Inner Product Spaces

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Definition

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- Let \mathbb{F} be the field of real numbers \mathbb{R} or field of complex numbers \mathbb{C} , and V be the vector space over the field \mathbb{F} .
- An **inner product** on V is a function which assigns to each ordered pair of vectors α, β in V a scalar $\langle \alpha, \beta \rangle$ in $\mathbb F$ in such a way that for all α, β, γ in V and all scalar c

1.
$$\langle \alpha + \beta, \gamma \rangle = \langle \alpha, \gamma \rangle + \langle \beta, \gamma \rangle$$

2.
$$\langle \boldsymbol{c}\alpha, \beta \rangle = \boldsymbol{c}\langle \alpha, \beta \rangle$$

3.
$$\langle \alpha, \beta \rangle = \langle \overline{\beta, \alpha} \rangle$$

4.
$$\langle \alpha, \alpha \rangle > 0$$
 if $\alpha \neq 0$



• One may use $\langle \alpha | \beta \rangle$ or (α, β) instead of $\langle \alpha, \beta \rangle$.

Observations

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Observation-1:
$$\langle c\alpha + \beta, \gamma \rangle = \langle c\alpha, \gamma \rangle + \langle \beta, \gamma \rangle$$

= $c\langle \alpha, \gamma \rangle + \langle \beta, \gamma \rangle$

by condition-1 by condition-2

Observation-2:
$$\langle \gamma, c\alpha + \beta \rangle = \overline{\langle c\alpha + \beta, \gamma \rangle}$$

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by condition-3 by condition-1

$$\overline{a+b} = \overline{a} + \overline{b}$$

$$\overline{a*b} = \overline{a}*\overline{b}$$
 by condition-3





Example-1

- 1. Given $V = \mathbb{F}^n$, $\alpha = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$, $\beta = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$, and $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{C}$
- If $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{C}$, (standard norm on \mathbb{C})

$$\langle \alpha, \beta \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i \, \overline{y_i}$$
$$= x_1 \, \overline{y_1} + x_2 \, \overline{y_2} + \dots + x_n \, \overline{y_n}$$

■ If $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{R}$, (standard norm on \mathbb{R})

$$\langle \alpha, \beta \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i y_i \qquad (\overline{y} = y)$$

= $x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2 + \dots + x_n y_n$





Example-2(1/2)

2. Verify, is $\langle \alpha, \beta \rangle$ inner product?, where $V = \mathbb{F}^2$, $\alpha = (x_1, x_2)$, $\beta = (y_1, y_2)$, $\mathbb{F} = \mathbb{R}$, and given

$$\langle \alpha, \beta \rangle = x_1 y_1 - x_2 y_1 - x_1 y_2 + 4x_2 y_2$$

Let
$$\gamma = (w_1, w_2)$$

Cond.1 $\alpha + \beta = (x_1 + y_1, x_2 + y_2)$, then

$$\langle \alpha + \beta, \gamma \rangle = (x_1 + y_1)w_1 - (x_2 + y_2)w_1 - (x_1 + y_1)w_2 + 4(x_2 + y_2)w_2 \langle \alpha, \gamma \rangle = x_1 w_1 - x_2 w_1 - x_1 w_2 + 4x_2 w_2 \langle \beta, \gamma \rangle = y_1 w_1 - y_2 w_1 - y_1 w_2 + 4y_2 w_2$$

■ It is straight-forward, $\langle \alpha+\beta,\gamma\rangle=\langle \alpha,\gamma\rangle+\langle \beta,\gamma\rangle$ (Cond.1 is



Example-2(2/2)

Cond.2 & 3 Easy to verify.

Cond.4

$$\langle \alpha, \alpha \rangle = x_1^2 - x_2 x_1 - x_1 x_2 + 4 x_2^2$$

= $(x_1^2 - 2x_1 x_2 + x_2^2) + 3 x_2^2$
= $(x_1 - x_2)^2 + 3 x_2^2 > 0$.

So, Cond.4 is verified.

■ Hence, $\langle \alpha, \beta \rangle$ is an inner product.

Example-3

3. If V be $\mathbb{F}^{n\times n}$, the space of all $n\times n$ matrices over \mathbb{F} . Then V is isomorphic to \mathbb{F}^{n^2} in natural way. Then from the Example-1, inner product is

$$\langle A,B\rangle = \sum_{j,k=1}^{n} A_{jk} \overline{B}_{jk} = \operatorname{tr}(AB^*) = \operatorname{tr}(BA^*)$$

4. If V be the vector spaces of all continuous complex valued functions on [0, 1]. The inner product is give by

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_0^1 f(t) \overline{g(t)} dt.$$



Relation between Norm & Inner product

- The euclidean norm on $\mathbb{C}^{n\times 1}$ defined by $||x|| = \sqrt{x^*x}$
- where $x = (x_1, x_2, ..., x_n)^T$
- The standard inner product $\langle x, x \rangle = x^*x$
- Then,

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



CBS Inequality (Cauchy–Bunyakovsky–Schwarz inequality)

Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality

If V is an inner-product space, and if we set $||\cdot||=\sqrt{\langle\cdot\,,\cdot\rangle}$, then

$$|\langle x, y \rangle| \le ||x|| \cdot ||y||$$

The equality holds iff $x = \alpha y$ for $\alpha = \frac{\langle x, y \rangle}{||y||^2}$

Proof.

- Set $\alpha = \frac{\langle x,y \rangle}{||y||^2}$ $y \neq 0$, otherwise it is trivial case
- **Observe.** $\langle \alpha y x, y \rangle = \alpha \langle y, y \rangle \langle x, y \rangle = 0$ (substitute α)

CBS Inq.

So,

$$\langle \alpha y - x, y \rangle = 0$$

$$0 \le ||\alpha y - x||^2 = \langle \alpha y - x, \alpha y - x \rangle$$

$$= \overline{\alpha} \langle \alpha y - x, y \rangle - \langle \alpha y - x, x \rangle$$

$$= -\langle \alpha y - x, x \rangle$$

$$= -\alpha \langle y, x \rangle + \langle x, x \rangle$$

$$= -\frac{\langle x, y \rangle}{||y||^2} \langle y, x \rangle + ||x||^2 \quad \text{substit}$$

$$=-rac{\langle x,y \rangle}{||y||^2}\langle y,x \rangle+||x||^2$$
 substitute $\alpha,$ and use the relation

$$= \frac{-|\langle x, y \rangle|^2 + ||x||^2||y||^2}{||y||^2}$$

by cond.2 $\langle y, x \rangle = \overline{\langle x, y \rangle}$, $a\overline{a} = |a|^2$

■ Since
$$||y||^2 \neq 0$$

 $-|\langle x, y \rangle|^2 + ||x||^2||y||^2 > 0 \Rightarrow ||x||^2||y||^2 > |\langle x, y \rangle|^2|$

Hence,

Norms in Inner-Product Spaces

If V be a inner-product space with an inner product $\langle x, y \rangle$, then

$$||x + y||^2 \le (||x|| + ||y||)^2$$

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} ||x+y||^2 &= \langle x+y, x+y \rangle, & ||\cdot|| &= \sqrt{\langle \cdot \rangle} \\ &= \langle x, x+y \rangle + \langle y, x+y \rangle, \\ &= \langle x, x \rangle + \langle x, y \rangle + \langle y, x \rangle + \langle y, y \rangle, \\ &\leq ||x||^2 + ||x|| \cdot ||y|| + ||y|| \cdot ||x|| + ||y||^2, & \text{by CBS} \\ &= ||x||^2 + 2||x|| \cdot ||y|| + ||y||^2, \\ &= \left(||x|| + ||y||\right)^2 \quad \text{Proved.} \end{aligned}$$

Parallelogram formula

If V be a inner-product space with an inner product $\langle x, y \rangle$, then

$$||x + y||^2 + ||x - y||^2 = 2(||x||^2 + ||y||^2)$$

Proof.

$$||x+y||^2 = \langle x, x \rangle + \langle x, y \rangle + \langle y, x \rangle + \langle y, y \rangle, \text{ and}$$
$$||x-y||^2 = \langle x, x \rangle - \langle x, y \rangle - \langle y, x \rangle + \langle y, y \rangle,$$

Adding this two relations, we get the required result.

Orthogonal Vectors

Orthogonal: In inner-product space V, the vectors x and y in V are said to be **orthogonal** (to each other) iff $\langle x,y\rangle=0$

If x and y are orthogonal, it is denoted by $x \perp y$

Therefore,
$$x \perp y \Leftrightarrow \langle x, y \rangle = 0$$



Orthogonal set & Orthonormal set

Let S be the set of vectors $\{u_1, u_2, \ldots, u_n\}$.

Orthogonal set: The set S is said to be orthogonal if

$$\langle u_i, u_j \rangle = 0$$
, for $i \neq j$, $1 \leq i, j \leq n$.

Orthonormal set: The set S is said to be orthogonal if

- 1. $\langle u_i, u_i \rangle = 0$, for $i \neq j$, $1 \leq i, j \leq n$.
- 2. $\langle u_i, u_i \rangle = 1$, for i = j, $1 \le i, j \le n$.

Example.

- Let $u_1 = (x_1, y_1)$ and $u_2 = (-y_1, x_1)$
- Therefore, $u_1 \perp u_2$ i.e. u_1 and u_2 are orthogonal to each other, since



$$\langle u_1, u_2 \rangle = x_1(-y_1) + y_1 x_1 = 0$$

Orthogonal set ---> Orthonormal set

- **Step-1:** (set, n=3) find the norm for all the orthogonal vectors i.e find $||u_1||, ||u_2||$ and $||u_3||$
- Step-2: $\left\{\frac{u_1}{||u_1||}, \frac{u_2}{||u_2||}, \frac{u_3}{||u_3||}\right\}$ is the required **orthonormal** set
- **Given:** the orthogonal set $(\langle u_i, u_j \rangle = 0, 1 \le i, j \le 3)$

$$\mathcal{U} \equiv \left\{ u_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, u_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, u_3 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

 $||u_1|| = \sqrt{2}, ||u_2|| = \sqrt{3} \text{ and } ||u_3|| = \sqrt{6}$

$$\left\{\frac{u_1}{||u_1||} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \frac{u_2}{||u_2||} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \frac{u_3}{||u_3||} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$



Theorem

Let S be the set of vectors $\{u_1, u_2, \ldots, u_n\}$.

Theorem

Every orthonormal S set is linearly independent.

Proof.

• Given:
$$\langle u_i, u_j \rangle = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } i \neq j, \\ 1, & \text{if } i = j \end{cases}$$

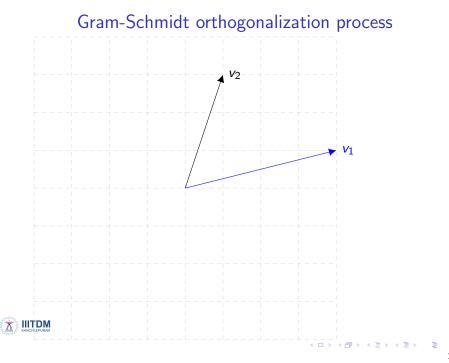
- First set, $c_1u_1 + c_2u_2 + \cdots + c_nu_n = 0$
- **Aim:** all c_i 's are zero.
- Let, for each i,

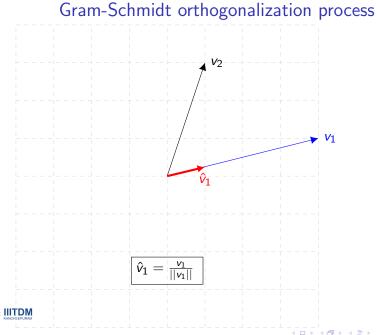
$$0 = \langle u_i, 0 \rangle$$

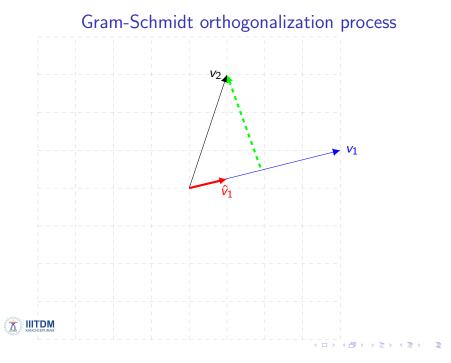
= $\langle u_i, c_1 u_1 + \dots + c_{i-1} u_{i-1} + c_i u_i + c_{i+1} u_{i+1} \dots + c_n u_n \rangle$
= c_i

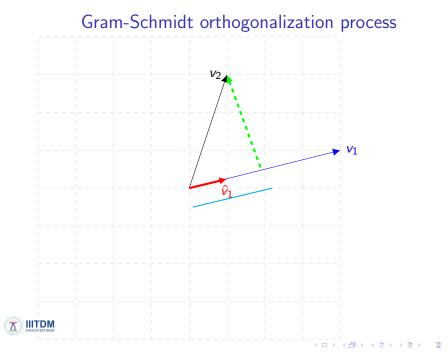


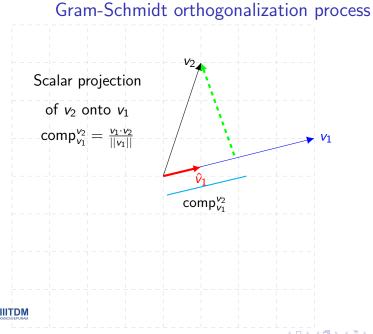
Hence proved.



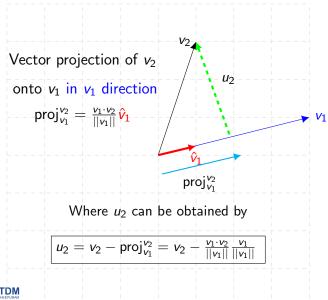




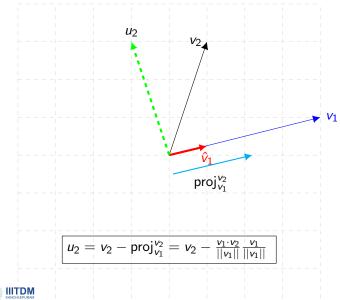






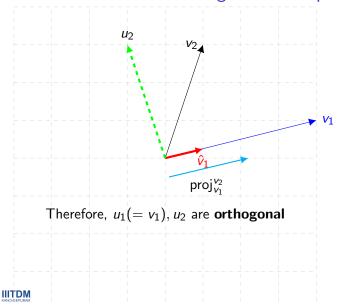


Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization process









Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization process(GSOP)

- Given two vectors v_1, v_2 .
- **Aim:** to find orthonormal vectors u_1, u_2 .
- Set, first orthonormal vector $u_1 = v_1$
- Second orthonormal vector is obtained from the previous result

$$\begin{split} u_2 &= v_2 - \mathsf{proj}_{v_1}^{v_2} \\ &= v_2 - \frac{v_1 \cdot v_2}{||v_1||^2} v_1 \\ &= v_2 - \frac{\langle v_2, u_1 \rangle}{\langle u_1, u_1 \rangle} u_1, \qquad || \cdot ||^2 = \langle \cdot \rangle \end{split}$$

Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization process

Let V be an inner-product space. Let $v_1, v_2, v_3, \ldots, v_n$ independent vectors in V. Using these vectors on may construct orthogonal vectors $u_1, u_2, u_3, \ldots, u_n$ by Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization process as follows:



$$u_n = v_n - \frac{\langle v_n, u_1 \rangle}{\langle u_1, u_1 \rangle} u_1 - \frac{\langle v_n, u_2 \rangle}{\langle u_2, u_2 \rangle} u_2 - \dots - \frac{\langle v_n, u_{n-1} \rangle}{\langle u_{n-1}, u_{n-1} \rangle} u_{n-1}$$

Example

Given: $v_1 = (3,0,4), v_2 = (-1,0,7), v_3 = (2,9,11)$

Find : orthogonal vectors u_1, u_2, u_3

$$\begin{aligned} u_1 &= v_1 = (3,0,4), & \text{set up} \\ u_2 &= v_2 - \frac{\langle v_2, u_1 \rangle}{\langle u_1, u_1 \rangle} u_1 = (-1,0,7) - \frac{\langle (-1,0,7), (3,0,4) \rangle}{\langle (3,0,4), (3,0,4) \rangle} (3,0,4) \\ &= (-1,0,5) - \frac{-3 + 28}{9 + 16} (3,0,4) = (-4,0,3) \\ u_3 &= v_3 - \frac{\langle v_3, u_1 \rangle}{\langle u_1, u_1 \rangle} u_1 - \frac{\langle v_3, u_2 \rangle}{\langle u_2, u_2 \rangle} u_2 \\ &= (2,9,11) - \frac{\langle (2,9,11), (3,0,4) \rangle}{\langle (3,0,4), (3,0,4) \rangle} (3,0,4) \\ &- \frac{\langle (2,9,11), (-4,0,3) \rangle}{\langle (-4,0,3), (-4,0,3) \rangle} (-4,0,3) \end{aligned}$$





$$u_3 = (2,9,11) - 2(3,0,4) - (-4,0,3) = (0,9,0)$$

Therefore, the required orthogonal set is

QR-Factorization

A QR factorization of a rectangular(square) matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ with $m \ge n(m = n)$ is a factorization

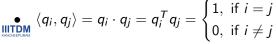
$$A = QR$$

with $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ orthonormal columns of A and $R \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ upper triangular matrix with positive diagonal entries.

$$A =: \begin{bmatrix} a_1 | a_2 | \cdots | a_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} q_1 | q_2 | \cdots | q_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{11} & \cdots & r_{1n} \\ 0 & r_{22} & \cdots & r_{2n} \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & r_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$









From GSOP,

$$u_{1} = a_{1}, q_{1} = \frac{u_{1}}{||u_{1}||}$$

$$u_{2} = a_{2} - \frac{\langle a_{2}, u_{1} \rangle}{\langle u_{1}, u_{1} \rangle} u_{1} = a_{2} - \frac{\langle a_{2}, u_{1} \rangle}{||u_{1}||^{2}} u_{1}$$

$$= a_{2} - \langle a_{2}, \frac{u_{1}}{||u_{1}||} \rangle \frac{u_{1}}{||u_{1}||} = a_{2} - \langle a_{2}, q_{1} \rangle q_{1}, \quad q_{2} = \frac{u_{2}}{||u_{2}||}$$

Similarly,

$$u_n=a_n-\langle a_n,q_1
angle q_1-\langle a_n,q_2
angle q_2-\cdots-\langle a_n,q_{n-1}
angle q_{n-1},$$
 and $q_n=rac{u_n}{||u_n||}$

Therefore,

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where $r_{ij} = \langle a_i, q_j \rangle$ $i \neq j$ and $r_{ii} = ||u_i||$