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Example

Apply the *Gram-Schmidt process* to find an orthonormal basis of the subspace spanned by $\mathbf{x}_1 = [1, -1, 1]^t$, $\mathbf{x}_2 = [0, 3, -3]^t$ and $\mathbf{x}_3 = [3, 2, 2]^t$.

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$$\bullet \text{Orthonormal basis is } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{3} \\ -1/\sqrt{3} \\ 1/\sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2/\sqrt{6} \\ 1/\sqrt{6} \\ -1/\sqrt{6} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix} \right\}.$$

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