

**Linear Algebra**  
**Summer 2018**  
**Quiz 5: Suggested Solutions**  
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**Time Limit: 20 minutes**

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This quiz contains 2 sides (including this cover page) and 4 questions.  
 Total of points is 100.

Grade Table (for grader use only)

Question	Points	Score
1	30	
2	20	
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4	25	
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1. (30 points) Let  $V$  be an inner product space with inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .  
 (a) (15 points) Define what it means for two vectors  $v, w \in V$  to be orthogonal.

**Solution:** Two vectors  $v, w \in V$  are **orthogonal** iff  $\langle v, w \rangle = 0$ .

*[10 for the statement above, 5 for completion. If some consequence of orthogonal vectors is given, then a maximum of 2 marks can be awarded]*

*[If the condition  $v \cdot w = 0$  is provided (ie. mistaking the definition of orthogonal vectors in  $V$  for that in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ), a maximum of 5 marks can be awarded]*

- (b) (15 points) State the Gram-Schmidt Orthogonalization Algorithm for  $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ . 10 bonus points if you specify it instead for a general inner product space  $V$ , i.e.  $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\} \subseteq V$ .

**Solution:** For nontrivial subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , given a basis  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$ , Gram-Schmidt produces an orthogonal basis  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k\}$  inductively, by setting

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_1 &= v_1 \\
 x_2 &= v_2 - \frac{x_1 \cdot v_2}{x_1 \cdot x_1} x_1 \\
 x_3 &= v_3 - \frac{x_1 \cdot v_3}{x_1 \cdot x_1} x_1 - \frac{x_2 \cdot v_3}{x_2 \cdot x_2} x_2 \\
 x_4 &= v_4 - \frac{x_1 \cdot v_4}{x_1 \cdot x_1} x_1 - \frac{x_2 \cdot v_4}{x_2 \cdot x_2} x_2 - \frac{x_3 \cdot v_4}{x_3 \cdot x_3} x_3
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \vdots \\ x_k = v_k - \left( \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{x_i \cdot v_k}{x_i \cdot x_i} x_i \right) \end{array}$$

For a general inner product space, Gram-Schmidt works similarly—just replacing dot products with inner products:

$$\begin{array}{c} x_1 = v_1 \\ x_2 = v_2 - \frac{\langle x_1, v_2 \rangle}{\langle x_1, x_1 \rangle} x_1 \\ x_3 = v_3 - \frac{\langle x_1, v_3 \rangle}{\langle x_1, x_1 \rangle} x_1 - \frac{\langle x_2, v_3 \rangle}{\langle x_2, x_2 \rangle} x_2 \\ x_4 = v_4 - \frac{\langle x_1, v_4 \rangle}{\langle x_1, x_1 \rangle} x_1 - \frac{\langle x_2, v_4 \rangle}{\langle x_2, x_2 \rangle} x_2 - \frac{\langle x_3, v_4 \rangle}{\langle x_3, x_3 \rangle} x_3 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ x_k = v_k - \left( \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{\langle x_i, v_k \rangle}{\langle x_i, x_i \rangle} x_i \right) \end{array}$$

In either case, we know that  $\text{span}\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\} = \text{span}\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k\}$ , by a theorem introduced in class.

[5 for stating correctly  $\text{Proj}_{\text{span}\{x_j\}_{j=1}^{i-1}} v_i$  for  $i \geq 2$ , 8 for correctly stating the algorithm for basis  $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$ , 2 for having all of the above. For the extra credit, 2 for recognising to switch notations, 6 for correct restatements of algorithm, 2 for successful completion.]

2. (20 points) Given

$$x_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad x_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad x_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

compute an **orthonormal** basis for  $W = \text{span}(x_1, x_2, x_3)$ .

**Solution:** Notice that  $W = \mathbb{R}^3$  because  $\{x_1, x_2, x_3\}$  is a linearly independent set of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , hence it spans  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . The canonical/standard basis in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  suffices.

Gram-Schmidt also works as well.

[5 for recognising that  $W = \mathbb{R}^3$ , 5 for two correct orthonormal vectors in the new basis, 5 for the third correct vector, 5 for having all of the above]

*[If one uses G-S, then: 5 for attempting to use G-S, 5 for two correct orthonormal vectors in the new basis, 5 for the third correct vector, 5 for having all of the above]*

3. (25 points) Compute the orthogonal projection of  $y$  onto  $W = \text{span}(u_1, u_2)$  where

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} \quad u_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad u_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Solution:** First, notice that  $\langle u_1, u_2 \rangle_{\mathbb{R}^3} = 0$ , implying they are linearly independent. This spans a plane in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . We now know that the question makes sense. To calculate the projection, and with the knowledge that  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  in the calculations below mean the inner product in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Proj}_W y &= \frac{\langle y, u_1 \rangle}{\langle u_1, u_1 \rangle} u_1 + \frac{\langle y, u_2 \rangle}{\langle u_2, u_2 \rangle} u_2 \\ &= \frac{11}{14} u_1 + \frac{7}{6} u_2 \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{74}{21} \\ -\frac{41}{21} \\ -\frac{16}{21} \end{bmatrix} \tag{2}$$

*[5 for checking  $\{u_1, u_2\}$  is orthogonal, 5 for subsequently concluding that  $\{u_1, u_2\}$  is an orthogonal basis, 2 for stating/acknowledging correctly the projection formula, 2 for attempt at calculation, 4 for obtaining (1), 4 for obtaining (2), 3 for having all of the above]*

*[If one does not justify  $\{u_1, u_2\}$  is an orthogonal basis before using the formula, a maximum of 10 marks is awarded]*

4. (25 points) Given the inner product on  $C^0([0, 1], \mathbb{R})$  defined by

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_0^1 f(t)g(t)dt$$

determine whether or not  $p(t) = 2t - 1$  and  $q(t) = 10t$  are orthogonal. (Show work)

**Solution:** A simple calculation gives

$$\begin{aligned}\langle p, q \rangle &= \int_0^1 10t(2t - 1) \, dt = \int_0^1 20t^2 - 10t \, dt \\ &= \left[ \frac{20}{3}t^3 - 5t^2 \right]_0^1 \\ &= \frac{5}{3}\end{aligned}$$

hence the functions are not orthogonal.

*[2 for any attempt, 3 for correctly setting up the integral, 5 for correct integrand, 8 for correct calculations, 2 for correct evaluation of the integral, 5 for subsequent conclusion]*