

Math 3013
Solutions to Problem Set 9

1. Let $B_0 = \{[1, 0, 0], [0, 1, 0], [0, 0, 1]\}$ be the standard basis for \mathbb{R}^3 and let $B_1 = \{[1, 1, 1], [1, -1, 1], [1, 1, -1]\}$ be another basis for \mathbb{R}^3 .

(a) What is the change of basis matrix $\mathbf{C}_{B_1 \rightarrow B_0}$ that connects coordinate vectors with respect to B_1 to coordinate vectors with respect to B_0 ?

- The change of basis matrix that takes coordinate vectors with respect to a basis $B_1 = \{\mathbf{o}_1, \mathbf{o}_2, \mathbf{o}_3\}$ to coordinate vectors with respect to another basis $B_2 = \{\mathbf{n}_1, \mathbf{n}_2, \mathbf{n}_3\}$ will be

$$\mathbf{C}_{B_1 \rightarrow B_2} = \begin{pmatrix} \uparrow & \uparrow & \uparrow \\ [\mathbf{o}_1]_{B_2} & [\mathbf{o}_2]_{B_2} & [\mathbf{o}_3]_{B_2} \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & \downarrow \end{pmatrix}$$

where $[\mathbf{o}_i]_{B_2}$ are coordinates of the “old” basis vector \mathbf{o}_i in terms of the new basis B_2 .

In the case at hand, the “old” basis elements $\{[1, 1, 1], [1, -1, 1], [1, 1, -1]\}$ are already expressed in terms of the “new” standard basis vectors (each vector of B_1 is written in terms of its standard coordinates; e.g., $[1, 1, 1] = 1 \cdot \mathbf{e}_1 + 1 \cdot \mathbf{e}_2 + 1 \cdot \mathbf{e}_3$). Thus

$$\mathbf{C}_{B_1 \rightarrow B_0} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

(b) Suppose a vector \mathbf{v} has coordinate vector $\mathbf{v}_{B_1} = [1, 2, 1]$ with respect to the basis B_1 . What are its coordinates with respect to the standard basis B_0 .

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$$\mathbf{v}_{B_0} = \mathbf{C}_{B_1 \rightarrow B_0} \mathbf{v}_{B_1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

(c) What is the change of basis matrix $\mathbf{C}_{B_0 \rightarrow B_1}$ that connects standard coordinate vectors (with respect to B_0) to coordinate vectors with respect to B_1 .

- We can find $\mathbf{C}_{B_0 \rightarrow B_1}$ by computing the inverse of $\mathbf{C}_{B_1 \rightarrow B_0}$. One finds

$$\mathbf{C}_{B_0 \rightarrow B_1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

(d) If $\mathbf{v}_{B_0} = [2, 1, 2]$ what are its coordinates with respect to the basis B_1 .

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$$\mathbf{v}_{B_1} = \mathbf{C}_{B_1 \rightarrow B_0} \mathbf{v}_{B_0} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{3}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

2. Suppose $B_1 = \{[1, 1], [1, -1]\}$ and $B_2 = \{[2, 1], [1, 0]\}$. Find the change of basis matrix $\mathbf{C}_{B_1 \rightarrow B_2}$ that maps coordinate vectors with respect the basis B_1 to coordinate vectors with respect to the basis B_2 .

- We’ll do this in two steps. Let $B_0 = \{[1, 0], [0, 1]\}$ be the standard basis for \mathbb{R}^2 . The basis elements of B_1 and B_2 are already expressed in terms the standard basis, and so we can immediately write

down the following two change of basis matrices

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{C}_{B_1 \rightarrow B_0} &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \\ \mathbf{C}_{B_2 \rightarrow B_0} &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

We want to go from B_1 to B_2 . We can do this using B_0 as an intermediary basis

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{C}_{B_1 \rightarrow B_2} &= \mathbf{C}_{B_0 \rightarrow B_2} \mathbf{C}_{B_1 \rightarrow B_0} \\ &= (\mathbf{C}_{B_2 \rightarrow B_0})^{-1} \mathbf{C}_{B_1 \rightarrow B_0} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

3. Let $\mathbf{a} = [1, -1, 1]$ and $\mathbf{b} = [2, 1, 1]$.

(a) Find the orthogonal projection of \mathbf{a} onto \mathbf{b} .

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$$\mathbf{a}_{\parallel \mathbf{b}} = \frac{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}}{\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{b}} \mathbf{b} = \frac{(2 - 1 + 1)}{4 + 1 + 1} [2, 1, 1] = \left[\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3} \right]$$

(b) Find the component of \mathbf{a} that is perpendicular to \mathbf{b} .

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$$\mathbf{a}_{\perp \mathbf{b}} = \mathbf{a} - \frac{\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}}{\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{b}} \mathbf{b} = [1, -1, 1] - \left[\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3} \right] = \left[\frac{1}{3}, -\frac{4}{3}, \frac{2}{3} \right]$$

4. Let $\mathbf{v}_1 = [1, 1, 1]$, $\mathbf{v}_2 = [1, 1, 0]$, $\mathbf{v}_3 = [1, 0, 0]$. Given that these vectors are linearly independent, apply the Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization process to obtain a corresponding orthogonal basis for \mathbb{R}^3 .

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$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{v}'_1 &= \mathbf{v}_1 = [1, 1, 1] \\ \mathbf{v}'_2 &= \mathbf{v}_2 - \frac{\mathbf{v}'_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_2}{\mathbf{v}'_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}'_1} \mathbf{v}'_1 = [1, 1, 0] - \frac{2}{3} [1, 1, 1] \\ &= \left[\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, -\frac{2}{3} \right] \\ \mathbf{v}'_3 &= \mathbf{v}_3 - \frac{\mathbf{v}'_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_3}{\mathbf{v}'_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}'_1} \mathbf{v}'_1 - \frac{\mathbf{v}'_2 \cdot \mathbf{v}_3}{\mathbf{v}'_2 \cdot \mathbf{v}'_2} \mathbf{v}'_2 \\ &= [1, 0, 0] - \left(\frac{1}{3} \right) [1, 1, 1] - \left(\frac{1}{\frac{6}{9}} \right) \left[\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, -\frac{2}{3} \right] \\ &= \left[\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, 0 \right]\end{aligned}$$

5. Let $\mathbf{v}_1 = [1, 1, 0]$ and $\mathbf{v}_2 = [3, 4, 2]$

(a) Apply the Gram-Schmidt process to $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$ to an orthogonal basis for the subspace $\text{span}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2)$ of \mathbb{R}^3 .

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$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{v}'_1 &= \mathbf{v}_1 = [1, 1, 0] \\ \mathbf{v}'_2 &= \mathbf{v}_2 - \frac{\mathbf{v}'_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_2}{\mathbf{v}'_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}'_1} \mathbf{v}'_1 = [3, 4, 2] - \left(\frac{7}{2}\right) [1, 1, 0] = \left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 2\right]\end{aligned}$$

(b) Extend the orthogonal basis found in part (a) to an orthonormal basis for \mathbb{R}^3 .

- We need to introduce a third linearly independent basis element to get a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 ; $\mathbf{v}_3 = [0, 0, 1]$ will do (it's easy to see that it lies outside the span of \mathbf{v}'_1 and \mathbf{v}'_2 .)

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{v}'_3 &= \mathbf{v}_3 - \frac{\mathbf{v}'_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_3}{\mathbf{v}'_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}'_1} \mathbf{v}'_1 - \frac{\mathbf{v}'_2 \cdot \mathbf{v}_3}{\mathbf{v}'_2 \cdot \mathbf{v}'_2} \mathbf{v}'_2 \\ &= [0, 0, 1] - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) [1, 1, 0] - \left(\frac{2}{\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} + 4}\right) \left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 2\right] \\ &= \left[\frac{2}{9}, -\frac{2}{9}, \frac{1}{9}\right]\end{aligned}$$

$\{\mathbf{v}'_1, \mathbf{v}'_2, \mathbf{v}'_3\}$ will be an orthogonal basis. To get an orthonormal basis, we simply have to renormalize the lengths of these vectors:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{u}_1 &= \frac{\mathbf{v}'_1}{\|\mathbf{v}'_1\|} = \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, 0\right] \\ \mathbf{u}_2 &= \frac{\mathbf{v}'_2}{\|\mathbf{v}'_2\|} = \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{9}}\right) \left[-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 2\right] \\ &= \left[-\frac{1}{6}\sqrt{2}, \frac{1}{6}\sqrt{2}, \frac{2}{3}\sqrt{2}\right] \\ \mathbf{u}_3 &= \frac{\mathbf{v}'_3}{\|\mathbf{v}'_3\|} = \left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{\frac{9}{81}}}\right) \left[\frac{2}{9}, -\frac{2}{9}, \frac{1}{9}\right] \\ &= \left[\frac{2}{3}, -\frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}\right]\end{aligned}$$

(c) Find the orthogonal projection of $[1, 2, 1]$ onto $W = \text{span}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2)$

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$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{v}_\perp &= (\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{u}_1) \mathbf{u}_1 + (\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{u}_2) \mathbf{u}_2 \\ &= \left[\frac{11}{9}, \frac{16}{9}, \frac{10}{9}\right]\end{aligned}$$

6. Let $\mathbf{x}_1 = [1, -1, 1, 1]$, $\mathbf{x}_2 = [1, -1, 1, -1]$.

(a) Apply the Gram-Schmidt process to $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$ to an orthogonal basis for the subspace $\text{span}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2)$ of \mathbb{R}^4 .

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$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{v}'_1 &= \mathbf{v}_1 = [1, -1, 1, 1] \\ \mathbf{v}'_2 &= \mathbf{v}_2 - \frac{(\mathbf{v}_2 \cdot \mathbf{v}'_1)}{(\mathbf{v}'_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}'_1)} \mathbf{v}'_1 = \left[\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{3}{2}\right]\end{aligned}$$

(b) Extend the orthogonal basis found in part (a) to an orthonormal basis for \mathbb{R}^4 .

- We need two more basis vectors to get a basis for \mathbb{R}^4 . Let's use $\mathbf{v}_3 = [0, 0, 1, 0]$ and $\mathbf{v}_4 = [1, 0, 0, -1]$. Extending our Gram-Schmidt orthogonal basis, we have

$$\mathbf{v}'_3 = \mathbf{v}_3 - \frac{(\mathbf{v}_3 \cdot \mathbf{v}'_1)}{(\mathbf{v}'_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}'_1)} \mathbf{v}'_1 - \frac{(\mathbf{v}_3 \cdot \mathbf{v}'_2)}{(\mathbf{v}'_2 \cdot \mathbf{v}'_2)} \mathbf{v}'_2 = \left[-\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, 0\right]$$

$$\mathbf{v}'_4 = \mathbf{v}_4 - \frac{(\mathbf{v}_4 \cdot \mathbf{v}'_1)}{(\mathbf{v}'_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}'_1)} \mathbf{v}'_1 - \mathbf{v}'_2 - \frac{(\mathbf{v}_4 \cdot \mathbf{v}'_3)}{(\mathbf{v}'_2 \cdot \mathbf{v}'_2)} \mathbf{v}'_2 - \frac{(\mathbf{v}_4 \cdot \mathbf{v}'_3)}{(\mathbf{v}'_3 \cdot \mathbf{v}'_3)} = \left[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0, 0 \right]$$

The vectors $\mathbf{v}'_1, \mathbf{v}'_2, \mathbf{v}'_3, \mathbf{v}'_4$ now comprise an orthogonal basis. To get an orthonormal basis we must renormalize them so that their lengths are 1. Doing so we get,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{u}_1 &= \frac{\mathbf{v}'_1}{\|\mathbf{v}'_1\|} = \left[\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right] \\ \mathbf{u}_2 &= \frac{\mathbf{v}'_2}{\|\mathbf{v}'_2\|} = \left[\frac{\sqrt{3}}{6}, -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{6}, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6}, -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right] \\ \mathbf{u}_3 &= \frac{\mathbf{v}'_3}{\|\mathbf{v}'_3\|} = \left[-\frac{\sqrt{6}}{6}, \frac{\sqrt{6}}{6}, \frac{\sqrt{6}}{3}, 0 \right] \\ \mathbf{u}_4 &= \frac{\mathbf{v}'_4}{\|\mathbf{v}'_4\|} = \left[\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, 0, 0 \right] \end{aligned}$$

(c) Find the orthogonal projection of $[2, 1, 1, 1]$ onto $\text{span}(\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2)$

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$$\mathbf{v}_{||} = (\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{u}_1) \mathbf{u}_1 + (\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{u}_2) \mathbf{u}_2 = \left[\frac{2}{3}, -\frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, 1 \right]$$

7. (a) Find an orthogonal basis for \mathbb{R}^3 that contains the vector $\mathbf{v} = [3, 1, 5]$.

- We'll just start the Gram-Schmidt process with the vector $\mathbf{v}_1 = [3, 1, 5]$ and two other linearly independent vectors; e.g. $\mathbf{v}_2 = [0, 1, 0]$ and $\mathbf{v}_3 = [0, 0, 1]$. The Gram-Schmidt process applied to $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \mathbf{v}_3\}$ yields

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v}'_1 &= [3, 1, 5] \\ \mathbf{v}'_2 &= \left[-\frac{3}{35}, \frac{34}{35}, -\frac{1}{7} \right] \\ \mathbf{v}'_3 &= \left[-\frac{15}{34}, 0, \frac{9}{34} \right] \end{aligned}$$

(b) Find a basis for the orthogonal complement of \mathbf{v} , in \mathbb{R}^3 .

- This will just be the span of \mathbf{v}'_2 and \mathbf{v}'_3

$$\mathbf{v}_1^\perp = \text{span} \left([3, 1, 5], \left[-\frac{3}{35}, \frac{34}{35}, -\frac{1}{7} \right] \right)$$