mv_2 & \dots & v_m^2 \end{pmatrix} = \|v_1\|^2 + \dots + \|v_m\|^2 \neq 0$.

class 2

Def: The norm or magnitude of an element f in an inner product space V is: $\|f\| = \sqrt{\langle f, f \rangle}$

Def: We say that two elements f, g in an inner product space V are orthogonal or perpendicular if: $\langle f, g \rangle = 0$

Def: The distance between two elements f, g in an inner product space V is: $\|f-g\| = \sqrt{\langle f-g, f-g \rangle}$

Example: Let $V = C[0, 1]$, and consider the inner product $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_0^1 f(t)g(t) dt$. Let $m(t) = 3t^3$ and $n(t) = -t$.

Find $\|m\|$ and find the distance between m and n .

(a) $\|m\| = \sqrt{\langle m, m \rangle} = \sqrt{\int_0^1 9t^6 dt} = \sqrt{\left[\frac{9}{7} t^7 \right]_0^1} = \sqrt{\frac{9}{7}}$

(b) $\|m-n\| = \|3t^3 + t\| = \sqrt{\int_0^1 9t^6 + 6t^4 + t^2 dt} = \sqrt{\left[\frac{9}{7} t^7 + \frac{6}{5} t^5 + \frac{1}{3} t^3 \right]_0^1} = \sqrt{\frac{9}{7} + \frac{6}{5} + \frac{1}{3}} = \sqrt{\frac{296}{105}}$

Note: The standard inner product on \mathbb{R}^n is the dot product. So in \mathbb{R}^n , we have the following facts.

- Two vectors $\vec{v}, \vec{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ are orthogonal/perpendicular if $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{u} = 0$.
- The length of a vectors $\vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is $\|\vec{v}\| = \sqrt{\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v}}$.
- A vector $\vec{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is a unit vector if the length of \vec{u} is 1; i.e. if $\|\vec{u}\| = 1$.
- If $\vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, then the vector $\vec{u} = \frac{\vec{v}}{\|\vec{v}\|}$ is a unit vector in the same direction as \vec{v} .
- A vector $\vec{w} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is orthogonal to a subspace V in \mathbb{R}^n if \vec{w} is orthogonal to every vector in V , i.e. if $\vec{w} \cdot \vec{v} = 0$ for all $\vec{v} \in V$.

Def: We say that a collection g_1, \dots, g_m of elements in an inner product space V are *orthonormal* if they are unit vectors and if each one is orthogonal to the rest. In other words, the collection is *orthonormal* if

$$\langle g_i, g_j \rangle = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i=j \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \end{cases}$$

Ex: The standard basis vectors $\vec{e}_1, \dots, \vec{e}_n \in \mathbb{R}^n$ are orthonormal. (So they form an *orthonormal basis* of \mathbb{R}^n). Also, any subset of this collection is orthonormal.

class 1 ←

Ex: Let θ be any angle. Show that the vectors $\begin{bmatrix} \sin \theta \\ \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} -\cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \end{bmatrix}$ are orthonormal in \mathbb{R}^2 .

unit vectors: $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v} = \sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$

$\vec{w} \cdot \vec{w} = \cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta = 1$

orthogonal: $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = -\sin \theta \cos \theta + \cos \theta \sin \theta = 0$.

Ex: Show that the vectors $\begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ -1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ -1/2 \end{bmatrix}$ are orthonormal in \mathbb{R}^4 .

unit: $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v} = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} = 1$

$\vec{w} \cdot \vec{w} = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} = 1$

orthogonal: $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4} = 0$.

Thm: Orthogonal vectors are linearly independent. So any set of n orthogonal vectors in a vector space V of dimension n is a basis for V .

Recall: (Ch. 2) Let L be any line in \mathbb{R}^2 . Any vector $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2$ can be written uniquely as $\vec{x} = \vec{x}_p + \vec{x}_o$ where \vec{x}_p is parallel to L and \vec{x}_o is orthogonal to L . Here \vec{x}_p is also denoted $\text{proj}_L(\vec{x})$.

Thm: Suppose g_1, \dots, g_m is an orthonormal basis of a subspace W of an inner product space V . Then the projection of an element f in V onto the subspace W is:

$$\text{proj}_W f = \langle g_1, f \rangle g_1 + \dots + \langle g_m, f \rangle g_m$$



Fact: Let W be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n . Let $\{\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_m\}$ be an orthonormal basis of W . Then for any $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$,

$$\text{proj}_W(\vec{x}) = \vec{x}_p = (\vec{u}_1 \cdot \vec{x})\vec{u}_1 + \dots + (\vec{u}_m \cdot \vec{x})\vec{u}_m = \sum_{i=1}^m (\vec{u}_i \cdot \vec{x})\vec{u}_i$$

Obs: Let V be the (xy) -plane in \mathbb{R}^3 . Then $\{\vec{e}_1, \vec{e}_2\}$ is an orthonormal basis for V . Let $L_1 = \text{span}\{\vec{e}_1\}$ be the x -axis and let $L_2 = \text{span}\{\vec{e}_2\}$ be the y -axis. Then for any $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3$, $\text{proj}_V(\vec{x}) = \text{proj}_{L_1}(\vec{x}) + \text{proj}_{L_2}(\vec{x})$.

This is true in general: Let V be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n . Let $\{\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_m\}$ be an orthonormal basis of V . Let $L_i = \text{span}\{\vec{u}_i\}$ for each i . Then

$$\text{proj}_V(\vec{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^m (\vec{u}_i \cdot \vec{x})\vec{u}_i = \sum_{i=1}^m \text{proj}_{L_i}(\vec{x})$$

Ex: Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ and let $V = \text{Im}(A)$. Find $\text{proj}_V(\vec{x})$ for $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$.

① Find an orthonormal basis for $V = \text{Im}(A)$: $\vec{u}_1 = \frac{\vec{v}_1}{\|\vec{v}_1\|} = \frac{\vec{v}_1}{2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$
 $\vec{u}_2 = \frac{\vec{v}_2}{\|\vec{v}_2\|} = \frac{\vec{v}_2}{2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ -1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ -1/2 \end{bmatrix}$

② $\text{proj}_V(\vec{x}) = (\vec{u}_1 \cdot \vec{x})\vec{u}_1 + (\vec{u}_2 \cdot \vec{x})\vec{u}_2 = \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{2} + \frac{2}{2} + \frac{4}{2}\right)\vec{u}_1 + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{3}{2} + \frac{2}{2} - \frac{4}{2}\right)\vec{u}_2$
 $= 6\vec{u}_1 - 2\vec{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3/2 \\ 3/2 \\ 3/2 \\ 3/2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5/2 \\ 5/2 \\ 5/2 \\ 5/2 \end{bmatrix}$

Thm: Let $\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_n$ be an orthonormal basis for \mathbb{R}^n . Then for any $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $\vec{x} = (\vec{u}_1 \cdot \vec{x})\vec{u}_1 + \dots + (\vec{u}_n \cdot \vec{x})\vec{u}_n$. ($= \text{proj}_{\mathbb{R}^n}(\vec{x})$)

Note: This means that if $\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_n$ is an orthonormal basis for \mathbb{R}^n , then $\vec{x} = \sum_{i=1}^n \text{proj}_{\text{span}\{\vec{u}_i\}}(\vec{x})$ for any $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

Note: The theorem means that if \mathcal{B} is an orthonormal basis for \mathbb{R}^n , then we now have a formula for finding the \mathcal{B} -coordinates of any $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

Ex: Consider the orthonormal basis $\mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ 1/2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ -1/2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ -1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ -1/2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ -1/2 \\ -1/2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ of \mathbb{R}^4 . Find the \mathcal{B} -coordinates

of $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$. Recall: $[\vec{x}]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \end{bmatrix}$ where $\vec{x} = a\vec{u}_1 + b\vec{u}_2 + c\vec{u}_3 + d\vec{u}_4$

old method: solve these four linear eqns.

new method: $a = \vec{u}_1 \cdot \vec{x} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{2} + \frac{3}{2} + \frac{4}{2} = 5$

$b = \vec{u}_2 \cdot \vec{x} = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{2} + \frac{3}{2} - \frac{4}{2} = 0$

$c = \vec{u}_3 \cdot \vec{x} = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{2}{2} + \frac{3}{2} - \frac{4}{2} = -1$

$d = \vec{u}_4 \cdot \vec{x} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{2} - \frac{3}{2} - \frac{4}{2} = -2$

$\Rightarrow [\vec{x}]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$

Recall: Let V be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n . The *orthogonal complement* of V is the set V^\perp of all vectors $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ which are orthogonal to V . (Note that V^\perp is the kernel of the orthogonal projection proj_V onto V).

Properties: Let V be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n .

1. Then V^\perp is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n .
2. $V \cap V^\perp = \{\vec{0}\}$.
3. $\dim(V) + \dim(V^\perp) = n$.
4. $(V^\perp)^\perp = V$.

Pythagorean Theorem: Let $\vec{x}, \vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Then $\vec{x} \perp \vec{y}$ if and only if $\|\vec{x} + \vec{y}\|^2 = \|\vec{x}\|^2 + \|\vec{y}\|^2$.

Proof:
$$\begin{aligned}\|\vec{x} + \vec{y}\|^2 &= (\vec{x} + \vec{y}) \cdot (\vec{x} + \vec{y}) = \vec{x} \cdot \vec{x} + \vec{x} \cdot \vec{y} + \vec{y} \cdot \vec{x} + \vec{y} \cdot \vec{y} \\ &= \|\vec{x}\|^2 + 2\vec{x} \cdot \vec{y} + \|\vec{y}\|^2 \\ &= \|\vec{x}\|^2 + 0 + \|\vec{y}\|^2\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \text{b/c } \vec{x} \cdot \vec{y} = 0 \text{ (b/c } \vec{x} \perp \vec{y}\text{)}.$$

Section 5.2: Gram-Schmidt Process and QR Factorization

Method: (The Gram-Schmidt Process) Let $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m$ be a basis for a subspace V in \mathbb{R}^n . Let

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{w}_1 &= \vec{v}_1 \\ \vec{w}_2 &= \vec{v}_2 - \frac{\vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{w}_1}{\vec{w}_1 \cdot \vec{w}_1} \vec{w}_1 \\ \vec{w}_3 &= \vec{v}_3 - \frac{\vec{v}_3 \cdot \vec{w}_1}{\vec{w}_1 \cdot \vec{w}_1} \vec{w}_1 - \frac{\vec{v}_3 \cdot \vec{w}_2}{\vec{w}_2 \cdot \vec{w}_2} \vec{w}_2 \\ &\vdots\end{aligned}$$

Then $\vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_m$ is an orthogonal basis for V .

Let $\vec{u}_1 = \frac{\vec{w}_1}{\|\vec{w}_1\|}, \vec{u}_2 = \frac{\vec{w}_2}{\|\vec{w}_2\|}, \dots$. Then $\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_m$ is an orthonormal basis for V .

Ex: Let $\mathcal{B} = \left\{ \vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. Then \mathcal{B} is a basis for \mathbb{R}^2 . Use the Gram-Schmidt process to find an orthonormal basis $\mathcal{U} = \{\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2\}$ of \mathbb{R}^2 .

① $\vec{w}_1 = \vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$

$\vec{w}_2 = \vec{v}_2 - \frac{\vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{w}_1}{\vec{w}_1 \cdot \vec{w}_1} \vec{w}_1$

$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{25}{25} \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$

$= \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$

did this in class 2

this is an orthogonal basis for \mathbb{R}^2 .

Ex: Let $V = \text{Im}(M)$, where $M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$.

1. Find an orthonormal basis for V .

2. Find the change of basis matrix R from the basis $\mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ to the basis \mathcal{U} found in 1.

1. ① $\vec{w}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$\vec{w}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{0}{4} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

(so \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2 were already orthogonal).

② $\vec{u}_1 = \frac{\vec{w}_1}{2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$

$\vec{u}_2 = \frac{\vec{w}_2}{\sqrt{2}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \\ -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

did this in class 1

$\Rightarrow \mathcal{U} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ 1/2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \\ -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

② normalizing:

$\vec{u}_1 = \vec{w}_1 / \|\vec{w}_1\| = \frac{\vec{w}_1}{5} = \begin{bmatrix} -3/5 \\ 4/5 \end{bmatrix}$

$\vec{u}_2 = \vec{w}_2 / \|\vec{w}_2\| = \frac{\vec{w}_2}{5} = \begin{bmatrix} 4/5 \\ 3/5 \end{bmatrix}$

Then $\mathcal{U} = \{\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2\}$ is an orthonormal basis for \mathbb{R}^2 (can check).

2. $R = \begin{bmatrix} [\vec{v}_1]_{\mathcal{U}} & [\vec{v}_2]_{\mathcal{U}} \end{bmatrix}$

$[\vec{v}_1]_{\mathcal{U}} = (\vec{u}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_1) \vec{u}_1 + (\vec{u}_2 \cdot \vec{v}_1) \vec{u}_2$

$= (\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}) \vec{u}_1 + 0 \vec{u}_2 = 2 \vec{u}_1 + 0 \vec{u}_2$

$= 2 \vec{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$[\vec{v}_2]_{\mathcal{U}} = (\vec{u}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_2) \vec{u}_1 + (\vec{u}_2 \cdot \vec{v}_2) \vec{u}_2$

$= 0 \vec{u}_1 + \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} \vec{u}_2 = 0 \vec{u}_1 + \sqrt{2} \vec{u}_2$

$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$

$\Rightarrow R = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$

Thm: (QR-factorization) Let M be an $n \times m$ matrix with linearly independent columns $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_m$. Then there exists an $n \times m$ matrix Q whose columns $\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_m$ are orthonormal, and an upper triangular matrix R with positive diagonal entries, such that

$$M = QR$$

Furthermore, $r_{11} = \|\vec{v}_1\|$, $r_{jj} = \|\vec{v}_j\|$ for $2 \leq j \leq m$, and $r_{ij} = \vec{u}_i \cdot \vec{v}_j$ for $i < j$.

Ex: Verify the QR-factorization theorem for the last example.

$$\text{Let } Q = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad R = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\text{Then } QR = \begin{bmatrix} 1+0 & 0+0 \\ 1+0 & 0+1 \\ 1+0 & 0-1 \\ 1+0 & 0+0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = M \quad \checkmark.$$

Ex: Find the QR-factorization of $M = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 7 \\ -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. $\vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$, $\vec{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 7 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

A) Gram-Schmidt to find columns \vec{u}_i of Q :

$$\textcircled{1} \vec{w}_1 = \vec{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{w}_2 = \vec{v}_2 - \frac{\vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{w}_1}{\vec{w}_1 \cdot \vec{w}_1} \vec{w}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 7 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{9}{9} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 6 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \vec{u}_1 = \frac{\vec{w}_1}{\|\vec{w}_1\|} = \frac{\vec{w}_1}{3} = \begin{bmatrix} 2/3 \\ 1/3 \\ -2/3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{u}_2 = \frac{\vec{w}_2}{\|\vec{w}_2\|} = \frac{\vec{w}_2}{\sqrt{45}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 6/\sqrt{45} \\ 3/\sqrt{45} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2/\sqrt{5} \\ 1/\sqrt{5} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{So } Q = \begin{bmatrix} 2/3 & 0 \\ 1/3 & 2/\sqrt{5} \\ -2/3 & 1/\sqrt{5} \end{bmatrix}.$$

B) $R = [(\vec{v}_1)_{\mathcal{U}} \quad (\vec{v}_2)_{\mathcal{U}}]$:

$$(\vec{v}_1)_{\mathcal{U}} = (\vec{u}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_1) \vec{u}_1 + (\vec{u}_2 \cdot \vec{v}_1) \vec{u}_2 = 3\vec{u}_1 + 0\vec{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(\vec{v}_2)_{\mathcal{U}} = (\vec{u}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_2) \vec{u}_1 + (\vec{u}_2 \cdot \vec{v}_2) \vec{u}_2 = 3\vec{u}_1 + \sqrt{45} \vec{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ \sqrt{45} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow R = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 0 & \sqrt{45} \end{bmatrix}.$$

C) check! $QR = M \quad \checkmark$.

Section 5.3: Orthogonal Transformations and Orthogonal Matrices

Def: A linear transformation $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is called an *orthogonal linear transformation* if T preserves the lengths of vectors, i.e. if

$$\|T(\vec{x})\| = \|\vec{x}\| \text{ for all } \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Ex: The rotation by θ matrix $T(\vec{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}$ of \mathbb{R}^2 is an orthogonal transformation.

Ex: Let V be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n . Let $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ be the transformation which reflects each vector across the subspace V . Then for all $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $T(\vec{x}) = \text{ref}_V(\vec{x}) = \vec{x}_p - \vec{x}_o$. Show that T is orthogonal.

$$\begin{aligned} \|T(\vec{x})\|^2 &= \|\vec{x}_p - \vec{x}_o\|^2 = \|\vec{x}_p\|^2 + \|\vec{x}_o\|^2 \\ &= \|\vec{x}_p\|^2 + \|\vec{x}_o\|^2 \\ &= \|\vec{x}_p + \vec{x}_o\|^2 \text{ by Pyth. Thm since } \vec{x}_p \perp \vec{x}_o \\ &= \|\vec{x}\|^2 \text{ since } \vec{x} = \vec{x}_p + \vec{x}_o. \end{aligned}$$

Thm: 1. A linear transformation $T: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is orthogonal if and only if the vectors $T(\vec{e}_1), \dots, T(\vec{e}_n)$ form an orthonormal basis for \mathbb{R}^n .
2. An $n \times n$ matrix A is orthogonal if and only if its columns form an orthonormal basis of \mathbb{R}^n .

Ex: Is the matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ orthogonal?

No: the columns are orthogonal, but they aren't unit vectors.

Ex: Is the matrix $A = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ orthogonal?

Yes: the columns are orthogonal and they are unit vectors.
So the columns are orthonormal $\Rightarrow A$ is orthogonal.

Thm: Suppose A and B are orthogonal matrices. Then A^{-1} and AB are orthogonal. In other words, inverses and products of orthogonal matrices are orthogonal.

Def: An $n \times n$ matrix A is *symmetric* if $A^T = A$, and *skew-symmetric* if $A^T = -A$.

Ex: The matrix A below is symmetric and the matrix B below is skew-symmetric.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 4 & 3 & 1 & 7 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ -1 & 0 & -3 \\ -2 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Ex: Find all 2×2 skew-symmetric matrices.

If $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$ is skew-symm., then $A^T = -A$, i.e. $\begin{bmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -a & -b \\ -c & -d \end{bmatrix}$

$$a = -a \Rightarrow a = 0$$

$$d = -d \Rightarrow d = 0$$

$$b = -c$$

$$\Rightarrow A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & b \\ -b & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thm: An $n \times n$ matrix A is orthogonal if and only if $A^T A = I_n$, i.e. if and only if $A^{-1} = A^T$.

Summary: Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix. Then the following are equivalent:

1. A is an orthogonal matrix.
2. The transformation $L(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x}$ preserves length: $\|A\vec{x}\| = \|\vec{x}\|$ for every $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$. (def)
3. The columns of A form an orthonormal basis of \mathbb{R}^n . (Thm 1)
4. $A^T A = I_n$. (Thm 2)
5. $A^{-1} = A^T$. (Thm 2)

Properties: of A^T and A^{-1} : Let A and B be $n \times n$ matrices. Ex: If A is symm., B is skew-symm., &

$$1. (AB)^T = B^T A^T$$

$$2. (AB)^{-1} = B^{-1} A^{-1}$$

$$3. (A^T)^{-1} = (A^{-1})^T$$

A & B commute, then AB is skew-symm:

$$(AB)^T = B^T A^T = (-B)A = -(AB)$$

Thm: Let V be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n with orthonormal basis $\vec{u}_1, \dots, \vec{u}_m$. The linear transformation $T(\vec{x}) = \text{proj}_V(\vec{x})$ has standard matrix QQ^T where $Q = [\vec{u}_1 \ \vec{u}_2 \ \dots \ \vec{u}_m]$.

Ex: Find the matrix of orthogonal projection onto the subspace of \mathbb{R}^4 spanned by the vectors

$$\vec{u}_1 = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{u}_2 = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\mathcal{B} = \{\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2\}$ is an orthonormal basis of this subspace.

$$\text{So proj}_V \text{ has mtrx } QQ^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & -1/2 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & -1/2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 & 1/2 & 1/2 \\ 1/2 & -1/2 & 1/2 & -1/2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{i.e. } \text{proj}_V(\vec{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x} \text{ for all } \vec{x} \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^4.$$