# Section 3.3 – Gram-Schmidt Process

### **Definition**

A set of two or more vectors in a real inner product space is said to be *orthogonal* if all pairs of distinct vectors in the set are orthogonal. An orthogonal set in which each vector has norm 1 is said to be *orthonormal*.

### **Theorem**

**1.** If  $S = \{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, ..., \vec{v}_n\}$  is an orthogonal basis for an inner product space V, and if  $\vec{u}$  is any vector in V, then

$$\vec{u} = \frac{\left\langle \vec{u}, \vec{v}_1 \right\rangle}{\left\| \vec{v}_1 \right\|^2} \vec{v}_1 + \frac{\left\langle \vec{u}, \vec{v}_2 \right\rangle}{\left\| \vec{v}_2 \right\|^2} \vec{v}_2 + \dots + \frac{\left\langle \vec{u}, \vec{v}_n \right\rangle}{\left\| \vec{v}_n \right\|^2} \vec{v}_n$$

**2.** If  $S = \{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, ..., \vec{v}_n\}$  is an orthonormal basis for an inner product space V, and if  $\vec{u}$  is any vector in V, then

$$\vec{u} = \langle \vec{u}, \vec{v}_1 \rangle \vec{v}_1 + \langle \vec{u}, \vec{v}_2 \rangle \vec{v}_2 + \dots + \langle \vec{u}, \vec{v}_n \rangle \vec{v}_n$$

# **Proof**

**1.** Since  $S = \{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, ..., \vec{v}_n\}$  is a basis for V, every vector  $\vec{u}$  in V can be expressed in the form

$$\vec{u} = c_1 \vec{v}_1 + c_2 \vec{v}_2 + \dots + c_n \vec{v}_n$$

Let show that  $c_i = \frac{\left\langle \vec{u}, \vec{v}_i \right\rangle}{\left\| \vec{v}_i \right\|^2}$  for i = 1, 2, ..., n

$$\begin{split} \left\langle \vec{u},\,\vec{v}_{i}\,\right\rangle &= \left\langle c_{1}\vec{v}_{1} + c_{2}\vec{v}_{2} + \right. \cdots + c_{n}\vec{v}_{n}, \left. \right. \vec{v}_{i} \left.\right\rangle \\ &= c_{1}\left\langle \vec{v}_{1},\,\vec{v}_{i}\,\right\rangle + c_{2}\left\langle \vec{v}_{2},\,\vec{v}_{i}\,\right\rangle + \right. \cdots \left. + c_{n}\left\langle \vec{v}_{n},\,\vec{v}_{i}\,\right\rangle \end{split}$$

Since S is an orthogonal set, all of the inner products in the last equality are zero except the  $i^{th}$ , so we have

$$\langle \vec{u}, \vec{v}_i \rangle = c_i \langle \vec{v}_i, \vec{v}_i \rangle$$

$$= c_i ||\vec{v}_i||^2$$

### The Gram-Schmidt Process

To convert a basis  $\{\vec{u}_1, \ \vec{u}_2, ..., \ \vec{u}_r\}$  into an orthogonal basis  $\{\vec{v}_1, \ \vec{v}_2, ..., \ \vec{v}_r\}$ , perform the following computations:

**Step 1**: 
$$\vec{v}_1 = \vec{u}_1$$

Step 2: 
$$\vec{v}_2 = \vec{u}_2 - \frac{\langle \vec{u}_2, \vec{v}_1 \rangle}{\|\vec{v}_1\|^2} \vec{v}_1$$

Step 3: 
$$\vec{v}_3 = \vec{u}_3 - \frac{\langle \vec{u}_3, \vec{v}_1 \rangle}{\|\vec{v}_1\|^2} \vec{v}_1 - \frac{\langle \vec{u}_3, \vec{v}_2 \rangle}{\|\vec{v}_2\|^2} \vec{v}_2$$

Step 4: 
$$\vec{v}_4 = \vec{u}_4 - \frac{\left\langle \vec{u}_4, \vec{v}_1 \right\rangle}{\left\| \vec{v}_1 \right\|^2} \vec{v}_1 - \frac{\left\langle \vec{u}_4, \vec{v}_2 \right\rangle}{\left\| \vec{v}_2 \right\|^2} \vec{v}_2 - \frac{\left\langle \vec{u}_4, \vec{v}_3 \right\rangle}{\left\| \vec{v}_3 \right\|^2} \vec{v}_3$$

To convert the orthogonal basis into an orthonormal basis  $\{\vec{q}_1,\vec{q}_2,\vec{q}_3\}$ , normalize the orthogonal basis

vectors. 
$$\vec{q}_i = \frac{\vec{v}_i}{\|\vec{v}_i\|}$$

# Example

Assume that the vector space  $\mathbb{R}$  has the Euclidean inner product. Apply the Gram-Schmidt process to transform the basis vectors

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

Into the orthogonal basis  $\left\{\vec{v}_1,\,\vec{v}_2,\,\vec{v}_3\right\}$ , and then normalize the *orthogonal* basis vectors to obtain an orthonormal basis  $\left\{\vec{q}_1,\,\vec{q}_2,\,\vec{q}_3\right\}$ 

### **Solution**

$$\vec{v}_{1} = \vec{u}_{1}$$

$$= (1, 1, 1)$$

$$\vec{v}_{2} = \vec{u}_{2} - \frac{\langle \vec{u}_{2}, \vec{v}_{1} \rangle}{\|\vec{v}\|^{2}} \vec{v}_{1}$$

$$= (0, 1, 1) - \frac{0+1+1}{1^2+1^2+1^2} (1, 1, 1)$$

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

$$= \left( -\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3} \right)$$

$$\begin{split} \vec{v}_3 &= \vec{u}_3 - proj_{\vec{v}_2} \vec{u}_3 \\ &= \vec{u}_3 - \frac{\left\langle \vec{u}_3, \vec{v}_1 \right\rangle}{\left\| \vec{v}_1 \right\|^2} \vec{v}_1 - \frac{\left\langle \vec{u}_3, \vec{v}_2 \right\rangle}{\left\| \vec{v}_2 \right\|^2} \vec{v}_2 \\ &= (0, 0, 1) - \frac{0 + 0 + 1}{1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2} (1, 1, 1) - \frac{0 + 0 + \frac{1}{3}}{\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2} \left(-\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}\right) \\ &= (0, 0, 1) - \frac{1}{3} (1, 1, 1) - \frac{\frac{1}{3}}{2} \left(-\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}\right) \\ &= (0, 0, 1) - \frac{1}{3} (1, 1, 1) - \frac{1}{2} \left(-\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}\right) \\ &= \left(0, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right) \end{split}$$

$$\vec{q}_{1} = \frac{\vec{v}_{1}}{\|\vec{v}_{1}\|}$$

$$= \frac{(1, 1, 1)}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$$

$$\vec{q}_{2} = \frac{\vec{v}_{2}}{\left\|\vec{v}_{2}\right\|}$$

$$= \frac{\left(-\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}\right)}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{2} + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{2} + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{2}}}$$

$$= \frac{\left(-\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}\right)}{\frac{\sqrt{6}}{3}}$$

$$= \left(-\frac{2}{\sqrt{6}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}\right)$$

$$\vec{q}_{3} = \frac{\vec{v}_{3}}{\|\vec{v}_{3}\|}$$

$$= \frac{\left(0, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)}{\sqrt{0^{2} + \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^{2} + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{2}}}$$

$$= \frac{\left(0, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)}{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}}$$

$$= \frac{\left(0, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)}{\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}}$$

### **Gram-Schmidt** Process (Orthonormal)

Suppose  $\vec{v}_1, ..., \vec{v}_n$  linearly independent in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , construct n orthonormal  $\vec{u}_1, ..., \vec{u}_n$  that span the same space: span  $\{\vec{u}_1, ..., \vec{u}_k\}$  = span  $\{\vec{v}_1, ..., \vec{v}_k\}$ 

**Step 1**: Since  $\vec{v}_i$  are linearly independent  $(\neq 0)$ , so  $\|\vec{v}_1\| \neq 0$  (to create a normal vector)

Let 
$$\vec{u}_1 = \frac{\vec{v}_1}{\|\vec{v}_1\|} = \vec{q}_1$$
, then  $\|\vec{u}_1\| = 1$  since  $\vec{u}_1$  is orthonormal and span  $\{\vec{u}_1\} = span\{\vec{v}_1\}$ 

$$\vec{w}_1 = \vec{v}_1 \implies \vec{v}_1 = \|\vec{w}_1\| \vec{u}_1$$

Step 2: 
$$\vec{w}_2 = \vec{v}_2 - (\vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{q}_1) \vec{q}_1$$

$$\vec{w}_2 = \vec{v}_2 - \frac{\vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{u}_1}{\|\vec{v}_1\|} \vec{v}_1 \qquad (\vec{w}_2 \perp \vec{u}_1)$$

$$\vec{v}_2 = \|\vec{w}_2\| \vec{u}_2 + (\vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{u}_1) \vec{u}_1 \qquad \vec{w}_2 = \|\vec{w}_2\| \vec{u}_2$$

$$\vec{q}_2 = \frac{\vec{w}_2}{\|\vec{w}_2\|}$$

**Step 3**: 
$$\vec{w}_3 = \vec{v}_3 - (\vec{v}_3 \cdot \vec{q}_1) \vec{q}_1 - (\vec{v}_3 \cdot \vec{q}_2) \vec{q}_2$$

$$\vec{q}_3 = \frac{\vec{w}_3}{\|\vec{w}_3\|}$$

	$\vec{q}_1 = \frac{\vec{v}_1}{\left\ \vec{v}_1\right\ }$
$\vec{w}_2 = \vec{v}_2 - (\vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{q}_1) \vec{q}_1$	$\vec{q}_2 = \frac{\vec{w}_2}{\left\ \vec{w}_2\right\ }$
$\vec{w}_3 = \vec{v}_3 - (\vec{v}_3 \cdot \vec{q}_1) \vec{q}_1 - (\vec{v} \cdot \vec{q}_2) \vec{q}_2$	$\vec{q}_3 = \frac{\vec{w}_3}{\left\ \vec{w}_3\right\ }$
$\vec{w}_n = \vec{v}_n - (\vec{v}_n \cdot \vec{q}_1) \vec{q}_1 - (\vec{v}_n \cdot \vec{q}_2) \vec{q}_2 - \dots - (\vec{v}_n \cdot \vec{q}_{n-1}) \vec{q}_{n-1}$	$\vec{q}_n = \frac{\vec{w}_n}{\left\ \vec{w}_n\right\ }$

## **Example**

Use the Gram-Schmidt process to find an orthonormal basis for the subspaces of

$$\vec{v}_1 = (1, 1, 0, 0) \quad \vec{v}_2 = (0, 1, 1, 0) \quad \vec{v}_3 = (1, 0, 1, 1)$$

#### **Solution**

Step 1: 
$$\vec{q}_1 = \frac{(1, 1, 0, 0)}{\sqrt{1^2 + 1^2 + 0 + 0}}$$

$$= \frac{(1, 1, 0, 0)}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0, 0\right)$$

$$\begin{split} & = \underbrace{\left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0, 0 \right]}_{\sqrt{2}} \\ & Step \ 2: \ \vec{w}_2 = \vec{v}_2 - \left( \vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{q}_1 \right) \vec{q}_1 \\ & = (0, 1, 1, 0) - \left[ (0, 1, 1, 0) \cdot \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0, 0 \right) \right] \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0, 0 \right) \\ & = (0, 1, 1, 0) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0, 0 \right) \\ & = (0, 1, 1, 0) - \left( \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0, 0 \right) \\ & = \left( -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 0 \right) \right] \\ & \left\| \vec{w}_2 \right\| = \sqrt{\left( -\frac{1}{2} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 + 1} \\ & = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}} \\ & = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2} \right] \\ & \vec{q}_2 = \frac{\vec{w}_2}{\left\| \vec{w}_2 \right\|} \\ & = \frac{\left( -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 0 \right)}{\frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}} \\ & = \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} \left( -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 1, 0 \right) \\ & = \left( -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}}, 0 \right) \right| \end{split}$$

Step 3: 
$$\vec{v}_3 \cdot \vec{q}_1 = (1, 0, 1, 1) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0, 0\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\vec{v}_3 \cdot \vec{q}_2 = (1, 0, 1, 1) \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}}, 0\right)$$

$$= -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} + \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}$$

$$\vec{w}_3 = \vec{v}_3 - (\vec{v}_3 \cdot \vec{q}_1) \vec{q}_1 - (\vec{v} \cdot \vec{q}_2) \vec{q}_2$$

$$= (1, 0, 1, 1) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0, 0\right) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}}, 0\right)$$

$$= (1, 0, 1, 1) - \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0, 0\right) - \left(-\frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{6}, \frac{2}{6}, 0\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{2}{3}, -\frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, 1\right)$$

$$\vec{q}_3 = \frac{\vec{w}_3}{\left\|\vec{w}_3\right\|}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 + \left(-\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 + 1^2}} \left(\frac{2}{3}, -\frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, 1\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{21}{9}}} \left(\frac{2}{3}, -\frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, 1\right)$$

$$= \frac{3}{\sqrt{21}} \left(\frac{2}{3}, -\frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, 1\right)$$

$$= \frac{3}{\sqrt{21}} \left(\frac{2}{3}, -\frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, 1\right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{21}}, -\frac{2}{\sqrt{21}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{21}}, \frac{3}{\sqrt{21}}\right)$$

The *orthonormal* basis:

$$\left\{ \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \, 0, \, 0 \right), \, \left( -\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}, \, \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}, \, \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}}, \, 0 \right), \, \left( \frac{2}{\sqrt{21}}, \, -\frac{2}{\sqrt{21}}, \, \frac{2}{\sqrt{21}}, \, \frac{3}{\sqrt{21}} \right) \right\}$$

### QR-Decomposition

### **Problem**

If A is an  $m \times n$  matrix with linearly independent column vectors, and if Q is the matrix that results by applying the Gram-Schmidt process to the column vectors of A, what relationship, if any, exists between A and Q?

To solve this problem, suppose that the column vectors of A are  $\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, ..., \vec{u}_n$  and the orthonormal column vectors of Q are  $\vec{q}_1, \vec{q}_2, ..., \vec{q}_n$ .

$$\begin{split} \vec{u}_1 &= \left\langle \vec{u}_1, \, \vec{q}_1 \right\rangle \vec{q}_1 + \left\langle \vec{u}_1, \, \vec{q}_2 \right\rangle \vec{q}_2 + \dots + \left\langle \vec{u}_1, \, \vec{q}_n \right\rangle \vec{q}_n \\ \vec{u}_2 &= \left\langle \vec{u}_2, \, \vec{q}_1 \right\rangle \vec{q}_1 + \left\langle \vec{u}_2, \, \vec{q}_2 \right\rangle \vec{q}_2 + \dots + \left\langle \vec{u}_2, \, \vec{q}_n \right\rangle \vec{q}_n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \vec{u}_n &= \left\langle \vec{u}_n, \, \vec{q}_1 \right\rangle \vec{q}_1 + \left\langle \vec{u}_n, \, \vec{q}_2 \right\rangle \vec{q}_2 + \dots + \left\langle \vec{u}_n, \, \vec{q}_n \right\rangle \vec{q}_n \end{split}$$

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} \left\langle \vec{u}_1, \vec{q}_1 \right\rangle & \left\langle \vec{u}_2, \vec{q}_1 \right\rangle & \cdots & \left\langle \vec{u}_n, \vec{q}_1 \right\rangle \\ 0 & \left\langle \vec{u}_2, \vec{q}_2 \right\rangle & \cdots & \left\langle \vec{u}_n, \vec{q}_2 \right\rangle \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \left\langle \vec{u}_n, \vec{q}_n \right\rangle \end{bmatrix}$$

The equation A = QR is a factorization of A into the product of a matrix Q with orthonormal column vectors and an invertible upper triangular matrix R. We call it the QR-decomposition of A.

#### **Theorem**

If A is an  $m \times n$  matrix with linearly independent column vectors, then A can be factored as

$$A = QR$$

Where Q is an  $m \times n$  matrix with orthonormal column vectors, and R is an  $n \times n$  invertible upper triangular matrix.

### Example

Find the *QR*-decomposition of

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

#### **Solution**

The column vectors of are

$$\vec{u}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \vec{u}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \vec{u}_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

From the previous example

$$\vec{q}_1 = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right) \qquad \vec{q}_2 = \left(-\frac{2}{\sqrt{6}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}\right) \qquad \vec{q}_3 = \left(0, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$$

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} \left\langle \vec{u}_1, \vec{q}_1 \right\rangle & \left\langle \vec{u}_2, \vec{q}_1 \right\rangle & \left\langle \vec{u}_3, \vec{q}_1 \right\rangle \\ 0 & \left\langle \vec{u}_2, \vec{q}_2 \right\rangle & \left\langle \vec{u}_3, \vec{q}_2 \right\rangle \\ 0 & 0 & \left\langle \vec{u}_3, \vec{q}_3 \right\rangle \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} (1)\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} + (1)\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} + (1)\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & 0 + (1)\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} + (1)\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & 0 + 0 + (1)\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ 0 & 0\left(\frac{-2}{\sqrt{6}}\right) + (1)\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} + (1)\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & 0\left(\frac{-2}{\sqrt{6}}\right) + 0\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} + (1)\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 + (0)\frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}} + (1)\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} \frac{3}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ 0 & \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{vmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & -\frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ 0 & \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A = 0$$

$$R$$

## Calculus: Applying the Gram-Schmidt Process

We can apply the Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization procedure to generate some polynomials that are orthonormal on the interval  $x \in [-1, 1]$  with inner product

$$\langle p, q \rangle = \int_{-1}^{1} p(x)q(x)dx$$

## Example

Apply the Gram-Schmidt orthonormalization process to the basis  $B = \{1, x, x^2\}$  in  $\mathbb{P}_2$  using the inner product

#### **Solution**

$$B = \left\{1, x, x^2\right\}$$
Let  $\vec{u}_1 = 1$ ,  $\vec{u}_2 = x$ ,  $\vec{u}_3 = x^2$ 

$$\frac{\vec{v}_1 = \vec{u}_1 = 1}{\left|\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_1\right|} = \int_{-1}^{1} dx$$

$$= x \left|\begin{matrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{matrix}\right|$$

$$= 2 \right]$$

$$\left\langle \vec{u}_2, \vec{v}_1 \right\rangle = \int_{-1}^{1} x \, dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} x^2 \left|\begin{matrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{matrix}\right|$$

$$= 0 \right]$$

$$\vec{v}_2 = \vec{u}_2 - \frac{\left\langle \vec{u}_2, \vec{v}_1 \right\rangle}{\left\|\vec{v}_1\right\|^2} \vec{v}_1$$

$$= x - \frac{0}{2}(1)$$

$$= x \right]$$

$$\left\langle \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_2 \right\rangle = \int_{-1}^{1} x^2 \, dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{3}x^3 \begin{vmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\langle \vec{u}_3, \vec{v}_1 \rangle = \int_{-1}^{1} x^2 dx$$
$$= \frac{1}{3} x^3 \Big|_{-1}^{1}$$
$$= \frac{2}{3} \Big|_{-1}^{1}$$

$$\left\langle \vec{u}_3, \ \vec{v}_2 \right\rangle = \int_{-1}^{1} x^3 \ dx$$
$$= \frac{1}{4} x^4 \begin{vmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{vmatrix}$$
$$= 0$$

$$\vec{v}_{3} = \vec{u}_{3} - \frac{\left\langle \vec{u}_{3}, \vec{v}_{1} \right\rangle}{\left\| \vec{v}_{1} \right\|^{2}} \vec{v}_{1} - \frac{\left\langle \vec{u}_{3}, \vec{v}_{2} \right\rangle}{\left\| \vec{v}_{2} \right\|^{2}} \vec{v}_{2}$$

$$= x^{2} - \frac{3}{2}(x)(0) - \frac{1}{2} \frac{2}{3}$$

$$= x^{2} - \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\vec{q}_1 = \frac{\vec{v}_1}{\left\|\vec{v}_1\right\|}$$
$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\vec{q}_{2} = \frac{\vec{v}_{2}}{\|\vec{v}_{2}\|}$$

$$= \frac{x}{\sqrt{2/3}}$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{2}}x$$

$$\vec{q}_{3} = \frac{\vec{v}_{3}}{\|\vec{v}_{3}\|}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{45}{8}} \left(x^{2} - \frac{1}{3}\right)$$

$$= \frac{3\sqrt{5}}{2\sqrt{2}} \left(x^{2} - \frac{1}{3}\right)$$

The *orthonormal* basis is  $\left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}x, \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\frac{5}{2}}\left(3x^2-1\right) \right\}$ 

# **Exercises** Section 3.3 – Gram-Schmidt Process

(1-14) Use the Gram-Schmidt process to find an *orthonormal* basis for the subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .

1. 
$$\vec{u}_1 = (1, -3), \quad \vec{u}_2 = (2, 2)$$

**2.** 
$$\vec{u}_1 = (1, 0), \quad \vec{u}_2 = (3, -5)$$

**6.** 
$$\{(2, 2, 2), (1, 0, -1), (0, 3, 1)\}$$

7. 
$$\{(1, -1, 0), (0, 1, 0), (2, 3, 1)\}$$

**10.** 
$$\{(0, 2, -1, 1), (0, 0, 1, 1), (-2, 1, 1, -1)\}$$

**11.** 
$$\vec{u}_1 = (1, 0, 0), \quad \vec{u}_2 = (3, 7, -2), \quad \vec{u}_3 = (0, 4, 1)$$

**12.** 
$$\vec{u}_1 = (1, 1, 1, 1), \quad \vec{u}_2 = (1, 2, 4, 5), \quad \vec{u}_3 = (1, -3, -4, -2)$$

**13.** 
$$\vec{u}_1 = (1, 1, 1, 1), \quad \vec{u}_2 = (1, 1, 2, 4), \quad \vec{u}_3 = (1, 2, -4, -3)$$

**14.** 
$$\vec{u}_1 = (0, 2, 1, 0), \quad \vec{u}_2 = (1, -1, 0, 0), \quad \vec{u}_3 = (1, 2, 0, -1), \quad \vec{u}_4 = (1, 0, 0, 1)$$

(15 – 26) Use the Gram-Schmidt process to find an *orthogonal* basis for the subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .

**16.** 
$$\{(1, -2, 2), (2, 2, 1), (2, -1, -2)\}$$

**17.** 
$$\{(1, 0, 0), (1, 1, 1), (1, 1, -1)\}$$

**18.** 
$$\{(4, -3, 0), (1, 2, 0), (0, 0, 4)\}$$

**19.** 
$$\{(0, 1, 2), (2, 0, 0), (1, 1, 1)\}$$

**21.** 
$$\{(1, 2, -2), (1, 0, -4), (5, 2, 0), (1, 1, -1)\}$$

**22.** 
$$\{(-3, 1, 2), (1, 1, 1), (2, 0, -1), (1, -3, 2)\}$$

**23.** 
$$\{(2, 1, 1), (0, 3, -1), (3, -4, -2), (-1, -1, 3)\}$$

**24.** 
$$\vec{u}_1 = (1, 1, 0, -1), \quad \vec{u}_2 = (1, 3, 0, 1), \quad \vec{u}_3 = (4, 2, 2, 0)$$

**25.** 
$$\vec{u}_1 = (1, 1, 1, 1), \quad \vec{u}_2 = (1, 1, 2, 4), \quad \vec{u}_3 = (1, 2, -4, -3)$$

- **26.**  $\{(3, 4, 0, 0), (-1, 1, 0, 0), (2, 1, 0, -1), (0, 1, 1, 0)\}$
- 27. Find the QR-decomposition of

a) 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$
  
b) 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 5 \\ -4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$c) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$e) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$d) \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**28.** Verify that the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality holds for the given vectors using the Euclidean inner product

$$\vec{u} = (0, -2, 2, 1), \quad \vec{v} = (-1, -1, 1, 1)$$

(29 – 33) Apply the Gram-Schmidt *orthonormalization* process in  $\mathbb{C}^0$  [-1, 1] spanned by the functions, using the inner product

**29.** 
$$f_1(x) = x + 2$$
,  $f_2(x) = x^2 - 3x + 4$ 

**30.** 
$$f_1(x) = x$$
,  $f_2(x) = x^3$ ,  $f_3(x) = x^5$ 

**31.** 
$$f_1(x) = 1$$
,  $f_2(x) = x$ ,  $f_3(x) = \frac{1}{2}(3x^2 - 1)$ 

**32.** 
$$f_1(x) = 1$$
,  $f_2(x) = \sin \pi x$ ,  $f_3(x) = \cos \pi x$ 

33. 
$$f_1(x) = \sin \pi x$$
,  $f_2(x) = \sin 2\pi x$ ,  $f_3(x) = \sin 3\pi x$ 

**34.** For  $\mathbb{P}_3[x]$ , define the inner product over  $\mathbb{R}$  as

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{-1}^{1} f(x) g(x) dx$$

- a) If f(x)=1 is a unit vector in  $\mathbb{P}_3[x]$ ?
- b) Find an orthonormal basis for the subspace spanned by x and  $x^2$ .
- c) Complete the basis in part (b) to an orthonormal basis for  $\mathbb{P}_3[x]$  with respect to the inner product.
- *d*) Is

$$[f, g] = \int_0^1 f(x)g(x) dx$$

Also, an inner product for  $\mathbb{P}_3[x]$ 

e) Find a pair of vectors  $\vec{v}$  and  $\vec{w}$  such that

$$\langle \vec{v}, \vec{w} \rangle = 0$$
 but  $[\vec{v}, \vec{w}] \neq 0$ 

f) Is the basis found in part (c) are orthonormal basis for  $\mathbb{P}_3[x]$  with respect to the inner product in part (d)?