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## Ch. 6 - Inner product spaces & orthogonality

### §1. Applications of the dot product

Recall that the dot product of two vectors  $\underline{x}$  &  $\underline{y}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  was defined by

$$\underline{x} \cdot \underline{y} = x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2 + \dots + x_n y_n.$$

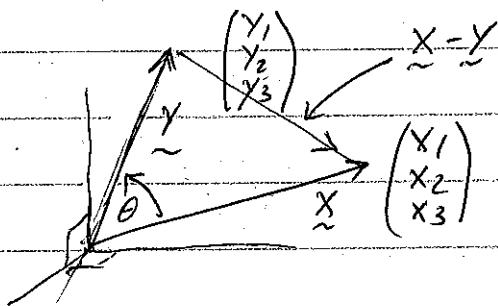
We can also write  $\underline{x} \cdot \underline{y}$  as  $\underline{x}^T \underline{y}$  where  $\underline{x}^T \underline{y}$  is the matrix product of  $\underline{x}^T$  and  $\underline{y}$ .

We also defined the length of a vector  $\underline{x}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  by

$$\|\underline{x}\| = \sqrt{\underline{x} \cdot \underline{x}} = \sqrt{(x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_n^2)}.$$

Prop. 1 Let  $\underline{x}$  &  $\underline{y}$  be non-zero vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  and  $\theta$  be the angle from  $\underline{x}$  to  $\underline{y}$ . Then  $\cos \theta = \frac{\underline{x} \cdot \underline{y}}{\|\underline{x}\| \|\underline{y}\|}$

Proof:



Consider a triangle determined by the origin and the position vectors  $\underline{x}$  &  $\underline{y}$ . Then by the law of cosines

$$\|\underline{x} - \underline{y}\| = \|\underline{x}\|^2 + \|\underline{y}\|^2 - 2\|\underline{x}\| \|\underline{y}\| \cos \theta.$$

$$\text{So } 2\|\underline{x}\| \|\underline{y}\| \cos \theta = \|\underline{x}\|^2 + \|\underline{y}\|^2 - \|\underline{x} - \underline{y}\|^2$$

$$= (x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2) + (y_1^2 + y_2^2 + y_3^2) - \{(x_1 - y_1)^2 + (x_2 - y_2)^2 + (x_3 - y_3)^2\}$$

$$= 2x_1 y_1 + 2x_2 y_2 + 2x_3 y_3 = 2(\underline{x} \cdot \underline{y})$$

$$\therefore \cos \theta = \frac{2(\underline{x} \cdot \underline{y})}{2\|\underline{x}\| \|\underline{y}\|} = \frac{\underline{x} \cdot \underline{y}}{\|\underline{x}\| \|\underline{y}\|}.$$

Note: The results holds in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  also for any  $n$ , but it is not easy to visualize in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  for  $n \geq 4$ .

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Def. Let  $\underline{v}$  &  $\underline{w}$  be any two vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . We say that  $\underline{v}$  is orthogonal to  $\underline{w}$ , and write  $\underline{v} \perp \underline{w}$  if  $\underline{v} \cdot \underline{w} = 0$ .

We define the component of  $\underline{w}$  that is parallel to  $\underline{v}$  by  $\text{proj}_{\underline{v}}(\underline{w}) = \left\{ (\underline{w} \cdot \underline{v}) / \|\underline{v}\|^2 \right\} \underline{v}$ , if  $\underline{v} \neq 0$ .

We define the component of  $\underline{w}$  that is orthogonal to  $\underline{v}$  by  $\text{orthog}_{\underline{v}}(\underline{w}) = \underline{w} - \text{proj}_{\underline{v}}(\underline{w})$ .

Fact 2(a) If  $\underline{v} \perp \underline{w}$ , then the angle from  $\underline{v}$  to  $\underline{w}$  is  $\pm 90^\circ$ .

(b)  $\text{proj}_{\underline{v}}(\underline{w}) \perp \text{orthog}_{\underline{v}}(\underline{w})$ .

Proof (a) Let  $\theta$  be the angle from  $\underline{v}$  to  $\underline{w}$ . Then

$$\cos(\theta) = (\underline{v} \cdot \underline{w}) / \{\|\underline{v}\| \|\underline{w}\|\} = 0. \text{ So } \theta = \pm 90^\circ.$$

$$\begin{aligned} (b) \quad \text{proj}_{\underline{v}}(\underline{w}) \cdot \text{orthog}_{\underline{v}}(\underline{w}) &= \frac{(\underline{w} \cdot \underline{v})}{\|\underline{v}\|^2} \left( \underline{v} \cdot \left\{ \underline{w} - \frac{\underline{w} \cdot \underline{v}}{\|\underline{v}\|^2} \underline{v} \right\} \right) \\ &= \frac{\underline{w} \cdot \underline{v}}{\|\underline{v}\|^2} \left( \underline{v} \cdot \underline{w} - \frac{\underline{w} \cdot \underline{v}}{\|\underline{v}\|^2} \|\underline{v}\|^2 \right) \\ &= \frac{\underline{w} \cdot \underline{v}}{\|\underline{v}\|^2} (\underline{v} \cdot \underline{w} - \underline{v} \cdot \underline{w}) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

So  $\text{proj}_{\underline{v}}(\underline{w}) \perp \text{orthog}_{\underline{v}}(\underline{w})$ .

Ex. 1 Let  $\underline{v} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$  &  $\underline{w} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ . Find (a)  $\text{proj}_{\underline{v}}(\underline{w})$  & (b)  $\text{orthog}_{\underline{v}}(\underline{w})$ .

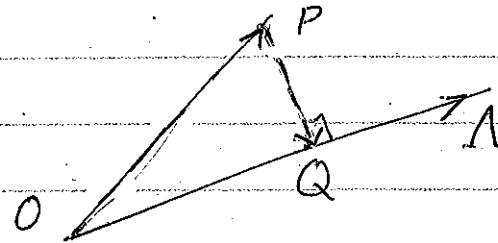
$$\text{Sol: (a)} \quad \text{proj}_{\underline{v}}(\underline{w}) = \frac{(\underline{w} \cdot \underline{v})}{\|\underline{v}\|^2} \underline{v} = \frac{1}{4+4+1} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \underline{v} = \frac{5}{9} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2/3 \\ 2/3 \\ -1/3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{(b)} \quad \text{orthog}_{\underline{v}}(\underline{w}) = \underline{w} - \text{proj}_{\underline{v}}(\underline{w}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 2/3 \\ 2/3 \\ -1/3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5/3 \\ -2/3 \\ 8/3 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -2 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

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- Ex.2(a) Find the point  $Q$  on the line  $\Lambda = \{\alpha(1, 2, -2)^T : \alpha \in \mathbb{R}\}$  that is closest to the point  $P = (1, 3, 1)^T$
- (b) Find the shortest distance between  $P$  and the line  $\Lambda$ .

Sol. (a) Suppose  $Q = c(1, 2, -2)^T$ . Then  $\vec{PQ} = \vec{PQ} + \vec{OQ} = \vec{OQ} - \vec{OP}$  must be orthogonal to the direction of the line  $\Lambda$ .  
 Thus  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot (\vec{OQ} - \vec{OP}) = 0$ .



$$\text{Now } \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot (\vec{OQ} - \vec{OP}) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} c \\ 2c \\ -2c \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \right\} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} c+1 \\ 2c-2 \\ -2c+1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{So } 1(c+1) + 2(2c-2) + (-2)(-2c+1) = 0.$$

$$\therefore 9c - 3 = 0. \text{ Hence } c = 1/3.$$

Thus  $Q = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/3 \\ 2/3 \\ -2/3 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $Q$  is called the projection of  $P$  onto  $\Lambda$ .

(b) Shortest distance between  $P$  and  $\Lambda = \|\vec{PQ}\|$ . Now

$$\vec{PQ} = \vec{OQ} - \vec{OP} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/3 \\ 2/3 \\ -2/3 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2/3 \\ -4/3 \\ -5/3 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -4 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix}. \text{ So}$$

$$\text{Shortest dist.} = \frac{1}{3} \sqrt{4+16+25} = \frac{1}{3} \sqrt{45} = \frac{1}{3} \sqrt{9 \cdot 5} = \sqrt{5}.$$

Ex 3(a) Find the point  $Q$  in the plane  $\Pi = \{\alpha \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \beta \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} : \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}\}$  that is closest to the point  $P = (1, 2, -1)^T$

(b) Find the shortest distance between the point  $P$  and the plane  $\Pi$ .

Sol. (a) Suppose  $Q = \alpha \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \beta \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ . Then  $\vec{PQ} = \vec{OQ} - \vec{OP}$  must be orthogonal to the plane  $\Pi$ . So  $\vec{PQ}$  must be orthogonal to both of the vectors generating  $\Pi$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Ex. 3(a)} \quad \vec{PQ} &= \vec{OQ} - \vec{OP} \\
 &= a \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + b \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{pmatrix} a+b-1 \\ a-2 \\ -b+1 \end{pmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$So \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \vec{PQ} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 1(0+a+b-1) + 1(a-2) + 0(-b+1) = 0 \quad \therefore 2a+b = 3 \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{And } \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \vec{PQ} &= 0 \Rightarrow 1(a+b-1) + 0(a-2) + (-1)(-b+1) = 0 \\
 &\Rightarrow a+2b = 2 \quad (2)
 \end{aligned}$$

From (1)  $b = 3 - 2a$ . Sub. in (2) gives us

$$a + 2(3 - 2a) = 2 \Rightarrow 4 = 3a \Rightarrow a = 4/3.$$

$$\therefore b = 3 - 2(4/3) = 9/3 - 8/3 = 1/3.$$

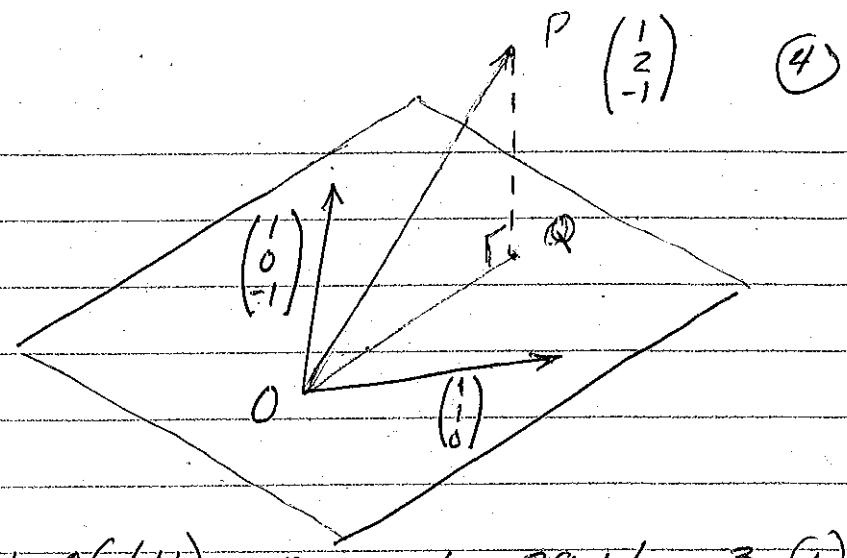
$$\therefore Q = \frac{4}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5/3 \\ 4/3 \\ -1/3 \end{pmatrix}. Q \text{ is called the projection of } P \text{ onto } T.$$

(b) Shortest distance from  $P$  to  $T = \|\vec{PQ}\|$ . Now  $\vec{PQ} =$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 5/3 \\ 4/3 \\ -1/3 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2/3 \\ -2/3 \\ 2/3 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{2}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}. \text{ So shortest}$$

$$\text{distance} = \frac{2}{3} \sqrt{1+1+1} = \frac{2}{3} \sqrt{3}.$$

Remark : Ex. 2 & 3 shows how we can find the point  $Q$  in a subspace  $S$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  that is nearest to a given point  $P$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . An affine space is any set of vectors  $T = \{a + v : v \in S\}$  where  $a$  is a fixed vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $S$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . The same method (from Ex. 2 & 3) can be used to find the point  $Q$  in an affine space  $T$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  that is nearest to a given point  $P$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .



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Theorem 2 : Let  $U$  be a subspace of the vector space  $V$  and  $v$  be any vector in  $V$ . Then we can find unique vectors  $u \in U$  &  $w \in V$  such that  $v = u + w$  and  $w \cdot x = 0$  for each  $x \in U$ .

Proof. Let  $\langle u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k \rangle$  be a basis of  $U$ .

Put  $u = c_1 u_1 + c_2 u_2 + \dots + c_k u_k$  where  $c_1, \dots, c_k$  are chosen such that

$$u \cdot u_i = v \cdot u_i \quad \text{for each } i=1, \dots, k.$$

This choice is possible because this is a system of  $k$  linear equations in  $k$  unknowns and since  $u_1, \dots, u_k$  are linearly independent, it will have a unique solution. Now let

$w = v - u$ . Then  $v = u + w$  and for each

$$i=1, \dots, k; \quad w \cdot u_i = (v - u) \cdot u_i = v \cdot u_i - u \cdot u_i = 0$$

Now if  $x \in U$ , then  $x = \alpha_1 u_1 + \alpha_2 u_2 + \dots + \alpha_k u_k$

for some scalars  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k \in \mathbb{R}$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} w \cdot x &= w \cdot (\alpha_1 u_1 + \dots + \alpha_k u_k) \\ &= \alpha_1 (w \cdot u_1) + \dots + \alpha_k (w \cdot u_k) \\ &= \alpha_1 (0) + \dots + \alpha_k (0) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

So  $w \cdot x = 0$  for each  $x \in U$ .

Def. Let  $U$  be a subspace of the vector space  $V$  and  $v \in V$ . We define the projection of  $v$  onto the subspace  $U$  by

$\text{Proj}_U(v) = \text{the unique vector } u \in U \text{ such that } v = u + w \text{ and } w \cdot x = 0 \text{ for each } x \in U.$

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## §2. Orthogonal subspaces

Def. Let  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  be two subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . We say that  $S_1$  is orthogonal to  $S_2$ , and write  $S_1 \perp S_2$ , if  $\underline{x} \cdot \underline{y} = 0$  for each  $\underline{x} \in S_1$  & each  $\underline{y} \in S_2$ .

Def. Let  $S$  be a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . We define the orthogonal complement of  $S$  by

$$S^\perp = \{\underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \underline{x} \cdot \underline{y} = 0 \text{ for each } \underline{y} \in S\}.$$

Prop. 3 : If  $S$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then (a)  $S^\perp$  is also a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  & (b)  $S \cap S^\perp = \{0\}$ .

Proof(a) Let  $S$  be a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Then  $0 \in S$  because  $0 \cdot \underline{y} = 0$  for each  $\underline{y} \in S$ . So  $S^\perp \neq \emptyset$ .

Now suppose  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\underline{x}_1, \underline{x}_2 \in S^\perp$ . Then for each  $\underline{y} \in S$ ,

$$(\underline{x}_1 + \underline{x}_2) \cdot \underline{y} = \underline{x}_1 \cdot \underline{y} + \underline{x}_2 \cdot \underline{y} = 0 + 0 = 0$$

$$\& (\alpha \underline{x}_1) \cdot \underline{y} = (\alpha \underline{x}_1) \cdot \underline{y} = \alpha (\underline{x}_1 \cdot \underline{y}) = \alpha (0) = 0.$$

So  $\underline{x}_1 + \underline{x}_2 \in S^\perp$  and  $\alpha \underline{x}_1 \in S^\perp$ . So  $S^\perp$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

(b) Now suppose  $\underline{x} \in S \cap S^\perp$ . Then  $\underline{x} \cdot \underline{x} = 0$  because  $\underline{x} \in S^\perp$  &  $\underline{x} \in S$ . So  $\|\underline{x}\|^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{x} = 0$ . Since  $0 \in S$  &  $0 \in S^\perp$ , it follows that  $S \cap S^\perp = \{0\}$ .

Ex. 1(a) Let  $S = \{\alpha \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} : \alpha \in \mathbb{R}\}$  Then  $S^\perp = \{\beta \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} : \beta \in \mathbb{R}\}$

(b) Let  $S = \{\alpha \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} : \alpha \in \mathbb{R}\}$ . Then  $S^\perp = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \beta \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \gamma \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} : \beta, \gamma \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$ .

Note: There will be many ways of expressing  $S^\perp$ .

Def. Let  $U$  &  $W$  be subspaces of the vector space  $V$ , We define  $U \cap W$  and  $U + W$  by (7)

$$U \cap W = \{v \in V : v \in U \text{ & } v \in W\}$$

$$U + W = \{u + w : u \in U \text{ & } w \in W\}.$$

If  $U \cap W = \{0\}$ , then we will write  $U \oplus W$  for  $U + W$  to indicate that  $U$  &  $W$  have no non-zero vector in common.

Prop. 4 Let  $U$  &  $W$  be subspaces of the vector space  $V$ .

Then (a)  $U \cap W$  is a subspace of  $V$ .

(b)  $U + W$  is a subspace of  $V$ .

Proof. Do for H.W.

Theorem 5: Let  $U$  be any subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Then  $\mathbb{R}^n = U \oplus U^\perp$ .

Proof: Let  $v$  be any vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Then we can write  $v = u + w$  (where  $u = \text{Proj}_U(v)$ , the projection of  $v$  onto the subspace  $U$ , and  $w = v - u$ ).

Since  $u$  is the vector in  $U$  that is closest to  $v$ , it follows that  $v - u$  is orthogonal to each vector in  $U$ . Thus  $w = v - u \in U^\perp$ .

So  $\mathbb{R}^n = U + U^\perp$ . Since  $U \cap U^\perp = \{0\}$ , it follows that  $\mathbb{R}^n = U \oplus U^\perp$ .

Remark: The projection of  $v$  onto  $U$  can be written as  $u = (v \cdot u_1)u_1 + (v \cdot u_2)u_2 + \dots + (v \cdot u_k)u_k$  where  $u_1, \dots, u_k$  is an orthonormal bases of  $U$ . (See Sec. 6.4)

Corollary 6: Let  $U$  be a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Then (8)

$$(U^\perp)^\perp = U.$$

Proof: Suppose  $y \in U$ . Then  $x \cdot y = 0$  for each  $x \in U^\perp$ . So  $y \cdot x = 0$  for each  $x \in U^\perp$ . Hence  $y \in (U^\perp)^\perp$ , because  $(U^\perp)^\perp = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^n : y \cdot x = 0 \text{ for each } x \in U^\perp\}$ . Thus  $U \subseteq (U^\perp)^\perp$  ... (\*)

Now suppose  $y \in (U^\perp)^\perp$ . Then we can write  $y$  in the form  $y = u + w$  where  $u \in U$  &  $w \in U^\perp$  because  $\mathbb{R}^n = U \oplus U^\perp$ . So

$$w = y - u = w \in U^\perp$$

Since  $y \in (U^\perp)^\perp$  and  $u \in U \subseteq (U^\perp)^\perp$ , it follows that  $y - u \in (U^\perp)^\perp$ . Thus  $y - u \in (U^\perp) \cap (U^\perp)^\perp$ .

But  $(U^\perp) \cap (U^\perp)^\perp = \{0\}$ . So  $y - u = 0$ . Hence  $y = u \in U$ . Thus  $(U^\perp)^\perp \subseteq U$ . ... (\*\*).

From (\*) & (\*\*), it follows that  $(U^\perp)^\perp = U$ .

Theorem 7 Let  $A$  be any  $m \times n$  matrix. Then

$$(a) [RowSp(A)]^\top = [\text{Null}(A)]^\perp \text{ & } \mathbb{R}^n = \text{Null}(A) \oplus [\text{RowSp}(A)]^\top.$$

$$(b) [\text{CoNull}(A)]^\top = [\text{ColSp}(A)]^\perp \text{ & } \mathbb{R}^m = \text{ColSp}(A) \oplus [\text{CoNull}(A)]^\top.$$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} (a) \quad x \in \text{Null}(A) &\Leftrightarrow Ax = 0 \Leftrightarrow \vec{r}_i(A)x = 0 \text{ for each } i=1,\dots,m \\ &\Leftrightarrow [\vec{r}_i(A)]^\top x = 0 \text{ for each row } \vec{r}_i \text{ of } A \\ &\Leftrightarrow y \cdot x = 0 \text{ for each } x \in [\text{RowSp}(A)]^\top \\ &\Leftrightarrow x \in \{[\text{RowSp}(A)]^\top\}^\perp. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\text{Null}(A) = \{[\text{RowSp}(A)]^\top\}^\perp$ . Hence  $[\text{Null}(A)]^\perp = \{[\text{RowSp}(A)]^\top\}^{\perp\perp} = [\text{RowSp}(A)]^\top$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 (b) \quad x \in [\text{CoNull}(A)]^T &\Leftrightarrow (x)^T \in \text{CoNull}(A) \Leftrightarrow (x)^T A = 0 \quad (9) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow (x^T) C_i(A) = 0 \text{ for each column } j \text{ of } A \\
 &\Leftrightarrow x \cdot C_i(A) = 0 \text{ for each column of } A \\
 &\Leftrightarrow x \cdot y = 0 \text{ for each } y \in \text{ColSp}(A) \\
 &\Leftrightarrow x \in [\text{ColSp}(A)]^\perp
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $[\text{CoNull}(A)]^T = [\text{ColSp}(A)]^\perp$ .

The second part of the results follow immediately from Theorem 5.

Ex.2 Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -3 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & -2 & 0 \\ -2 & -2 & 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , the matrix from Ex.1 Sec 4.6.

$$\begin{aligned}
 a) \quad [\text{RowSp}(A)]^T &= \text{span}\{(1, 2, 0, -4), (0, 0, 1, -2)\}^T \\
 &= \text{span}\left\{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}\right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Also  $\text{Null}(A) = \text{span}\left\{\begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right\}$ . Now we can check that

$$[\text{RowSp}(A)]^T = [\text{Null}(A)]^\perp$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 b) \quad \text{Also } [\text{CoNull}(A)]^T &= \text{span}\{(0, 0, 1, 0)\}^T = \text{span}\left\{\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right\} \\
 \text{and } \text{ColSp}(A) &= \text{span}\left\{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}\right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Now we can check that  $[\text{CoNull}(A)]^T = [\text{ColSp}(A)]^\perp$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 c) \quad \text{span}\left\{\begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}\right\} \oplus \text{span}\left\{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}\right\} &= \mathbb{R}^4 \quad \text{and} \quad \text{span}\left\{\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right\} \oplus \text{span}\left\{\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ -2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}\right\} = \mathbb{R}^4
 \end{aligned}$$

### §3. Least squares problems

Suppose we have  $n$  variables  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  and each experiment we do gives us a linear equation in  $x_1, \dots, x_n$ . Then by doing  $n$  experiments, we will get a system of  $n$  linear equations in  $n$  unknowns. Since each experiment is independently done, we would expect the  $n$  equations to be linearly independent. So we can expect a unique solution set  $x_1 = \hat{x}_1, \dots, x_n = \hat{x}_n$ . Unfortunately, because of experimental errors, this solution set might not be very accurate. So how can we improve the accuracy?

Well, we can do  $m$  experiments where  $m > n$ . Unfortunately this will inevitably lead to an inconsistent  $mxn$  system. So what can we do now? Well, we can find the solution of the system that is in some sense the "best" approximation. We will explain what "best" means soon.

Let  $A$  be an  $mxn$  matrix with rank  $n$  and  $\underline{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ . If  $m > n$ , then the system of linear equations  $A\underline{x} = \underline{b}$  will, in general, be inconsistent. [Recall that  $A\underline{x} = \underline{b}$  is a consistent system iff  $\underline{b} \in \text{ColSp}(A)$ .] Now if  $\underline{b} \notin \text{ColSp}(A)$ , then we can find the vector  $\underline{u} \in \text{ColSp}(A) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$  that is closest to  $\underline{b}$ . So  $\underline{u} = \text{Proj}_{\text{U}}(\underline{b})$  where  $\text{U} = \text{ColSp}(A)$ . Then we know that  $\underline{u} = A\hat{\underline{x}}$  for a unique  $\hat{\underline{x}} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  & this  $\hat{\underline{x}}$  is our best approximation.

Qn: Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix and suppose the system  $A\hat{x} = b$  is inconsistent. How can we find a point  $\hat{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  such that  $\|A\hat{x} - b\|$  is a minimum?

Sol. To find  $A\hat{x}$  all we have to do is to find the projection of  $b$  onto the subspace  $\text{ColSp}(A)$  of  $\mathbb{R}^m$ . Now let  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  be the columns of  $A$ . Then  $A = [a_1 \ \dots \ a_n]$ . Now in order to find  $\hat{x}$ , we must solve the equations

$$a_1 \cdot (A\hat{x} - b) = 0, \text{ i.e., } a_1^T (A\hat{x} - b) = 0$$

$$a_2 \cdot (A\hat{x} - b) = 0, \text{ i.e., } a_2^T (A\hat{x} - b) = 0$$

$$\vdots$$

$$a_n \cdot (A\hat{x} - b) = 0, \text{ i.e., } a_n^T (A\hat{x} - b) = 0.$$

$$\text{So } \begin{bmatrix} a_1^T \\ \vdots \\ a_n^T \end{bmatrix} (A\hat{x} - b) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ i.e., } A^T (A\hat{x} - b) = 0.$$

So  $\underset{n \times m}{A^T} \underset{m \times n}{A} \underset{n \times 1}{\hat{x}} = \underset{n \times m}{A^T} \underset{m \times 1}{b}$ . This system of equations

is called the normal system of equations of the system  $A\hat{x} = b$ .

If  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  are linearly independent, the normal system  $A^T A \hat{x} = A^T b$  will have a unique solution  $\hat{x}$ . This solution  $\hat{x}$  is called the least squares solution because  $\|A\hat{x} - b\|^2 = [(\vec{r}_1 \hat{x} - b_1)^2 + \dots + (\vec{r}_m \hat{x} - b_m)^2]$  will be a minimum. Here  $\vec{r}_i = \text{row } i \text{ of } A$ .

Theorem 8 Let  $A$  be any  $m \times n$  matrix of rank  $n$ . Then the normal system  $A^T A \hat{x} = A^T b$  has a unique solution  $\hat{x} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b$  which is the unique least squares solution of the system  $Ax = b$ .

Proof: We will first show that  $A^T A$  is non-singular.

Suppose  $(A^T A) \underline{x} = 0$ . Let  $\underline{z} = Ax$ . Then  $A\underline{z} = A^T(Ax) = (A^T A)\underline{x} = 0$ . So  $\underline{z} \in \text{Null}(A^T) = [\text{Col Null}(A)]^T$ . But  $\underline{z} = Ax \in \text{Col Sp}(A)$ . But  $[\text{Col Null}(A)]^T = [\text{Col Sp}(A)]^\perp$ . So  $\underline{z} \in \text{Col Sp}(A) \cap [\text{Col Sp}(A)]^\perp = \{0\}$ . Hence  $\underline{z} = 0$ . So  $Ax = 0$ . Since  $A$  has rank  $n$ ,  $x = 0$ . So  $(A^T A)$  is non-singular & hence is invertible. Thus  $(A^T A)\hat{x} = A^T b$  has a unique solution  $\hat{x} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b$ .

Ex. 1 Find the least squares solution of the inconsistent system.

$$x_1 + 2x_2 = 0$$

$$x_1 + x_2 = 1$$

$$x_1 + 2x_2 = 0.1$$

Sol. We have  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0.1 \end{bmatrix}$ . So  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  &  $b = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0.1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

The normal system is  $A^T A \hat{x} = A^T b$ . So

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \\ \hat{x}_1 & \hat{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0.1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ 5 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{x}_1 \\ \hat{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.1 \\ 1.2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \therefore \begin{bmatrix} \hat{x}_1 \\ \hat{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{27-25} \begin{bmatrix} 9 & -5 \\ -5 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1.1 \\ 1.2 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 9.9 - 6.0 \\ -5.5 + 3.6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.95 \\ -0.95 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Ex. 1

$$\text{Checking: } \hat{x}_1 + 2\hat{x}_2 - b_1 = 0.05 - 0 = 0.05$$

$$\hat{x}_1 + \hat{x}_2 - b_2 = 1.00 - 1 = 0$$

$$\hat{x}_1 + 2\hat{x}_2 - b_3 = 0.05 - 0.1 = -0.05$$

$$\text{So } \|A\hat{x} - b\|^2 = (0.05)^2 + (0)^2 + (-0.05)^2 = 0.005.$$

Now if we were to take any other vector  $y \in \mathbb{R}^2$ , we will find  $\|Ay - b\|^2 > \|A\hat{x} - b\|^2$ . let us try  $y = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ . Then

$$A\hat{x} - b = \begin{cases} 2 + 2(-1) - 0 = 0 \\ 2 + (-1) - 1 = 0 \\ 2 + 2(-1) - 1 = -1 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{So } \|A\hat{x} - b\|^2 = 0^2 + 0^2 + (-1)^2 = 0.01 > 0.005 = \|A\hat{x} - b\|^2.$$

Ex. 2

Three experiments were done to estimate the value of  $x_1$  and the following system was obtained

$$3x_1 = 2.7$$

$$-4x_1 = -4.0$$

$$5x_1 = 5.1$$

Find the least squares estimate  $\hat{x}_1$  of  $x_1$ .

Sol.

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}}_A \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \end{bmatrix}}_B = \begin{bmatrix} 2.7 \\ -4.0 \\ 5.1 \end{bmatrix}. \text{ So } \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \hat{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -4 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2.7 \\ -4.0 \\ 5.1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore 50\hat{x}_1 = 8.1 + 16 + 25.5 = 49.6. \text{ So } \hat{x}_1 = \frac{49.6}{50} = 0.992$$

Checking

$$3\hat{x}_1 - 2.7 = 2.976 - 2.7 = 0.276 \quad \|A\hat{x} - b\|^2 = 0.076176 +$$

$$-4\hat{x}_1 - (-4) = -3.968 + 4 = 0.032 \quad 0.001024 + 0.0196 = 0.0196$$

$$5x_1 - 5.1 = 4.960 + 5.1 = -0.140$$

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Ex.2 Now if we try any other value  $y = 0.99$  say, we see that  $3y - 2.7 = 0.27$   $\|AY - b\|^2 = 0.0729$   
 $-4y - (-4) = 0.04$   $+ 0.0016 + 0.0225 = 0.0971$   
 $5y - (5.1) = -0.15$

Ex.3 Find the least squares fit by a linear function

$$y = c_0 + c_1 x \text{ of the data:}$$

|   |    |   |   |
|---|----|---|---|
| x | 1  | 2 | 3 |
| y | -1 | 0 | 2 |

Sol. If we substitute the three values of  $x$  into the equation  $y = c_0 + c_1 x$  we get  $c_0 + 1.c_1 = -1$ ,  $c_0 + 2.c_1 = 0$ ,  $c_0 + 3.c_1 = 2$ .

$$\text{So } \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}}_A \begin{bmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}}_b \therefore \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{c}_0 \\ \hat{c}_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ 6 & 14 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{c}_0 \\ \hat{c}_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \therefore \begin{bmatrix} \hat{c}_0 \\ \hat{c}_1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{42-36} \begin{bmatrix} 14-6 \\ -6-3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -8/3 \\ 3/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore y = -\frac{8}{3} + \frac{3}{2}x, \quad \text{Check.} \quad \begin{array}{c|ccc} x & 1 & 2 & 3 \\ \hat{c}_0 + \hat{c}_1 x & -7/6 & -2/6 & 1/6 \end{array}$$

Ex.4 Find the least squares fit by a quadratic function  $y = c_0 + c_1 x + c_2 x^2$  of the data:  $\begin{array}{c|cccc} x & -1 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ y & 0 & -1 & 0 & 2 \end{array}$ .  
 (for masochists only)

$$\text{Sol. } c_0 + c_1(-1) + c_2(-1)^2 = 0$$

$$c_0 + c_1(0) + c_2(0)^2 = -1$$

$$c_0 + c_1(1) + c_2(1)^2 = 0$$

$$c_0 + c_1(2) + c_2(2)^2 = 2$$

$$\therefore y = \frac{3x^2}{4} - \frac{x}{20} - \frac{17}{20}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 & 2 & 6 \\ 2 & 6 & 8 \\ 6 & 8 & 18 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_0 \\ c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{c}_0 \\ \hat{c}_1 \\ \hat{c}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{20} \begin{bmatrix} 11 & 3 & -5 \\ 3 & 9 & -5 \\ -5 & -5 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{20} \begin{bmatrix} -17 \\ -1 \\ 15 \end{bmatrix}$$

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### §4. Orthogonal sets of vectors & orthonormal bases

Def. Let  $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$  be a set of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . We say that  $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$  is an orthogonal set if  $v_i \cdot v_j = 0$  for all  $i \neq j$ .

Ex. 1(a)  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  is an orthogonal set of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

(b)  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  is an orthogonal set of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

Prop. 9 If  $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$  is an orthogonal set of non-zero vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then  $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$  is lin. indep.

Proof: Suppose  $c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + \dots + c_k v_k = 0$ . Then by tak the dot product of both sides of this equation with  $v_i$ , we get

$$(c_1 v_1 + c_2 v_2 + \dots + c_k v_k) \cdot v_i = 0 \cdot v_i$$

$$\text{So } 0 + 0 + \dots + c_i(v_i \cdot v_i) + 0 + \dots + 0 = 0$$

Thus  $c_i \|v_i\|^2 = 0$ . Since  $v_i$  is nonzero,  $\|v_i\|^2 \neq 0$ , it follows that  $c_i = 0$  for each  $i = 1, \dots, k$ .

Hence  $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$  is linearly independent.

Def. A basis  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is said to be an orthogonal basis if  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  is an orthogonal set. We say that  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  is an orthonormal basis if in addition  $\|v_i\| = 1$  for each  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .

Ex. 2(a) The set  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  is an orthogonal basis of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

(b) The set  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 4/5 \\ 3/5 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -3/5 \\ 4/5 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  is an orthonormal basis of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

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Prop. 10 Let  $B = \langle \underline{u}_1, \underline{u}_2, \dots, \underline{u}_n \rangle$  be an ordered orthonormal basis of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $v$  be a vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Then  $[\underline{v}]_B = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{v} \cdot \underline{u}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \underline{v} \cdot \underline{u}_n \end{bmatrix}$ .

Proof: Suppose  $[\underline{v}]_B = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix}$ . Then  $\underline{v} = c_1 \underline{u}_1 + \dots + c_n \underline{u}_n$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } \underline{v} \cdot \underline{u}_i &= (c_1 \underline{u}_1 + c_2 \underline{u}_2 + \dots + c_n \underline{u}_n) \cdot \underline{u}_i \\ &= c_1 (\underline{u}_1 \cdot \underline{u}_i) + \dots + c_i (\underline{u}_i \cdot \underline{u}_i) + \dots + c_n (\underline{u}_n \cdot \underline{u}_i) \\ &= c_i (0) + \dots + c_{i-1} (0) + c_i \|\underline{u}_i\|^2 + \dots + 0 \\ &= c_i \|\underline{u}_i\|^2 = c_i \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $[\underline{v}]_B = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{v} \cdot \underline{u}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \underline{v} \cdot \underline{u}_n \end{bmatrix}$

Prop. 11 Let  $U$  be a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\{\underline{u}_1, \dots, \underline{u}_k\}$  be an orthonormal basis of  $U$ . Then for any vector  $v$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\text{Proj}_U(\underline{v}) = (\underline{v} \cdot \underline{u}_1) \underline{u}_1 + \dots + (\underline{v} \cdot \underline{u}_k) \underline{u}_k$ . Consequently,  $\text{Orthog}_U(\underline{v}) = v - \text{Proj}_U(v)$ .

Proof: Let  $\underline{u} = (\underline{v} \cdot \underline{u}_1) \underline{u}_1 + \dots + (\underline{v} \cdot \underline{u}_k) \underline{u}_k$ . Then  $\underline{u} \in U$ . Now put  $\underline{w} = \underline{v} - \underline{u}$ . Then for each  $i = 1, \dots, k$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{w} \cdot \underline{u}_i &= (\underline{v} - \underline{u}) \cdot \underline{u}_i \\ &= \underline{v} \cdot \underline{u}_i - \{(\underline{v} \cdot \underline{u}_1) \underline{u}_1 + \dots + (\underline{v} \cdot \underline{u}_k) \underline{u}_k\} \cdot \underline{u}_i \\ &= \underline{v} \cdot \underline{u}_i - \{0 + 0 + \dots + \underline{v} \cdot \underline{u}_i + \dots + 0\} \\ &= (\underline{v} \cdot \underline{u}_i) - (\underline{v} \cdot \underline{u}_i) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

So  $\underline{w} \perp \underline{u}_i$  for each  $\underline{u}_i$ . Thus  $\underline{u} = \text{Proj}_U(\underline{v})$  and  $\underline{w} = \underline{v} - \underline{u} = \underline{v} - \text{Proj}_U(\underline{v}) = \text{Orthog}_U(\underline{v})$ .

The Gram-Schmidt orthonormalization process.

Let  $\{\underline{x}_1, \dots, \underline{x}_k\}$  be a basis of the subspace  $U$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . The Gram-Schmidt process produces

- (a) an orthogonal basis  $\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_k$  of  $U$  and
- (b) an orthonormal basis  $\underline{u}_1, \dots, \underline{u}_k$  of  $U$ .

$$1. \text{ Let } \underline{v}_1 = \underline{x}_1. \quad 2. \text{ Put } \underline{v}_2 = \underline{x}_2 - \frac{(\underline{x}_2 \cdot \underline{v}_1)}{\|\underline{v}_1\|^2} \underline{v}_1$$

$$3. \text{ Put } \underline{v}_3 = \underline{x}_3 - \frac{(\underline{x}_3 \cdot \underline{v}_1)}{\|\underline{v}_1\|^2} \underline{v}_1 - \frac{(\underline{x}_3 \cdot \underline{v}_2)}{\|\underline{v}_2\|^2} \underline{v}_2$$

$$k. \text{ Put } \underline{v}_k = \underline{x}_k - \frac{(\underline{x}_k \cdot \underline{v}_1)}{\|\underline{v}_1\|^2} \underline{v}_1 - \frac{(\underline{x}_k \cdot \underline{v}_2)}{\|\underline{v}_2\|^2} \underline{v}_2 - \dots - \frac{(\underline{x}_k \cdot \underline{v}_{k-1})}{\|\underline{v}_{k-1}\|^2} \underline{v}_{k-1}$$

Finally, put  $\underline{u}_i = \underline{v}_i / \|\underline{v}_i\|$  for each  $i=1, \dots, k$ .

Ex. 3 Find an orthogonal basis & an orthonormal basis of the Rowspace of the matrix  $A$  on the right.

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

Sol. Let  $\underline{x}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\underline{x}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\underline{x}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . Then  $\{\underline{x}_1, \underline{x}_2, \underline{x}_3\}$  is a basis for  $\text{RowSp}(A)$ .

$$(a) \underline{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \underline{v}_2 = \underline{x}_2 - \frac{(\underline{x}_2 \cdot \underline{v}_1)}{\|\underline{v}_1\|^2} \underline{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{6}{9} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\underline{v}_3 = \underline{x}_3 - \frac{(\underline{x}_3 \cdot \underline{v}_1)}{\|\underline{v}_1\|^2} \underline{v}_1 - \frac{(\underline{x}_3 \cdot \underline{v}_2)}{\|\underline{v}_2\|^2} \underline{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{3}{9} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{2}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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So an orthogonal basis of  $\text{RowSp}(A)$  will be

$$\{\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \underline{v}_3\} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}. \quad \|\underline{v}_1\| = 3, \quad \|\underline{v}_2\| = \sqrt{2}$$

and  $\|\underline{v}_3\| = \sqrt{3}$

(b) An orthonormal basis for

$$\text{RowSp}(A) \text{ with thus be: } \{\underline{u}_1, \underline{u}_2, \underline{u}_3\} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

Ex 4 Let  $\underline{x}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\underline{x}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$  &  $\underline{x}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .Find an orthonormal basis of  $\text{span}\{\underline{x}_1, \underline{x}_2, \underline{x}_3\}$ .

$$a) \quad \underline{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \underline{v}_2 = \underline{x}_2 - \frac{\underline{x}_2 \cdot \underline{v}_1}{\|\underline{v}_1\|^2} \underline{v}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{5}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -2/3 \\ 1/3 \\ 1/3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underline{v}_3 = \underline{x}_3 - \frac{\underline{x}_3 \cdot \underline{v}_1}{\|\underline{v}_1\|^2} \underline{v}_1 - \frac{\underline{x}_3 \cdot \underline{v}_2}{\|\underline{v}_2\|^2} \underline{v}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{2}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{(-1/3)}{6/9} \begin{pmatrix} -2/3 \\ 1/3 \\ 1/3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 2/3 \\ 2/3 \\ 2/3 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} -4/6 \\ 1/6 \\ 1/6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1/2 \\ -1/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \{\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \underline{v}_3\} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1/2 \\ -1/2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$(b) \quad \|\underline{v}_1\| = \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{3}, \quad \|\underline{v}_2\| = \frac{1}{3} \sqrt{2^2 + 1^2 + 1^2} = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{3}$$

$$\text{and } \|\underline{v}_3\| = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{0 + 1^2 + (-1)^2} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}.$$

$$\therefore \{\underline{u}_1, \underline{u}_2, \underline{u}_3\} = \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1/2 \\ -1/2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1/2 \\ -1/2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

## Inner product & normed spaces.

Def.

An inner product on a complex vector space  $V$  is any binary operation on  $V$  that assigns a complex number  $\langle x, y \rangle$  to any  $x, y \in V$  and is such that

- (a)  $\langle x, x \rangle \geq 0$  with equality iff  $x = 0$
- (b)  $\langle x, y \rangle = \overline{\langle y, x \rangle}$  for any  $x, y \in V$  where  $\bar{z} = \text{conjugate of } z$ .
- (c)  $\langle \alpha x, y \rangle = \alpha \langle x, y \rangle$  for all  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  &  $x, y \in V$ .
- (d)  $\langle w+x, y \rangle = \langle w, y \rangle + \langle x, y \rangle$  for all  $w, x, y \in V$

Ex. 5 (a) Let  $\langle x, y \rangle = \frac{1}{2}(x_1 y_1) + \frac{1}{3}(x_2 y_2) + \frac{1}{4}(x_3 y_3)$ . Then  $\langle x, y \rangle$  is an inner product on  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

(b) Let  $\langle A, B \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n A[i;j] \cdot B[i;j]$ . Then  $\langle A, B \rangle$  is an inner product on  $\mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ .

(c) Let  $\langle p(x), q(x) \rangle = \int_0^1 p(x) \cdot q(x) dx$ . Then  $\langle p(x), q(x) \rangle$  is an inner product on  $C[0,1]$ , the set of continuous functions on  $[0,1]$ .

Def. A norm on a vector space  $V$  is any unary operation on  $V$  that assigns a real number  $\|x\|$  to each  $x \in V$  such that (a)  $\|x\| \geq 0$  with equality iff  $x = 0$

- (b)  $\|\alpha x\| = |\alpha| \|x\|$  for all  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  &  $x \in V$ .
- (c)  $\|x+y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$  for all  $x, y \in V$ .

Now every inner product  $\langle x, y \rangle$  produces a norm  $\|x\|_2 = \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle}$ . But there are norms that do not come from any inner products such as the ones in Ex. 6

Ex. 6 Let  $x$  be any vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Put

$$\|x\|_1 = |x_1| + |x_2| + \dots + |x_n| \quad \& \quad \|x\|_\infty = \max\{|x_1|, \dots, |x_n|\}.$$

Then  $\|x\|_1$  &  $\|x\|_\infty$  are both norms on  $\mathbb{R}^n$