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Dr. Robert van de Geijn: Now we arrive at the very important topic of Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization. This is also known as the Gram-Schmidt process. It starts with a set of linearly independent vectors, and it results in a set of mutually orthonormal vectors.



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Calculator

The final slide in this video has a few errors in it, involving the "perpendicular symbol" that is missing in one place, and shouldn't be there in another. Here is the corrected slide:

Gram-Schmidt process

- ▶ Compute q_0 :
 - ▶ Normalize a_0 :
 - ▶ $\rho_{0,0} = \|a_0\|_2$.
 - ▶ $q_0 = a_0 / \rho_{0,0}$.
- ▶ Compute q_1 :
 - ▶ Let a_1^\perp equal the component of a_1 orthogonal to q_0 :
 - ▶ $\rho_{0,1} = q_0^T a_1$.
 - ▶ $a_1^\perp = a_1 - \rho_{0,1} q_0$.
 - ▶ Normalize a_1^\perp :
 - ▶ $\rho_{1,1} = \|a_1^\perp\|_2$.
 - ▶ $q_1 = a_1^\perp / \rho_{1,1}$.
- ▶ Compute q_2 :
 - ▶ Let a_2^\perp equal the component of a_2 orthogonal to q_0 and q_1 :
 - ▶ $\rho_{0,2} = q_0^T a_2$.
 - ▶ $\rho_{1,2} = q_1^T a_2$.
 - ▶ $a_2^\perp = a_2 - \rho_{0,2} q_0 - \rho_{1,2} q_1$.
 - ▶ Normalize a_2^\perp :
 - ▶ $\rho_{2,2} = \|a_2^\perp\|_2$.
 - ▶ $q_2 = a_2^\perp / \rho_{2,2}$.
- ▶ Compute q_3 :
 - ▶ ...

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except up
that they are mutually orthonormal.
If we now rotate this picture some more
and rotate it into this position right
here, then what we see here is that a 2
is definitely not in the plane
spanned by q_0 and q_1 .
We can compute the projection of a 2
onto the space spanned by q_0
and q_1 by creating a matrix, Q super 2
here, that has as its columns
the vectors q_0 and q_1 .
And then this was the formula for the
projection
onto the space spanned by these two
orthonormal columns.
If we take that dashed vector that we



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