

Lecture 23

Ex $W = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \subset \mathbb{R}^3$

$\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3$

Turn into \perp basis:

$$\vec{w}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

This is the
Gram-Schmidt
process

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{w}_2 &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \text{proj}_{\vec{w}_1} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\times 2} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{w}_3 = \vec{v}_3 - \text{proj}_{\vec{w}_1}(\vec{v}_3) - \text{proj}_{\vec{w}_2}(\vec{v}_3)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{0}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{2}{6} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1/3 \\ -1/3 \\ 1/3 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\times 3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

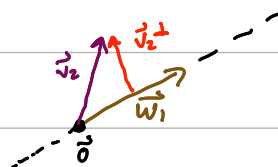
$$\perp \text{ basis : } \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

orthonormal basis : $\left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

Why does Gram-Schmidt process work:

- It produces k new vectors
- All vectors are \perp to each other

$$\vec{w}_2 \cdot \vec{w}_1 = (\underbrace{\vec{v}_2 - \text{proj}_{W_1}(\vec{v}_2)}_{\vec{v}_2 \perp}) \cdot \vec{w}_1 = 0$$



- All the vectors are non-zero

$\rightarrow \{\vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_k\}$ are linearly independent

\rightarrow basis because $k = \dim(W)$

Def: Given a subspace W of \mathbb{R}^n , the orthogonal complement of W is the set $W^\perp = \{\vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = 0 \ \forall \vec{w} \in W\}$

e.g.

$$W = \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow W^\perp = \{\vec{0}\}$$

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$$L = \text{span}(\vec{v}), \vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \text{ non-}\vec{0}$$

$$\rightarrow L^\perp = \text{span}(\vec{w})$$

for some non- $\vec{0} \ \vec{w} \perp \vec{v}$

Proposition: $W \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ subspace $\rightarrow W^\perp$ is also a subspace

Proof!

• 1st observe $\forall \vec{w} \in W, \vec{0} \cdot \vec{w} = 0 \rightarrow \vec{0} \in W^\perp$

• 2nd if $\vec{v} \in W^\perp$ and $c \in \mathbb{R}$, then $\forall \vec{w} \in W$ we have $(c\vec{v}) \cdot \vec{w} = c(\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w}) = c \cdot 0 = 0$
so $c\vec{v} \in W^\perp$

• 3rd: if $\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2 \in W^\perp$ similarly argue $\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2 \in W^\perp$

$\therefore W^\perp$ is a subspace

Proposition: If $W = \text{span}(\vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_k) \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ then $\vec{v} \in W^\perp$ i.f.f. $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w}_1 = \dots = \vec{v} \cdot \vec{w}_k = 0$

Proof: Idea $\vec{w} \in W \rightarrow \vec{w} = c_1 \vec{w}_1 + \dots + c_k \vec{w}_k \rightarrow \vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = c_1 \vec{v} \cdot \vec{w}_1 + \dots + c_k \vec{v} \cdot \vec{w}_k$

Ex $W = \left\{ \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3 : 2x_1 - x_2 - x_3 = 0 \right\}$

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

Is $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \in W^\perp$?

check $\begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = 3$

No!

Is $\begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \in W^\perp$?

$$\begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

yes!

Orthogonal Decomposition Theorem: If $W \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is a unique subspace and $\vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ a vector, then \exists unique vectors $\vec{v}_{||} \in W$ and $\vec{v}_{\perp} \in W^{\perp}$ such that $\vec{v} = \vec{v}_{||} + \vec{v}_{\perp}$. In fact if $\beta = \{\vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_k\}$ is an \perp basis for W then $\vec{v}_{||} = \text{proj}_{\vec{w}_1}(\vec{v}) + \dots + \text{proj}_{\vec{w}_k}(\vec{v})$

• We call $\vec{v}_{||}$ the orthogonal projection of \vec{v} onto W and write $\text{proj}_W(\vec{v}) = \vec{v}_{||}$

Ex What is $\text{proj}_W(\vec{e}_1)$ where $W = \{\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^3 : 2x_1 + x_2 - x_3 = 0\}$?

Last time we found an \perp basis $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} ? \\ ? \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

Solution is in online notes