# Section 5.1

## Inner Products in R<sup>n</sup>

# **Objectives**

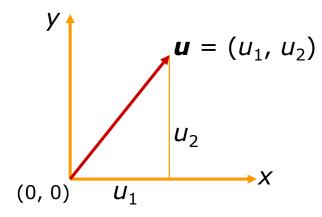
- What are the algebraic representation of length, distance and angles in R<sup>n</sup>?
- What is the dot product of vectors?

# Length, distance and angles in R<sup>2</sup>

## Discussion 5.1.1

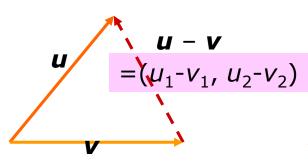
$$u = (u_1, u_2)$$
 and  $v = (v_1, v_2)$ : vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ 

length of vector



$$\|u\| = \sqrt{{u_1}^2 + {u_2}^2}$$

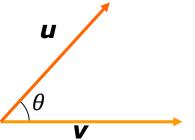
distance between two vectors



$$\|\boldsymbol{u} - \boldsymbol{v}\| = \sqrt{(u_1 - v_1)^2 + (u_2 - v_2)^2}$$

angle between two vectors

$$0 \le \theta < \pi$$



$$\cos \theta = \frac{u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2}{||\boldsymbol{u}||||\boldsymbol{v}||}$$

derived from cosine rule

$$\theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{u_1v_1 + u_2v_2}{||\boldsymbol{u}||||\boldsymbol{v}||}\right)$$

Similarly for R<sup>3</sup> case

# Length, distance and angles in R<sup>n</sup>

## Definition 5.1.2

$$\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2, ..., u_n), \ \mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2, ..., v_n)$$
 vectors in  $\mathbf{R}^n$ 

of vector

length ||u|| distance ||u - v||between two vectors

angle  $\theta$  between two vectors

$$\sqrt{{u_1}^2 + {u_2}^2}$$

$$\sqrt{(u_1-v_1)^2+(u_2-v_2)^2}$$

$$\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{u_1v_1+u_2v_2}{||\boldsymbol{u}||||\boldsymbol{v}||}\right)$$

$$\sqrt{{u_1}^2 + {u_2}^2 + {u_3}^2}$$

$$\sqrt{(u_1-v_1)^2+(u_2-v_2)^2+(u_3-v_3)^2}$$

$$\mathbb{R}^{3} \qquad \sqrt{u_{1}^{2} + u_{2}^{2} + u_{3}^{2}} \qquad \sqrt{(u_{1} - v_{1})^{2} + (u_{2} - v_{2})^{2} + (u_{3} - v_{3})^{2}} \quad \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{u_{1}v_{1} + u_{2}v_{2} + u_{3}v_{3}}{||\boldsymbol{u}||||\boldsymbol{v}||} \right)$$

$$\sqrt{u_1^2 + u_2^2 + \dots + u_n^2} \qquad \sqrt{(u_1 - v_1)^2 + (u_2 - v_2)^2 + \dots + (u_n - v_n)^2} \qquad \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2 + \dots + u_n v_n}{||\boldsymbol{u}|| ||\boldsymbol{v}||} \right)$$

## cumbersome

# What is dot product?

## **Definition 5.1.2.1**

$$\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2, ..., u_n), \ \mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2, ..., v_n)$$
 vectors in  $\mathbf{R}^n$ 

The dot product of u and v is defined to be the value (scalar) scalar product

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2 + \dots + u_n v_n$$

product of two vectors

scalar

inner product

In particular,

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} = U_1^2 + U_2^2 + \dots + U_n^2$$

# Length, distance and angles in terms of dot product

# **Definition 5.1.2 (R<sup>n</sup> case)**

$$\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2, ..., u_n), \ \mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2, ..., v_n)$$
 vectors in  $\mathbf{R}^n$ 

### What for?

norm of vector

length ||u|| distance ||u - v||between two vectors

 $\sqrt{u_1^2 + u_2^2 + ... + u_n^2}$   $\sqrt{(u_1 - v_1)^2 + (u_2 - v_2)^2 + ... + (u_n - v_n)^2}$ 

$$\sqrt{u \cdot u}$$

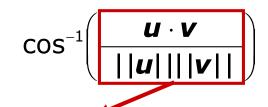
$$\sqrt{(\boldsymbol{u}-\boldsymbol{v})\cdot(\boldsymbol{u}-\boldsymbol{v})}$$

vectors of norm 1 are called unit vectors

 $\boldsymbol{u}$  is a unit vector  $\Leftrightarrow ||\boldsymbol{u}|| = 1$ 

angle  $\theta$  between two vectors

$$\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{u_1v_1 + u_2v_2 + ... + u_nv_n}{||\boldsymbol{u}||||\boldsymbol{v}||}\right)$$



Does this quotient have value between -1 and 1?

# Dot product as matrix multiplication

## **Remark 5.1.3**

$$\boldsymbol{u} = (u_1 \ u_2 \ \dots \ u_n) \ \text{and} \ \boldsymbol{v} = (v_1 \ v_2 \ \dots \ v_n)$$

$$\mathbf{regarded} \ \mathbf{as} \ \mathbf{row} \ \mathbf{matrix}$$

$$\boldsymbol{u} \cdot \boldsymbol{v} = u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2 + \dots + u_n v_n = (u_1 \ u_2 \ \dots \ u_n) \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{pmatrix} = \boldsymbol{u} \boldsymbol{v}^T$$

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \boldsymbol{v} = \mathbf{u} \boldsymbol{v}^T \ \mathbf{1} \ \mathbf{x} \ \mathbf{1} \ \mathbf{matrix}$$

$$\boldsymbol{v} = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\boldsymbol{v} = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \boldsymbol{v} = \mathbf{u}^T \boldsymbol{v}$$

regarded as column matrix

## Properties of dot product

## **Theorem 5.1.5**

Let c be a scalar and u, v, w vectors in  $\mathbf{R}^n$ .

1. 
$$u \cdot v = v \cdot u$$
 commutative law

2. 
$$(u + v) \cdot w = u \cdot w + v \cdot w$$
  
 $w \cdot (u + v) = w \cdot u + w \cdot v$  distributive law

3. 
$$(c\mathbf{u}) \cdot \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u} \cdot (c\mathbf{v}) = c(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v})$$
 scalar mult.

4. 
$$||cu|| = |c|||u||$$
 (not  $c ||u||$ )

5. (i) 
$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} \ge 0$$
  
(ii)  $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$  if and only if  $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$ .

$$u_1^2 + u_2^2 + \dots + u_n^2 = 0$$
  $\longrightarrow$   $u_1 = 0, u_2 = 0, \dots, u_n = 0$ 

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# **Additional example**

$$Av = 0$$
 if and only if  $A^TAv = 0$ 

### **Proof**

$$Av = 0 \Rightarrow A^{T}Av = A^{T}0 \Rightarrow A^{T}Av = 0$$

$$V^{T}A^{T}Av = V^{T}0$$

$$(V^{T}A^{T})Av = 0$$

$$(Av)^{T}Av = 0$$

$$U \cdot V = U^{T}V$$
 for column vectors

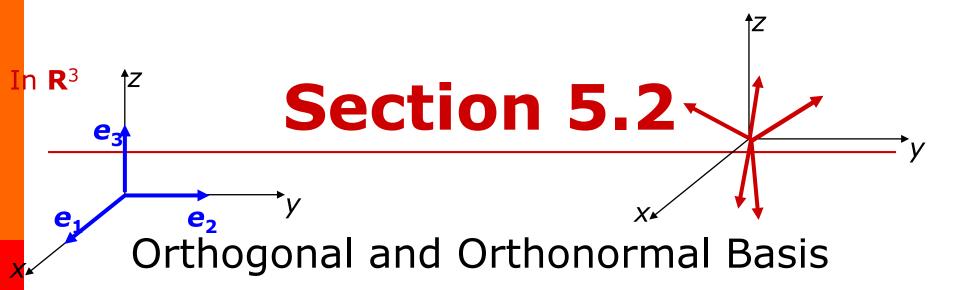
$$(Av)\cdot(Av)=0$$

$$\rightarrow Av = 0$$

 $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$  if and only if  $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$ 

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## **Objectives**

- What is an orthogonal/orthonormal set?
- How to normalize a vector?
- What are the properties of orthogonal sets?

Ortho- means: straight, upright, right, correct

# What is an orthogonal/orthonormal set?

## **Definition 5.2.1**

- Two vectors u and v in R<sup>n</sup> are called orthogonal if u · v = 0.
   In R<sup>2</sup> and R<sup>3</sup>, it means "perpendicular"
- 2. A set S of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is called orthogonal if every pair of distinct vectors in S are orthogonal.  $S = \{u_1, u_2, ..., u_k\}$

$$u_1 \cdot u_2 = 0, \ u_1 \cdot u_3 = 0, \ ... \ u_{k-1} \cdot u_k = 0$$
 $||u_1|| = ||u_2|| = ... = ||u_k|| = 1$ 

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3. A set *S* of vectors in **R**<sup>n</sup> is called orthonormal if *S* is orthogonal and every vector in *S* is a unit vector.

# Angle between two orthogonal vectors

### **Remark 5.2.2**

Let  $\boldsymbol{u}$  and  $\boldsymbol{v}$  be two vectors in  $\mathbf{R}^n$ .

If  $\boldsymbol{u}$  and  $\boldsymbol{v}$  are orthogonal,  $\Rightarrow \boldsymbol{u} \cdot \boldsymbol{v} = 0$  the angle between  $\boldsymbol{u}$  and  $\boldsymbol{v}$ :

$$\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{\boldsymbol{u}\cdot\boldsymbol{v}}{||\boldsymbol{u}||||\boldsymbol{v}||}\right) = \cos^{-1}(0) = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

So  $\boldsymbol{u}$  and  $\boldsymbol{v}$  are perpendicular

# An example of an orthogonal/orthonormal set

# **Example 5.2.3.3**

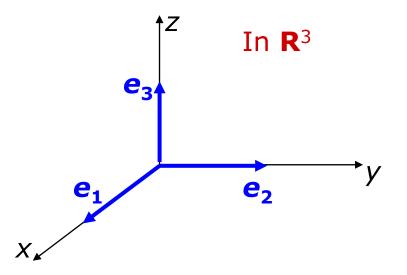
Consider the standard basis  $\{e_1, e_2, ..., e_n\}$  for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

$$e_1 = (1, 0, ..., 0)$$

$$e_2 = (0, 1, ..., 0)$$

$$e_n = (0, 0, ..., 1)$$

For 
$$i \neq j$$
,  $e_i \cdot e_i = 0$ .



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So the standard basis is an orthogonal set

For 
$$i = 1, 2, ..., n, ||e_i|| = 1$$
.

So the standard basis is also an orthonormal set.

# Another example of an orthogonal set

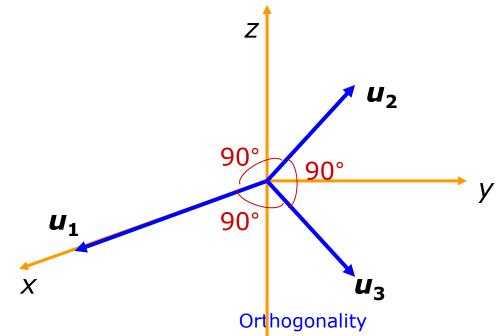
# **Example 5.2.3.2**

$$u_1 = (2, 0, 0), u_2 = (0, 1, 1) \text{ and } u_3 = (0, 1, -1).$$

$$u_1 \cdot u_2 = 0$$
,  $u_1 \cdot u_3 = 0$  and  $u_2 \cdot u_3 = 0$ 

 $\{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$  is an orthogonal set.

It is not an orthonormal set.



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# Converting orthogonal to orthonormal set

# **Example 5.2.3.2**

$$\begin{array}{l} \boldsymbol{u_1} = (2,\,0,\,0) \quad \boldsymbol{u_2} = (0,\,1,\,1) \quad \boldsymbol{u_3} = (0,\,1,\,-1) \\ \boldsymbol{v_1} = \frac{1}{||\boldsymbol{u_1}||} \, \boldsymbol{u_1} = \frac{1}{2} (2,\,0,\,0) = (1,\,0,\,0) \\ \boldsymbol{v_2} = \frac{1}{||\boldsymbol{u_2}||} \, \boldsymbol{u_2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (0,\,1,\,1) = (0,\,\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\,,\,\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}) \\ \boldsymbol{v_3} = \frac{1}{||\boldsymbol{u_3}||} \, \boldsymbol{u_3} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (0,\,1,\,-1) = (0,\,\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\,,\,-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}) \\ ||\boldsymbol{v_i}|| = \left\| \frac{1}{||\boldsymbol{u_i}||} \, \boldsymbol{u_i} \right\| = \frac{1}{||\boldsymbol{u_i}||} \, ||\,\boldsymbol{u_i}|| = 1 \end{array}$$

For 
$$i \neq j$$
,

$$\mathbf{v}_i \cdot \mathbf{v}_j = \left(\frac{1}{||\mathbf{u}_i||} \mathbf{u}_i\right) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{||\mathbf{u}_j||} \mathbf{u}_j\right) = \frac{1}{||\mathbf{u}_i||||\mathbf{u}_j||} (\mathbf{u}_i \cdot \mathbf{u}_j) = 0$$

So the set  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  is orthonormal.

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## Normalizing a vector

# Remark on Example 5.2.3.2

Scalar multiple of the original vector

$$\{u_1, u_2, u_3\} \xrightarrow{\text{normalizing}} \{\frac{1}{||u_1||} u_1, \frac{1}{||u_2||} u_2, \frac{1}{||u_3||} u_3\}$$
 an orthogonal set an orthonormal set

# orthogonal ⇒ linearly independent

### Theorem 5.2.4

Let S be an orthogonal set of nonzero vectors in a vector space.

Then S is linearly independent.

### **Proof**

Let 
$$S = \{u_1, u_2, ..., u_n\}$$
 orthogonal set

$$c_1 u_1 + c_2 u_2 + ... + c_n u_n = 0$$

Want to show:

$$c_1 = 0$$
,  $c_2 = 0$ , ...,  $c_n = 0$  is the only solution

Take dot product on both sides with  $u_i$  for every i.

# orthogonal ⇒ linearly independent

$$u_i \cdot u_i \neq 0$$
 for all i

## Theorem 5.2.4

$$\mathbf{u}_{j} \cdot \mathbf{u}_{i} = 0 \text{ if } j \neq i$$

Proof 
$$S = \{u_1, u_2, ..., u_n\}$$
 orthogonal set nonzero vectors

$$c_1 u_1 + c_2 u_2 + ... + c_n u_n = 0$$

$$(c_1 u_1 + c_2 u_2 + \cdots + c_k u_k) \cdot u_1 = 0 \cdot u_1$$

$$c_1(u_1 \cdot u_1) + c_2(u_2 \cdot u_1) + \cdots + c_k(u_k \cdot u_1) = 0$$

$$c_1(\boldsymbol{u_1} \cdot \boldsymbol{u_1}) = 0$$

$$c_1 = 0$$

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Similarly we can show  $c_2 = 0, ..., c_n = 0$ 

# What is an orthogonal/orthonormal basis?

## **Definition 5.2.5**

A basis S for a vector space is called an orthogonal basis if S is orthogonal.

 $\{e_1, e_2, e_3\}$  is an orthogonal basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ 

 $\{(2,0,0), (0,1,1), (0,1,-1)\}$  is an orthogonal basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ 

 $\{(1,0,0), (1,1,0), (1,1,1)\}$  is not an orthogonal basis for  $\mathbf{R}^3$ 

2. A basis *S* for a vector space is called an orthonormal basis if *S* is orthonormal.

 $\{e_1, e_2, e_3\}$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ 

 $\{ \boldsymbol{e_1}, \, \boldsymbol{e_2}, \, \boldsymbol{e_3} \}$  is an orthonormal basis for  $\mathbf{R}^3$ 

 $\{(2,0,0), (0,1,1), (0,1,-1)\}\$  is not an orthonormal basis for  $\mathbf{R}^3$ 

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 $\{(1,0,0), (1,1,0), (1,1,1)\}$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ 

# How to check a set is an orthogonal basis?

## **Remark 5.2.6**

A set S of nonzero vectors in a vector space V.

To check whether S is an orthonormal basis for V:

Only need to check:

- (i) S is orthonormal and
- (ii) span(S) = V.

Only need to check:

(i) S is orthonormal and

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(ii)  $|S| = \dim V$ .

If we know dim V,

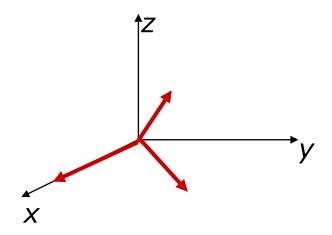
# How to check a set is an orthogonal basis?

# **Example 5.2.7.2**

$$\mathbf{u}_1 = (2, 0, 0)$$
  $\mathbf{u}_2 = (0, 1, 1)$   $\mathbf{u}_3 = (0, 1, -1)$ 

$$\{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$$

- an orthogonal set
- has three vectors = dim  $\mathbb{R}^3$
- $\Rightarrow$  an orthogonal basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .



# **Quiz Time**

### True or false

$$\mathbf{u}_1 = (1, -1, 1, -1)$$
  $\mathbf{u}_2 = (1, 1, 1, 1)$   $\mathbf{u}_3 = (0, 1, 0, -1)$ 

 $\{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$  is an orthogonal basis for

$$V = \text{span}\{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$$

### Check:

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

 $\{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$  spans V

 $\Rightarrow \{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$  is an orthogonal basis for V.

## Coordinate vector w.r.t. orthogonal basis

# **Example 5.2.9.2**

$$u_1 = (1, 1, 1), u_2 = (1, 0, -1) \text{ and } u_3 = (1, -2, 1).$$

$$S = \{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$$
 is an orthogonal basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

Let 
$$\mathbf{w} = (1, -1, 0)$$
. Find  $(\mathbf{w})_s$  coordinate vector w.r.t. basis S

$$\mathbf{w} = c_1 \, \mathbf{u_1} + c_2 \, \mathbf{u_2} + c_3 \, \mathbf{u_3} \quad \Rightarrow (\mathbf{w})_s = (c_1, c_2, c_3)$$

standard approach: need to solve linear system

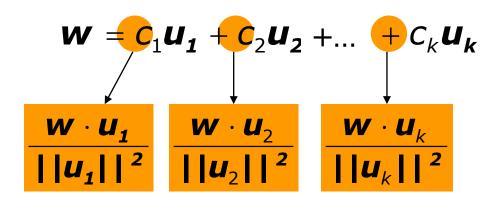
## Short cut formula (when S is orthogonal):

$$(\mathbf{w})_{s} = \left(\frac{\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{u_{1}}}{\|\mathbf{u_{1}}\|^{2}}, \frac{\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{u_{2}}}{\|\mathbf{u_{2}}\|^{2}}, \frac{\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{u_{3}}}{\|\mathbf{u_{3}}\|^{2}}\right) = \left(0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

## Coordinate vector w.r.t. orthogonal basis

## **Theorem 5.2.8.1**

$$S = \{u_1, u_2, ..., u_k\}$$
: an orthogonal basis for  $V$   
For any vector  $\mathbf{w}$  in  $V$ ,



$$(w)_{s} = \left(\frac{w \cdot u_{1}}{\|u_{1}\|^{2}}, \frac{w \cdot u_{2}}{\|u_{2}\|^{2}}, \dots, \frac{w \cdot u_{k}}{\|u_{k}\|^{2}}\right)$$

Theorem 5.2.8.2: orthonormal basis Special case of part 1, with  $||u_i||^2 = 1$  for all i

## **Theorem 5.2.8.1**

$$\boldsymbol{u_i} \cdot \boldsymbol{u_i} = ||\boldsymbol{u_i}||^2$$

Let 
$$\mathbf{w} = c_1 \mathbf{u_1} + c_2 \mathbf{u_2} + \dots + c_k \mathbf{u_k}$$
 WTS:  $c_i = \frac{\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{u_i}}{\|\mathbf{u_i}\|\|^2}$   
 $\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{u_1} = (c_1 \mathbf{u_1} + c_2 \mathbf{u_2} + \dots + c_k \mathbf{u_k}) \cdot \mathbf{u_1}$   
 $= c_1(\mathbf{u_1} \cdot \mathbf{u_1}) + c_2(\mathbf{u_2} \cdot \mathbf{u_1}) + \dots + c_k(\mathbf{u_k} \cdot \mathbf{u_1})$   
 $= c_1(\mathbf{u_1} \cdot \mathbf{u_1})$   
 $= c_1(\|\mathbf{u_1}\|\|^2)$ 

So 
$$C_1 = \frac{\mathbf{W} \cdot \mathbf{u}_1}{\|\mathbf{u}_1\|\|^2}$$

## Coordinate vector w.r.t. orthonormal basis

# **Example 5.2.9.1**

$$V_1 = (\frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5})$$
  $V_2 = (\frac{4}{5}, -\frac{3}{5})$   $||v_i||^2 = 1$   $v_1 \cdot v_2 = 0$ 

 $S = \{v_1, v_2\}$  is an orthonormal basis for  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

Let  $\mathbf{w} = (x, y)$  be any vector in  $\mathbf{R}^2$ .

Express  $(\mathbf{w})_s$  in terms of x and y

$$\mathbf{W} \cdot \mathbf{V_1} = \frac{3x+4y}{5}$$

$$\mathbf{W} \cdot \mathbf{V_2} = \frac{4x-3y}{5}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{W} = (\mathbf{W} \cdot \mathbf{V_1})\mathbf{V_1} + (\mathbf{W} \cdot \mathbf{V_2})\mathbf{V_2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{W} = \frac{3x+4y}{5}\mathbf{V_1} + \frac{4x-3y}{5}\mathbf{V_2}$$

$$(\mathbf{W})_S = (\frac{3x+4y}{5}, \frac{4x-3y}{5})$$

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## Coordinate vector w.r.t. orthogonal basis

# **Example 5.2.9.2**

$$u_1 = (1, 1, 1), \ u_2 = (1, 0, -1) \ \text{and} \ u_3 = (1, -2, 1).$$
 $S = \{u_1, u_2, u_3\} \ \text{is an orthogonal basis for} \ \mathbf{R}^3.$ 
Let  $\mathbf{w} = (1, -1, 0).$  Find  $(\mathbf{w})_s$  coordinate vector w.r.t. basis  $S$ 

$$\mathbf{w} = c_1 \ u_1 + c_2 \ u_2 + c_3 \ u_3 \ \Rightarrow (\mathbf{w})_s = (c_1, c_2, c_3)$$

Theorem 5.2.8 (when S is orthogonal):

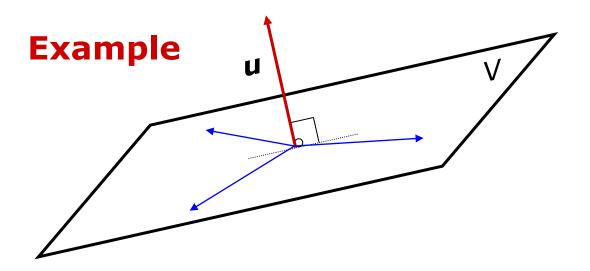
$$(\mathbf{w})_{s} = \left(\frac{\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{u}_{1}}{||\mathbf{u}_{1}||^{2}}, \frac{\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{u}_{2}}{||\mathbf{u}_{2}||^{2}}, \frac{\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{u}_{3}}{||\mathbf{u}_{3}||^{2}}\right) = \left(0, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

# A vector orthogonal to a subspace

## **Definition 5.2.10**

Let V be a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

A vector  $\boldsymbol{u}$  is orthogonal to the subspace V if  $\boldsymbol{u}$  is orthogonal to all vectors in V.



## A vector orthogonal to a plane

# **Example 5.2.11.1**

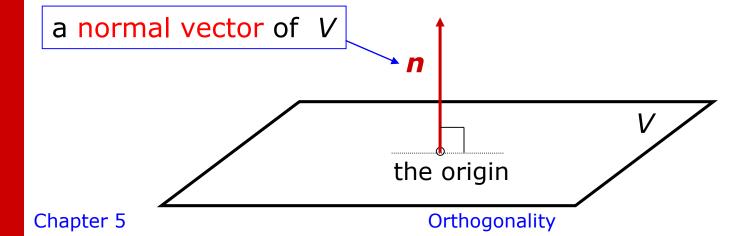
$$3x - 5y + 11z = 0$$

V a plane in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  with equation ax + by + cy = 0.

$$n = (a, b, c)$$
 Why it works? satisfies the equation Take any  $u = (x_0, y_0, z_0)$  in  $V$ 

Take the dot product 
$$\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{u} = ax_0 + by_0 + cz_0 = 0$$

So n is orthogonal to every vector u in V



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# How to find vectors orthogonal to a subspace?

# **Example 5.2.11.2**

$$u_1 = (1, 1, 1, 0)$$
 and  $u_2 = (0, -1, -1, 1)$ 
 $V = \text{span}\{u_1, u_2\}$  a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^4$ 

Find all vectors that are orthogonal to  $V$ .

 $(w, x, y, z)$ 

Let  $\mathbf{v}$  be orthogonal to  $V = \text{span}\{u_1, u_2\}$ 
 $\Leftrightarrow \mathbf{v}$  is orthogonal to  $au_1 + bu_2$  for all  $a, b$ 
 $\Leftrightarrow \mathbf{v} \cdot (au_1 + bu_2) = 0$  for all  $a, b$ 
 $\Leftrightarrow \mathbf{v} \cdot u_1 = 0$  and  $\mathbf{v} \cdot u_2 = 0$ 
 $w + x + y = 0$  and  $-x - y + z = 0$ 

solve this homog. system

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Graph System Solution

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# Section 5.2

# Orthogonal and Orthonormal Basis

## **Objectives**

- What is the projection of a vector onto a subspace?
- What is Gram-Schmidt Process?

# Usage of the word "Orthogonal"

- A vector u is orthogonal to another vector v
   (same as: two vectors u and v are orthogonal)
- A set of vectors is orthogonal (same as: every pair of vectors in the set is orthogonal)
- A vector u is orthogonal to a subspace V
   (same as: u is orthogonal to every vector in subspace V)

## Remark

To show a vector  $\mathbf{v}$  is orthogonal to a subspace  $\mathbf{V} = \text{span}\{\mathbf{u_1}, \mathbf{u_2}, ..., \mathbf{u_k}\}$  of  $\mathbf{R}^n$ 

Show: 
$$\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{u_1} = 0$$
,  $\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{u_2} = 0$ , ...,  $\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{u_k} = 0$ 

To find a vector  $\mathbf{v}$  that is orthogonal to a subspace  $V = \text{span}\{\mathbf{u_1}, \mathbf{u_2}, ..., \mathbf{u_k}\}$  of  $\mathbf{R}^n$ 

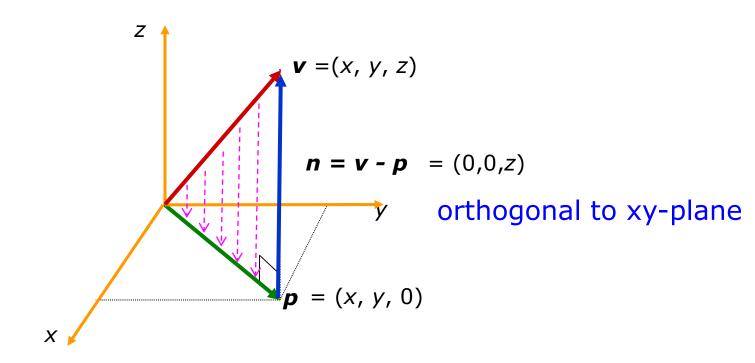
Let  $\mathbf{v} = (\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, ..., \mathbf{x}_n)$  (unknowns) Convert  $\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{u_1} = 0$ ,  $\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{u_2} = 0$ , ...,  $\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{u_k} = 0$  into a homogeneous system. Solve the system.

Example 5.2.11.2

# Projection of a vector onto a plane in R<sup>3</sup>

# **Example 5.2.14.2**

The projection of  $\mathbf{v} = (x, y, z)$  onto the xy-plane



p is a projection of v onto the plane



v - p is orthogonalto the plane

# Projection of a vector onto a subspace of R<sup>n</sup>

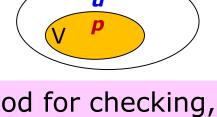
## **Definition 5.2.13**

Let V be a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\mathbf{u}$  a vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Let p be a vector in V.

**p** is called the projection of **u** onto

if  $\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{p}$  is a vector orthogonal to V.



good for checking, but not finding projection.

Every vector has exactly one projection onto a given subspace.

see Ex5 Q18

# How to find projection in general?

# **Example 5.2.16**

This is the xz-plane

$$V = \text{span}\{(1,0,1), (1,0,-1)\}$$
 a plane in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ 

Find the projection  $\boldsymbol{p}$  of  $\boldsymbol{w} = (1, 1, 0)$  onto V

$$u_1 = (1, 0, 1)$$
 and  $u_2 = (1, 0, -1)$  orthogonal basis for  $V$ 

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{C}_{1}\mathbf{u}_{1} + \mathbf{C}_{2}\mathbf{u}_{2} = \frac{1}{2}(1, 0, 1) + \frac{1}{2}(1, 0, -1)$$
Theorem 5.2.15

= (1, 0, 0)

This is the projection of  $\mathbf{w}$  onto V

Check:  $\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{p}$  is orthogonal to V

Chapter 5

# How to find projection using orthogonal basis?

## **Theorem 5.2.15**

Let V be a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\mathbf{w}$  a vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

1.  $S = \{u_1, u_2, ..., u_k\}$ : an orthogonal basis for V, the projection p of w onto V is

$$p = \frac{w \cdot u_1}{\|u_1\|^2} u_1 + \frac{w \cdot u_2}{\|u_2\|^2} u_2 + \dots + \frac{w \cdot u_k}{\|u_k\|^2} u_k$$

2.  $T = \{v_1, v_2, ..., v_k\}$ : an orthonormal basis for V, the projection p of w onto V is

$$p = (\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{v_1})\mathbf{v_1} + (\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{v_2})\mathbf{v_2} + \cdots + (\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{v_k})\mathbf{v_k}$$

## Theorems 5.2.8 VS 5.2.15

#### Theorem 5.2.8

w a vector in V

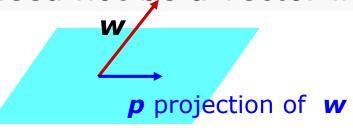


V a subspace

$$S = \{u_1, u_2, ..., u_k\}$$
  
orthogonal basis

#### Theorem 5.2.15

w need not be a vector in V



V a subspace

$$S = \{u_1, u_2, ..., u_k\}$$
  
orthogonal basis

$$\frac{\boldsymbol{w} \cdot \boldsymbol{u_1}}{||\boldsymbol{u_1}||^2} \boldsymbol{u_1} + \frac{\boldsymbol{w} \cdot \boldsymbol{u_2}}{||\boldsymbol{u_2}||^2} \boldsymbol{u_2} + \dots + \frac{\boldsymbol{w} \cdot \boldsymbol{u_k}}{||\boldsymbol{u_k}||^2} \boldsymbol{u_k} = \begin{cases} \boldsymbol{w} & \text{if } \boldsymbol{w} \in V \\ \boldsymbol{p} & \text{if } \boldsymbol{w} \notin V \end{cases}$$

## **Theorem 5.2.15**

Let 
$$p = \frac{w \cdot u_1}{\|u_1\|^2} u_1 + \frac{w \cdot u_2}{\|u_2\|^2} u_2 + \dots + \frac{w \cdot u_k}{\|u_k\|^2} u_k$$

Show **p** is the projection of **w** onto *V* 

Just need to show  $\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{p}$  is orthogonal to V

 $span\{u_1, u_2, ..., u_k\}$ 

Just need to show  $\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{p}$  is orthogonal to  $\mathbf{u}_i$  for all i.

$$(\mathbf{W} - \mathbf{p}) \cdot \mathbf{u_1} = \mathbf{W} \cdot \mathbf{u_1} - \mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{u_1}$$

$$\mathbf{p} = \frac{\mathbf{W} \cdot \mathbf{u_1}}{||\mathbf{u_1}||^2} \mathbf{u_1} + \frac{\mathbf{W} \cdot \mathbf{u_2}}{||\mathbf{u_2}||^2} \mathbf{u_2} + \dots + \frac{\mathbf{W} \cdot \mathbf{u_k}}{||\mathbf{u_k}||^2} \mathbf{u_k}$$

$$= \mathbf{W} \cdot \mathbf{u_1} - \frac{\mathbf{W} \cdot \mathbf{u_1}}{||\mathbf{u_1}||^2} \mathbf{u_1} \cdot \mathbf{u_1} = 0$$

## How to convert a basis to an orthogonal basis?

## **Discussion 5.2.18.1**

$$V = \text{span}\{u_1, u_2\}$$
 a plane  $v_1, v_2$  basis — orthogonal basis

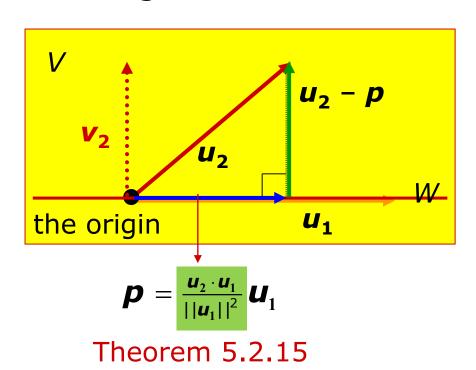
$$W = \text{span}\{ u_1 \} \text{ a line}$$

projection of  $u_2$  onto W

An orthogonal basis for V

$$\mathbf{V}_{1} = \mathbf{U}_{1}$$

$$\mathbf{V}_{2} = \mathbf{U}_{2} - \frac{\mathbf{U}_{2} \cdot \mathbf{V}_{1}}{||\mathbf{V}_{1}||^{2}} \mathbf{V}_{1}$$



 $U_1$ 

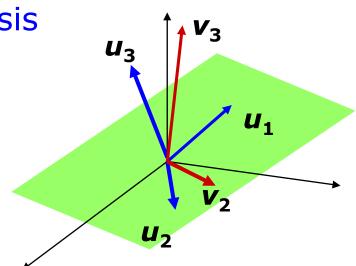
 $u_2$ - p

## How to convert a basis to an orthogonal basis?

## **Discussion 5.2.18.2**

Let 
$$\{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$$
 be a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

"Convert" to an orthogonal basis



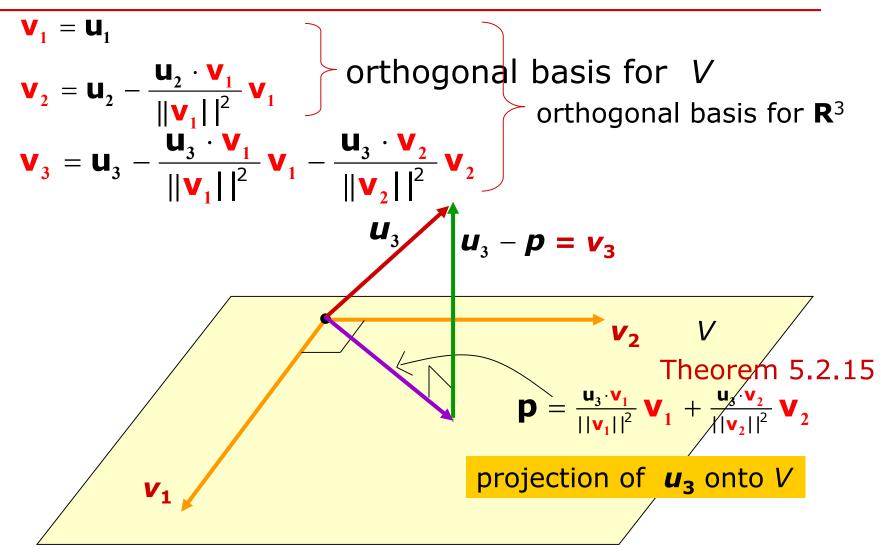
$$V = \text{span}\{\boldsymbol{u_1}, \boldsymbol{u_2}\}$$
 a plane

$$\mathbf{V}_1 = \mathbf{U}_1$$

$$\mathbf{v_2} = \mathbf{u_2} - \frac{\mathbf{u_2} \cdot \mathbf{v_1}}{\|\mathbf{v_1}\|^2} \mathbf{v_1}$$
 an orthogonal basis for  $V$ 

## How to convert a basis to an orthogonal basis?

## **Discussion 5.2.18.2**



## **Theorem 5.2.19**

 $\{u_1, u_2, ..., u_k\}$ : a basis for a vector space V.

Define 
$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \mathbf{u}_1$$

$$\mathbf{v_2} = \mathbf{u_2} - \frac{\mathbf{u_2} \cdot \mathbf{v_1}}{\|\mathbf{v_1}\|^2} \mathbf{v_1}$$
 orthogonal to  $\mathbf{v_1}$ 

$$\mathbf{V_3} = \mathbf{u_3} - \frac{\mathbf{u_3} \cdot \mathbf{V_1}}{\|\mathbf{V_1}\|^2} \mathbf{V_1} - \frac{\mathbf{u_3} \cdot \mathbf{V_2}}{\|\mathbf{V_2}\|^2} \mathbf{V_2}$$
 orthogonal to  $\mathbf{V_1}$  and  $\mathbf{V_2}$ 

$$\mathbf{v_k} = \mathbf{u_k} - \frac{\mathbf{u_k} \cdot \mathbf{v_1}}{\|\mathbf{v_1}\|^2} \mathbf{v_1} - \frac{\mathbf{u_k} \cdot \mathbf{v_2}}{\|\mathbf{v_2}\|^2} \mathbf{v_2} - \dots - \frac{\mathbf{u_k} \cdot \mathbf{v_{k-1}}}{\|\mathbf{v_{k-1}}\|^2} \mathbf{v_{k-1}}$$

orthogonal to  $v_1$ ,  $v_2$ , ...,  $v_{k-1}$ 

 $\{v_1, v_2, ..., v_k\}$  is an orthogonal basis for V.

## $\{u_1, u_2, ..., u_k\}$ basis for V

## **Theorem 5.2.19**

$$\{v_1, v_2, ..., v_k\}$$
 orthogonal basis for  $V$ 

 $\{v_1, v_2, ..., v_k\}$  is an orthogonal basis for V.

### Normalize this basis:

$$\mathbf{W}_1 = \frac{1}{||\mathbf{v}_1||} \mathbf{V}_1 \qquad \mathbf{W}_2 = \frac{1}{||\mathbf{v}_2||} \mathbf{V}_2 \qquad \dots \qquad \mathbf{W}_k = \frac{1}{||\mathbf{v}_k||} \mathbf{V}_k$$

 $\{w_1, w_2, ..., w_k\}$  is an orthonormal basis for V.

# **Example 5.2.20**

$$\mathbf{u}_1 = (1, -1, 2)$$
  $\mathbf{u}_2 = (2, 1, 0)$   $\mathbf{u}_3 = (0, 0, 1)$ 

 $\{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .

Apply the Gram-Schmidt Process to transform this basis into an orthonormal basis.

## $\mathbf{u}_1 = (1, -1, 2)$

$$\mathbf{u}_2 = (2, 1, 0)$$

$$\mathbf{u}_3 = (0, 0, 1)$$

# **Example 5.2.20**

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \mathbf{u}_1 = (1, -1, 2)$$

## Visualization tool

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$$\mathbf{V}_{2} = \mathbf{u}_{2} - \frac{\mathbf{u}_{2} \cdot \mathbf{V}_{1}}{\|\mathbf{V}_{1}\|^{2}} \mathbf{V}_{1}$$

$$= (2, 1, 0) - \frac{1}{6}(1, -1, 2) = (\frac{11}{6}, \frac{7}{6}, -\frac{1}{3})$$

$$\mathbf{V_3} = \mathbf{u_3} - \frac{\mathbf{u_3} \cdot \mathbf{V_1}}{\|\mathbf{V_1}\|^2} \mathbf{V_1} - \frac{\mathbf{u_3} \cdot \mathbf{V_2}}{\|\mathbf{V_2}\|^2} \mathbf{V_2}$$

$$= (0, 0, 1) - \frac{2}{6}(1, -1, 2) - \frac{-1/3}{29/6}(\frac{11}{6}, \frac{7}{6}, -\frac{1}{3})$$

$$= (-\frac{6}{29}, \frac{12}{29}, \frac{9}{29})$$

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

# **Example 5.2.20**

$$\mathbf{W}_{1} = \frac{1}{||\mathbf{V}_{1}||} \mathbf{V}_{1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} (1, -1, 2) = (\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}})$$

$$\mathbf{W}_{2} = \frac{1}{||\mathbf{V}_{2}||} \mathbf{V}_{2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{29/6}} \left( \frac{11}{6}, \frac{7}{6}, -\frac{1}{3} \right) = \left( \frac{11}{\sqrt{174}}, \frac{7}{\sqrt{174}}, -\frac{2}{\sqrt{174}} \right)$$

$$\mathbf{W}_{3} = \frac{1}{|\mathbf{V}_{3}||} \mathbf{V}_{3} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{9/29}} \left( -\frac{6}{29}, \frac{12}{29}, \frac{9}{29} \right) = \left( -\frac{2}{\sqrt{29}}, \frac{4}{\sqrt{29}}, \frac{3}{\sqrt{29}} \right)$$

 $\{w_1, w_2, w_3\}$  is an orthonormal basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .