

# Gram-Schmidt Orthogonalization Process

## Theorem Gram-Schmidt Orthogonalization Process

Let  $B = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_m\}$ ,  $m \leq n$ , be a basis for a subspace  $W_m$  of  $R^n$ . Then  $B' = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_m\}$ , where

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

$$\mathbf{v}_2 = \mathbf{u}_2 - \left( \frac{\mathbf{u}_2 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1}{\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1} \right) \mathbf{v}_1$$

$$\mathbf{v}_3 = \mathbf{u}_3 - \left( \frac{\mathbf{u}_3 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1}{\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1} \right) \mathbf{v}_1 - \left( \frac{\mathbf{u}_3 \cdot \mathbf{v}_2}{\mathbf{v}_2 \cdot \mathbf{v}_2} \right) \mathbf{v}_2$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\mathbf{v}_m = \mathbf{u}_m - \left( \frac{\mathbf{u}_m \cdot \mathbf{v}_1}{\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1} \right) \mathbf{v}_1 - \left( \frac{\mathbf{u}_m \cdot \mathbf{v}_2}{\mathbf{v}_2 \cdot \mathbf{v}_2} \right) \mathbf{v}_2 - \dots - \left( \frac{\mathbf{u}_m \cdot \mathbf{v}_{m-1}}{\mathbf{v}_{m-1} \cdot \mathbf{v}_{m-1}} \right) \mathbf{v}_{m-1},$$

is an orthogonal basis for  $W_m$ . An orthonormal basis for  $W_m$  is

$$B'' = \{\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2, \dots, \mathbf{w}_m\} = \left\{ \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{v}_1\|} \mathbf{v}_1, \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{v}_2\|} \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{v}_m\|} \mathbf{v}_m \right\}.$$

- 1- Use the Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization process to transform the given basis  $B = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3\}$  for  $R^3$  into an orthogonal basis  $B' = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ . Then form an orthonormal basis  $B'' = \{\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2, \mathbf{w}_3\}$ .

$$B = \{ \langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle, \langle 9, -1, 1 \rangle, \langle 1, 4, 2 \rangle \}$$

- 2- an inner product defined on the vector space  $P$  of all polynomials of degree less than or

$$\text{equal to 2, is given by } (p, q) = \int_{-1}^1 p(x)(q(x)dx$$

Use the Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization process to transform the given basis  $B$  for  $P_2$  into an orthonormal basis  $B'$ .

- a)  $B = \{1, x, x^2\}$
- b)  $B = \{x^2 - x, x^2 + 1, 1 - x^2\}$

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Let  $B = \{\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, \dots, \vec{u}_n\}$ ,  $n \leq n$  be a basis for a subspace  $W_n$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Then  $B' = \{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n\}$ ,

where:

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$$\vec{v}_2 = \vec{u}_2 - \left( \frac{\vec{u}_2 \cdot \vec{v}_1}{\vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_1} \right) \vec{v}_1$$

$$\vec{v}_3 = \vec{u}_3 - \left( \frac{\vec{u}_3 \cdot \vec{v}_1}{\vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_1} \right) \vec{v}_1 - \left( \frac{\vec{u}_3 \cdot \vec{v}_2}{\vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{v}_2} \right) \vec{v}_2$$

$$\vdots$$

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

is an orthogonal basis for  $W_n$ . An orthonormal basis for  $W_n$  is:

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Homework

1. Use the Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization process to transform the given basis  $B = \{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$  for  $\mathbb{R}^3$  into an orthogonal basis  $B' = \{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ . Then form an orthonormal basis  $B'' = \{w_1, w_2, w_3\}$ .

$B = \{\langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle, \langle 9, -1, 1 \rangle, \langle 1, 4, 2 \rangle\}$  is a basis of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  and we need to find  $B' = \{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3\}$ .

The Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization process implies:

$$\vec{v}_1 = \vec{u}_1 = \langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle$$

$$\vec{v}_2 = \vec{u}_2 - \left( \frac{\vec{u}_2 \cdot \vec{v}_1}{\vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_1} \right) \vec{v}_1 = \langle 9, -1, 1 \rangle - \left( \frac{\langle 9, -1, 1 \rangle \cdot \langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle}{\langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle \cdot \langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle} \right) \cdot \langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle$$

$$= \langle 9, -1, 1 \rangle - \left( \frac{(9 \cdot 1 + (-1) \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 1)}{(1 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 1)} \right) \cdot \langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle$$

$$= \langle 9, -1, 1 \rangle - \left( \frac{9}{3} \right) \cdot \langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle$$

$$= \langle 9, -1, 1 \rangle - \langle 3, 3, 3 \rangle = \langle 6, -4, -2 \rangle$$

$$\vec{v}_3 = \vec{u}_3 - \left( \frac{\vec{u}_3 \cdot \vec{v}_1}{\vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_1} \right) \vec{v}_1 - \left( \frac{\vec{u}_3 \cdot \vec{v}_2}{\vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{v}_2} \right) \vec{v}_2$$

$$\vec{u}_3 \cdot \vec{v}_1 = \langle 1, 4, 2 \rangle \cdot \langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle = 1 + 4 + 2 = 7$$

$$\vec{u}_3 \cdot \vec{v}_2 = \langle 1, 4, 2 \rangle \cdot \langle 6, -4, -2 \rangle = 6 - 16 - 4 = -14$$

$$\vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_1 = 3; \quad \vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{v}_2 = \langle 6, -4, -2 \rangle \cdot \langle 6, -4, -2 \rangle = 36 + 16 + 4 = 56$$

$$\vec{v}_3 = \langle 1, 4, 2 \rangle - \frac{7}{3} \cdot \langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle + \frac{14}{56} \cdot \langle 6, -4, -2 \rangle$$

$$= \langle 1, 4, 2 \rangle - \left\langle \frac{7}{3}, \frac{7}{3}, \frac{7}{3} \right\rangle + \left\langle \frac{1}{2}, -1, -\frac{1}{2} \right\rangle$$

$$= \left\langle 1 - \frac{7}{3} + \frac{1}{2}, 4 - \frac{7}{3} - 1, 2 - \frac{7}{3} - \frac{1}{2} \right\rangle = \left\langle \frac{1}{6}, \frac{2}{3}, -\frac{5}{6} \right\rangle$$

So that:

$$B' = \{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3\} = \{\langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle, \langle 6, -4, -2 \rangle, \langle \frac{1}{6}, \frac{2}{3}, -\frac{5}{6} \rangle\}$$

Now, for  $B'' = \{\vec{w}_1, \vec{w}_2, \vec{w}_3\} = \left\{ \frac{1}{\|\vec{v}_1\|} \vec{v}_1, \frac{1}{\|\vec{v}_2\|} \vec{v}_2, \frac{1}{\|\vec{v}_3\|} \vec{v}_3 \right\}$

$$w_1 = \frac{1}{\|\vec{v}_1\|} \cdot \vec{v}_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 1}} \langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \langle 1, 1, 1 \rangle \quad * \|\vec{a}\| = \sqrt{a_1^2 + a_2^2 + a_3^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} w_2 &= \frac{1}{\|\vec{v}_2\|} \cdot \vec{v}_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(6)^2 + (-4)^2 + 2^2}} \langle 6, -4, -2 \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{56}} \cdot \langle 6, -4, -2 \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{4 \cdot 14}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{14}} \cdot \langle 6, -4, -2 \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{14}} \cdot \langle 3, -2, -1 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} w_3 &= \frac{1}{\|\vec{v}_3\|} \cdot \vec{v}_3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(\frac{1}{6})^2 + (\frac{2}{3})^2 + (-\frac{5}{6})^2}} \cdot \langle \frac{1}{6}, \frac{2}{3}, -\frac{5}{6} \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{36} + \frac{4}{9} + \frac{25}{36}}} \cdot \langle \frac{1}{6}, \frac{2}{3}, -\frac{5}{6} \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{36} + \frac{16}{36} + \frac{25}{36}}} \cdot \langle \frac{1}{6}, \frac{2}{3}, -\frac{5}{6} \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{42}{36}}} \cdot \langle \frac{1}{6}, \frac{2}{3}, -\frac{5}{6} \rangle \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{36}}{\sqrt{42}} \cdot \langle \frac{1}{6}, \frac{2}{3}, -\frac{5}{6} \rangle = \frac{6}{\sqrt{42}} \cdot \langle \frac{1}{6}, \frac{2}{3}, -\frac{5}{6} \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{42}} \cdot \langle 1, 4, -5 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore B'' = \{\vec{w}_1, \vec{w}_2, \vec{w}_3\} = \left\{ \left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right\rangle, \left\langle \frac{3}{\sqrt{14}}, \frac{-2}{\sqrt{14}}, \frac{-1}{\sqrt{14}} \right\rangle, \left\langle \frac{1}{\sqrt{42}}, \frac{4}{\sqrt{42}}, \frac{-5}{\sqrt{42}} \right\rangle \right\}$$



# Orthogonal Basis

2) Inner product:

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

2a)  $B = \{1, x, x^2\}$

## Orthogonal Basis

$$u_1 = 1$$

$$u_2 = x$$

$$u_3 = x^2$$

$$v_1 = u_1 = 1$$

$$v_2 = u_2 - \left( \frac{u_2 \cdot v_1}{v_1 \cdot v_1} \right) v_1$$

$$\langle v_1, v_1 \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 1 \cdot 1 dx = \int_{-1}^1 dx = x \Big|_{-1}^1 = 2$$

$$\langle u_2, v_1 \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 x \cdot 1 dx = \int_{-1}^1 x dx = \frac{x^2}{2} \Big|_{-1}^1 = 0$$

$$v_2 = x - \left( \frac{0}{2} \right) \cdot 1 = x$$

$$v_3 = u_3 - \left( \frac{u_3 \cdot v_1}{v_1 \cdot v_1} \right) v_1 - \left( \frac{u_3 \cdot v_2}{v_2 \cdot v_2} \right) v_2$$

$$\langle u_3, v_1 \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 x^2 \cdot 1 dx = \frac{x^3}{3} \Big|_{-1}^1 = \frac{1}{3} - \left( -\frac{1}{3} \right) = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\langle u_3, v_2 \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 x^2 \cdot x dx = \frac{x^4}{4} \Big|_{-1}^1 = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4} = 0$$

$$\langle v_2, v_2 \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 x^2 dx = \frac{x^3}{3} \Big|_{-1}^1 = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$v_3 = x^2 - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{3} \cdot 1 - 0 = x^2 - \frac{1}{3}$$

$$B' = \left\{ 1, x, \left( x^2 - \frac{1}{3} \right) \right\}$$

## Orthogonal Basis

$$B'' = \{w_1, w_2, w_3\} = \left\{ \frac{1}{\|v_1\|} v_1, \frac{1}{\|v_2\|} v_2, \frac{1}{\|v_3\|} v_3 \right\}$$
$$= \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2/3}} x, \frac{1}{\sqrt{28/45}} \left( x^2 - \frac{1}{3} \right) \right\}$$

$$\langle v_3, v_3 \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 \left( x^2 - \frac{1}{3} \right) \left( x^2 - \frac{1}{3} \right) dx$$
$$= \int_{-1}^1 x^4 - \frac{2}{3} x^2 + \frac{1}{9} dx$$
$$= \frac{x^5}{5} \Big|_{-1}^1 - \frac{2}{3} \left[ \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_{-1}^1 + \frac{1}{9} \left[ x \right]_{-1}^1$$

$$= \frac{1}{5} (1 - (-1)) - \frac{2}{3} \left( \frac{1}{3} - \left( -\frac{1}{3} \right) \right) + \frac{1}{9} (1 - (-1))$$
$$= \frac{2}{5} - \frac{2}{9} (2) + \frac{2}{9}$$
$$= \frac{2}{5} - \frac{4}{9} + \frac{2}{9}$$
$$= \frac{18}{45} - \frac{20}{45} + \frac{10}{45}$$
$$= \frac{8}{45}$$

$$2b) B = \{x^2 - x, x^2 + 1, 1 - x^2\}$$

Orthogonal Basis

$$u_1 = x^2 - x$$

$$u_2 = x^2 + 1$$

$$u_3 = 1 - x^2$$

$$v_1 = u_1 = x^2 - x$$

$$v_2 = u_2 - \left( \frac{u_2 \cdot v_1}{v_1 \cdot v_1} \right) \cdot v_1$$

$$\langle v_1, v_1 \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 v_1 \cdot v_1 dx = \int_{-1}^1 (x^2 - x)^2 dx = \int_{-1}^1 x^4 - 2x^3 + x^2 dx$$

$$= \int_{-1}^1 x^4 dx - 2 \int_{-1}^1 x^3 dx + \int_{-1}^1 x^2 dx$$

$$= \left. \frac{x^5}{5} \right|_{-1}^1 - 2 \left. \frac{x^4}{4} \right|_{-1}^1 + \left. \frac{x^3}{3} \right|_{-1}^1$$

$$= \frac{1}{5}(1 - (-1)) - 2(1 - 1) + \frac{1}{3}(1 - (-1)) = \frac{2}{5} + \frac{2}{3} = \frac{6}{15} + \frac{10}{15} = \frac{16}{15}$$

$$\langle u_2, v_1 \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 (x^2 + 1) \cdot (x^2 - x) dx = \int_{-1}^1 x^4 - x^3 + x^2 - x dx$$

$$= \left. \frac{1}{5} x^5 \right|_{-1}^1 - \left. \frac{1}{4} x^4 \right|_{-1}^1 + \left. \frac{1}{3} x^3 \right|_{-1}^1 - \left. \frac{1}{2} x^2 \right|_{-1}^1$$

$$= \frac{1}{5}(2) - \frac{1}{4}(0) + \frac{1}{3}(2) - \frac{1}{2}(0) = \frac{16}{15}$$

$$v_2 = u_2 - \left( \frac{16/15}{16/15} \right) \cdot x^2 - x = x^2 + 1 - x^2 - x = 1 - x$$

$$v_3 = u_3 - \left( \frac{u_3 \cdot v_1}{v_1 \cdot v_1} \right) \cdot v_1 - \left( \frac{u_3 \cdot v_2}{v_2 \cdot v_2} \right) v_2$$

$$\langle u_3, v_1 \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 u_3 \cdot v_1 dx = \int_{-1}^1 (1 - x^2) \cdot (x^2 - x) dx = \int_{-1}^1 x^2 - x - x^4 + x^3 dx$$

$$= \left. \left[ \frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x^5}{5} + \frac{x^4}{4} \right] \right|_{-1}^1$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} - \frac{2}{5} = \frac{10}{15} - \frac{6}{15} = \frac{4}{15}$$

$$\langle u_3, v_2 \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 u_3 \cdot v_2 dx = \int_{-1}^1 (1 - x^2) \cdot (1 - x) dx = \int_{-1}^1 1 - x - x^2 + x^3 dx$$

$$= \left. \left[ x - \frac{1}{2} x^2 - \frac{1}{3} x^3 + \frac{1}{4} x^4 \right] \right|_{-1}^1$$

$$= 2 - \frac{1}{2}(1 - 1) - \frac{1}{3}(1 - (-1)) + \frac{1}{4}(1 - 1)$$

$$= 2 - \frac{2}{3} = \frac{6}{3} - \frac{2}{3} = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle 2 \rangle &= \int_{-1}^1 (1-x)^2 dx = \int_{-1}^1 1 - 2x + x^2 dx \\
 &= [x]_{-1}^1 - [x^2]_{-1}^1 + \frac{1}{3}[x^3]_{-1}^1 \\
 &= 2 + 2/3 = 8/3
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 v_3 &= u_3 - \left( \frac{u_3 \cdot v_1}{v_1 \cdot v_1} \right) v_1 - \left( \frac{u_3 \cdot v_2}{v_2 \cdot v_2} \right) v_2 \\
 &= (1-x^2) - \left( \frac{4/15}{16/15} \right) (x^2-x) - \left( \frac{4/3}{8/3} \right) (1-x) \\
 &= (1-x^2) - \left( \frac{4}{15} \cdot \frac{15}{16} \right) (x^2-x) - \left( \frac{4}{3} \right) \left( \frac{3}{8} \right) (1-x) \\
 &= (1-x^2) - \left( \frac{4}{16} \right) (x^2-x) - \left( \frac{4}{8} \right) (1-x) \\
 &= (1-x^2) - \frac{1}{4} (x^2-x) - \frac{1}{2} (1-x)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$B' = \left\{ x^2-x, 1-x, (1-x^2) - \frac{1}{4}(x^2-x) - \frac{1}{2}(1-x) \right\} \leftarrow \text{Final Orthogonal Basis}$$

Orthonormal Basis

$$B'' = \{w_1, w_2, w_3\} = \left\{ \frac{1}{\|v_1\|} v_1, \frac{1}{\|v_2\|} v_2, \frac{1}{\|v_3\|} v_3 \right\}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle v_3, v_3 \rangle &= \int_{-1}^1 \left( (1-x^2) - \frac{1}{4}(x^2-x) - \frac{1}{2}(1-x) \right)^2 dx \\
 &= \int_{-1}^1 \frac{(-5x^2 + 3x + 2)^2}{16} dx \\
 &= \int_{-1}^1 \frac{(-5x^2 + 3x + 2)(-5x^2 + 3x + 2)}{16} dx \\
 &= \int_{-1}^1 \frac{25x^4 - 15x^3 - 10x^2 - 15x^3 + 9x^2 + 6x - 10x^2 - 6x + 4}{16} dx
 \end{aligned}$$

Orthonormal

$$B'' = \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{16/15}} x^2-x, \frac{1}{\sqrt{8/3}} (1-x), \frac{1}{\sqrt{20/48}} \left( (1-x^2) - \frac{1}{4}(x^2-x) - \frac{1}{2}(1-x) \right) \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{16} \int_{-1}^1 25x^4 - 30x^3 - 11x^2 + 12x + 4$$

$$= \frac{1}{16} \left( 5[x^5]_{-1}^1 - \frac{30}{4}[x^4]_{-1}^1 - \frac{11}{3}[x^3]_{-1}^1 + 6[x^2]_{-1}^1 + 4[x]_{-1}^1 \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{16} (5(2) - \frac{11}{3}(2) + 4) = \frac{10}{16} - \frac{11}{16} \cdot \frac{22}{3} + \frac{4}{16} = \frac{10}{16} - \frac{22}{48} + \frac{4}{16} = \frac{30}{48} - \frac{22}{48} + \frac{12}{48}$$

$$= \left( \frac{20}{48} \right)$$