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Theorem 1.1

Let \mathcal{B} be a basis for a vector space V . Then for each x in V , there exists unique set of scalars $\{c_1, \dots, c_n\}$ such that

$$x = c_1b_1 + \dots + c_nb_n.$$

Proof. Since $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$ is a basis there are scalars c_1, \dots, c_n such that $x = c_1b_1 + \dots + c_nb_n$. Suppose also x has the representation

$$x = d_1b_1 + \dots + d_nb_n.$$

Then

$$0 = x - x = (c_1 - d_1)b_1 + \dots + (c_n - d_n)b_n.$$

Note that $\{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$ is linearly independent, so

$$c_1 - d_1 = 0, \dots, c_n - d_n = 0 \Rightarrow c_1 = d_1, \dots, c_n = d_n.$$

Definition 1.2

Suppose $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$ is a basis for V and x is in V . Let

$$x = c_1 b_1 + \dots + c_n b_n.$$

The **coordinate vector** for x relative to the basis \mathcal{B} is

$$[x]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix}.$$

Note that $[x]_{\mathcal{B}} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ for any basis \mathcal{B} of V .

- Coordinates in \mathbb{R}^n

Example 1.3

Let $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, b_2\}$ be a basis for \mathbb{R}^2 where $b_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $b_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$. If $[x]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$. Find x .

Solution. $[x]_{\mathcal{B}} = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + 4 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 11 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$.

Example 1.4

Let \mathcal{B} be the standard basis for \mathbb{R}^2 , i.e., $\mathcal{B} = \{e_1, e_2\}$, where $e_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $e_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Let $x = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ what is $[x]_{\mathcal{B}}$?

Solution. Since $\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 3e_1 + e_2$, we have

$$[x]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- If \mathcal{B} is the standard basis for \mathbb{R}^n , then $[x]_{\mathcal{B}} = x$.

Example 1.5

Let $b_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $b_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, and $x = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$, and $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, b_2\}$. find the coordinate vector $[x]_{\mathcal{B}}$.

Solution. We have that $[x]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix}$ where

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix},$$

i.e.,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2c_1 - c_2 \\ c_1 + c_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix},$$

we can write it as

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then you can solve this equation and find $c_1 = 3$ and $c_2 = 2$.

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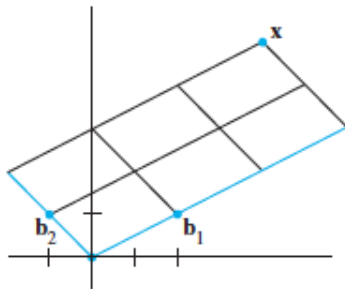


FIGURE 4

The B -coordinate vector of \mathbf{x} is
 $(3, 2)$.

In the above example the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

has a special name.

Definition 1.6

Let $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$ be a basis for \mathbb{R}^n . The matrix

$$P_{\mathcal{B}} = [b_1 | \dots | b_n]$$

is called the **change-of-coordinates matrix from \mathcal{B} to the standard basis of \mathbb{R}^n** . Also when $x = c_1 b_1 + \dots + c_n b_n$, we have

$$x = P_{\mathcal{B}}[x]_{\mathcal{B}} = P_{\mathcal{B}} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix}.$$

Remark.

- 1 The matrix $P_{\mathcal{B}}$ is an $n \times n$ matrix.
- 2 The columns of $P_{\mathcal{B}}$ form a basis for \mathbb{R}^n , so $P_{\mathcal{B}}$ is invertible.
- 3 We can also write $P_{\mathcal{B}}^{-1}x = [x]_{\mathcal{B}}$.

- The coordinate mapping

Theorem 1.7

Let $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$ be a basis for a vector space V . Then the coordinate mapping

$$\begin{aligned} T : V &\rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \\ x &\mapsto [x]_{\mathcal{B}} \end{aligned}$$

is a one-to-one linear transformation from V onto \mathbb{R}^n .

Proof.

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Let $u = c_1b_1 + \dots + c_nb_n$ and $w = d_1b_1 + \dots + d_nb_n$. Then

$$u + w = (c_1 + d_1)b_1 + \dots + (c_n + d_n)b_n.$$

It follows that

$$[u + w]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 + d_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n + d_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ \vdots \\ d_n \end{bmatrix} = [u]_{\mathcal{B}} + [w]_{\mathcal{B}}.$$

Now let $r \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$ru = r(c_1b_1 + \dots + c_nd_n) = (rc_1)b_1 + \dots + (rc_n)d_n.$$

Therefore,

$$[ru]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} rc_1 \\ \vdots \\ rc_n \end{bmatrix} = r \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix} = r[u]_{\mathcal{B}}.$$

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Definition 1.8

*A linear transformation T from a vector space V to a vector space W is an isomorphism if T is one-to-one and onto. Moreover, we say V and W are **isomorphic**.*

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**Week 9, Lecture 2, Oct.25, Linearly independent
sets, basis, and dimension**

Theorem 1.9

Let V and W be vector spaces, and $T : V \rightarrow W$ be a linear transformation. Then

- 1 T is one-to-one if $\ker(T) = \{v \in V : T(v) = 0\} = \{0\}$.
- 2 T is onto if $\text{range}(T) = \{T(v) : v \in V\} = W$.

Definition 1.10

A linear transformation T from a vector space V to a vector space W is an **isomorphism** if T is one-to-one and onto. Moreover, we say V and W are **isomorphic**.

Theorem 1.11

Let $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$ be a basis for a vector space V . Then the coordinate mapping

$$\begin{aligned} T : V &\rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \\ x &\mapsto [x]_{\mathcal{B}} \end{aligned}$$

is a one-to-one linear transformation from V onto \mathbb{R}^n .

Solution. Previously we showed that T is a linear transformation. Now, we will show that it is one-to-one and onto.

one-to-one: $\ker(T) = \{x \in V : [x]_{\mathcal{B}} = 0\}$. Note that if

$$[x]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ then } x = 0b_1 + \dots + 0b_n = 0. \text{ Therefore,}$$

$\ker(T) = 0$ and so T is one-to-one.

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onto: For any $y = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, there is a vector $x = y_1 b_1 + \dots + y_n b_n \in V$ such that $[x]_{\mathcal{B}} = y$.

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Definition 1.12

Let $f(t) = a_0 + a_1t + \dots + a_nt^n = 0$ be a non-zero polynomial.
A root for f is a number c such that

$$f(c) = a_0 + a_1c + \dots + a_nc^n = 0,$$

for example $f(t) = t^2 - 1$ has roots 1 and -1 .

Theorem 1.13

Every polynomial in \mathbb{P}_n has at most n roots.

Example 1.14

$S = \{1, t, t^2, \dots, t^n\}$ is a basis for \mathbb{P}_n .

Solution. Any polynomial is of the form

$$f(t) = a_0 + a_1t + \dots + a_mt^m$$

where $m \leq n$ so $f(t) \in \text{span}\{1, t, \dots, t^n\}$.

Now, we should show that $\{1, t, \dots, t^n\}$ are linearly independent.

Let

$$c_0 + c_1t + \dots + c_nt^n = 0,$$

then it means the polynomial $c_0 + c_1t + \dots + c_nt^n$ has infinitely many roots which is not possible because every polynomial of degree at most n has at most n roots.

Example 1.15

Let $B = \{1, t, t^2, t^3\}$ be the standard basis for \mathbb{P}_3 . Show that \mathbb{P}_3 is isomorphic to \mathbb{R}^4 .

Solution. By Theorem 1.11 we have

$$T : \mathbb{P}_3 \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$$

$$p = a_0 + a_1t + a_2t^2 + a_3t^3 \mapsto [p]_B = \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

is a isomorphism.

Example 1.16

Let

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} \quad x = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and $B = \{v_1, v_2\}$. Then \mathcal{B} is a basis for $H = \text{span}\{v_1, v_2\}$. Determine if x is in H . Find $[x]_{\mathcal{B}}$.

Solution. If the following system is consistent

$$c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is in $\text{span}\{v_1, v_2\}$. The augmented matrix is

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 4 \\ 1 & -3 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

An echelon form is

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

so the system is consistent and if you solve it, you have $c_1 = 2$
and $c_2 = 1$. Therefore $[x]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

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Theorem 1.17

Let $T : V \rightarrow W$ be an isomorphism. Then v_1, \dots, v_n are linearly independent (dependent) in V if and only if $T(v_1), \dots, T(v_n)$ are linearly independent (dependent) in W .

Example 1.18

Verify that the polynomials $1 + 2t^2$, $4 + t + 5t^2$, and $3 + 2t$ are linearly independent.

Solution. Let $\mathcal{B} = \{1, t, t^2, t^3\}$ be the standard basis for \mathbb{P}_3 . We have by Theorem 1.11 $T : \mathbb{P}_3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$ where

$$p \mapsto [p]_{\mathcal{B}}$$

is an isomorphism. Therefore by theorem above $1 + 2t^2$, $4 + t + 5t^2$ and $3 + 2t$ are linearly independent if and only if $[1 + 2t^2]_{\mathcal{B}}$, $[4 + t + 5t^2]_{\mathcal{B}}$, and $[3 + 2t]_{\mathcal{B}}$ are linearly independent. So

$$[1 + 2t^2]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, [4 + t + 5t^2]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, [3 + 2t]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Therefore, we only need to show that

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

are linearly dependent. (Do it as an Exercise).

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Week 9, Lecture 3, Oct.25, the dimension of vector space

Theorem 1.19

Let $T : V \rightarrow W$ be an isomorphism.

- 1 v_1, \dots, v_n are linearly independent (dependent) in V if and only if $T(v_1), \dots, T(v_n)$ are linearly independent (dependent) in W .
- 2 A vector x is in $\text{span}\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ if and only if $T(x)$ is in $\text{span}\{T(v_1), \dots, T(v_n)\}$.

Example 1.20

- 1 Verify that the polynomials $1 + 2t^2$, $4 + t + 5t^2$, and $3 + 2t$ are linearly independent.
- 2 Is $g(t) = t - 3t^2$ in $\text{span}\{1 + 2t^2, 4 + t + 5t^2, 3 + 2t\}$?

Proof. (1) Let $\mathcal{B} = \{1, t, t^2, t^3\}$ be the standard basis for \mathbb{P}_3 . We have by Theorem 1.11 $T : \mathbb{P}_3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$ where

$$p \mapsto [p]_B$$

is an isomorphism. Therefore by theorem above $1 + 2t^2$, $4 + t + 5t^2$ and $3 + 2t$ are linearly independent if and only if

$$[1 + 2t^2]_B, [4 + t + 5t^2]_B, [3 + 2t]_B$$

are linearly independent.

We have

$$[1 + 2t^2]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, [4 + t + 5t^2]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, [3 + 2t]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore, we only need to show that

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

are linearly independent. (Do it as an Exercise).

(2) By the above theorem we only need to show that

$$[g(t)]_{\mathcal{B}} \in \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\},$$

i.e.,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \in \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$



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•The dimension of a vector space

Theorem 1.21

If a vector space V has a basis $B = \{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$ then any set containing more than n vectors must be linearly dependent.

Theorem 1.22

If V is a vector space and V has a basis of n vectors, then every basis of V must consist of exactly n vectors.

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Definition 1.23

- 1 A vector space is said to be **finite-dimensional** if it is spanned by a finite set of vectors in V
- 2 **Dimension** of V , $\dim V$, is the number of vectors in a basis of V . Also dimension of zero space $\{0\}$ is 0.
- 3 If V is not spanned by a finite set, then V is said to be **infinite-dimensional**.

Example 1.24

Find dimension of the subspace

$$H = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} a - 3b + c \\ 2a + 2d \\ b - 3c - d \\ 2d - b \end{bmatrix} : a, b, c, d \text{ in } \mathbb{R} \right\}.$$

Solution. We have

$$\begin{bmatrix} a - 3b + c \\ 2a + 2d \\ b - 3c - d \\ 2d - b \end{bmatrix} = a \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + b \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + c \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + d \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Therefore,

$$H = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

Now, we want to find a basis for H , we had a process for finding the basis. (Do it as an exercise.)

Theorem 1.25

Let H be a subspace of a finite dimensional vector space V . Any linearly independent set in H can be expanded to a basis for H . Also

$$\dim H \leq \dim V$$

Theorem 1.26

(The Basis Theorem) *Let V be a p -dimensional vector space $p \geq 1$.*

- 1 *Any linearly independent set of exactly p elements in V is automatically a basis for V .*
- 2 *Any set of exactly p elements that spans V is automatically a basis for V .*

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Remember: The dimension of $Nul A$ is the number of free variables in the equation $Ax = 0$, and the dimension of $Col A$ is the number of pivot columns in A , and the pivot columns of A gives a basis for column space of A .

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Week 10, Lecture 1, Oct.30, change of basis

Example 1.27

Let $b_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $b_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $c_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $c_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Then $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, b_2\}$ and $\mathcal{C} = \{c_1, c_2\}$ are two basis for \mathbb{R}^2 . Let $x = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$. Then

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + 2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = b_1 + 2b_2$$

Therefore, $[x]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$. Also

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + 0 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 2c_1 + 0c_2 \text{ so } [x]_{\mathcal{C}} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then there is a matrix $P_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}$ such that

$$[x]_{\mathcal{C}} = P_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}} [x]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} [b_1]_{\mathcal{C}} & [b_2]_{\mathcal{C}} \end{bmatrix} [x]_{\mathcal{B}}.$$

Since

$$b_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = (-1) \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = (-1)c_1 + c_2$$

we have

$$[b_1]_{\mathcal{C}} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Also

$$b_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 3/2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + (-1/2) \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 3/2c_1 - 1/2c_2$$

Therefore,

$$[x]_{\mathcal{C}} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 3/2 \\ 1 & -1/2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Theorem 1.28

Let $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$ and $\mathcal{C} = \{c_1, \dots, c_n\}$ be bases of a vector space V . Then there is a unique matrix $P_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}$ such that

$$[x]_{\mathcal{C}} = P_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}} [x]_{\mathcal{B}}$$

The columns of $P_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}$ are the \mathcal{C} -coordinate vectors of the vectors in the basis \mathcal{B} . That is,

$$P_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}} = [[b_1]_{\mathcal{C}} \quad [b_2]_{\mathcal{C}} \quad \dots \quad [b_n]_{\mathcal{C}}].$$

Definition 1.29

The matrix $P_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}$ in the above theorem is called **change-of-coordinates matrix from \mathcal{B} to \mathcal{C}** .

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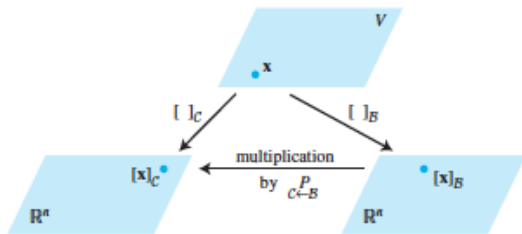


FIGURE 2 Two coordinate systems for V .

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Remark. We have

$$[x]_{\mathcal{C}} = P_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}} [x]_{\mathcal{B}}$$

so

$$P_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}^{-1} [x]_{\mathcal{C}} = [x]_{\mathcal{B}}$$

Therefore,

$$P_{\mathcal{B} \leftarrow \mathcal{C}} = \left(P_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}} \right)^{-1}$$

• Change of Basis in \mathbb{R}^n

Remark.

- Let $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$ a basis for \mathbb{R}^n . Let $\mathcal{E} = \{e_1, \dots, e_n\}$ be the standard basis for \mathbb{R}^n . Then $P_{\mathcal{B}} = [b_1 | \dots | b_n]$ is the same as $P_{\mathcal{E} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}$.
- Let $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$ and $\mathcal{C} = \{c_1, \dots, c_n\}$ be bases for \mathbb{R}^n . Then by row operation we can reduce the matrix

$$[c_1 \ \dots \ c_n | b_1 \ \dots \ b_n]$$

to

$$[I | P_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}].$$

Example 1.30

Let $b_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -9 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $b_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$, $c_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -4 \end{bmatrix}$, and $c_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$, and consider the bases for \mathbb{R}^2 given by $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, b_2\}$ and $\mathcal{C} = \{c_1, c_2\}$. Find the change-of-coordinate matrix from \mathcal{B} to \mathcal{C} .

Solution. We can reduce the matrix $[c_1 \ c_2 | b_1 \ b_2]$ to $[I | \underset{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}{P}]$, and so we can find $\underset{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}{P}$. Therefore, we have

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 3 & -9 & -5 \\ -4 & -5 & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right] \text{ Replace } \underset{\leftarrow \rightarrow}{\mathbb{R}2} \text{ by } \mathbb{R}2 + 4\mathbb{R}1$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 3 & -9 & -5 \\ 0 & 7 & -35 & -21 \end{array} \right] \text{ Scaling } \underset{\leftarrow \rightarrow}{\mathbb{R}2} \text{ by } 1/7$$

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$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 3 & -9 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 & -5 & -3 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{Replace R1 by R1}-3\text{R2}} \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 0 & 6 & 4 \\ 0 & 1 & -5 & -3 \end{array} \right]$$

Therefore,

$$P_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 4 \\ -5 & -3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Example 1.31

Let $b_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$, $b_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$, $c_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -7 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix}$, $c_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$,
and consider the bases for \mathbb{R}^2 given by $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, b_2\}$ and $\mathcal{C} = \{c_1, c_2\}$.

- ① Find the change-of-coordinates matrix from \mathcal{C} to \mathcal{B} .
- ② Find the change-of-coordinates matrix from \mathcal{B} to \mathcal{C} .

Solution. (1) Note that we need to find $P_{\mathcal{B} \leftarrow \mathcal{C}}$, so compute

$$[b_1 \ b_2 | c_1 \ c_2] = \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & -2 & -7 & -5 \\ -3 & 4 & 9 & 7 \end{array} \right] \leftrightarrow \left[\begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 0 & 5 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 6 & 4 \end{array} \right].$$

Therefore,

$$P_{\mathcal{B} \leftarrow \mathcal{C}} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 3 \\ 6 & 4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

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(2) We now want to compute ${}_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}} P$. Note that

$${}_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}} P = ({}_{\mathcal{B} \leftarrow \mathcal{C}} P)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 3 \\ 6 & 4 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -3/2 \\ -3 & 5/2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Remark. Let $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n\}$ and $\{c_1, \dots, c_n\}$ be bases for \mathbb{R}^n . We have (see week 9, lecture 2)

$$P_{\mathcal{B}} = [b_1|b_2|\dots|b_n] \quad P_{\mathcal{C}} = [c_1|c_2|\dots|c_n].$$

It was shown that

$$x = P_{\mathcal{B}}[x]_{\mathcal{B}} \quad x = P_{\mathcal{C}}[x]_{\mathcal{C}}.$$

So we have

$$P_{\mathcal{C}}[x]_{\mathcal{C}} = P_{\mathcal{B}}[x]_{\mathcal{B}}.$$

Therefore,

$$[x]_{\mathcal{C}} = P_{\mathcal{C}}^{-1}P_{\mathcal{B}}[x]_{\mathcal{B}}.$$

We also have

$$[x]_{\mathcal{C}} = P_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}} [x]_{\mathcal{B}}.$$

So,

$$P_{\mathcal{C}}^{-1}P_{\mathcal{B}} = P_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}$$

- Change of basis for polynomials

Example 1.32

Let $\mathcal{B} = \{1 + t, 1 + t^2, 1 + t + t^2\}$ and $\mathcal{C} = \{2 - t, -t^2, 1 + t^2\}$ be bases for \mathbb{P}_2 . Find $P_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}}$.

Solution. Solution. Let $\mathcal{E} = \{1, t, t^2\}$ be the standard basis for \mathbb{P}_2 . Then

$$\begin{aligned} T : \mathbb{P}_2 &\rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3 \\ f &\mapsto [f]_{\mathcal{E}} \end{aligned}$$

is an isomorphism. We have

$$[1 + t]_{\mathcal{E}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, [1 + t^2]_{\mathcal{E}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, [1 + t + t^2]_{\mathcal{E}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[2 - t]_{\mathcal{E}} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, [-t^2]_{\mathcal{E}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, [1 + t^2]_{\mathcal{E}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Now we have

$$\mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

and

$$\mathcal{C} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

be bases for \mathbb{R}^3 . We are looking for the matrix ${}_{\mathcal{C} \leftarrow \mathcal{B}} P$.

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Week 10, Lecture 2, Nov. 1, Eigenvalues and eigenvectors

Example 1.33

Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $u = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $v = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Then

$$Au = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Av = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Precisely we have $Av = 2v$.

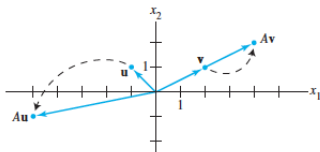


FIGURE 1 Effects of multiplication by A .

Definition 1.34

An **eigenvector** of an $n \times n$ matrix A is a nonzero vector x such that $Ax = \lambda x$ for some scalar λ . A scalar λ is called an **eigenvalue** of A if there is a nonzero vector x such that $Ax = \lambda x$; such x is called an **eigenvector corresponding to λ** .

Example 1.35

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, v = \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, u = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$Av = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -12 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

so $\begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is an eigenvector and 3 is an eigenvalue. $Au =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix} \neq \lambda \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ for any } \lambda.$$

Example 1.36

Show that 7 is an eigenvalue of $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 5 \\ 6 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

Solution. The number 7 is an eigenvalue. For some vector x we have

$$Ax = 7x$$

so

$$Ax - 7x = 0$$

we can write the above equation as

$$(A - 7I)x = 0$$

so if $(A - 7I)x = 0$ has a nonzero solution say x' , then

$$\begin{aligned} (A - 7I)x' = 0 &\Rightarrow Ax' - 7x' = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow Ax' = 7x' \end{aligned}$$

and so 7 is an eigenvalue.

Therefore, we only need to solve

$$(A - 7I)x = 0, \quad \text{i.e.,}$$

$$\left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 6 \\ 5 & 2 \end{bmatrix} - 7 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 6 \\ 5 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

when we solve the equation we have at least a nonzero solution $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Therefore 7 is an eigenvalue.

- **How to find all eigenvalues of a matrix A .**

λ is an eigenvalue for A if and only if

$$Ax = \lambda x \quad \text{at least for a nonzero vector } x.$$

So we can say λ is an eigenvalue of a matrix A if and only if

$$(A - \lambda I)x = 0 \quad \text{at least for some nonzero } x.$$

Which means the equation $(A - \lambda I)x = 0$ does not have only trivial solution if and only if

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0.$$

Lemma 1.37

λ is an eigenvalue of A if and only if

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0.$$

Definition 1.38

The equation $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$ is called the **characteristic equation**.

Definition 1.39

Let λ be an eigenvalue of $n \times n$ matrix A . Then the **eigenspace of A corresponding to λ** is the solution set of

$$(A - \lambda I)x = 0$$

Remark. Note that we already have the solution set of

$$(A - \lambda I)x = 0$$

is a subspace.

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Example 1.40

$$\text{let } A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & 1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 8 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (a) Find all eigenvalues of A .
- (b) For each eigenvalue λ of A , find a basis for the eigenspace of A corresponding to λ .

(a) To find all eigenvalues of A we must find all λ such that

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0.$$

Note that

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \det \left(\begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & 1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 8 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix} \right) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \det \left(\begin{bmatrix} 4 - \lambda & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & 1 - \lambda & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 8 - \lambda \end{bmatrix} \right) = 0$$

you already know how to compute the determinant. We have

$$\det \left(\begin{bmatrix} 4 - \lambda & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & 1 - \lambda & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 8 - \lambda \end{bmatrix} \right) = -(\lambda - 9)(\lambda - 2)^2$$

so $\lambda = 9$ and $\lambda = 2$, are the eigenvalues of A .

(b) We first find the basis for eigenspace of A corresponding to $\lambda = 2$, which is the same as the finding the basis of the solution set of $(A - 2I)x = 0$ which means we should find the basis for null space of $A - 2I$ (you know how to do it). The

null space of $A - 2I$ contains all vectors $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$ such that

$$(A - 2I) \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0. \text{ i.e.,}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

The augmented matrix is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 6 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 & 6 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and the reduced echelon form is

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

So x_1 is basic and x_2 and x_3 are free. We have $x_1 - 1/2x_2 + 3x_3 = 0$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 = 1/2x_2 - 3x_3$$

Let $x_2 = t$ and $x_3 = s$. Then

$$x_1 = 1/2t - 3s.$$

So

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2t - 3s \\ t \\ s \end{bmatrix} = t \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

so the eigenspace of A corresponding to 2 is

$$\left\{ t \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + s \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} : s, t \in \mathbb{R} \right\}$$

and the basis for the eigenspace of A corresponding to 2 is

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

Now you will find the eigenspace and the basis of it for $\lambda = 9$
(Do it as an exercise).

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Week 10, Lecture 3, Nov. 3, Characteristic polynomial and diagonalization

Theorem 1.41

The eigenvalues of a triangular matrix are the entries on its main diagonal.

Example 1.42

Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ 0 & d & e \\ 0 & 0 & f \end{bmatrix}$. Then eigenvalues of A are a , d , and f . Why? because

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \det\left(\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ 0 & d & e \\ 0 & 0 & f \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \lambda & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda \end{bmatrix}\right) =$$

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$$\det\left(\begin{bmatrix} a - \lambda & b & c \\ 0 & d - \lambda & e \\ 0 & 0 & f - \lambda \end{bmatrix}\right) = (a - \lambda)(d - \lambda)(f - \lambda)$$

Therefore, the eigenvalues are a , d and f , the entries on the main diagonal.

Theorem 1.43

If v_1, \dots, v_r are eigenvectors that correspond to distinct eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_r$ of an $n \times n$ matrix A , then the set $\{v_1, \dots, v_r\}$ is linearly independent.

Example 1.44

let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -1 & 6 \\ 2 & 1 & 6 \\ 2 & -1 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$. Then 2 and 9 are eigenvalues of A .

The eigenspace corresponding to 2 has a basis

$$\left\{ \left[\begin{array}{c} 1/2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{array} \right], \left[\begin{array}{c} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{array} \right] \right\}.$$

Also, the eigenspace corresponding to 9 has a basis

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

Then

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \quad \text{and} \quad \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

are linearly independent.

- **When 0 is an eigenvalue of an $n \times n$ matrix A :**

If 0 is an eigenvalue, then there is a nonzero vector x such that $Ax = 0x$

$$\Rightarrow Ax = 0$$

which means that $Ax = 0$ has a nonzero solution, which also means A is not invertible and $\det A = 0$.

Theorem 1.45

Let A be an $n \times n$ matrix. Then A is invertible if and only if one of the following holds:

- ① *The number 0 is not eigenvalue of A .*
- ② *The determinant of A is not zero.*

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- **Similarity:**

Definition 1.46

Two $n \times n$ matrices A and B are said to be **similar** if there exists an invertible matrix P such that $A = PBP^{-1}$.

Definition 1.47

The expression $\det(A - \lambda I)$ is called the **characteristic polynomial**.

Let A and B be similar. Then there exists an invertible matrix P such that

$$A = PBP^{-1} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad A - \lambda I = PBP^{-1} - \lambda I$$

Note that $PP^{-1} = I$, so

$$A - \lambda I = PBP^{-1} - \lambda PP^{-1} = P(B - \lambda I)P^{-1}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A - \lambda I) &= \det(P(B - \lambda I)P^{-1}) \\ &= \det(P)\det(B - \lambda I)\det(P^{-1}) \\ &= \det(P)\det(P^{-1})\det(B - \lambda I) = \det(B - \lambda I) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, A and B have the same characteristic polynomial and so they have the same eigenvalues.

Proposition 1.48

Similar matrices have the same characteristic polynomial and so they have the same eigenvalues.

- Diagonalization (Heads up)

Example 1.49

If $D = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$, Then

$$D^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$D^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2^3 & 0 \\ 0 & 3^3 \end{bmatrix}$$

and for k we have

$$D^k = \begin{bmatrix} 2^k & 0 \\ 0 & 3^k \end{bmatrix}$$

Definition 1.50

A matrix D is a **diagonal matrix** if it is of the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} d_1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & d_2 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & d_n \end{bmatrix}.$$

Definition 1.51

A matrix is called **diagonalizable** if A is similar to a diagonal matrix, i.e., there is an invertible matrix P and a diagonal matrix D such that

$$A = PDP^{-1}.$$

Theorem 1.52

An $n \times n$ matrix A is diagonalizable if and only if it has n linearly independent eigenvectors.

Example 1.53

- *How to diagonalize a matrix:*
 - ① *First check that if the matrix has n linearly dependent eigenvectors, if so, the matrix is diagonalizable.*
 - ② *Find a basis for the set of all eigenvectors, say $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$.*
 - ③ *Let $P = [v_1 | \dots | v_n]$, then $D = P^{-1}AP$ is an diagonal matrix with eigenvalues on its diagonal.*

Example 1.54

Find if $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$ is diagonalizable, if so find an invertible matrix P and a diagonal matrix D such that $D = P^{-1}AP$.

Solution. First we should find basis for eigenspaces. Note that $\det(A - \lambda I) = (1 - \lambda)(-3 - \lambda)$. So, A has two eigenvalues 1 and -3 . The eigenspace corresponding to 1 has the basis $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ and the eigenspace corresponding to -3 has the basis $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1/2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$. Then we have $P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1/2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$, and $D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -3 \end{bmatrix}$. Check that $D = P^{-1}AP$.

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Example 1.55

If $D = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$, Then

$$D^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$D^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2^3 & 0 \\ 0 & 3^3 \end{bmatrix}$$

and for k we have

$$D^k = \begin{bmatrix} 2^k & 0 \\ 0 & 3^k \end{bmatrix}$$

Definition 1.56

A matrix D is a **diagonal matrix** if it is of the form

$$\begin{bmatrix} d_1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & d_2 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & d_n \end{bmatrix}.$$

Definition 1.57

A matrix is called **diagonalizable** if A is similar to a diagonal matrix, i.e., there is an invertible matrix P and a diagonal matrix D such that

$$A = PDP^{-1}.$$

Example 1.58

Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 2 \\ -4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Find a formula for A^k , given that $A = PDP^{-1}$. Where $P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ and $D = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$.

Solution. We can find the inverse of P which is

$$P^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then

$$A^2 = (PDP^{-1})(PDP^{-1}) = PD(P^{-1}P)DP^{-1} =$$

$$PD^2P^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}^2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Again,

$$A^3 = AA^2 = (PDP^{-1})(PD^2P^{-1}) = PD(P^{-1}P)D^2P^{-1} = PD^3P^{-1}.$$

In general, for $k \geq 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} A^k = PD^kP^{-1} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5^k & 0 \\ 0 & 3^k \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 2 \cdot 5^k - 3^k & 5^k - 3^k \\ 2 \cdot 3^k - 2 \cdot 5^k & 2 \cdot 3^k - 5^k \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 1.59

(The diagonal theorem) An $n \times n$ matrix A is diagonalizable if and only if A has n linearly independent eigenvectors.

Definition 1.60

An eigenvector basis of \mathbb{R}^n corresponding to A is a basis $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ of \mathbb{R}^n such that v_1, \dots, v_n are eigenvectors of A .

- An $n \times n$ matrix A is diagonalizable if and only if there are eigenvectors v_1, \dots, v_n such that $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ are a basis for \mathbb{R}^n , i.e., $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ is an eigenvector basis for \mathbb{R}^n corresponding to A .

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**Week 11, Lecture 2, Nov. 8, diagonalizable
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How to diagonalize an $n \times n$ matrix A .

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Step 1. First find the eigenvalues of A .

Step 2. Find a basis for each eigenspace. That is, if

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = (x - \lambda_1)^{k_1} (x - \lambda_2)^{k_2} \dots (x - \lambda_p)^{k_p},$$

we should find the basis of eigenspace corresponding to each λ_i .

Step 3. If the number of all vectors in bases in Step 2 is n , then A is diagonalizable, otherwise it is not and we stop.

Step 4. Let v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n be all vectors in bases in Step 2, then

$$P = [v_1 | v_2 | \dots | v_n].$$

Step 5. Constructing D from eigenvalues. If the multiplicity of an eigenvalue λ_i is k_i , we repeat λ_i , k_i times, on the diagonal of D .

Example 1.61

Diagonalize the following matrix, if possible.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 3 \\ -3 & -5 & -3 \\ 3 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

That is, find an invertible matrix P and a diagonal matrix D such that $A = PDP^{-1}$.

Solution. Step 1. Find eigenvalues of A .

$$0 = \det(A - \lambda I) = -\lambda^3 - 3\lambda^2 + 4 = -(\lambda - 1)(\lambda + 2)^2.$$

Therefore, $\lambda = 1$ and $\lambda = -2$ are the eigenvalues.

Step 2. Find a basis for each eigenspace. The eigenspace corresponding to $\lambda = 1$ is the solution set of

$$(A - I)x = 0.$$

A basis for this space is

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

The eigenspace corresponding to $\lambda = -2$ is the solution set of

$$(A - (-2)I)x = 0.$$

A basis for this space is

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

Step 3. Since we find three vectors

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

So A is diagonalizable.

Step 4.

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Step 5.

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

It is a good idea to check that P and D work, i.e.,

$$A = PDP^{-1} \quad \text{or} \quad AP = PD.$$

If we compute we have

$$AP = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ -1 & -2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \quad PD = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ -1 & -2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Example 1.62

Diagonalize the following matrix, if possible.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 3 \\ -4 & -6 & -3 \\ 3 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution. First we find the eigenvalues, which are the roots of characteristic polynomial $\det(A - \lambda I)$.

$$0 = \det(A - \lambda I) = -\lambda^3 - 3\lambda^2 + 4 = -(\lambda - 1)(\lambda + 2)^2$$

So $\lambda = 1$ and $\lambda = -2$ are eigenvalues.

A basis for eigenspace corresponding to $\lambda = 1$ is

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

and a basis for eigenspace corresponding to $\lambda = -2$ is

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

Since we can not find 3 eigenvectors that are linearly independent, so A is not diagonalizable.

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Theorem 1.63

An $n \times n$ matrix with n distinct eigenvalues i.e.,

$\det(A - \lambda I) = (x - \lambda_1)(x - \lambda_2) \cdots (x - \lambda_n)$ with distinct λ_i 's,

is diagonalizable.

Theorem 1.64

Let characteristic polynomial of A is

$$(x - \lambda_1)^{k_1} (x - \lambda_2)^{k_2} \dots (x - \lambda_p)^{k_p}.$$

- ① *For each $1 \leq i \leq p$ The dimension of eigenspace corresponding to λ_i is at most k_i .*
- ② *The matrix A is diagonalizable if and only if the sum of the dimensions of the eigenspaces equals n , and this happens if and only if*
 - ① *the characteristic polynomial factors completely into linear factors and*
 - ② *the dimension of the eigenspace for each λ_i equals the multiplicity of λ_i .*

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If A is diagonalizable and \mathcal{B}_i is a basis for the eigenspace corresponding to λ_i for each i , then the total collection of vectors in the sets $\mathcal{B}_1, \dots, \mathcal{B}_p$ forms an eigenvector basis for \mathbb{R}^n .

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Week 11, Lecture 3, Nov. 10, Eigenvectors and linear transformations

- **Eigenvectors and linear transformations**

When A is diagonalizable there exist an invertible matrix P and a diagonal matrix D such that $A = PDP^{-1}$. Our goal is to show that the following two linear transformations are essentially the same.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{R}^n &\rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \\ x &\mapsto Ax\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{R}^n &\rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \\ u &\mapsto Du\end{aligned}$$

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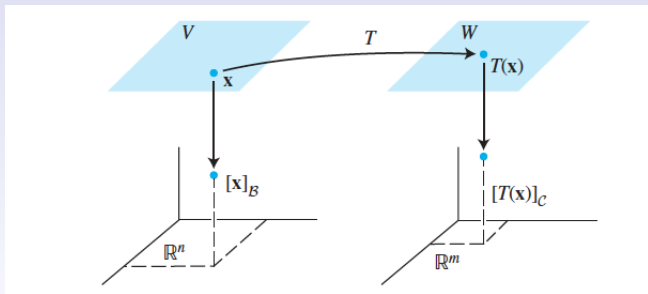
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Remark. Let $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$ be a basis for a vector space V . Then the coordinate mapping

$$\begin{aligned} T : V &\rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \\ x &\mapsto [x]_{\mathcal{B}} \end{aligned}$$

is a one-to-one linear transformation from V onto \mathbb{R}^n .

- The matrix of a linear transformation: Let V be an n -dimensional vector space and W be an m -dimensional vector space.



Let \mathcal{B} and \mathcal{C} be bases for V and W , respectively. The connection between $[x]_{\mathcal{B}}$ and $[T(x)]_{\mathcal{C}}$ is easy to find. Let $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n\}$ be the basis of V . If $x = r_1b_1 + r_2b_2 + \dots + r_nb_n$, then

$$x_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \\ \vdots \\ r_n \end{bmatrix}.$$

Note that

$$T(x) = T(r_1b_1 + r_2b_2 + \dots + r_nb_n) = r_1T(b_1) + r_2T(b_2) + \dots + r_nT(b_n).$$

Since the coordinate mapping from W to \mathbb{R}^m is a linear transformation, we have

$$\begin{aligned} [T(x)]_{\mathcal{C}} &= [r_1T(b_1) + r_2T(b_2) + \dots + r_nT(b_n)]_{\mathcal{C}} = \\ & r_1[T(b_1)]_{\mathcal{C}} + r_2[T(b_2)]_{\mathcal{C}} + \dots + r_n[T(b_n)]_{\mathcal{C}} = \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} [T(b_1)]_{\mathcal{C}} & [T(b_2)]_{\mathcal{C}} & \dots & [T(b_n)]_{\mathcal{C}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} r_1 \\ r_2 \\ \vdots \\ r_n \end{bmatrix} =$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} [T(b_1)]_{\mathcal{C}} & [T(b_2)]_{\mathcal{C}} & \dots & [T(b_n)]_{\mathcal{C}} \end{bmatrix} [x]_{\mathcal{B}}.$$

So

$$[T(x)]_{\mathcal{C}} = M[x]_{\mathcal{B}},$$

where

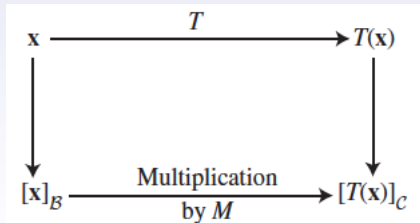
$$M = \begin{bmatrix} [T(b_1)]_{\mathcal{C}} & [T(b_2)]_{\mathcal{C}} & \dots & [T(b_n)]_{\mathcal{C}} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Theorem 1.65

Let V be an n -dimensional vector space with basis $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n\}$, and let W be an m -dimensional vector space with basis \mathcal{C} . If T is a linear transformation from V to W , then

$$[T(x)]_{\mathcal{C}} = M[x]_{\mathcal{B}},$$

where $M = [[T(b_1)]_{\mathcal{C}} \quad [T(b_2)]_{\mathcal{C}} \quad \dots \quad [T(b_n)]_{\mathcal{C}}]$. M is called matrix for T relative to the bases \mathcal{B} and \mathcal{C} .



Example 1.66

Let $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, b_2\}$ be a basis for V and $\mathcal{C} = \{c_1, c_2, c_3\}$ be a basis for W . Let $T : V \rightarrow W$ be a linear transformation such that

$$T(b_1) = 3c_1 - 2c_2 + 5c_3$$

$$T(b_2) = 4c_1 + 7c_2 - c_3$$

Find matrix M for T relative to \mathcal{B} and \mathcal{C} .

Solution. We have that

$$M = [[T(b_1)]_{\mathcal{C}} \quad [T(b_2)]_{\mathcal{C}}].$$

We have

$$[T(b_1)] = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad [T(b_2)] = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 7 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

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So

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 4 \\ -2 & 7 \\ 5 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- **Linear transformation from V into V**

Now, we want to find the matrix M when V and W are the same, and the basis \mathcal{C} is the same as \mathcal{B} . The matrix M in this case called **Matrix for T relative to \mathcal{B}** , or simply **\mathcal{B} -matrix for T** .

The \mathcal{B} -matrix for T satisfies

$$[T(x)]_{\mathcal{B}} = [T]_{\mathcal{B}}[x]_{\mathcal{B}} \quad \text{for all } x \text{ in } V.$$

So if $\mathcal{B} = \{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n\}$, then

$$[T]_{\mathcal{B}} = [[T(b_1)]_{\mathcal{B}} \quad [T(b_2)]_{\mathcal{B}} \quad \dots \quad [T(b_n)]_{\mathcal{B}}]$$

Example 1.67

The linear transformation $T : \mathbb{P}_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_2$ defined by

$$T(a_0 + a_1t + a_2t^2) = a_1 + 2a_2t$$

is a linear transformation.

- ① Find the \mathcal{B} -matrix for T , when \mathcal{B} is the basis $\{1, t, t^2\}$.
- ② Verify that $[T(p)]_{\mathcal{B}} = [T]_{\mathcal{B}}[p]_{\mathcal{B}}$ for each $p \in \mathbb{P}_2$.

Solution. (1) We have that

$$[T]_{\mathcal{B}} = [[T(1)]_{\mathcal{B}} \quad [T(t)]_{\mathcal{B}} \quad [T(t^2)]_{\mathcal{B}}].$$

Note that $T(1) = 0$ $T(t) = 1$ $T(t^2) = 2t$ Therefore,

$$[T(1)]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad [T(t)]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad [T(t^2)]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

So

$$[T]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(2) Any polynomial $p(t) \in \mathbb{P}_2$ is of the form $p(t) = a_0 + a_1t + a_2t^2$ for some scalars a_0, a_1 and a_2 . Thus,

$$[T(p)]_{\mathcal{B}} = [a_1 + 2a_2t]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ 2a_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$[T(p)]_{\mathcal{B}} = [T]_{\mathcal{B}}[p]_{\mathcal{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ 2a_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- Linear transformation on \mathbb{R}^n

Theorem 1.68

(Diagonal matrix representation) Suppose that $A = PDP^{-1}$ where P is an invertible matrix and D is a diagonal matrix. Assume that

$$P = [v_1 | v_2 | \dots | v_n].$$

Let $\mathcal{B} = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$. Let

$$\begin{aligned} T : \mathbb{R}^n &\rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \\ x &\mapsto Ax \end{aligned}$$

Then $D = [T]_{\mathcal{B}}$, i.e.,

$$[T(x)]_{\mathcal{B}} = D[x]_{\mathcal{B}}.$$

Example 1.69

Define $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ by $T(x) = Ax$, where $A = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 2 \\ -4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

Find a basis for \mathbb{R}^2 with the property that the \mathcal{B} -matrix for T is a diagonal matrix.

Solution. By the previous Theorem if we find an invertible matrix P and a diagonal matrix D such that $A = PDP^{-1}$, then the columns of P produce the basis \mathcal{B} . We can find

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } D = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ such that } A = PDP^{-1}.$$

$$\text{So } \mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

• Similarity of matrix representations

Theorem 1.70

Suppose that $A = PCP^{-1}$ where P is an invertible matrix. Assume that

$$P = [v_1 | v_2 | \dots | v_n].$$

Let $\mathcal{B} = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$. Let

$$\begin{aligned} T : \mathbb{R}^n &\rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \\ x &\mapsto Ax \end{aligned}$$

Then $C = [T]_{\mathcal{B}}$, i.e.,

$$[T(x)]_{\mathcal{B}} = C[x]_{\mathcal{B}}.$$

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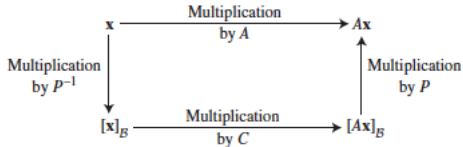


FIGURE 5 Similarity of two matrix representations:
 $A = PCP^{-1}$.

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Week 12, Lecture 1, Nov. 13, Inner Product, length and orthogonality

Definition 2.1

A complex eigenvalue for a matrix A is a complex scalar λ such that there is a non-zero vector x in \mathbb{C}^n s.t $Ax = \lambda x$. Moreover, x is called a complex eigenvector corresponding to λ .

Remark. The complex eigenvalues are the roots of $\det(A - \lambda I)$. Also, the set of all eigenvectors corresponding to λ are the non-zero vectors $x \in \mathbb{C}^n$ such that

$$(A - \lambda I)x = 0.$$

Example 2.2

If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, find eigenvalues.

Solution. To find the eigenvalues, we should find the roots of $\det(A - \lambda I)$.

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \det \begin{bmatrix} 0 - \lambda & -1 \\ 1 & 0 - \lambda \end{bmatrix} = \lambda^2 + 1$$

The roots of $\lambda^2 + 1$ are i and $-i$. So eigenvalues are i and $-i$. And also we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = i \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -i \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = -i \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{bmatrix}$$

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So $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ i \end{bmatrix}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -i \end{bmatrix}$ are eigenvectors corresponding to $-i$ and i respectively.

- **The inner product**

Let

$$u = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n,$$

then

$$u^T = [u_1 u_2 \dots u_n].$$

The **inner product**(or **dot product**) of two vectors $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is the number $u^T v$, and often it is written as $u \cdot v$.

Example 2.3

Compute $u \cdot v$ and $v \cdot u$ for $u = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $v = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$.

Solution.

$$u \cdot v = u^T v = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -5 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$2 \times 3 + (-5) \times 2 + (-1) \times (-3) = -1$$

$$v \cdot u = v^T u = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$3 \times 2 + 2 \times (-5) + (-3) \times (-1) = -1$$

Theorem 2.4

Let u, v and w be vectors in \mathbb{R}^n , and let c be a scalar. Then

a. $u \cdot v = v \cdot u$

b. $(u + v) \cdot w = u \cdot w + v \cdot w$

c. $(cu) \cdot v = c(u \cdot v) = u \cdot (cv)$

d. $u \cdot u \geq 0$ and $u \cdot u = 0$ if and only if $u = 0$.

Combining (b) and (c) we have

$$(c_1u_1 + \dots + c_pu_p) \cdot w = c_1(u_1 \cdot w) + \dots + c_p(u_p \cdot w).$$

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- The length of a vector:

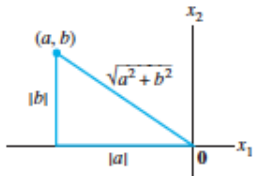


FIGURE 1

Interpretation of $\|\mathbf{v}\|$ as length.

Definition 2.5

The **length (or norm)** of $v = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{bmatrix}$ is the nonnegative scalar $\|v\|$ defined by

$$\|v\| = \sqrt{v \cdot v} = \sqrt{v_1^2 + v_2^2 + \dots + v_n^2}$$

and $\|v\|^2 = v \cdot v$.

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- For any scalar c , the length of cv is $|c|$ times the length of v , that is

$$\|cv\| = |c|\|v\|.$$

Definition 2.6

*A vector v with $\|v\| = 1$ is called a **unit vector**.*

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Normalizing a vector: Let u be a vector, then $(1/\|u\|)u$ is a unit vector. The process of dividing a vector to its length is called **normalizing**. Moreover, u and $(1/\|u\|)u$ have the same direction.

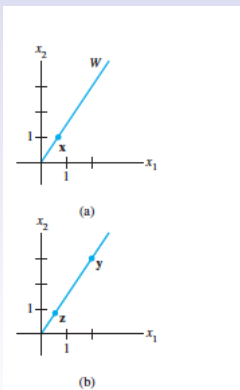


FIGURE 2

Normalizing a vector to produce a unit vector.

Example 2.7

Let $v = (1, -2, 2, 4)$. Find a unit vector u in the same direction as v .

Solution. First compute the length of v :

$$\|v\| = \sqrt{v \cdot v} = \sqrt{1^2 + (-2)^2 + 2^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{25} = 5$$

Then we multiply v by $1/\|v\|$ to obtain u .

$$u = (1/\|v\|)v = 1/5v = 1/5 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/5 \\ -2/5 \\ 2/5 \\ 4/5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

To check $\|u\| = 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} \|u\| &= \sqrt{u \cdot u} = \sqrt{(1/5)^2 + (-2/5)^2 + (2/5)^2 + (4/5)^2} = \\ &= \sqrt{1/25 + 4/25 + 4/25 + 16/25} = \sqrt{25/25} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

Example 2.8

Let W be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^2 spanned by $x = \begin{bmatrix} 3/2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Find a unit vector z that is a basis for W .

Solution. Note that $W = \{c \begin{bmatrix} 3/2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} : c \in \mathbb{R}\}$. We have that $1/\|x\| \in \mathbb{R}$ so $(1/\|x\|)x$ is a vector in W , and spanning it. It is enough to compute $(1/\|x\|)x$.

$$\|x\| = \sqrt{x \cdot x} = \sqrt{(3/2)^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{9/4 + 1} = \sqrt{13/4} = \sqrt{13}/2$$

$$\text{so } (1/\|x\|)x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{13}/2} \begin{bmatrix} 3/2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 2/\sqrt{13} \begin{bmatrix} 3/2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6/2\sqrt{13} \\ 2/\sqrt{13} \end{bmatrix}.$$

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- **Distance in \mathbb{R}^n**

Definition 2.9

*For u and v in \mathbb{R}^n , the **distance** between u and v , written as $\text{dist}(u, v)$, is the length of vector $u - v$. That is $\text{dist}(u, v) = \|u - v\|$.*

Example 2.10

Compute the distance between the vectors $u = (7, 1)$ and $v = (3, 2)$.

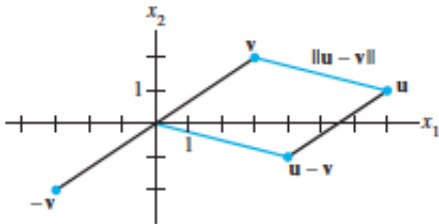


FIGURE 4 The distance between u and v is the length of $u - v$.

Solution.

$$u - v = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\|u - v\| = \sqrt{4^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{17}$$

Example 2.11

If $u = (u_1, u_2, u_3)$ and $v = (v_1, v_2, v_3)$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{dist}(u, v) &= \|u - v\| = \sqrt{(u - v) \cdot (u - v)} = \\ &= \sqrt{(u_1 - v_1)^2 + (u_2 - v_2)^2 + (u_3 - v_3)^2} \end{aligned}$$

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Definition 2.12

Two vectors u and v in \mathbb{R}^n are **orthogonal** to each other if $u \cdot v = 0$.

Theorem 2.13

(The pythagorean Theorem) Two vectors u and v are orthogonal if and only if

$$\|u + v\|^2 = \|u\|^2 + \|v\|^2.$$

Orthogonal Complement

Definition 2.14

- If a vector z is orthogonal to every vector in a subspace W of \mathbb{R}^n , then z is said to be **orthogonal to W** .
- The set of all vectors z that are orthogonal to W is said **orthogonal complement of W** and is denoted by W^\perp (W perp)

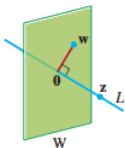


FIGURE 7

A plane and line through 0 as orthogonal complements.

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Theorem 2.15

- 1 *A vector x is in W^\perp if and only if x is orthogonal to every vector in a set that spans W .*
- 2 *W^\perp is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n .*

Definition 2.16

Let $A = [A_1|A_2|\dots|A_n]$ be an $m \times n$ matrix. Also A has m rows, denote them by A'_1, \dots, A'_m .

$$\text{Col } A = \text{span}\{A_1, \dots, A_n\} \quad \text{Row } A = \text{span}\{A'_1, \dots, A'_m\}.$$

Theorem 2.17

Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix.

- ① $(\text{Row } A)^\perp = \text{Nul } A$, that is the orthogonal complement of the row space of A is the null space of A .
- ② $(\text{Col } A)^\perp = \text{Nul } A^T$, that is the orthogonal complement of the column space of A is the null space of A^T .

Angle between two vectors

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- Let u and v be in \mathbb{R}^2 or \mathbb{R}^3 , then

①

$$u \cdot v = \|u\| \|v\| \cos \theta,$$

where θ is the angle between the two line segments from the origin to the points identified with u and v .

- ② We also have

$$\|u - v\|^2 = \|u\|^2 + \|v\|^2 - 2\|u\| \|v\| \cos \theta$$

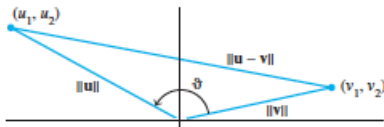


FIGURE 9 The angle between two vectors.

Example 2.18

Find the angle between $u = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ and $v = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Solution. We have

$$u \cdot v = \|u\| \|v\| \cos \theta.$$

Note that $\|u\| = \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{2}$ and $\|v\| = \sqrt{(-1)^2 + 0^2} = 1$ and $u \cdot v = u^T \cdot v = -1$. So $-1 = \sqrt{2} \cdot \cos \theta$. Therefore, $\theta = \frac{3\pi}{4}$.

Orthogonal Sets:

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Definition 2.19

A set of vectors $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_p\}$ in \mathbb{R}^n is said to be **orthogonal set** if each pair of distinct vectors from the set are orthogonal, that is, $u_i \cdot u_j = 0$ if $i \neq j$.

Example 2.20

Show that $\{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$ is an orthogonal set where

$$u_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, u_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } u_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1/2 \\ -2 \\ 7/2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Solution. We must show that $u_1 \cdot u_2 = 0$, $u_1 \cdot u_3 = 0$, and $u_2 \cdot u_3 = 0$.

$$u_1 \cdot u_2 = 3(-1) + 1(2) + 1(1) = 0$$

$$u_1 \cdot u_3 = 3(-1/2) + 1(-2) + 1(7/2) = 0$$

$$u_2 \cdot u_3 = -1(-1/2) + 2(-2) + 1(7/2) = 0.$$

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Theorem 2.21

If $S = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_p\}$ is an orthogonal set of non-zero vectors in \mathbb{R}^n , then S is linearly independent and hence is a basis for the subspace spanned by S .

Definition 2.22

An orthogonal basis for a subspace W of \mathbb{R}^n is a basis for W that is also orthogonal set.

Theorem 2.23

Let $\{u_1, \dots, u_p\}$ be an orthogonal basis for a subspace W of \mathbb{R}^n . For each $y \in W$, the weights in the linear combination

$$y = c_1 u_1 + \cdots + c_p u_p$$

are given by

$$c_j = \frac{y \cdot u_j}{u_j \cdot u_j} \quad (j = 1, 2, \dots, p)$$

Example 2.24

The set $S = \{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$, where

$$u_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, u_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } u_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1/2 \\ -2 \\ 7/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

is an orthogonal basis for \mathbb{R}^3 . Express the vector $y = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 1 \\ -8 \end{bmatrix}$ as a linear combination of the vectors in S .

Solution. If we write $y = c_1 u_1 + c_2 u_2 + c_3 u_3$, then

$$c_1 = \frac{y \cdot u_1}{u_1 \cdot u_1} = \frac{11}{11} = 1 \quad c_2 = \frac{y \cdot u_2}{u_2 \cdot u_2} = \frac{-12}{6} = -2$$

$$c_3 = \frac{y \cdot u_3}{u_3 \cdot u_3} = \frac{-33}{33/2} = -2. \text{ Therefore, } y = 1u_1 - 2u_2 - 2u_3.$$

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Orthogonal Projection

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Assume that u is in \mathbb{R}^n . then $L = \text{span}\{u\} = \{cu : c \in \mathbb{R}\}$ is a line.

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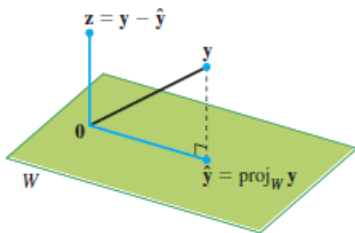


FIGURE 2

Finding α to make $y - \hat{y}$
orthogonal to u .

We want to write a vector y as a sum of a vector in $L = \text{span}\{u\}$ and a vector orthogonal to u . Then $y = \hat{y} + (y - \hat{y})$, where

$$\hat{y} = \mathbf{proj}_L y = \frac{u \cdot y}{u \cdot u} u.$$

$\hat{y} = \mathbf{proj}_L y$ is called **orthogonal projection** of y onto L . Also $y - \hat{y}$ is called the **complement of y orthogonal to u** .

Example 2.25

Let $y = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$, and $u = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$. Find the orthogonal projection of y onto u . Then write y as the sum of two orthogonal vectors, one in $\text{span}\{u\}$ and one orthogonal to u .

Solution.

$$y \cdot u = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = 40$$

$$u \cdot u = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = 20$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{y} = \frac{y \cdot u}{u \cdot u} u = (40/20)u = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

and the complement of y orthogonal to u .

$$y - \hat{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Visualizing Theorem 2.23

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- It is easy to visualize the case in which $w = \mathbb{R}^2 = \text{span}\{u_1, u_2\}$ with u_1 and u_2 orthogonal. Any $y \in \mathbb{R}^2$ can be written in the form

$$y = \frac{y \cdot u_1}{u_1 \cdot u_1} u_1 + \frac{y \cdot u_2}{u_2 \cdot u_2} u_2$$

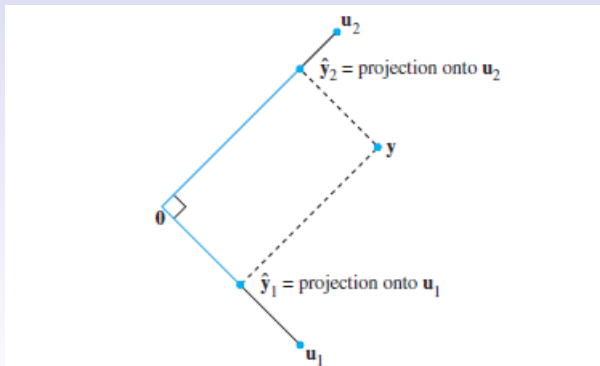


FIGURE 4 A vector decomposed into the sum of two projections.

Orthonormal sets

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Definition 2.26

A set $\{u_1, \dots, u_p\}$ is an **orthonormal set** if it is an orthogonal of unit vectors.

Example 2.27

Show that $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ is an orthonormal basis of \mathbb{R}^3 . Where

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3/\sqrt{11} \\ 1/\sqrt{11} \\ 1/\sqrt{11} \end{bmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1/\sqrt{6} \\ 2/\sqrt{6} \\ 1/\sqrt{6} \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1/\sqrt{66} \\ -4/\sqrt{66} \\ 7/\sqrt{66} \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution. Compute

$$v_1 \cdot v_2 = -3/\sqrt{66} + 2/\sqrt{66} + 1/\sqrt{66} = 0$$

$$v_1 \cdot v_3 = -3/\sqrt{726} + (-4)/\sqrt{726} + 7/\sqrt{726} = 0$$

$$v_2 \cdot v_3 = 1/\sqrt{396} + (-8)/\sqrt{396} + 7/\sqrt{396} = 0$$

so $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ is an orthogonal set.

Now we show that v_1, v_2, v_3 are unit vector.

$$\|u_1\| = \sqrt{v_1 \cdot v_1} = \sqrt{9/11 + 1/11 + 1/11} = 1$$

$$\|u_2\| = \sqrt{v_2 \cdot v_2} = \sqrt{1/6 + 4/6 + 1/6} = 1$$

$$\|u_3\| = \sqrt{v_3 \cdot v_3} = \sqrt{1/66 + 16/66 + 49/66} = 1$$

So $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ is orthonormal basis for \mathbb{R}^3 .

Theorem 2.28

An $m \times n$ matrix U has orthonormal columns if and only if $U^T U = I$.

Theorem 2.29

Let U be an $m \times n$ matrix with orthonormal columns and let x and y be in \mathbb{R}^n . Then

- 1 $\|Ux\| = \|x\|.$
- 2 $(Ux) \cdot (Uy) = x \cdot y.$
- 3 $(Ux) \cdot (Uy) = 0$ if and only if $x \cdot y = 0$

Example 2.30

Let $U = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & 2/3 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & -2/3 \\ 0 & 1/3 \end{bmatrix}$ and $x = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{2} \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$. Notice that U has orthonormal columns and

$$U^T U = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 2/3 & -2/3 & 1/3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & 2/3 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & -2/3 \\ 0 & 1/3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

verify that $\|Ux\| = \|x\|$.

Solution.

$$Ux = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & 2/3 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & -2/3 \\ 0 & 1/3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{2} \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

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$$\|Ux\| = \sqrt{9 + 1 + 1} = \sqrt{11}$$

$$\|Ux\| = \sqrt{2 + 9} = \sqrt{11}$$

Orthogonal matrix

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Definition 2.31

An **orthonormal matrix** is a square invertible matrix U such that

$$U^{-1} = U^T.$$

Example 2.32

The matrix

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} 3/\sqrt{11} & -1/\sqrt{6} & -1/\sqrt{66} \\ 1/\sqrt{11} & 2/\sqrt{6} & -4/\sqrt{66} \\ 1/\sqrt{11} & 1/\sqrt{6} & 7/\sqrt{66} \end{bmatrix}$$

is an orthonormal matrix.

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Example 4.1

Let $\{u_1, \dots, u_5\}$ be an orthogonal basis for \mathbb{R}^5 and let

$$y = c_1u_1 + \dots + c_5u_5.$$

Consider the subspace $W = \text{span}\{u_1, u_2\}$, and write y as the sum of a vector z_1 in W and a vector z_2 in W^\perp .

Solution. Write

$$y = \underbrace{c_1u_1 + c_2u_2}_{z_1} + \underbrace{c_3u_3 + c_4u_4 + c_5u_5}_{z_2}$$

where $z_1 = c_1u_1 + c_2u_2$ is in $\text{span}\{u_1, u_2\} = W$ and $z_2 = c_3u_3 + c_4u_4 + c_5u_5$ is in $\text{span}\{u_3, u_4, u_5\}$.

To show that z_2 is in W^\perp it is enough to show that $z_2 \cdot u_i = 0$, for $i = 1$ and $i = 2$.

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$$\begin{aligned}z_2 \cdot u_1 &= (c_3u_3 + c_4u_4 + c_5u_5) \cdot u_1 \\ &= c_3u_3 \cdot u_1 + c_4u_4 \cdot u_1 + c_5u_5 \cdot u_1 = 0\end{aligned}$$

because $\{u_1, \dots, u_5\}$ is an orthogonal set.
Similarly $z_2 \cdot u_2 = 0$. Therefore $z_2 \in W^\perp$.

Theorem 4.2

(The Orthogonal Decomposition Theorem) Let W be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n . Then each y in \mathbb{R}^n can be written uniquely in the form

$$y = \hat{y} + z \quad (1)$$

where \hat{y} is in W and z in W^\perp . In fact if $\{u_1, \dots, u_p\}$ is an orthogonal basis of W , then

$$\hat{y} = \frac{y \cdot u_1}{u_1 \cdot u_1} u_1 + \dots + \frac{y \cdot u_p}{u_p \cdot u_p} u_p$$

and $z = y - \hat{y}$.

Definition 4.3

*The vector \hat{y} in (1) is called **the orthogonal projection of y onto W** , and it sometimes denoted by **$\text{proj}_W y$** .*

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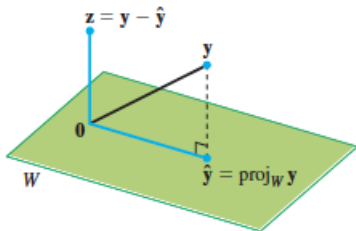


FIGURE 2 The orthogonal projection of y onto W .

Example 4.4

Let $u_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$, $u_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, and $y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$. Observe that $\{u_1, u_2\}$ is an orthogonal basis for $W = \text{span}\{u_1, u_2\}$. Write y as the sum of a vector in W and a vector orthogonal to W .

Solution. The orthogonal projection of y onto W is

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{y} &= \frac{y \cdot u_1}{u_1 \cdot u_1} u_1 + \frac{y \cdot u_2}{u_2 \cdot u_2} u_2 \\ &= 9/30 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + 3/6 \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2/5 \\ 2 \\ 1/5 \end{bmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

Also

$$y - \hat{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} -2/5 \\ 2 \\ 1/5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7/5 \\ 0 \\ 14/5 \end{bmatrix}$$

By previous theorem $y - \hat{y}$ is in W^\perp . And

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2/5 \\ 2 \\ 1/5 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 7/5 \\ 0 \\ 14/5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

• A Geometric Interpretation of the Orthogonal Projection

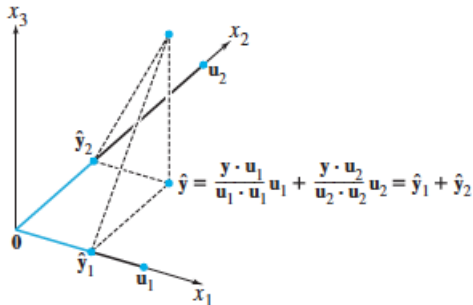


FIGURE 3 The orthogonal projection of \mathbf{y} is the sum of its projections onto one-dimensional subspaces that are mutually orthogonal.

• Properties of Orthogonal Projections

Proposition 4.5

If y is in $W = \text{span}\{u_1, \dots, u_p\}$, then $\mathbf{proj}_W y = y$.

Theorem 4.6

(The Best Approximation Theorem) Let W be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n , let y be any vector in \mathbb{R}^n , and let \hat{y} be the orthogonal projection of y onto W . Then \hat{y} is the closest point in W to y , in the sense that

$$\|y - \hat{y}\| \leq \|y - v\|$$

for all v in W distinct from \hat{y} .

Definition 4.7

The vector \hat{y} is called **the best approximation to y by elements of W** .

Definition 4.8

The vector \hat{y} is called the best approximation to y by elements of W .

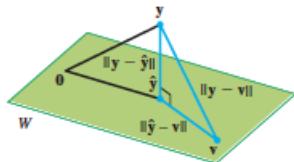


FIGURE 4 The orthogonal projection of y onto W is the closest point in W to y .

Example 4.9

If $u_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$, $u_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ and $W = \text{span}\{u_1, u_2\}$. Find the closest point in W to y .

Solution. By the theorem the point is

$$\hat{y} = \frac{y \cdot u_1}{u_1 \cdot u_1} u_1 + \frac{y \cdot u_2}{u_2 \cdot u_2} u_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -2/5 \\ 2 \\ 1/5 \end{bmatrix}$$

(we already computed \hat{y} in one of the examples.)

Example 4.10

The distance from a point $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ to a subspace W is defined as the distance from y to the nearest point in W . Find the distance from y to $W = \text{span}\{u_1, u_2\}$, where

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -5 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix}, \quad u_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad u_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Solution. By the best approximation theorem, the distance from y to W is $\|y - \hat{y}\|$, where $\hat{y} = \mathbf{proj}_W y$. Since $\{u_1, u_2\}$ is an orthogonal basis for W ,

$$\hat{y} = 15/30u_1 + (-21/6)u_2 = 1/2 \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - 7/2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -8 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$y - \hat{y} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -5 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -8 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\|y - \hat{y}\| = \sqrt{3^2 + 6^2} = \sqrt{45}.$$

Therefore, the distance from y to W is $\sqrt{45} = 3\sqrt{5}$.

Theorem 4.11

If $\{u_1, \dots, u_p\}$ is an orthonormal basis for a subspace W of \mathbb{R}^n , then

$$\mathbf{proj}_W y = (y \cdot u_1)u_1 + (y \cdot u_2)u_2 + \dots + (y \cdot u_p)u_p$$

if $U = [u_1 u_2 \dots u_p]$, then

$$\mathbf{proj}_W y = UU^T y \quad \text{for all } y \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^n.$$

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Orthogonal Projection

Let $W = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_p\}$ be an orthogonal subspace of \mathbb{R}^n .

Let $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Then the orthogonal projection of y on W is

$$\hat{y} = \mathbf{proj}_W y = \frac{u_1 \cdot y}{u_1 \cdot u_1} u_1 + \frac{u_2 \cdot y}{u_2 \cdot u_2} u_2 + \dots + \frac{u_p \cdot y}{u_p \cdot u_p} u_p.$$

Also we can write

$$y = \hat{y} + z,$$

where $\hat{y} \in W$ and $z = y - \hat{y} \in W^\perp$.

Example 4.12

Let $W = \text{span}\{x_1, x_2\}$, where $x_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $x_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$.

Construct an orthogonal basis $\{v_1, v_2\}$ for W .

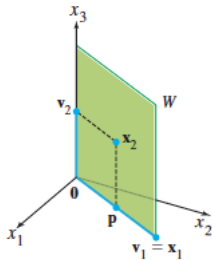


FIGURE 1

Construction of an orthogonal basis $\{v_1, v_2\}$.

Solution. Let $v_1 = x_1$. Let p be orthogonal projection of x_2 onto x_1 , i.e.,

$$p = \frac{x_1 \cdot x_2}{x_1 \cdot x_1} x_1.$$

We have that

$$v_2 = x_2 - \frac{x_1 \cdot x_2}{x_1 \cdot x_1} x_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} - 15/45 \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then $\{v_1, v_2\}$ is an orthogonal set of non-zero vectors in W . Since $\dim W = 2$, then set $\{v_1, v_2\}$ is a basis for W .

Example 4.13

Let $x_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $x_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, and $x_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Then $\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$ is clearly linearly independent and thus is a basis for W . Construct an orthogonal basis for W .

Solution.

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Step1. Let $v_1 = x_1$ and $W_1 = \text{span}\{x_1\} = \text{span}\{v_1\}$.

Step2. $v_2 = x_2 - \text{proj}_{W_1} x_2$

$$= x_2 - \frac{x_2 \cdot v_1}{v_1 \cdot v_1} v_1$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - 3/4 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3/4 \\ 1/4 \\ 1/4 \\ 1/4 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Let $W_2 = \text{span}\{v_1, v_2\}$. Then $\{v_1, v_2\}$ is an orthogonal basis for $W_2 = \text{span}\{v_1, v_2\} = \text{span}\{x_1, x_2\}$.

Step3. $v_3 = x_3 - \mathbf{proj}_{W_2} x_3$

$$\mathbf{proj}_{w_2} x_3 = \frac{x_3 \cdot v_1}{v_1 \cdot v_1} v_1 + \frac{x_3 \cdot v_2}{v_2 \cdot v_2} v_2$$

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

Then

$$v_3 = x_3 - \mathbf{proj}_{w_2} x_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2/3 \\ 2/3 \\ 2/3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -2/3 \\ 1/3 \\ 1/3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

So $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ is an orthogonal basis for W .

Theorem 4.14

(The Gram-Schmidt process) Given a basis $\{x_1, \dots, x_p\}$ for non-zero subspace W of \mathbb{R}^n , define

$$v_1 = x_1$$

$$v_2 = x_2 - \frac{x_2 \cdot v_1}{v_1 \cdot v_1} v_1$$

$$v_3 = x_3 - \frac{x_3 \cdot v_1}{v_1 \cdot v_1} v_1 - \frac{x_3 \cdot v_2}{v_2 \cdot v_2} v_2$$

$$\vdots$$

$$v_p = x_p - \frac{x_p \cdot v_1}{v_1 \cdot v_1} v_1 - \frac{x_p \cdot v_2}{v_2 \cdot v_2} v_2 - \dots - \frac{x_p \cdot v_{p-1}}{v_{p-1} \cdot v_{p-1}} v_{p-1}$$

Then $\{v_1, \dots, v_p\}$ is an orthogonal basis for W . In addition $\text{span}\{v_1, \dots, v_k\} = \text{span}\{x_1, \dots, x_k\}$ for $1 \leq k \leq p$.

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Theorem 4.15

(The QR factorization) If A is an $m \times n$ matrix with linearly independent columns, then A can be factored as $A = QR$, where Q is an $m \times n$ matrix whose columns form an orthogonal basis for $\text{Col } A$ and R is an $n \times n$ upper triangular invertible matrix with positive entries on its diagonal.

Example 4.16

Let $W = \text{span}\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^4 , where

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ -4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Find an orthogonal basis for W .

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Week 14, Lecture 3, Dec. 1, Least squares problems

Sometimes $Ax = b$ does not have a solution. However, we can find the vector \hat{x} such that $A\hat{x}$ is the best approximation to b .

Definition 4.17

If A is $m \times n$ and b is in \mathbb{R}^m , a **least-squares solution** of $Ax = b$ is an \hat{x} in \mathbb{R}^n such that

$$\|b - A\hat{x}\| \leq \|b - Ax\|$$

for all x in \mathbb{R}^n .

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- Goal: Finding the set of least-squares solution of $Ax = b$.

Theorem 4.18

(Best Approximation Theorem): Let W be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n , let y be any vector in \mathbb{R}^n , and let \hat{y} be the orthogonal projection of y onto W . Then \hat{y} is the closest point in W to y , in the sense that

$$\|y - \hat{y}\| < \|y - v\|$$

for all v in W distinct from \hat{y} .

- **Solution of the general least-squares problem:**

We apply the theorem above to find the set of least-squares solution of $Ax = b$.

Consider $Col A$. Let

$$\hat{b} = \mathbf{proj}_{Col A} b$$

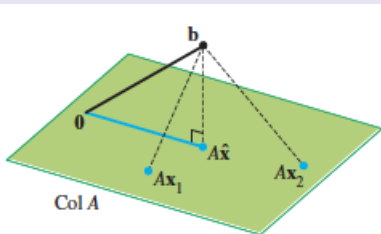


FIGURE 1 The vector \mathbf{b} is closer to $A\hat{\mathbf{x}}$ than to $A\mathbf{x}$ for other \mathbf{x} .

Since $\hat{b} \in \text{Col } A$, there is \hat{x} such that

$$A\hat{x} = \hat{b} \quad (1)$$

Note that \hat{b} is the closest point in $\text{Col } A$ to b . Therefore, a vector \hat{x} is a least-squares solution if and only if \hat{x} satisfies $A\hat{x} = \hat{b}$. We have by the Orthogonal Decomposition Theorem that $b - \hat{b}$ is orthogonal to $\text{Col } A$. So $b - \hat{b}$ is orthogonal to each column A_j of A . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= A_j \cdot (b - \hat{b}) = A_j \cdot (b - A\hat{x}) \\ &= A_j^T (b - A\hat{x}) = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow A^T (b - A\hat{x}) = 0 \\ &\Rightarrow A^T b = A^T A\hat{x}. \end{aligned}$$

So the set of least squares solutions of $Ax = b$ is the same as all \hat{x} such that $A^T b = A^T A\hat{x}$. So we have the following theorem.

Theorem 4.19

The set of least-squares solutions of $Ax = b$ coincides with the nonempty set of solution of the **normal equations** $A^T Ax = A^T b$.

Theorem 4.20

Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix. The following statements are logically equivalent:

- (a) The equation $Ax = b$ has a unique least-squares solution for each b in \mathbb{R}^m .
- (b) The columns of A are linearly independent.
- (c) The matrix $A^T A$ is invertible.

When these statements are true, the least-squares solution \hat{x} is given by

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

Example 4.21

Find a least-squares solution of the inconsistent system $Ax = b$ for

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 11 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Solution. Example 1 page 364 of the textbook.

Example 4.22

Find a least-squares solution of $Ax = b$ for

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Solution. Example 2 page 364 of the textbook.

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Week 15, Lecture 1, Dec. 4, Inner product space

Definition 5.1

An **inner product** on a vector space V is a function

$$\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

satisfying the following axioms:

1. $\langle u, v \rangle = \langle v, u \rangle$
2. $\langle u + v, w \rangle = \langle u, w \rangle + \langle v, w \rangle$
3. $\langle cu, v \rangle = c\langle u, v \rangle$
4. $\langle u, u \rangle \geq 0$ and $\langle u, u \rangle = 0$ if and only if $u = 0$.

A vector space with an inner product is called an **inner product space**.

Example 5.2

Show that \mathbb{R}^2 with the following function

$$\left\langle \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle = 4u_1v_1 + 5u_2v_2$$

is an inner product space.

Solution. We know that \mathbb{R}^2 is a vector space, so we only need to show that the function is an inner product, i.e., checking that the axioms are satisfied.

$$(1) \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle = 4u_1v_1 + 5u_2v_2 = 4v_1u_1 + 5v_2u_2 = \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle$$

(2) Let $w = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{bmatrix}$ be another element in \mathbb{R}^2 . Then

$$\left\langle \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle = \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} u_1 + v_1 \\ u_2 + v_2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle =$$

$$4(u_1 + v_1)w_1 + 5(u_2 + v_2)w_2 = 4u_1w_1 + 4v_1w_1 + 5u_2w_2 + 5v_2w_2$$

$$= (4u_1w_1 + 5u_2w_2) + (4v_1w_1 + 5v_2w_2)$$

$$= \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle + \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle$$

$$(3) \left\langle c \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle = \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} cu_1 \\ cu_2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle$$

$$= 4cu_1v_1 + 5cu_2v_2 = c(4u_1v_1 + 5u_2v_2) = c \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle.$$

$$(4) \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle = 4u_1^2 + 5u_2^2 \geq 0$$

and also note that if $\left\langle \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle = 4u_1^2 + 5u_2^2 = 0$ then

$$u_1 = 0 \text{ and } u_2 = 0. \text{ Therefore, } \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Example 5.3

Let t_0, \dots, t_n be distinct real numbers. For p and q in \mathbb{P}_n , define

$$\langle p, q \rangle = p(t_0)q(t_0) + p(t_1)q(t_1) + \dots + p(t_n)q(t_n).$$

Solution. Axioms 1-3 are readily checked. For axiom 4,

$$\langle p, p \rangle = [p(t_0)]^2 + \dots + [p(t_n)]^2 = 0.$$

So if $[p(t_0)]^2 + \dots + [p(t_n)]^2 = 0$ we must have $p(t_0) = 0, \dots, p(t_n) = 0$. It means t_0, \dots, t_n are roots for p . Therefore, p has $n + 1$ roots, which is impossible if $p \neq 0$ since any non-zero polynomial of degree n has at most n roots.

Length, Distance, and Orthogonality

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Definition 5.4

Let V be an inner product space and u and $v \in V$. Then we define

- 1 the **length or norm** of a vector to be the scalar

$$\|v\| = \sqrt{\langle v, v \rangle}$$

- 2 A **unit vector** is one whose length is 1.
- 3 The **distance** between u and v is $\|u - v\| = \sqrt{\langle u - v, u - v \rangle}$.
- 4 Two vectors u and v are said to be **orthogonal** if and only if $\langle u, v \rangle = 0$.

Example 5.5

Let \mathbb{P}_2 have the inner product

$$\langle p, q \rangle = p(0)q(0) + p(1/2)q(1/2) + p(1)q(1).$$

Compute the length of the following vectors $p(t) = 12t^2$ and $q(t) = 2t - 1$.

Solution. Note that $\|p\| = \sqrt{\langle p, p \rangle}$. We have

$$\langle p, p \rangle = [p(0)]^2 + [p(1/2)]^2 + [p(1)]^2 = 0 + 3^2 + 12^2 = 153.$$

Therefore, $\|p\| = \sqrt{153}$. Also, $\|q\| = \sqrt{2}$ (check it).

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Theorem 5.6

(The Gram-Schmidt process) Given a basis $\{x_1, \dots, x_p\}$ for non-zero subspace W of \mathbb{R}^n , define

$$v_1 = x_1$$

$$v_2 = x_2 - \frac{x_2 \cdot v_1}{v_1 \cdot v_1} v_1$$

$$v_3 = x_3 - \frac{x_3 \cdot v_1}{v_1 \cdot v_1} v_1 - \frac{x_3 \cdot v_2}{v_2 \cdot v_2} v_2$$

\vdots

$$v_p = x_p - \frac{x_p \cdot v_1}{v_1 \cdot v_1} v_1 - \frac{x_p \cdot v_2}{v_2 \cdot v_2} v_2 - \dots - \frac{x_p \cdot v_{p-1}}{v_{p-1} \cdot v_{p-1}} v_{p-1}$$

Then $\{v_1, \dots, v_p\}$ is an orthogonal basis for W . In addition $\text{span}\{v_1, \dots, v_k\} = \text{span}\{x_1, \dots, x_k\}$ for $1 \leq k \leq p$.

The Gram-Schmidt process for an inner product space

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Theorem 5.7

(The Gram-Schmidt process for an inner product space)
Given a basis $\{x_1, \dots, x_p\}$ for non-zero subspace W of an inner product space V , define

$$v_1 = x_1$$

$$v_2 = x_2 - \frac{\langle x_2, v_1 \rangle}{\langle v_1, v_1 \rangle} v_1$$

$$v_3 = x_3 - \frac{\langle x_3, v_1 \rangle}{\langle v_1, v_1 \rangle} v_1 - \frac{\langle x_3, v_2 \rangle}{\langle v_2, v_2 \rangle} v_2$$

\vdots

$$v_p = x_p - \frac{\langle x_p, v_1 \rangle}{\langle v_1, v_1 \rangle} v_1 - \frac{\langle x_p, v_2 \rangle}{\langle v_2, v_2 \rangle} v_2 - \dots - \frac{\langle x_p, v_{p-1} \rangle}{\langle v_{p-1}, v_{p-1} \rangle} v_{p-1}$$

Then $\{v_1, \dots, v_p\}$ is an orthogonal basis for W . In addition $\text{span}\{v_1, \dots, v_k\} = \text{span}\{x_1, \dots, x_k\}$ for $1 \leq k \leq p$.

Example 5.8

Define the following inner product for \mathbb{P}_4 ,

$$\langle p, q \rangle = p(-2)q(-2) + p(-1)q(-1) + p(0)q(0) + p(1)q(1) + p(2)q(2).$$

Let \mathbb{P}_2 be the subspace of \mathbb{P}_4 with the basis $\{p_1, p_2, p_3\}$, where $p_1 = 1, p_2 = t, p_3 = t^2$. Produce an orthogonal basis for \mathbb{P}_2 by applying the Gram-Schmidt Process.

Solution.

$$f_1 = p_1 = 1$$

$$f_2 = p_2 - \frac{\langle p_2, f_1 \rangle}{\langle f_1, f_1 \rangle} f_1$$

$$f_3 = p_3 - \frac{\langle p_3, f_1 \rangle}{\langle f_1, f_1 \rangle} f_1 - \frac{\langle p_3, f_2 \rangle}{\langle f_2, f_2 \rangle} f_2$$

$$\langle t, 1 \rangle = (-2) \times 1 + (-1) \times 1 + 0 \times 1 + 1 \times 1 + 2 \times 1 = 0.$$

$$\langle f_1, f_1 \rangle = \langle 1, 1 \rangle = 1 \times 1 + 1 \times 1 + 1 \times 1 + 1 \times 1 + 1 \times 1 = 5$$

$$\text{Therefore, } f_2 = t - \frac{0}{5} = t.$$

$$\langle p_3, f_1 \rangle = \langle t^2, 1 \rangle = (-2)^2 \times 1 + (-1)^2 \times 1 + 0^2 \times 1 + 1^2 \times 1 + 2^2 \times 1 = 10.$$

$$\langle p_3, f_2 \rangle = \langle t^2, t \rangle = (-2)^2 \times -2 + (-1)^2 \times (-1) + 0^2 \times 0 + 1^2 \times 1 + 2^2 \times 2 = 0.$$

$$\langle f_2, f_2 \rangle = \langle t, t \rangle = (-2)^2 + (-1)^2 + 0^2 + 1^2 + 2^2 = 10.$$

Therefore, $f_3 = t^2 - \frac{10}{5}1 - \frac{0}{10}t = t^2 - 2$. Therefore,

$$\{1, t, t^2 - 2\}$$

is an orthogonal basis for \mathbb{P}_2 (check orthogonality).