

Quiz 7

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1. A matrix A is called orthogonal if

the columns of A form an orthonormal basis of \mathbb{R}^n (where A is $n \times n$ matrix)

2. (a) Find an orthonormal basis for a subspace V of \mathbb{R}^3 spanned by

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\bar{u}_1 = \frac{\bar{v}_1}{\|\bar{v}_1\|} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\bar{v}_2^\perp = \bar{v}_2 - (\bar{v}_2 \cdot \bar{u}_1) \bar{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} - \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\bar{u}_2 = \frac{\bar{v}_2^\perp}{\|\bar{v}_2^\perp\|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix}.$$

So an orthonormal basis for V is

$$\left\{ \bar{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \bar{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

- (b) Use result from (a) to find an orthogonal projection of $v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ onto V .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Proj}_V \bar{v}_3 &= (\bar{v}_3 \cdot \bar{u}_1) \bar{u}_1 + (\bar{v}_3 \cdot \bar{u}_2) \bar{u}_2 = \left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$