

## Lecture 3: Orthogonality - Projection

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- Length and Dot Product in  $\mathbb{R}^n$
- Projection matrices
- Orthonormal Bases: Gram-Schmidt Process

## Length and Dot Product in $\mathbb{R}^n$

- **Length:**

The length of a vector  $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is given by

$$\|\mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{v_1^2 + v_2^2 + \dots + v_n^2}$$

- **Note:** The length of a vector is also called its **norm**.

- **Notes: Properties of length**

(1)  $\|\mathbf{v}\| \geq 0$

(2)  $\|\mathbf{v}\| = 1 \Rightarrow \mathbf{v}$  is called a **unit vector**

(3)  $\|\mathbf{v}\| = 0$  iff  $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$

■ **Ex :**

(a) In  $\mathbb{R}^5$ , the length of  $\mathbf{v} = (0, -2, 1, 4, -2)$  is given by

$$\|\mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{0^2 + (-2)^2 + 1^2 + 4^2 + (-2)^2} = \sqrt{25} = 5$$

(b) In  $\mathbb{R}^3$  the length of  $\mathbf{v} = \left( \frac{2}{\sqrt{17}}, \frac{-2}{\sqrt{17}}, \frac{3}{\sqrt{17}} \right)$  is given by

$$\|\mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{\left( \frac{2}{\sqrt{17}} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{-2}{\sqrt{17}} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{3}{\sqrt{17}} \right)^2} = \sqrt{\frac{17}{17}} = 1 \quad (\mathbf{v} \text{ is a unit vector})$$

■ **A standard unit vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ :**

$$\{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \dots, \mathbf{e}_n\} = \{(1, 0, \dots, 0), (0, 1, \dots, 0), \dots, (0, 0, \dots, 1)\}$$



- **Ex :**

the standard unit vector in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ :  $\{i, j\} = \{(1, 0), (0, 1)\}$

the standard unit vector in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ :  $\{i, j, k\} = \{(1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1)\}$

- **Notes: (Two nonzero vectors are parallel)**

$$u = cv$$

(1)  $c > 0 \Rightarrow u$  and  $v$  have the **same direction**

(2)  $c < 0 \Rightarrow u$  and  $v$  have the **opposite direction**

- **Theorem : (Length of a scalar multiple)**

Let  $v$  be a vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $c$  be a scalar, then  $\|cv\| = |c| \|v\|$

- **Theorem : (Unit vector in the direction of  $\mathbf{v}$ )**

If  $\mathbf{v}$  is a nonzero vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then the vector  $\mathbf{u} = \frac{\mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{v}\|}$  has length 1 and has the same direction as  $\mathbf{v}$ .

This vector  $\mathbf{u}$  is called the **unit vector in the direction of  $\mathbf{v}$** .

- **Note:** The process of finding the unit vector in the direction of  $\mathbf{v}$  is called **normalizing** the vector  $\mathbf{v}$ .

- **Ex : (Finding a unit vector)**

Find the unit vector in the direction of  $\mathbf{v} = (3, -1, 2)$ , and verify that this vector has length 1.

**Sol:**

$$\|\mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{3^2 + (-1)^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{14}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{v}\|} = \frac{(3, -1, 2)}{\sqrt{3^2 + (-1)^2 + 2^2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{14}} (3, -1, 2) = \left( \frac{3}{\sqrt{14}}, \frac{-1}{\sqrt{14}}, \frac{2}{\sqrt{14}} \right)$$

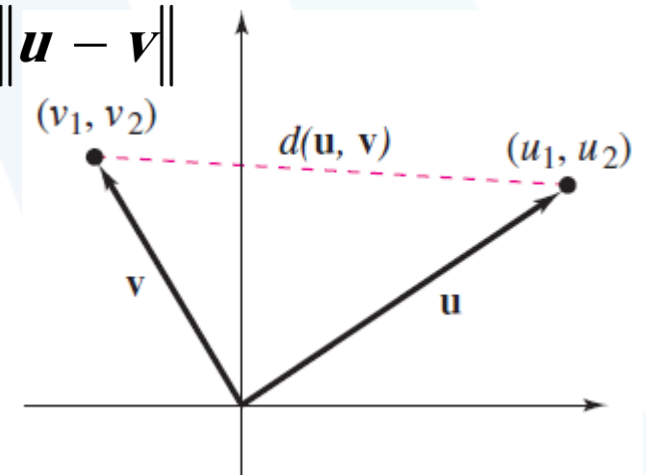
$$\sqrt{\left(\frac{3}{\sqrt{14}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{-1}{\sqrt{14}}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{14}}\right)^2} = \sqrt{\frac{14}{14}} = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{\mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{v}\|} \text{ is a unit vector}$$

### ■ Distance between two vectors:

The **distance** between two vectors  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is:  $d(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}) = \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}\|$

### ■ Notes: (Properties of distance)

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



- **Ex : (Distance between 2 vectors)**

The distance between  $\mathbf{u} = (0, 2, 2)$  and  $\mathbf{v} = (2, 0, 1)$  is

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

- **Dot product in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ :**

The **dot product** of  $\mathbf{u} = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$  and  $\mathbf{v} = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$  is the scalar quantity

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2 + \dots + u_n v_n$$

- **Ex : (Finding the dot product of two vectors)**

The dot product of  $\mathbf{u} = (1, 2, 0, -3)$  and  $\mathbf{v} = (3, -2, 4, 2)$  is

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = (1)(3) + (2)(-2) + (0)(4) + (-3)(2) = -7$$

- **Theorem : (Properties of the dot product)**

If  $u$ ,  $v$ , and  $w$  are vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $c$  is a scalar, then the following properties are true.

(1)  $u \cdot v = v \cdot u$

(2)  $u \cdot (v + w) = u \cdot v + u \cdot w$

(3)  $c(u \cdot v) = (cu) \cdot v = u \cdot (cv)$

(4)  $v \cdot v \geq 0$ , and  $v \cdot v = 0$  if and only if  $v = 0$

(5)  $v \cdot v = \|v\|^2$

- **Euclidean  $n$ -space:**

$\mathbb{R}^n$  was defined to be the set of all order  $n$ -tuples of real numbers. When  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is combined with the standard operations of **vector addition**, **scalar multiplication**, **vector length**, and the **dot product**, the resulting vector space is called **Euclidean  $n$ -space**.

■ Ex : (Finding dot products)

$$u = (2, -2), v = (5, 8), w = (-4, 3)$$

$$(a) u \cdot v \quad (b) (u \cdot v) w \quad (c) u \cdot (2v) \quad (d) \|w\|^2 \quad (e) u \cdot (v - 2w)$$

Sol:

$$(a) u \cdot v = (2)(5) + (-2)(8) = -6$$

$$(b) (u \cdot v) w = -w = -6(-4, 3) = (24, -18)$$

$$(c) u \cdot (2v) = 2(u \cdot v) = 2(-6) = -12$$

$$(d) \|w\|^2 = w \cdot w = (-4)(-4) + (3)(3) = 25$$

$$(e) (v - 2w) = (5 - (-8), 8 - 6) = (13, 2)$$

$$u \cdot (v - 2w) = (2)(13) + (-2)(2) = 22$$

■ Ex : (Using the properties of the dot product)

Given  $u \cdot u = 39$ ,  $u \cdot v = -3$ ,  $v \cdot v = 79$

Find  $(u + 2v) \cdot (3u + v)$

Sol:

$$\begin{aligned}(u + 2v) \cdot (3u + v) &= u \cdot (3u + v) + 2v \cdot (3u + v) \\&= u \cdot (3u) + u \cdot v + (2v) \cdot (3u) + (2v) \cdot v \\&= 3(u \cdot u) + u \cdot v + 6(v \cdot u) + 2(v \cdot v) \\&= 3(u \cdot u) + 7(u \cdot v) + 2(v \cdot v) \\&= 3(39) + 7(-3) + 2(79) = 254\end{aligned}$$

- **Theorem : (The Cauchy - Schwarz inequality)**

If  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  are vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then  $|\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}| \leq \|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\|$

- **Ex 8: (An example of the Cauchy - Schwarz inequality)**

Verify the Cauchy - Schwarz inequality for  $\mathbf{u} = (1, -1, 3)$  and  $\mathbf{v} = (2, 0, -1)$

**Sol:**

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} = 11, \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = -1, \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 5$$

$$|\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}| = |-1| = 1$$

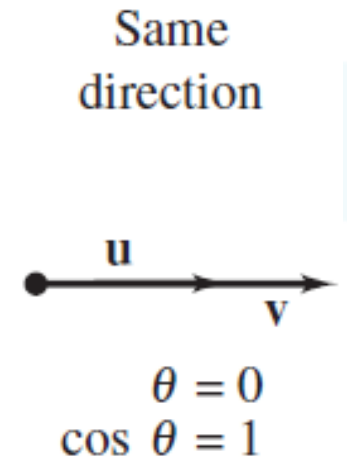
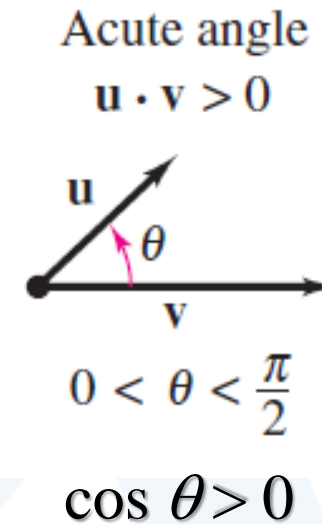
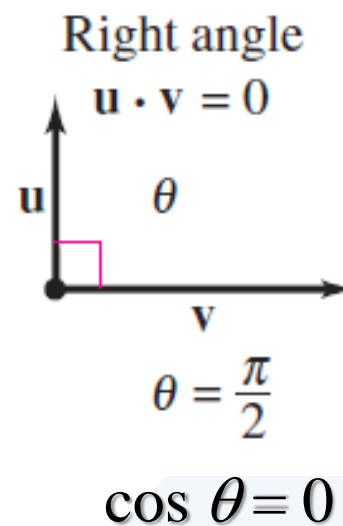
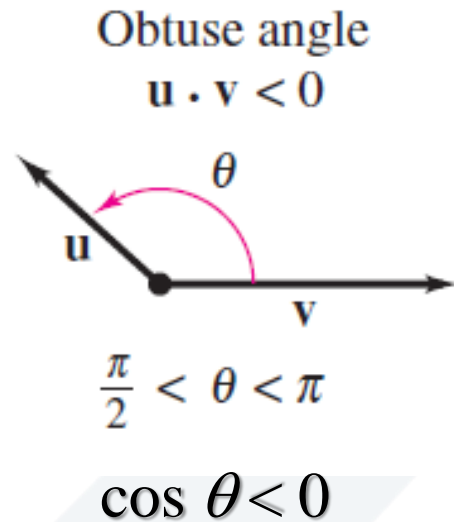
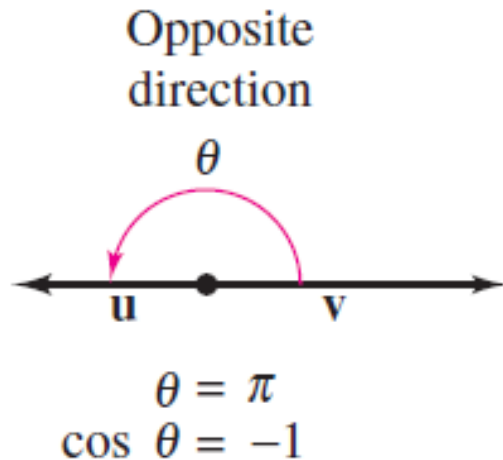
$$\|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u}} \sqrt{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}} = \sqrt{11} \sqrt{5} = \sqrt{55}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}| \leq \|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\|$$



- The angle between two vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ :

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\|}, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$$



- Note:

The angle between the zero vector and another vector is not defined.

■ **Ex : (Finding the angle between two vectors)**

$$\mathbf{u} = (-4, 0, 2, -2), \mathbf{v} = (2, 0, -1, 1)$$

**Sol:**

$$\|\mathbf{u}\| = \sqrt{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u}} = \sqrt{(-4)^2 + 0^2 + 2^2 + (-2)^2} = \sqrt{24}$$

$$\|\mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}} = \sqrt{(2)^2 + 0^2 + (-1)^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{6}$$

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = (-4)(2) + (0)(0) + (2)(-1) + (-2)(1) = -12$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\|} = \frac{-12}{\sqrt{24} \sqrt{6}} = \frac{-12}{\sqrt{144}} = -1$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \pi \quad \mathbf{u} \text{ and } \mathbf{v} \text{ have opposite directions } (\mathbf{u} = -2 \mathbf{v})$$

## Orthogonal vectors

Two vectors are orthogonal when their dot product is zero:  $v \cdot w = v^T \cdot w = 0$

Think of Pythagoras: right triangle with sides  $v$  and  $w$ .

Orthogonal vectors  $v^T \cdot w = 0$  and  $\|v\|^2 + \|w\|^2 = \|v + w\|^2$

The right side is  $(v + w)^T \cdot (v + w)$  This equals  $v^T \cdot v + w^T \cdot w$   
when  $w^T \cdot v = v^T \cdot w = 0$

## Orthogonal subspaces

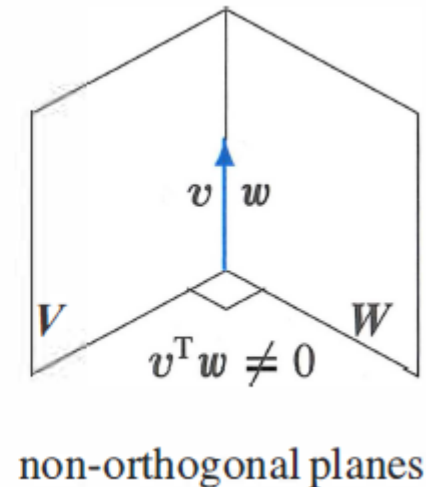
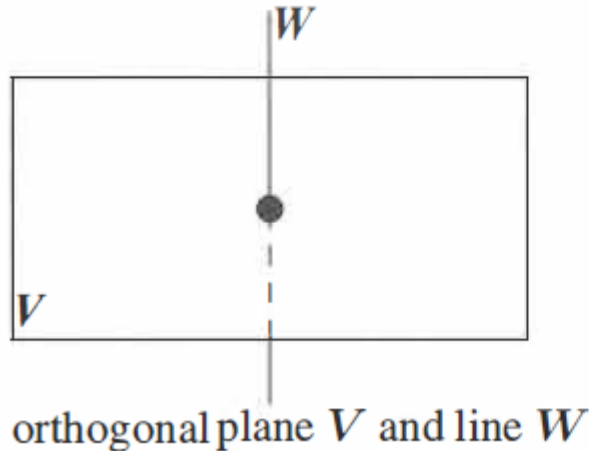
Two subspaces  $V$  and  $W$  of a vector space are **orthogonal** if every vector  $v$  in  $V$  is perpendicular to every vector  $w$  in  $W$ :

**Orthogonal subspaces**  $v^T \cdot w = 0$  for all  $v$  in  $V$  and  $w$  in  $W$

**Example 1** The floor of your room (extended to infinity) is a subspace  $V$ . The line where two walls meet is a subspace  $W$  (one-dimensional). Those subspaces are orthogonal. Every vector up the meeting line of the walls is perpendicular to every vector in the floor.

**Example 2** Two walls look perpendicular but those two subspaces are **not** orthogonal! The meeting line is in both  $V$  and  $W$  -and this line is not perpendicular to itself. Two planes (dimensions 2 and 2 in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ) cannot be orthogonal subspaces.

When a vector is in two orthogonal subspaces, **it must be zero**. It is perpendicular to itself.



The crucial examples for linear algebra come from the **four fundamental subspaces**.

**Row space is orthogonal to the Nullspace,** Because  $Ax = 0$ : Every vector  $x$  in the nullspace is perpendicular to every row of  $A$ ,

$$Ax = \begin{bmatrix} \text{row 1} \\ \vdots \\ \text{row } m \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

←  $(\text{row } 1) \cdot x$  is zero

←  $(\text{row } m) \cdot x$  is zero

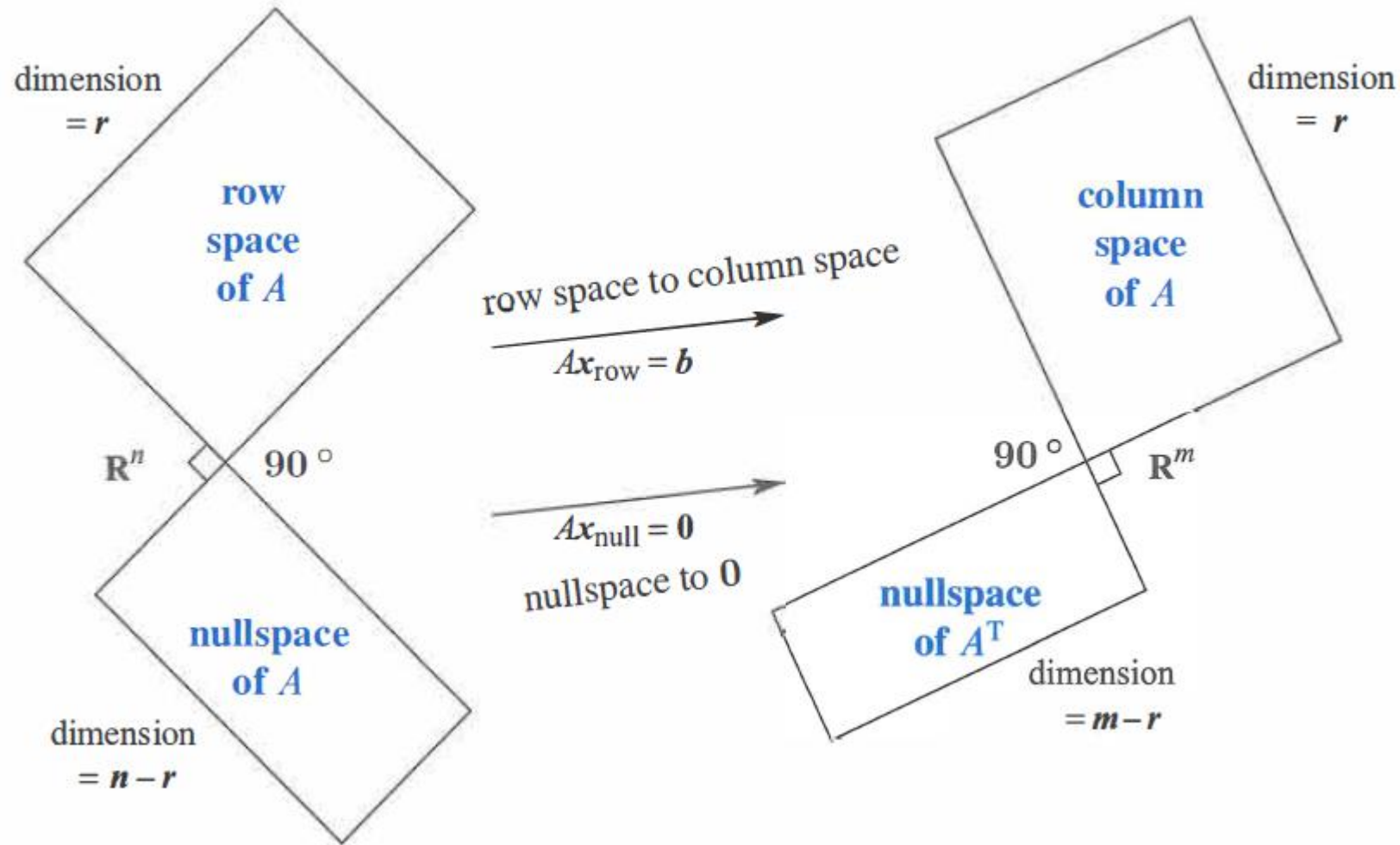
Every row has a zero dot product with  $x$ . Then  $x$  is also **perpendicular** to every combination of the rows.

The whole row space  $C(A^T)$  is orthogonal to  $N(A)$ .

Every vector  $y$  in the nullspace of  $A^T$  is perpendicular to every column of  $A$ .  
The left nullspace  $N(A^T)$  and the column space  $C(A)$  are orthogonal in  $\mathbb{R}^m$

$$C(A) \perp N(A^T)$$

$$A^T y = \begin{bmatrix} (\text{column } 1)^T \\ \vdots \\ (\text{column } n)^T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$





- **Orthogonal Complements:**

If  $W$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then the set of all vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  that are orthogonal to every vector in  $W$  is called the **orthogonal complement** of  $W$  and is denoted by the symbol  $W^\perp$

- **Theorem:**

If  $W$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then:

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

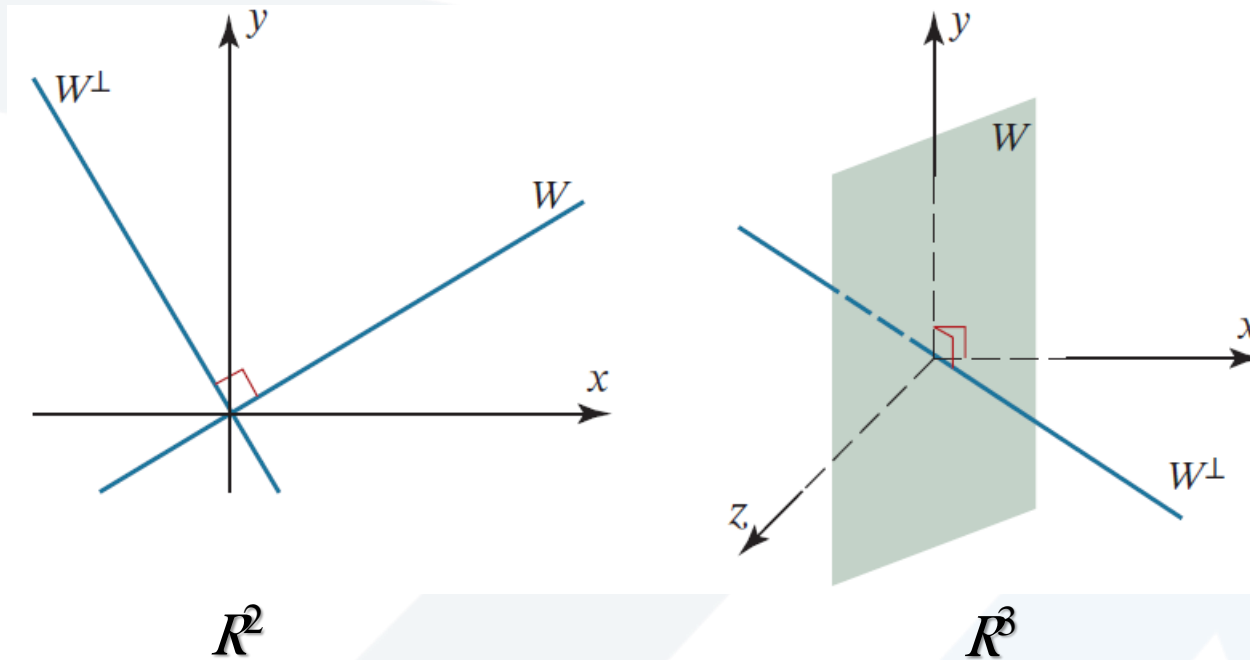
(b)  $W^\perp \cap W = \{\mathbf{0}\}$

(c)  $\mathbb{R}^n = W \oplus W^\perp$

- **Note:**

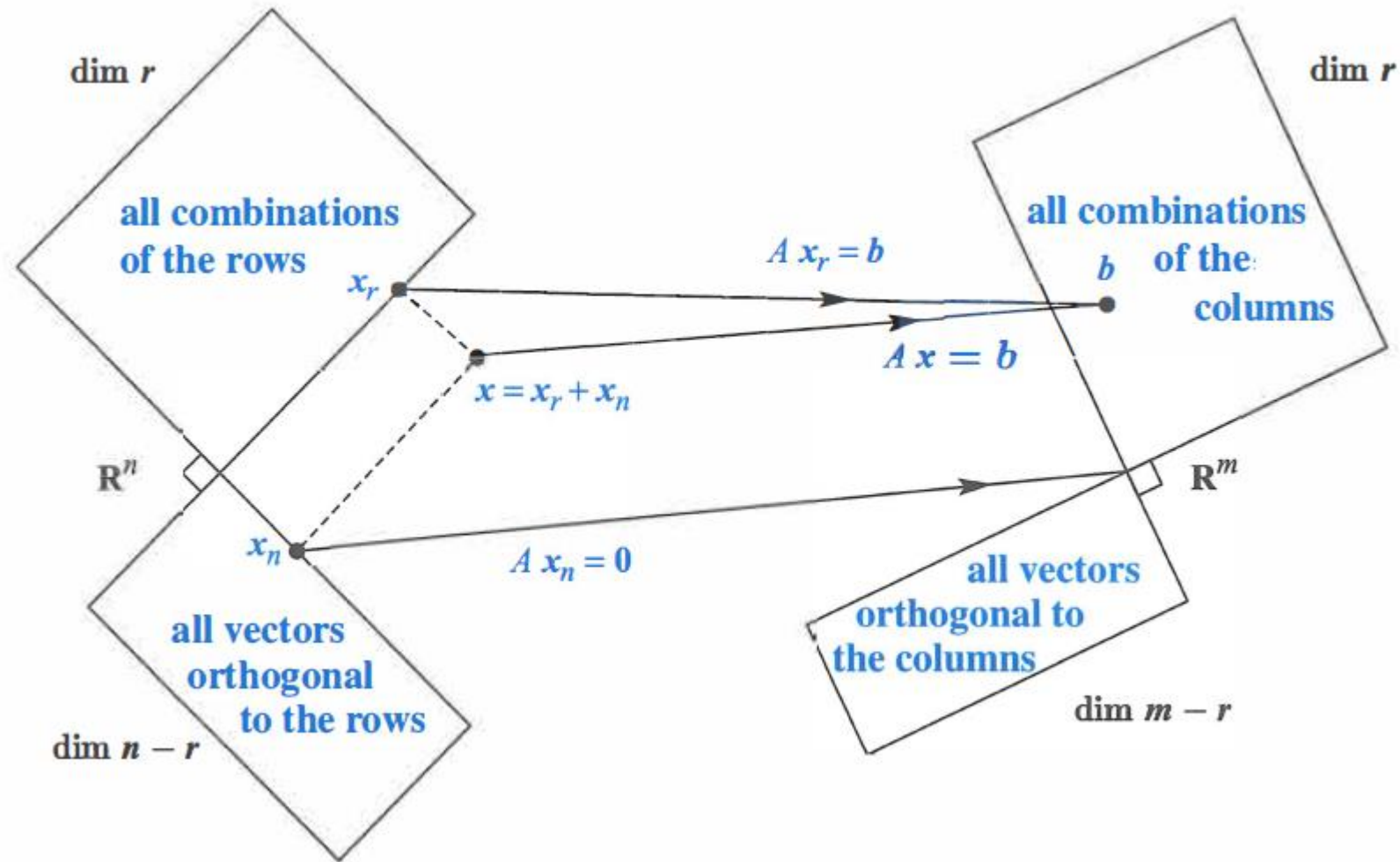
If  $W$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then  $(W^\perp)^\perp = W$

■ **Ex :**



■ **Theorem :** If  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix, then:

- (a)  $N(A)$  and the  $C(A^T)$  are orthogonal complements in  $\mathbb{R}^n$
- (b)  $N(A^T)$  and the  $C(A)$  are orthogonal complements in  $\mathbb{R}^m$



■ **Ex :**

Find the orthogonal complement of the subspace  $W$  of  $\mathbb{R}^4$  spanned by the two column vectors  $\mathbf{v}_1$  and  $\mathbf{v}_2$  of the matrix  $A$

**Sol:**

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2$

$NS(A^T)$  and the  $CS(A)$  are orthogonal complements  $\Rightarrow$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = s \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + t \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2$

$$W = \text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\} \text{ and } W^\perp = \text{span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2\}$$

- **Summary of equivalent conditions for square matrices:**

If  $A$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix, then the following conditions are equivalent:

- (1)  $A$  is invertible
- (2)  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  has a unique solution for any  $n \times 1$  matrix  $\mathbf{b}$ .
- (3)  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$  has only the trivial solution
- (4)  $A$  is row-equivalent to  $I_n$
- (5)  $\text{rank}(A) = n$
- (6) The  $n$  row vectors of  $A$  are linearly independent.
- (7) The  $n$  column vectors of  $A$  are linearly independent.

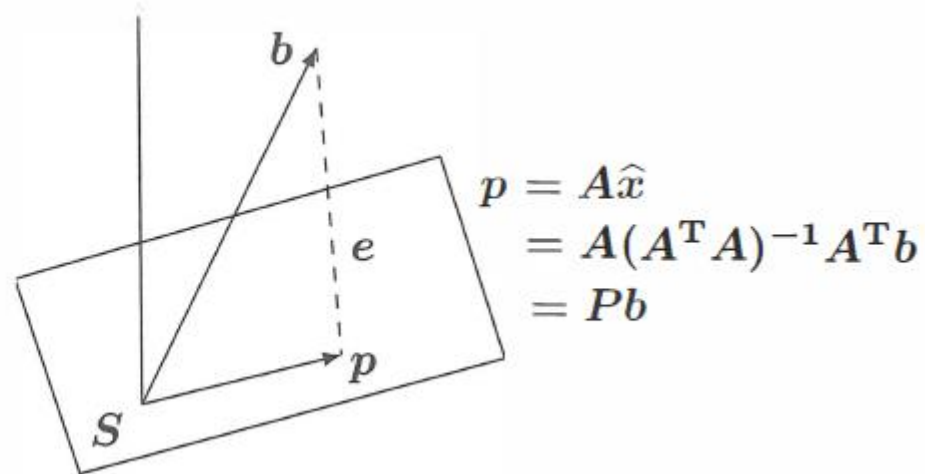
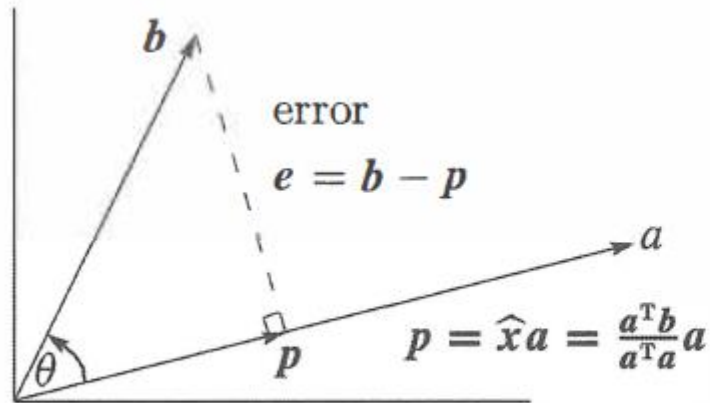
- (8) The column vectors of  $A$  span  $\mathbb{R}^n$
- (9) The row vectors of  $A$  span  $\mathbb{R}^n$
- (10) The column vectors of  $A$  form a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$
- (11) The row vectors of  $A$  form a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$
- (12)  $\text{rank}(A) = n$
- (13)  $\text{nullity}(A) = 0$
- (14) The orthogonal complement of the null space of  $A$  is  $\mathbb{R}^n$
- (15) The orthogonal complement of the row space of  $A$  is  $\{\mathbf{0}\}$

## ■ Orthogonal projections :

Let  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  be two vectors in an inner product space  $V$ , such that  $\mathbf{a} \neq 0$ . Then the orthogonal projection of  $\mathbf{b}$  onto  $\mathbf{a}$  is given by  $\text{proj}_{\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{a} \frac{\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{b}}{\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{a}}$

Projecting  $\mathbf{b}$  onto  $\mathbf{a}$  with error  $\mathbf{e} = \mathbf{b} - \hat{\mathbf{x}}\mathbf{a}$   
 $\mathbf{a} \cdot (\mathbf{b} - \hat{\mathbf{x}}\mathbf{a}) = 0$  or  $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b} - \hat{\mathbf{x}}\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a} = 0$

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \frac{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}}{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a}} = \frac{\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{b}}{\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{a}}.$$



The projection  $\mathbf{p}$  of  $\mathbf{b}$  onto a line and onto  $S = \text{column space of } A$ .



The projection of  $b$  onto the line through  $a$  is the vector  $p = \hat{x}a = \frac{a^T b}{a^T a} a$

Special case 1: If  $b = a$  then  $\hat{x} = 1$ . The projection of  $a$  onto  $a$  is itself.  $Pa = a$ .

Special case 2: If  $b$  is perpendicular to  $a$  then  $a^T b = 0$ . The projection is  $p = 0$ .

### Projection matrix:

Now comes the projection matrix. In the formula for  $p$ , what matrix is multiplying  $b$ ?  
You can see the matrix better if the number  $x$  is on the right side of  $a$ :

**Projection matrix:**  $\text{Proj } p = Pb = a \frac{a^T b}{a^T a}$  the matrix is  $P = \frac{aa^T}{a^T a}$



## Properties of projection matrix

- $P$  is a column times a row!
- The column is  $a$ , the row is  $a^T$ , divide by the number  $a^T a$ .
- The projection matrix  $P$  is  $m$  by  $m$ ,
- its rank is one.
- the column space of  $P$  is the line through  $a$
- $P$  is symmetric  $P^T = P$
- $P^2 = P$ . Projecting a second time doesn't change anything,

## Why project?

Because  $Ax = b$  may have no solution

**Instead** : Solve  $A\hat{x} = p$  ( projection of  $b$  onto the column space of  $A$ )

**Problem:** Find the combination  $p = \hat{x}_1 a_1 + \cdots + \hat{x}_n a_n$  closest to a given vector  $b$ .

*Find the vector  $\hat{x}$ , find the projection  $p = A\hat{x}$ , find the projection matrix  $P$ .*

**The key:** *This error vector  $b - A\hat{x}$  is perpendicular to the subspace.*

$$\begin{bmatrix} -a_1^T & - \\ \vdots & \\ -a_n^T & - \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b - A\hat{x} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The matrix with those rows  $a_i^T$  is  $A^T$ . The  $n$  equations are exactly  $A^T(b - A\hat{x}) = 0$

**Note:**  $e = (b - A\hat{x}) \in N(A^T)$  which is perpendicular to  $C(A)$

Rewrite the last equation  $A^T A\hat{x} = A^T b$

The combination  $p = \hat{x}_1 a_1 + \dots + \hat{x}_n a_n$  that is the closest to  $b$  comes from  $\hat{x}$

$$\text{Find } \hat{x} (n \times 1) \quad A^T(b - A\hat{x}) = 0 \text{ or} \quad A^T A \hat{x} = A^T b$$

This symmetric matrix  $A^T A$  is  $n$  by  $n$ . It is invertible if the  $a$ 's are independent. The solution is  $\hat{x} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b$ . The projection of  $b$  onto the subspace is  $p$ :

$$\text{Find } p (m \times 1) \quad p = A\hat{x} = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T b$$

The next formula picks out the projection matrix that is multiplying  $b$

$$\text{Find } P (m \times m) \quad P = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T$$

**The matrix  $A$  is rectangular. It has no inverse matrix.**

## Orthonormal Bases: Gram-Schmidt Process

- **Orthogonal:**

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.

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

- **Orthonormal:**

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

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

- **Note:**

If  $S$  is a basis, then it is called an **orthogonal basis** or an **orthonormal basis**.

■ Ex : (A nonstandard orthonormal basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ )

Show that the following set is an orthonormal basis.

$$S = \left\{ \overset{\mathbf{v}_1}{\left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0 \right)}, \quad \overset{\mathbf{v}_2}{\left( -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{6}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{6}, \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3} \right)}, \quad \overset{\mathbf{v}_3}{\left( \frac{2}{3}, -\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3} \right)} \right\}$$

Sol:

$$\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_2 = -\frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{6} + 0 = 0$$

$$\|\mathbf{v}_1\| = \sqrt{\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + 0} = 1$$

$$\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_3 = \frac{2}{3\sqrt{2}} - \frac{2}{3\sqrt{2}} + 0 = 0$$

$$\|\mathbf{v}_2\| = \sqrt{\mathbf{v}_2 \cdot \mathbf{v}_2} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{36} + \frac{2}{36} + \frac{8}{9}} = 1$$

$$\mathbf{v}_2 \cdot \mathbf{v}_3 = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{9} - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{9} + \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{9} = 0$$

$$\|\mathbf{v}_3\| = \sqrt{\mathbf{v}_3 \cdot \mathbf{v}_3} = \sqrt{\frac{4}{9} + \frac{4}{9} + \frac{1}{9}} = 1$$

- **Ex : (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

- **Ex : (An Orthogonal Set in  $C[0, 2\pi]$ )**

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_0^{2\pi} f(x)g(x)dx$$

Show that the set  $S = \{1, \sin x, \cos x, \sin 2x, \cos 2x, \dots, \sin nx, \cos nx\}$  is orthogonal

**Sol:**  $\langle 1, \sin nx \rangle = \int_0^{2\pi} \sin nx dx = 0, \quad \langle 1, \cos nx \rangle = \int_0^{2\pi} \cos nx dx = 0$

$$\langle \sin mx, \cos nx \rangle = \int_0^{2\pi} \sin mx \cos nx dx = 0$$

$$\langle \sin mx, \sin nx \rangle = \int_0^{2\pi} \sin mx \sin nx dx = 0, \quad m \neq n$$

$$\langle \cos mx, \cos nx \rangle = \int_0^{2\pi} \cos mx \cos nx dx = 0, \quad m \neq n$$

The set  $S$  is orthogonal but not orthonormal

An orthonormal set can be formed by normalizing each vector in  $S$

$$\|1\| = \sqrt{\langle 1, 1 \rangle} = \sqrt{\int_0^{2\pi} dx} = \sqrt{2\pi}$$

$$\|\sin nx\| = \sqrt{\langle \sin nx, \sin nx \rangle} = \sqrt{\int_0^{2\pi} \sin^2 nx dx} = \sqrt{\pi}$$

$$\|\cos nx\| = \sqrt{\langle \cos nx, \cos nx \rangle} = \sqrt{\int_0^{2\pi} \cos^2 nx dx} = \sqrt{\pi}$$

So the set  $\left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \sin x, \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \cos x, \dots, \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \sin nx, \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \cos nx \right\}$  is orthonormal



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

If  $S = \{ \mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n \}$  is an orthogonal set of nonzero vectors in an inner product space  $V$ , then  $S$  is linearly independent.

- **Corollary to Theorem :**

If  $V$  is an inner product space of dimension  $n$ , then any orthogonal set of  $n$  nonzero vectors is a basis for  $V$ .

- **Ex : (Using orthogonality to test for a basis)**

Show that the following set is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^4$

$$S = \{ \overset{\mathbf{v}_1}{(2, 3, 2, -2)}, \quad \overset{\mathbf{v}_2}{(1, 0, 0, 1)}, \quad \overset{\mathbf{v}_3}{(-1, 0, 2, 1)}, \quad \overset{\mathbf{v}_4}{(-1, 2, -1, 1)} \}$$

**Sol:**

$v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4$ : nonzero vectors

$$v_1 \cdot v_2 = 2 + 0 + 0 - 2 = 0$$

$$v_2 \cdot v_3 = -1 + 0 + 0 + 1 = 0$$

$$v_1 \cdot v_3 = -2 + 0 + 4 - 2 = 0$$

$$v_2 \cdot v_4 = -1 + 0 + 0 + 1 = 0$$

$$v_1 \cdot v_4 = -2 + 6 - 2 - 2 = 0$$

$$v_3 \cdot v_4 = 1 + 0 - 2 + 1 = 0$$

$\Rightarrow S$  is orthogonal  $\Rightarrow S$  is a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^4$

■ **Theorem : (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

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

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

■ **Note:**

Coordinate vector of a vector  $\mathbf{w}$  in  $V$  relative to an orthogonal/ orthonormal basis  $S$  is

$$[\mathbf{u}]_S = \left( \frac{\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}_1 \rangle}{\|\mathbf{v}_1\|^2}, \frac{\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}_2 \rangle}{\|\mathbf{v}_2\|^2}, \dots, \frac{\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}_n \rangle}{\|\mathbf{v}_n\|^2} \right)^T \quad [\mathbf{u}]_S = (\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}_1 \rangle, \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}_2 \rangle, \dots, \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}_n \rangle)^T$$

■ **Ex : (Representing vectors relative to an orthonormal basis)**

Find the coordinates of vector  $\mathbf{u} = (5, -5, 2)$  relative to the following orthonormal basis

$$S = \left\{ \left( \frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, 0 \right), \left( -\frac{4}{5}, \frac{3}{5}, 0 \right), (0, 0, 1) \right\}$$

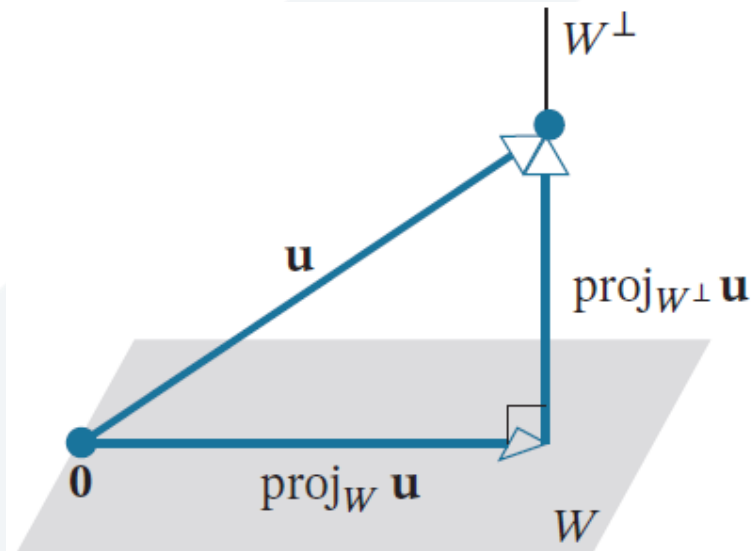
**Sol:**

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}_1 \rangle &= \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}_1 = (5, -5, 2) \cdot \left( \frac{3}{5}, \frac{4}{5}, 0 \right) = -1 \\ \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}_2 \rangle &= \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}_2 = (5, -5, 2) \cdot \left( -\frac{4}{5}, \frac{3}{5}, 0 \right) = -7 \\ \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}_3 \rangle &= \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}_3 = (5, -5, 2) \cdot (0, 0, 1) = 2 \end{aligned} \quad \Rightarrow [\mathbf{u}]_S = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -7 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

Let  $W$  be a finite-dimensional subspace of an inner product space  $V$ . If  $S = \{ \mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_r \}$  is an orthogonal/orthonormal basis for  $W$ , then

$$\text{proj}_W \mathbf{u} = \frac{\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}_1 \rangle}{\|\mathbf{v}_1\|^2} \mathbf{v}_1 + \frac{\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}_2 \rangle}{\|\mathbf{v}_2\|^2} \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + \frac{\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}_r \rangle}{\|\mathbf{v}_r\|^2} \mathbf{v}_r \quad \text{orthogonal}$$

$$\text{proj}_W \mathbf{u} = \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}_1 \rangle \mathbf{v}_1 + \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}_2 \rangle \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}_r \rangle \mathbf{v}_r \quad \text{orthonormal}$$

- **Ex : (Calculating Projections)**

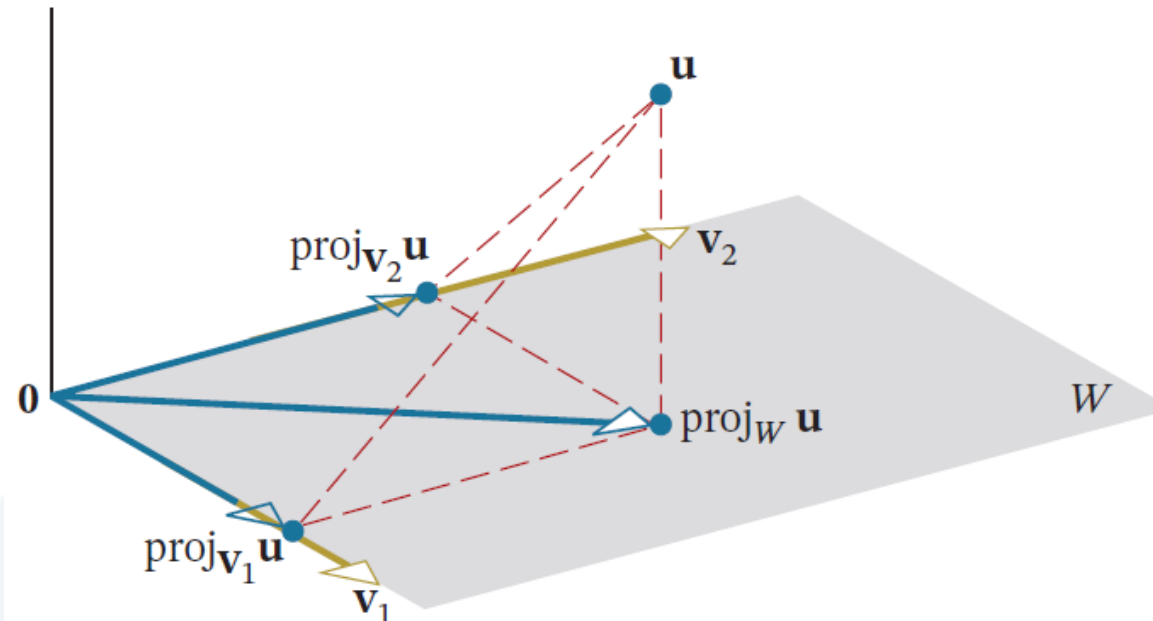
Let  $\mathbb{R}^3$  have the Euclidean inner product, and let  $W$  be the subspace spanned by the orthonormal vectors  $\mathbf{v}_1 = (0, 1, 0)$  and  $\mathbf{v}_2 = (-4/5, 0, 3/5)$ . The orthogonal projection of  $\mathbf{u} = (1, 1, 1)$  on  $W$  is

$$\text{proj}_W \mathbf{u} = \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}_1 \rangle \mathbf{v}_1 + \langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}_2 \rangle \mathbf{v}_2 = (1)(0, 1, 0) + (-1/5)(-4/5, 0, 3/5) = (4/25, 1, -3/25)$$

The component of  $\mathbf{u}$  orthogonal to  $W$  is

$$\text{proj}_{W^\perp} \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{u} - \text{proj}_W \mathbf{u} = (1, 1, 1) - (4/25, 1, -3/25) = (21/25, 0, 28/25)$$

- A geometric interpretation of orthogonal projections in  $\mathbb{R}^3$



- **Theorem : (Projection Theorem)**

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

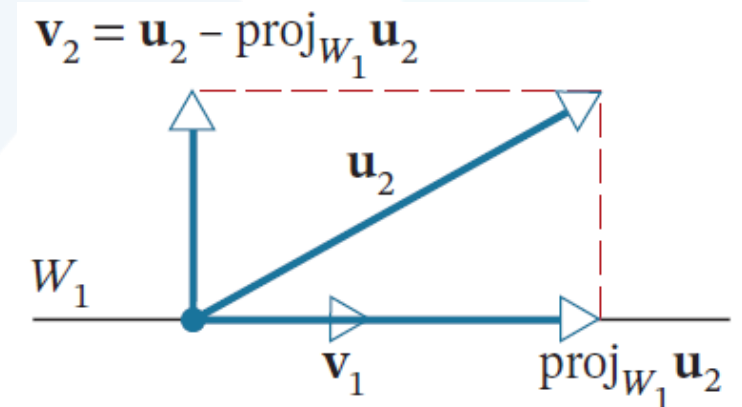
**Proof** (Gram-Schmidt orthonormalization construction)

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  $v_2 \perp v_1, v_2 \neq 0$





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

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

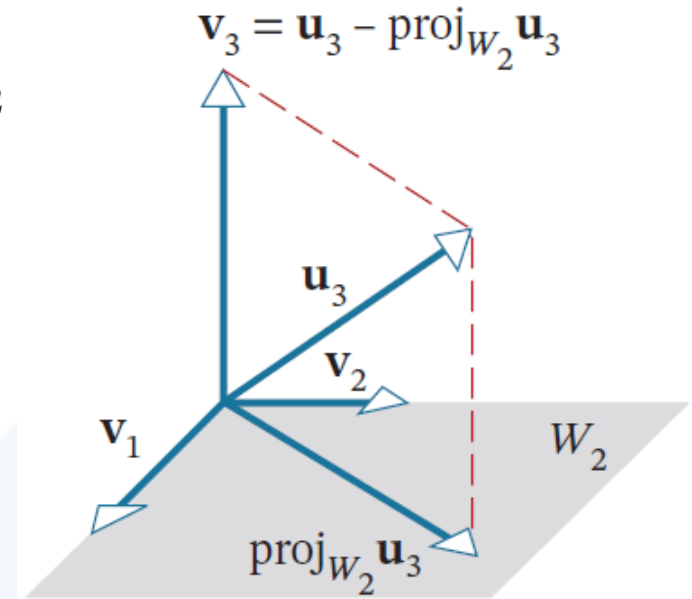
Continuing in this way we will produce after  $r$  steps an orthogonal set of nonzero vectors  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r\}$

By normalizing these basis vectors we can obtain an orthonormal basis

■ **Theorem : (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





$$v_1 = u_1$$

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

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

$\vdots$

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

Then  $B'$  is an orthogonal basis for  $V$

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

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

Also,  $\text{span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n\} = \text{span}\{\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2, \dots, \mathbf{w}_k\}$  for  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$

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

Apply the Gram-Schmidt orthonormalization process to the basis  $B$  for  $\mathbb{R}^2$

$$B = \{ \overset{\mathbf{u}_1}{(1, 1)}, \quad \overset{\mathbf{u}_2}{(0, 1)} \}$$

**Sol:**

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

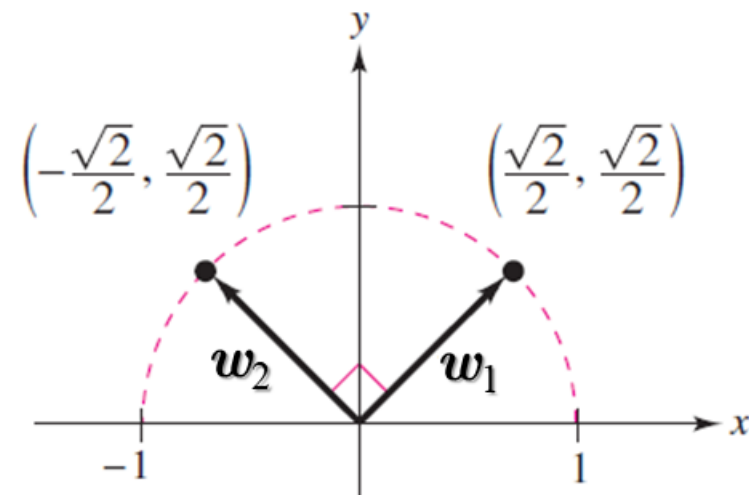
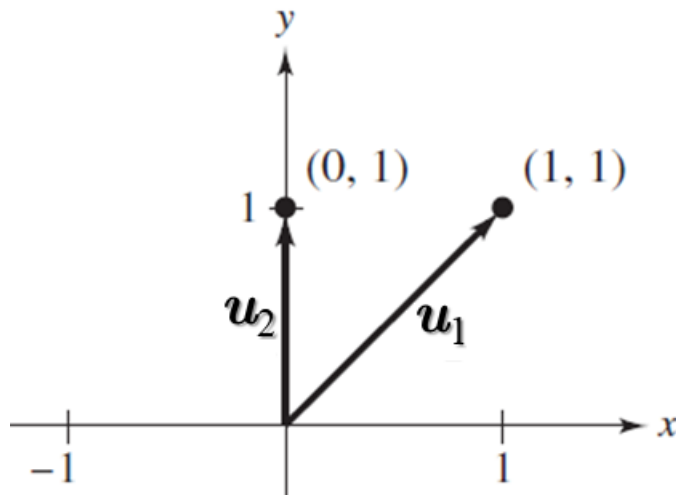
$$\mathbf{v}_2 = \mathbf{u}_2 - \frac{\langle \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{v}_1 \rangle}{\langle \mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_1 \rangle} \mathbf{v}_1 = (0, 1) - \frac{1}{2}(1, 1) = \left(-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

The set  $B = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$  is an orthogonal basis for  $\mathbb{R}^2$

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

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

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



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

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

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

**Sol:**

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

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

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

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

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

$$\mathbf{w}_2 = \frac{\mathbf{v}_2}{\|\mathbf{v}_2\|} = \frac{1}{1/\sqrt{2}} \left( -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0 \right) = \left( -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, 0 \right)$$

$$\mathbf{w}_3 = \frac{\mathbf{v}_3}{\|\mathbf{v}_3\|} = \frac{1}{2} (0, 0, 2) = (0, 0, 1)$$

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

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

Apply the Gram-Schmidt orthonormalization process to the standard basis  $B = \{1, x, x^2\}$  in  $P_2$

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

**Sol:**

Let  $B = \{1, x, x^2\} = \{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$

$$v_1 = u_1 = 1$$

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

$$v_3 = u_3 - \frac{\langle u_3, v_1 \rangle}{\langle v_1, v_1 \rangle} v_1 - \frac{\langle u_3, v_2 \rangle}{\langle v_2, v_2 \rangle} v_2 = x^2 - \frac{2/3}{2}(1) - \frac{0}{2/3}(x) = x^2 - \frac{1}{3}$$

by normalizing  $B = \{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$

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

$$w_2 = \frac{v_2}{\|v_2\|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2/3}}(x) = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}x$$

$$w_3 = \frac{v_3}{\|v_3\|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{8/45}}\left(x^2 - \frac{1}{3}\right) = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\frac{5}{2}}(3x^2 - 1)$$

**Legendre Polynomials**