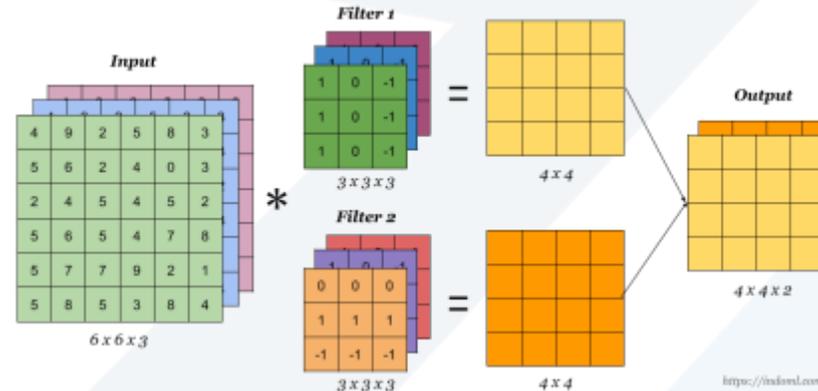


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Lecture Notes 6: Inner Product Spaces



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Chapter 5

Inner Product Spaces

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1. General Inner Product

- **Definition:** Let u , v , and w be vectors in a real vector space V , and let c be any scalar. An **inner product** on V is a function that associates a real number $\langle u, v \rangle$ with each pair of vectors u and v and satisfies the following axioms:

$$(1) \langle u, v \rangle = \langle v, u \rangle$$

$$(2) \langle u, v + w \rangle = \langle u, v \rangle + \langle u, w \rangle$$

$$(3) c \langle u, v \rangle = \langle cu, v \rangle$$

$$(4) \langle v, v \rangle \geq 0 \text{ and } \langle v, v \rangle = 0 \text{ if and only if } v = 0$$

- **Notes:**

(1) $u \cdot v$ = dot product (**Euclidean inner** product for R^n)

(2) $\langle u, v \rangle$ = **general inner product** for vector space V



- **Note:** A vector space V with an inner product is called an inner product space.

Vector space: $(V, +, \cdot)$

Inner product space: $(V, +, \cdot, \langle, \rangle)$

- **Example 1:** (Euclidean inner product for R^n)

The dot product in R^n satisfies the four axioms of an inner product.

$$\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n), \mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$$

$$\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = u_1v_1 + u_2v_2 + \dots + u_nv_n$$

- **Example 2:** (A different inner product for R^n)

Show that the function defines an inner product on R^2 , where $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2)$ and $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2)$: $\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle = u_1v_1 + 2u_2v_2$.

$$(1) \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle = u_1v_1 + 2u_2v_2 = v_1u_1 + 2v_2u_2 = \langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{u} \rangle$$



$$(2) \quad \mathbf{w} = (w_1, w_2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w} \rangle &= u_1(v_1 + w_1) + 2u_2(v_2 + w_2) \\ &= u_1v_1 + u_1w_1 + 2u_2v_2 + 2u_2w_2 \\ &= (u_1v_1 + 2u_2v_2) + (u_1w_1 + 2u_2w_2) \\ &= \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle + \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{w} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$(3) \quad c \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle = c(u_1v_1 + 2u_2v_2) = (cu_1)v_1 + 2(cu_2)v_2 = \langle c\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle$$

$$(4) \quad \langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v} \rangle = v_1^2 + 2v_2^2 \geq 0$$

$$\langle \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v} \rangle = 0 \Rightarrow v_1^2 + 2v_2^2 = 0 \Rightarrow v_1 = v_2 = 0 \quad (\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0})$$

- **Note:** (An inner product on \mathbb{R}^n)

$$\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle = c_1u_1v_1 + c_2u_2v_2 + \cdots + c_nu_nv_n, \quad c_i > 0 \text{ (weights)}$$



- **Example 3: (A function that is not an inner product)**

Show that the following function is not an inner product on R^3

$$\langle u, v \rangle = u_1v_1 - 2u_2v_2 + u_3v_3$$

Let $v = (1, 2, 1)$, then $\langle v, v \rangle = (1)(1) - 2(2)(2) + (1)(1) = -6 < 0$

Axiom 4 is not satisfied. Thus this function is not an inner product on R^3

- **Theorem 1: (Properties of inner products)**

Let u, v and w be vectors in an inner product space V , and let c be any real number.

$$(1) \langle \mathbf{0}, v \rangle = \langle v, \mathbf{0} \rangle = \mathbf{0}$$

$$(2) \langle u + v, w \rangle = \langle u, w \rangle + \langle v, w \rangle$$

$$(3) \langle u, cv \rangle = c \langle u, v \rangle$$



- **Example 4: (The Standard Inner Product on $M_n(R)$)**

$$A, B \in M_n(R), \quad \langle A, B \rangle = \text{tr}(AB^T)$$

for the 2×2 matrices $A = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ a_3 & a_4 \end{bmatrix}$, $B = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 & b_2 \\ b_3 & b_4 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\langle A, B \rangle = \text{tr}(AB^T) = a_1b_1 + a_2b_2 + a_3b_3 + a_4b_4$$

$$\|A\| = \sqrt{\langle A, A \rangle} = \sqrt{a_1^2 + a_2^2 + a_3^2 + a_4^2}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\langle A, B \rangle = \text{tr}(AB^T) = 1(-1) + 2(0) + 3(3) + 4(2) = 16$$

$$\|A\| = \sqrt{\langle A, A \rangle} = \sqrt{1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + 4^2} = \sqrt{30}, \quad \|B\| = \sqrt{\langle B, B \rangle} = \sqrt{14}$$



- **Example 5: (The Standard Inner Product on P_n)**

$$p, q \in P_n \quad p = a_0 + a_1x + \cdots + a_nx^n \quad q = b_0 + b_1x + \cdots + b_nx^n$$

$$\langle p, q \rangle = a_0b_0 + a_1b_1 + \cdots + a_nb_n \quad \|p\| = \sqrt{\langle p, p \rangle} = \sqrt{a_0^2 + a_1^2 + \cdots + a_n^2}$$

- **Norm (length) of u :** $\|u\| = \sqrt{\langle u, u \rangle}$

- **Note:** $\|u\|^2 = \langle u, u \rangle$

- **Distance between u and v :** $d(u, v) = \|u - v\| = \sqrt{\langle u - v, u - v \rangle}$

- **Angle between two nonzero vectors u and v :** $\cos \theta = \frac{\langle u, v \rangle}{\|u\| \|v\|}, 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$

- **Orthogonal: ($u \perp v$)** u and v are **orthogonal** if $\langle u, v \rangle = 0$



- **Notes:**

(1) If $\|v\| = 1$, then v is called a **unit vector**

(2) $\|v\| \neq 1$
 $v \neq \mathbf{0}$ $\xrightarrow{\text{Normalizing}}$ $\frac{v}{\|v\|}$ (the unit vector in the direction of v)

- **Properties of norm:**

(1) $\|u\| \geq 0$ (2) $\|u\| = 0$ if and only if $u = \mathbf{0}$ (3) $\|cu\| = |c|\|u\|$

- **(Properties of distance)**

(1) $d(u, v) \geq 0$ (2) $d(u, v) = 0$ if and only if $u = v$ (3) $d(u, v) = d(v, u)$

- **Note: Norm, Distance and Orthogonality** depend on the inner product being used.



- **Example 6:** $u = (1, 0)$ and $v = (0, 1)$ in R^2

Euclidean inner product:

$$\|u\| = \sqrt{1^2 + 0^2} = 1, \quad \|v\| = \sqrt{0^2 + 1^2} = 1, \quad d(u, v) = \|u - v\| = \sqrt{1^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{2}$$

Weighted Euclidean inner product: $\langle u, v \rangle = 3u_1v_1 + 2u_2v_2$

$$\|u\| = \sqrt{3(1)^2 + 2(0)^2} = \sqrt{3}, \quad \|v\| = \sqrt{3(0)^2 + 2(1)^2} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$d(u, v) = \|u - v\| = \sqrt{3(1)^2 + 2(-1)^2} = \sqrt{5}$$

- **Example 7:** $u = (1, 1)$ and $v = (1, -1)$ in R^2

Euclidean inner product: $u \cdot v = 1(1) + (-1)(1) = 0 \Rightarrow u \perp v$

Weighted Euclidean inner product: $\langle u, v \rangle = 3u_1v_1 + 2u_2v_2$

$$\langle u, v \rangle = 3u_1v_1 + 2u_2v_2 = 3(1)(1) + 2(-1)(1) = 1 \neq 0$$



- **Theorem 2:** Let u and v be vectors in an inner product space V .

(1) Cauchy-Schwarz inequality: $|\langle u, v \rangle| \leq \|u\| \|v\|$

(2) Triangle inequality: $\|u + v\| \leq \|u\| + \|v\|$

(3) Pythagorean theorem: u and v are orthogonal iff $\|u + v\|^2 = \|u\|^2 + \|v\|^2$

Orthogonal Complements

- **Definition:** If W is a subspace of a real inner product V , then the set of all vectors in V that are orthogonal to every vector in W is called the **orthogonal complement** of W and is denoted by the symbol W^\perp .

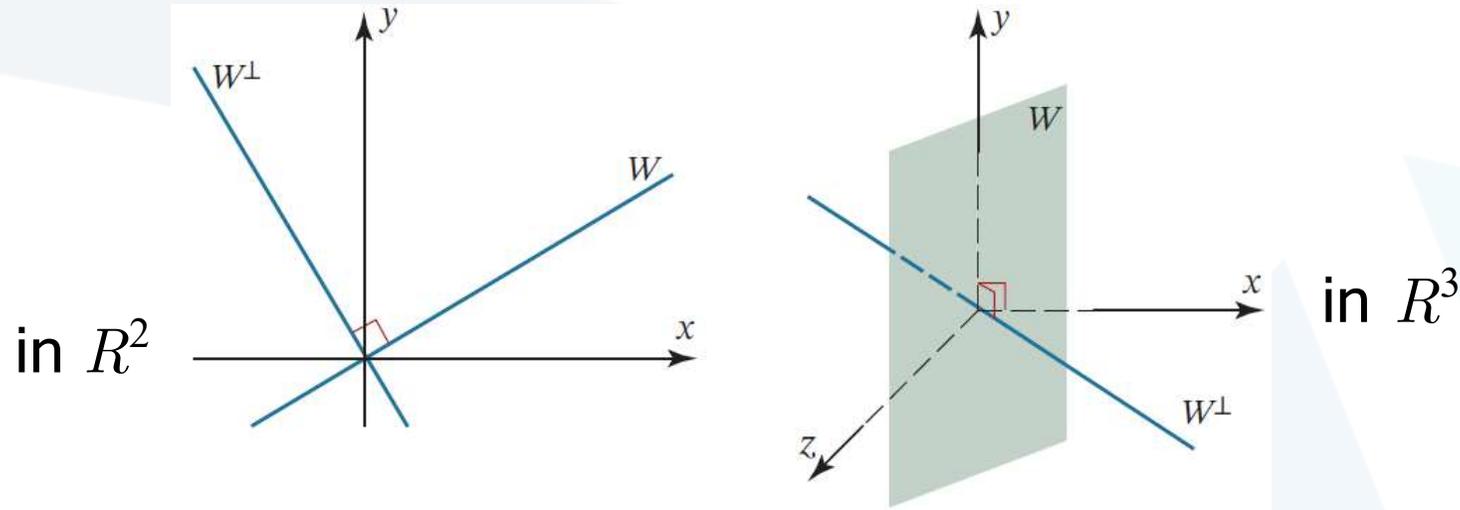
- **Theorem 3: (Properties of Orthogonal Complements)**

If W is a subspace of a real inner product V , then:

(a) W^\perp is a subspace of V

(b) $W^\perp \cap W = \{\mathbf{0}\}$

- Example 8: (Orthogonal Complements)



2. Orthonormal Bases: Gram-Schmidt Process

Definition: A set S of vectors in an inner product space V is called an **orthogonal set** if every pair of vectors in the set is orthogonal.

$$S = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\} \subseteq V \Rightarrow \langle v_i, v_j \rangle = 0, \quad i \neq j$$



An orthogonal set in which each vector is a unit vector is called **orthonormal**.

$$S = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\} \subseteq V \Rightarrow \langle v_i, v_j \rangle = \begin{cases} 1 & i = j \\ 0 & i \neq j \end{cases}$$

- **Note:** If S is a basis, then it is called an **orthogonal/orthonormal basis**.
- **Example 9:** (A nonstandard orthonormal basis for R^3)

Show that the following set is an orthonormal basis.

$$S = \left\{ (v_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0), (v_2 = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{6}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{6}, \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3}), (v_3 = \frac{2}{3}, -\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}) \right\}$$

$$v_1 \cdot v_2 = -\frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{6} + 0 = 0 \quad \|v_1\| = \sqrt{v_1 \cdot v_1} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + 0} = 1$$

$$v_1 \cdot v_3 = \frac{2}{3\sqrt{2}} - \frac{2}{3\sqrt{2}} + 0 = 0 \quad \|v_2\| = \sqrt{v_2 \cdot v_2} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{36} + \frac{2}{36} + \frac{8}{9}} = 1$$

$$v_2 \cdot v_3 = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{9} - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{9} + \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{9} = 0 \quad \|v_3\| = \sqrt{v_3 \cdot v_3} = \sqrt{\frac{4}{9} + \frac{4}{9} + \frac{1}{9}} = 1$$

Thus S is an orthonormal set



- **Example 10: (An orthonormal basis for P_3)**

with the inner product $\langle p, q \rangle = a_0b_0 + a_1b_1 + a_2b_2 + a_3b_3$

the standard basis $B = \{1, x, x^2, x^3\}$ is orthonormal

- **Theorem 4: (Orthogonal sets are linearly independent)**

If $S = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ is an orthogonal set of nonzero vectors in an inner product space V , then S is linearly independent.

- **Theorem 5: (Coordinates relative to an orthonormal basis)**

If $S = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ is an orthogonal/orthonormal basis for an inner product space V , and if u is any vector in V , then

$$u = \frac{\langle u, v_1 \rangle}{\|v_1\|^2} v_1 + \frac{\langle u, v_2 \rangle}{\|v_2\|^2} v_2 + \dots + \frac{\langle u, v_n \rangle}{\|v_n\|^2} v_n \quad S \text{ orthogonal}$$



$$u = \langle u, v_1 \rangle v_1 + \langle u, v_2 \rangle v_2 + \cdots + \langle u, v_n \rangle v_n \quad S \text{ orthonormal}$$

- **Note:** If $S = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ is an orthogonal/orthonormal basis for an inner product space V and $w \in V$, then the corresponding coordinate matrix of w relative to B is

$$[u]_S = \left(\frac{\langle u, v_1 \rangle}{\|v_1\|^2}, \frac{\langle u, v_2 \rangle}{\|v_2\|^2}, \dots, \frac{\langle u, v_n \rangle}{\|v_n\|^2} \right)^T \quad S \text{ orthogonal}$$

$$[w]_S = \left(\langle u, v_1 \rangle, \langle u, v_2 \rangle, \dots, \langle u, v_n \rangle \right)^T \quad S \text{ orthonormal}$$

- **Example 11: (Representing vectors relative to an orthonormal basis)**

Find the coordinates of vector $w = (5, -5, 2)$ relative to the following orthonormal basis for R^3 $S = \{(\frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, 0), (-\frac{4}{5}, \frac{3}{5}, 0), (0, 0, 1)\}$



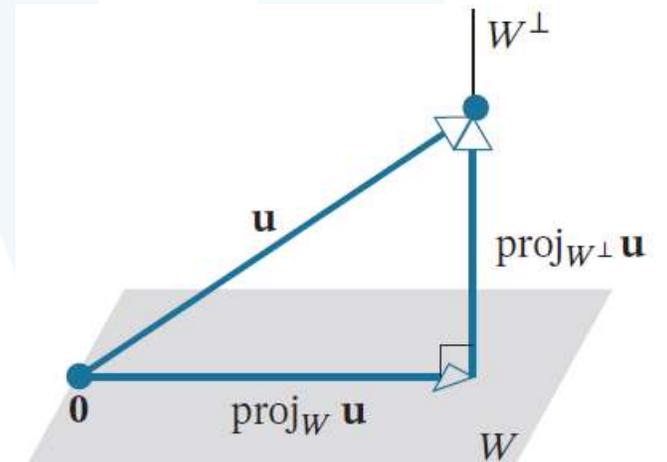
$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle w, v_1 \rangle &= w \cdot v_1 = (5, -5, 2) \cdot \left(\frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, 0\right) = -1 \\
 \langle w, v_2 \rangle &= w \cdot v_2 = (5, -5, 2) \cdot \left(-\frac{4}{5}, \frac{3}{5}, 0\right) = -7 \\
 \langle w, v_3 \rangle &= w \cdot v_3 = (5, -5, 2) \cdot (0, 0, 1) = 2
 \end{aligned}
 \Rightarrow [w]_S = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -7 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Orthogonal Projections

- Theorem 6: (Projection Theorem)**

If W is a finite-dimensional subspace of an inner product space V , then every vector u in V can be expressed in exactly one way as $u = w_1 + w_2$, where w_1 is in W and w_2 is in W^\perp .

$$u = \text{proj}_W u + \text{proj}_{W^\perp} u = \text{proj}_W u + (u - \text{proj}_W u)$$





- **Theorem 7: (formulas for calculating orthogonal projection)**

Let W be a finite-dimensional subspace of an inner product space V . If $S = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r\}$ is an orthogonal/orthonormal basis for W , then

$$\text{proj}_W \mathbf{u} = \frac{\langle \mathbf{u}, v_1 \rangle}{\|v_1\|^2} v_1 + \frac{\langle \mathbf{u}, v_2 \rangle}{\|v_2\|^2} v_2 + \dots + \frac{\langle \mathbf{u}, v_r \rangle}{\|v_r\|^2} v_r \quad S \text{ orthogonal}$$

$$\text{proj}_W \mathbf{u} = \langle \mathbf{u}, v_1 \rangle v_1 + \langle \mathbf{u}, v_2 \rangle v_2 + \dots + \langle \mathbf{u}, v_r \rangle v_r \quad S \text{ orthonormal}$$

The Gram-Schmidt Process

- **Theorem 8: (Projection Theorem)**

Every nonzero finite-dimensional inner product space has an orthonormal basis.



Proof (Gram-Schmidt orthonormalization construction)

Let W be any nonzero finite-dimensional subspace of an inner product space, and suppose that $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_r\}$ is any basis for W .

Step 1: Let $v_1 = u_1$

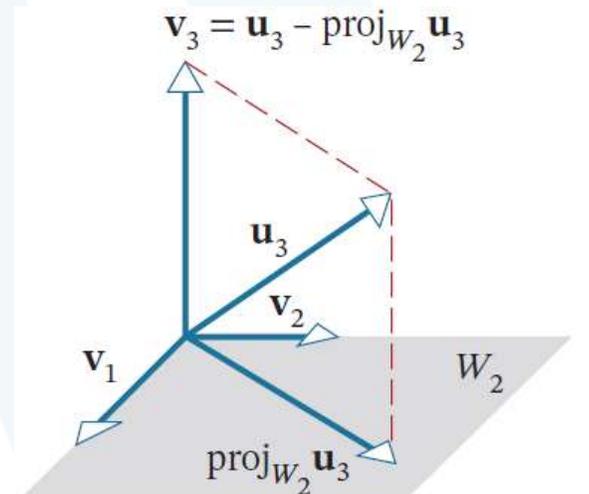
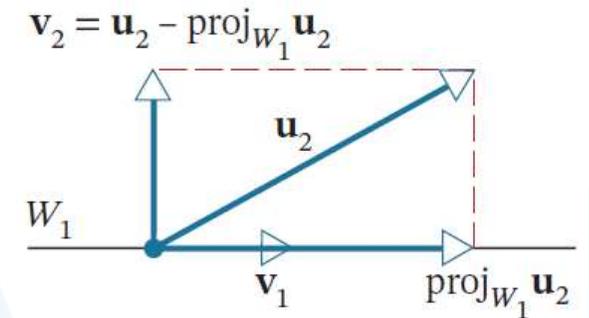
Step 2: $v_2 = u_2 - \text{proj}_{W_1} u_2 = u_2 - \frac{\langle u_2, v_1 \rangle}{\langle v_1, v_1 \rangle} v_1$

$W_1 = \text{span}(v_1)$ and $v_2 \perp v_1, v_2 \neq \mathbf{0}$

Step 3: $v_3 = u_3 - \text{proj}_{W_2} u_3 = u_3 - \frac{\langle u_3, v_1 \rangle}{\langle v_1, v_1 \rangle} v_1 - \frac{\langle u_3, v_2 \rangle}{\langle v_2, v_2 \rangle} v_2$

$W_2 = \text{span}(v_1, v_2)$ and $v_3 \perp W_2, v_3 \neq \mathbf{0}$

Continuing in this way we will produce after r steps an orthogonal set of nonzero vectors $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r\}$.





By **normalizing** these basis vectors we can obtain an **orthonormal basis**.

■ **Theorem 9: (Gram-Schmidt orthonormalization process)**

(1) Let $B = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$ is a basis for an inner product space V

(2) Let $B' = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$, where

$$v_1 = u_1$$

$$v_2 = u_2 - \frac{\langle u_2, v_1 \rangle}{\langle v_1, v_1 \rangle} v_1$$

$$v_3 = u_3 - \frac{\langle u_3, v_1 \rangle}{\langle v_1, v_1 \rangle} v_1 - \frac{\langle u_3, v_2 \rangle}{\langle v_2, v_2 \rangle} v_2$$

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$$v_n = u_n - \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \frac{\langle u_n, v_i \rangle}{\langle v_i, v_i \rangle} v_i$$

Then B' is an orthogonal basis for V



$$(3) \text{ Let } w_i = \frac{v_i}{\|v_i\|}$$

Then $B'' = \{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n\}$ is an orthonormal basis for V

Also, $\text{span}\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\} = \text{span}\{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n\}$ for $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$

- **Example 12: (Applying the Gram-Schmidt orthonormalization process)**

Apply the Gram-Schmidt orthonormalization process to the basis B for R^2

$$B = \{u_1 = (1, 1), u_2 = (0, 1)\}$$

$$v_1 = u_1 = (1, 1)$$

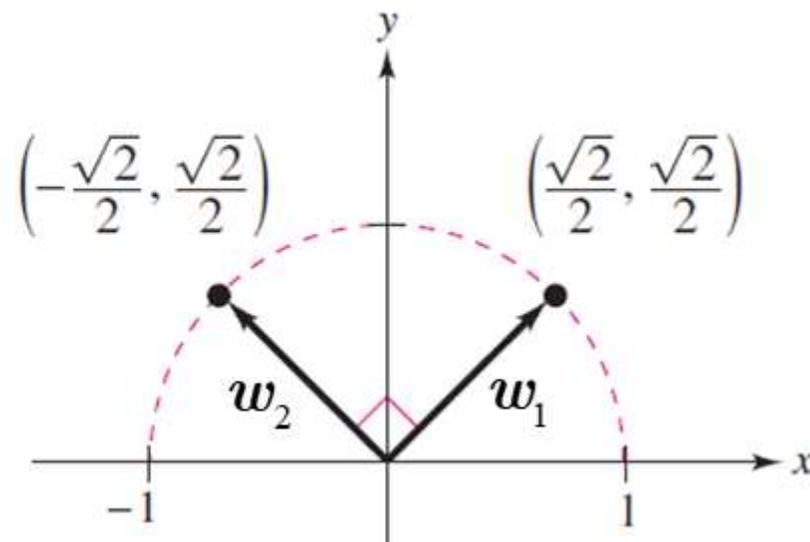
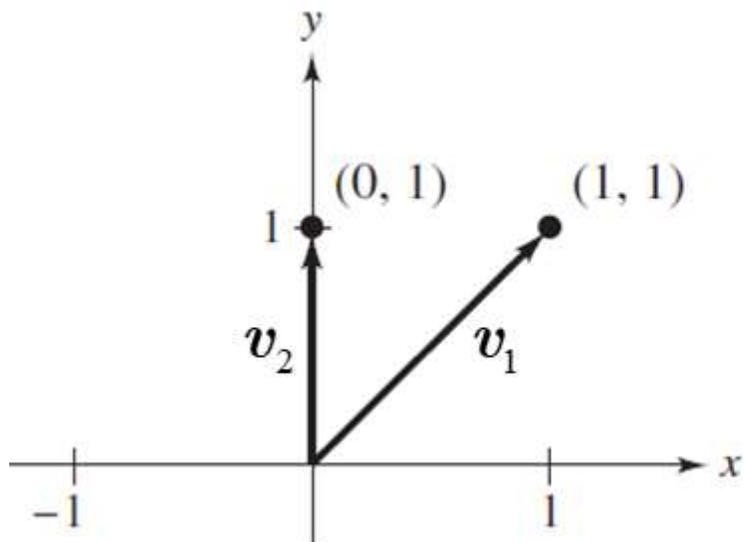
$$v_2 = u_2 - \frac{\langle u_2, v_1 \rangle}{\langle v_1, v_1 \rangle} v_1 = (0, 1) - \frac{1}{2}(1, 1) = \left(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

The set $B' = \{v_1, v_2\}$ is an orthogonal basis for R^2

$$w_1 = \frac{v_1}{\|v_1\|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(1, 1) = \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)$$

$$w_2 = \frac{v_2}{\|v_2\|} = \frac{1}{1/\sqrt{2}}\left(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right) = \left(-\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)$$

The set $B'' = \{w_1, w_2\}$ is an orthonormal basis for \mathbb{R}^2





■ **Example 13: (Applying the Gram-Schmidt orthonormalization process)**

Apply the Gram-Schmidt orthonormalization process to the basis B for \mathbb{R}^3

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

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \mathbf{u}_1 = (1, 1, 0)$$

$$\mathbf{v}_2 = \mathbf{u}_2 - \frac{\langle \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{v}_1 \rangle}{\langle \mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_1 \rangle} \mathbf{v}_1 = (1, 2, 0) - \frac{3}{2}(1, 1, 0) = \left(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0\right)$$

$$\mathbf{v}_3 = \mathbf{u}_3 - \frac{\langle \mathbf{u}_3, \mathbf{v}_1 \rangle}{\langle \mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_1 \rangle} \mathbf{v}_1 - \frac{\langle \mathbf{u}_3, \mathbf{v}_2 \rangle}{\langle \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_2 \rangle} \mathbf{v}_2 = (1, 2, 0) - \frac{1}{2}(1, 1, 0) - \frac{1/2}{1/2} \left(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0\right) = (0, 0, 2)$$

The set $B' = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ is an orthogonal basis for \mathbb{R}^3

$$\mathbf{w}_1 = \frac{\mathbf{v}_1}{\|\mathbf{v}_1\|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(1, 1, 0) = \left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, 0\right)$$



$$w_2 = \frac{v_2}{\|v_2\|} = \frac{1}{1/\sqrt{2}} \left(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0 \right) = \left(-\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, 0 \right)$$

$$w_3 = \frac{v_3}{\|v_3\|} = \frac{1}{2} (0, 0, 2) = (0, 0, 1)$$

The set $B'' = \{w_1, w_2, w_3\}$ is an orthonormal basis for R^3

3. Mathematical Models and Least Square Analysis

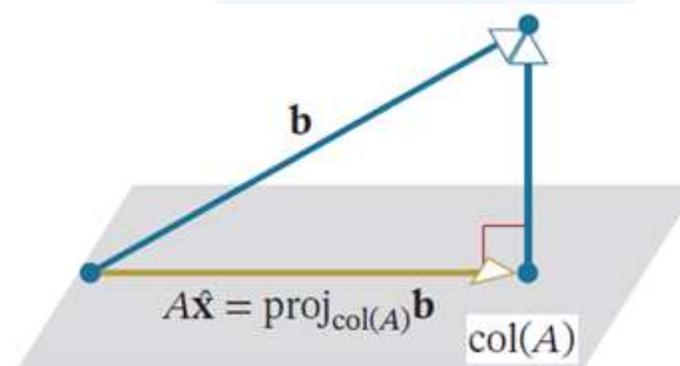
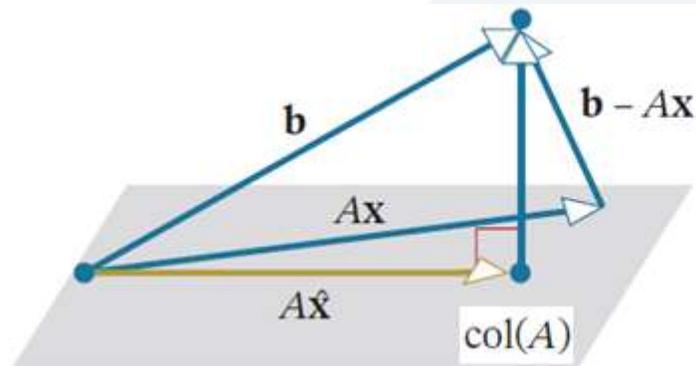
Best Approximation; Least Squares

- **Least Squares Problem:** Given $Ax = b$ of m equations in n unknowns, find x in R^n that minimizes $\|b - Ax\|$ with respect to the Euclidean inner product on R^m . We call x , if it exists, a **least squares solution** of $Ax = b$, $b - Ax$ the **least squares error vector**, and $\|b - Ax\|$ the **least squares error**.



$$\mathbf{b} - A\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} e_1 \\ e_1 \\ \vdots \\ e_m \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \|\mathbf{b} - A\mathbf{x}\|^2 = e_1^2 + e_2^2 + \cdots + e_m^2$$

- Note:** For every vector \mathbf{x} in R^n , the product $A\mathbf{x}$ is in the **column space** of A because it is a **linear combination** of the column vectors of A . Find a least squares solution of $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ is equivalent to find a vector $A\hat{\mathbf{x}}$ in the $\text{col}(A)$ that is **closest** to \mathbf{b} (it **minimizes** the length of the vector $\mathbf{b} - A\mathbf{x}$) $\Rightarrow A\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \text{proj}_{\text{col}(A)} \mathbf{b}$.





- **Theorem 10: (Best Approximation Theorem)**

If W is a **finite-dimensional** subspace of an **inner product space** V , and if b is a vector in V , then $\text{proj}_W b$ is the **best approximation** to b from W in the sense that $\|b - \text{proj}_W b\| < \|b - w\|$ for every vector w in W that is different from $\text{proj}_W b$.

- If $V = \mathbb{R}^n$ and $W = \text{col}(A)$, then the **best approximation** to b from $\text{col}(A)$ is $\text{proj}_{\text{col}(A)} b$.

- **Finding Least Squares Solutions:** $A^T A x = A^T b$

This is called the **normal equations** associated with $Ax = b$.

- **Example 14: (Finding Least Squares Solutions)**

Find the Least Squares Solution, the least squares error vector, and the least squares error of the linear system:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} x & - & y = 4 \\ 3x & + & 2y = 1 \\ -2x & + & 4y = 3 \end{array}$$



$$A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -2 \\ -1 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 3 & 2 \\ -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 14 & -3 \\ -3 & 21 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^T \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & -2 \\ -1 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^T A \mathbf{x} = A^T \mathbf{b} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 14 & -3 \\ -3 & 21 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 17/95 \\ 143/285 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{b} - A\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1232/285 \\ -154/285 \\ 77/57 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{and} \quad \|\mathbf{b} - A\mathbf{x}\| \approx 4.556$$



- **Theorem 11: (a unique least squares solution)**

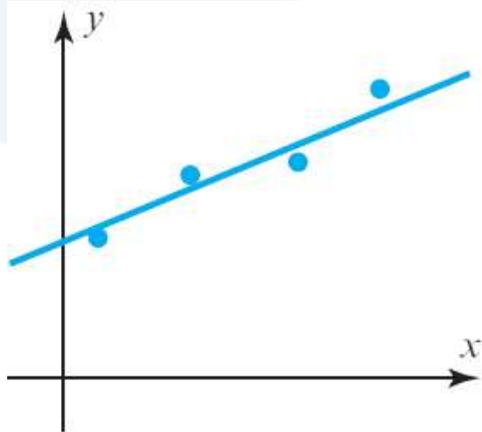
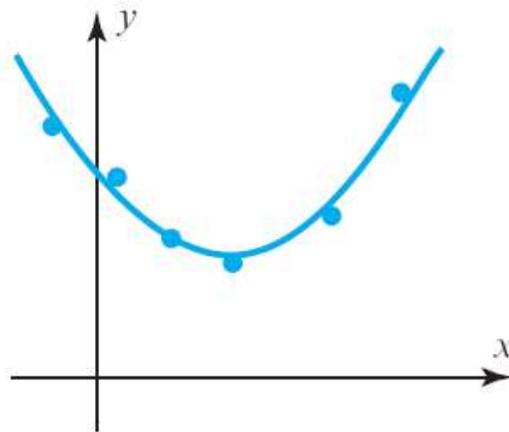
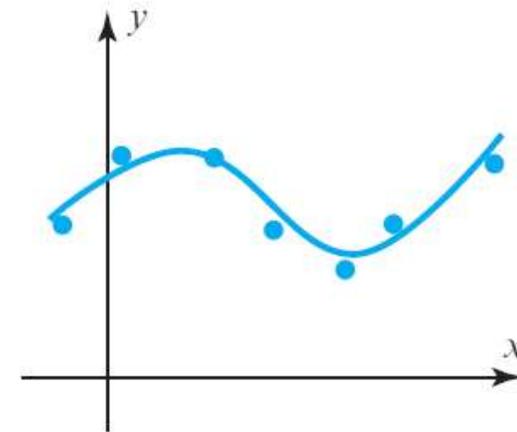
If A is an $m \times n$ matrix with linearly independent column vectors, then for every $m \times 1$ matrix b , the linear system $Ax = b$ has a unique least squares solution. This solution is given by: $x = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b$.

Moreover, if W is the column space of A , then the orthogonal projection of b on W is: $\text{proj}_W b = Ax = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T b$.

Mathematical Modeling Using Least Squares

- **Fitting a Curve to Data**

A common problem in experimental work is to find a mathematical relationship $y = f(x)$ between two variables x and y by “fitting” a curve to points in the plane $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$.

(a) $y = a + bx$ (b) $y = a + bx + cx^2$ (c) $y = a + bx + cx^2 + dx^3$

mathematical model

Least Squares Fit of a Straight Line $y = a + bx$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 y_1 = a + bx_1 \\
 y_2 = a + bx_2 \\
 \vdots \\
 y_n = a + bx_n
 \end{array}
 \Rightarrow
 M\mathbf{v} =
 \begin{bmatrix}
 1 & x_1 \\
 1 & x_2 \\
 \vdots & \vdots \\
 1 & x_n
 \end{bmatrix}
 \begin{bmatrix}
 a \\
 b
 \end{bmatrix}
 =
 \begin{bmatrix}
 y_1 \\
 y_2 \\
 \vdots \\
 y_n
 \end{bmatrix}
 = \mathbf{y}$$

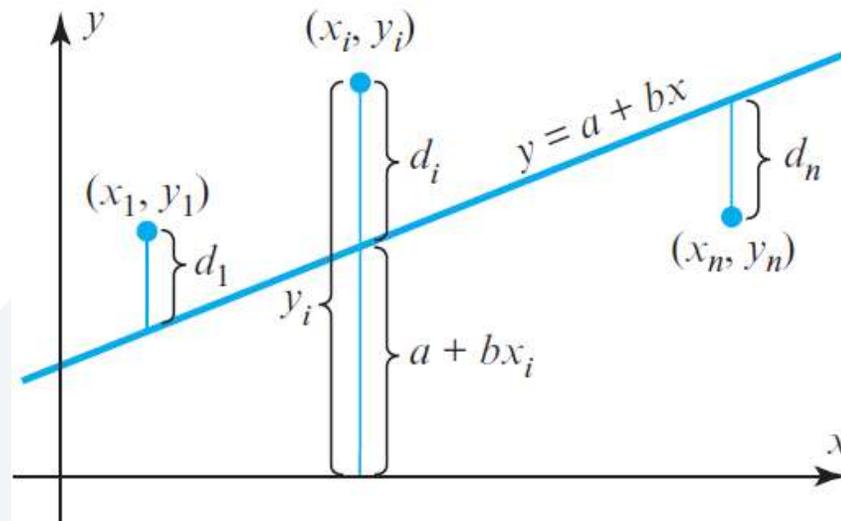


$$M\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{y} \Rightarrow M^T M\mathbf{v} = M^T \mathbf{y} \Rightarrow \mathbf{v}^* = \begin{bmatrix} a^* \\ b^* \end{bmatrix} = (M^T M)^{-1} M^T \mathbf{y}$$

$y = a^* + b^* x$ **Least squares line** of best fit or **the regression line**

It minimizes $\|\mathbf{y} - M\mathbf{v}\|^2 = [y_1 - (a + bx_1)]^2 + [y_2 - (a + bx_2)]^2 + \dots + [y_n - (a + bx_n)]^2$

$d_1 = |y_1 - (a + bx_1)|, d_2 = |y_2 - (a + bx_2)|, \dots, d_n = |y_n - (a + bx_n)|$ **residuals**





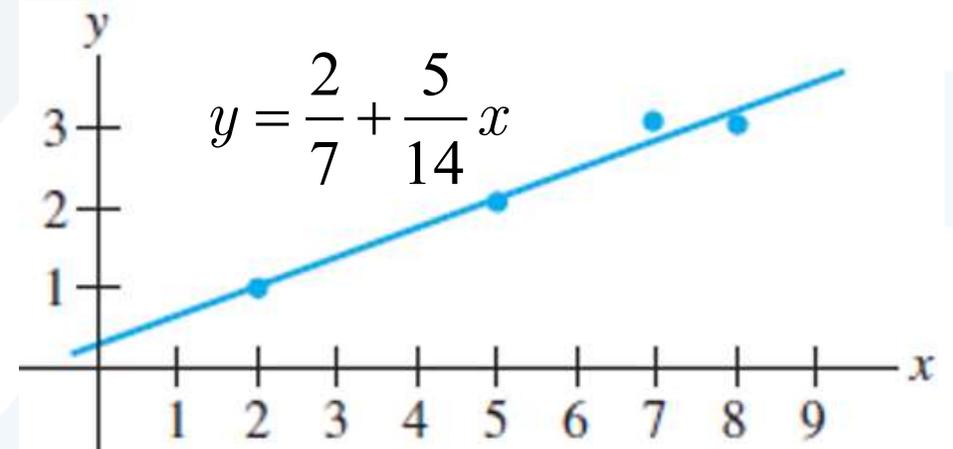
- Example 15: (Least Squares Straight Line Fit)**

Find the least squares straight line fit to the points (2, 1), (5, 2), (7, 3), and (8, 3)

$$M^T M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 5 & 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 \\ 1 & 7 \\ 1 & 8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 22 \\ 22 & 142 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M^T \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 5 & 7 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 57 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{v}^* = (M^T M)^{-1} M^T \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 22 \\ 22 & 142 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 57 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{84} \begin{bmatrix} 142 & -22 \\ -22 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 57 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{7} \\ \frac{5}{14} \end{bmatrix}$$





Least Squares Fit of a Polynomial $y = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + \cdots + a_mx^m$

$(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$

$$a_0 + a_1x_1 + a_2x_1^2 + \cdots + a_mx_1^m = y_1$$

$$a_0 + a_1x_2 + a_2x_2^2 + \cdots + a_mx_2^m = y_2$$

\vdots

$$a_0 + a_1x_n + a_2x_n^2 + \cdots + a_mx_n^m = y_n$$

$$M\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 & x_1^2 & \cdots & x_1^m \\ 1 & x_2 & x_2^2 & \cdots & x_2^m \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 1 & x_n & x_n^2 & \cdots & x_n^m \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{y}$$

$$M\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{y} \Rightarrow M^T M\mathbf{v} = M^T \mathbf{y} \Rightarrow \mathbf{v}^* = (M^T M)^{-1} M^T \mathbf{y}$$



- **Example 16: (Fitting a Quadratic Curve to Data)**

Newton's second law of motion $s = s_0 + v_0t + \frac{1}{2}gt^2$

Laboratory experiment

Time t (sec)	.1	.2	.3	.4	.5
Displacement s (ft)	-0.18	0.31	1.03	2.48	3.73

Approximate g

Let $s = a_0 + a_1t + a_2t^2$

$(0.1, -0.18), (0.2, 0.31), (0.3, 1.03), (0.4, 2.48), (0.5, 3.73)$



$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & t_1 & t_1^2 \\ 1 & t_2 & t_2^2 \\ 1 & t_3 & t_3^2 \\ 1 & t_4 & t_4^2 \\ 1 & t_5 & t_5^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.1 & 0.01 \\ 1 & 0.2 & 0.04 \\ 1 & 0.3 & 0.09 \\ 1 & 0.4 & 0.16 \\ 1 & 0.5 & 0.25 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 \\ s_2 \\ s_3 \\ s_4 \\ s_5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.18 \\ 0.31 \\ 1.03 \\ 2.48 \\ 3.73 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{v}^* = \begin{pmatrix} a_0^* \\ a_1^* \\ a_2^* \end{pmatrix} = (M^T M)^{-1} M^T \mathbf{y} = \begin{pmatrix} -0.4 \\ 0.35 \\ 16.1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$g = 2a_2^* = 2(16.1) = 32.2 \text{ feet/s}^2$$

$$s_0 = a_0^* = -0.4 \text{ feet} \quad v_0 = a_1^* = 0.35 \text{ feet/s}$$

