

§6.7 Coordinates and change of basis

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Coordinates we will now consider ordered bases.

so $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is different from $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$.

note if $S = \{ \underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_n \}$ is an (ordered) basis for V , then

every $\underline{v} \in V$ can be written uniquely as $\underline{v} = c_1 \underline{v}_1 + c_2 \underline{v}_2 + \dots + c_n \underline{v}_n$.

we will write $[\underline{v}]_S = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix}$ and call this the coordinate vector for $\underline{v}$ in the basis S .

order matters!

example $\mathbb{R}^2$: $S_1 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ $S_2 = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$.

then $\underline{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ then $[\underline{v}]_{S_1} = 1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + (-1) \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$.

but $[\underline{v}]_{S_2} = (-1) \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + 1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

Example $S = \{ \underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_4 \}$ basis for $\mathbb{R}^4$

$\underline{v}_1 = [1, 1, 0, 0]$ $\underline{v}_2 = [2, 0, 1, 0]$ $\underline{v}_3 = [0, 1, 2, -1]$ $\underline{v}_4 = [0, 1, -1, 0]$.

if $\underline{v} = [1, 2, -6, 2]$ find $[\underline{v}]_S$.

need to find $c_1, \dots, c_4$ s.t. $\underline{v} = c_1 \underline{v}_1 + c_2 \underline{v}_2 + c_3 \underline{v}_3 + c_4 \underline{v}_4$.

i.e. solve.

$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & -1 & -6 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 2 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\underline{\text{slr}} \quad [\underline{v}]_S = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

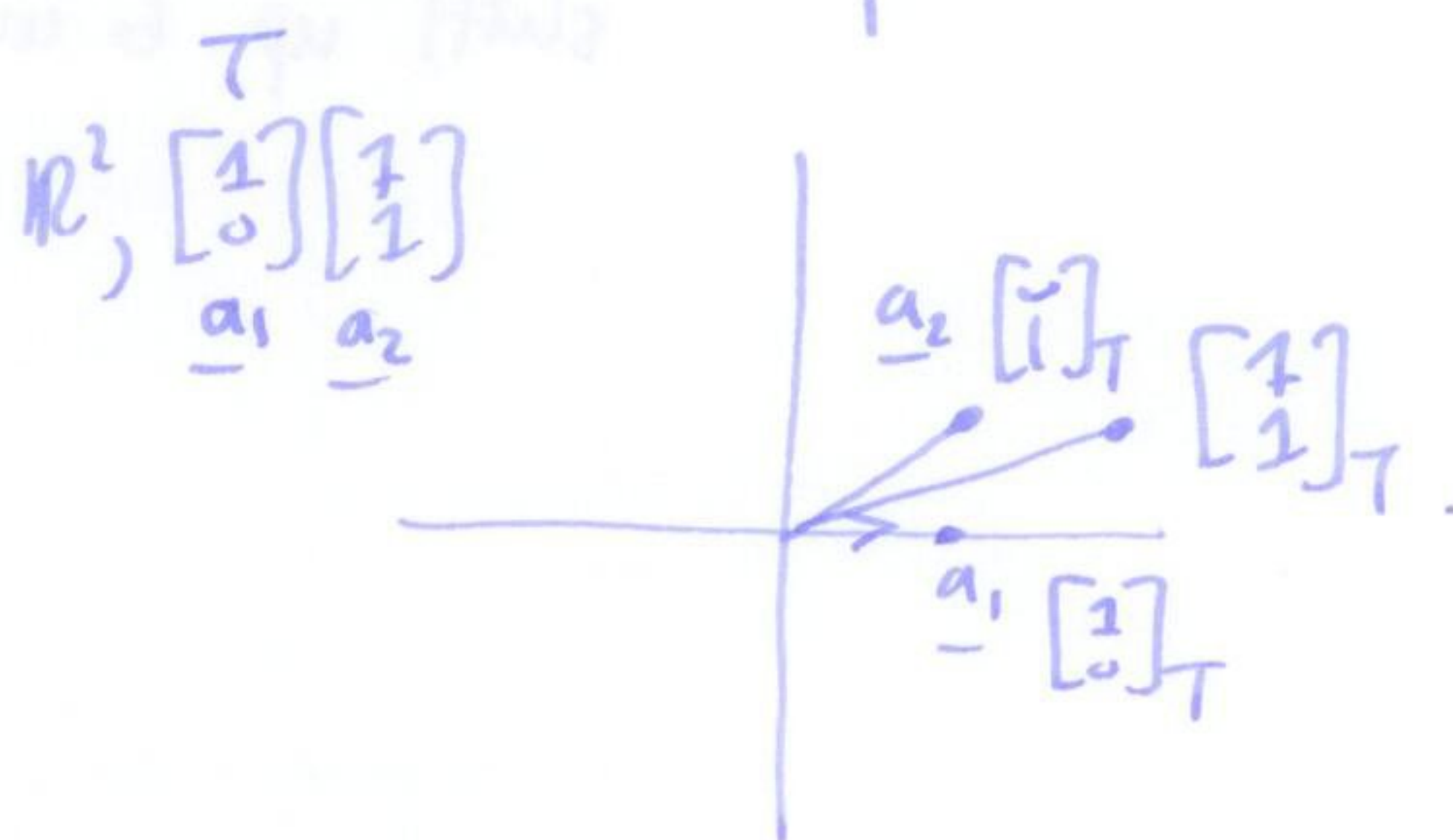
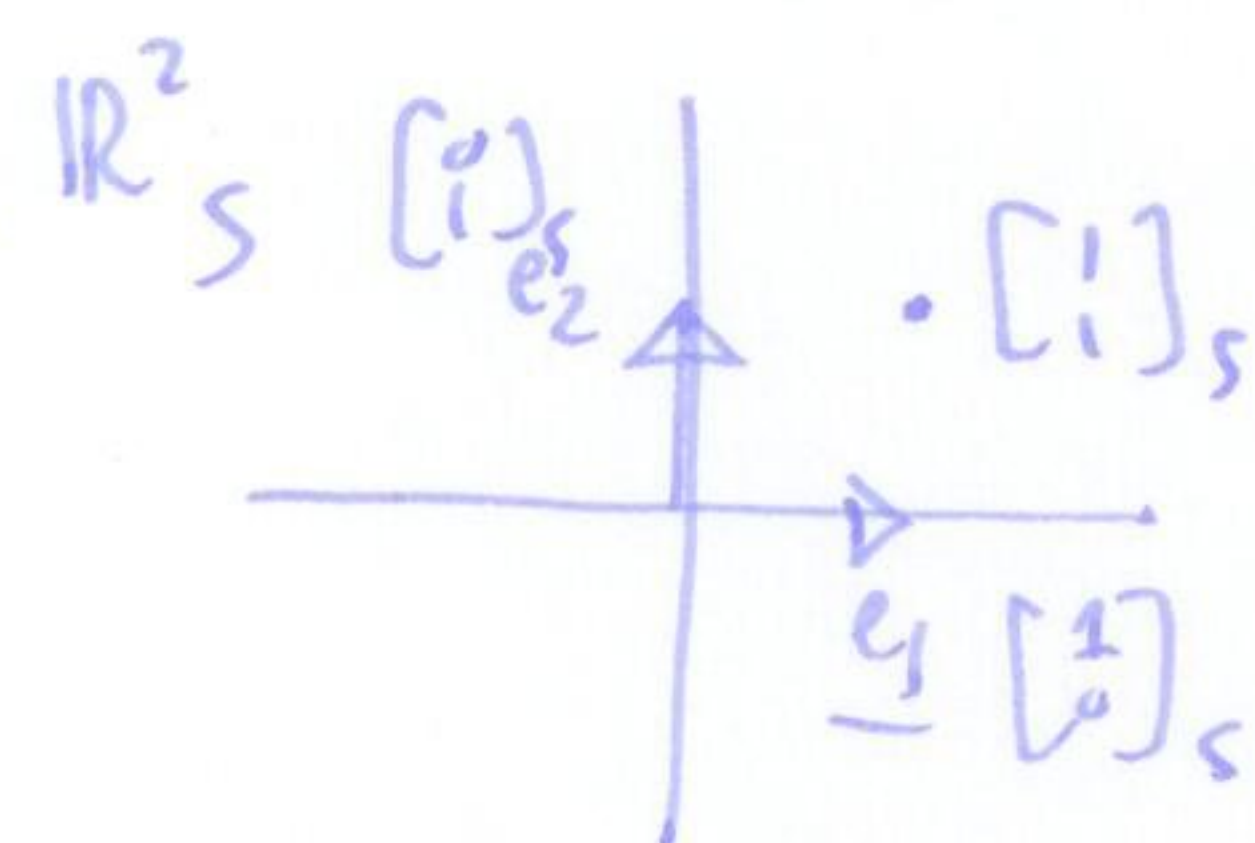
Observation

$$[\underline{v}]_S + [\underline{w}]_S = [\underline{v+w}]_S$$

$$[k\underline{v}]_S = k[\underline{v}]_S$$

Conclusion - a coordinate system on a vector space is a vector space.
- change of coordinates is a linear map.

Pictures



Transition matrices

$$S = \{\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_n\} \quad T = \{\underline{w}_1, \dots, \underline{w}_n\} \text{ bases.}$$

$\underline{v} \in V$ then

$$\underline{v} = c_1 \underline{w}_1 + c_2 \underline{w}_2 + \dots + c_n \underline{w}_n, \text{ so } [\underline{v}]_T = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix}$$

similarly so

$$\underline{v} \in V$$

$$\begin{aligned} [\underline{v}]_S &= [c_1 \underline{w}_1 + c_2 \underline{w}_2 + \dots + c_n \underline{w}_n]_S \\ &= c_1 [\underline{w}_1]_S + c_2 [\underline{w}_2]_S + \dots + c_n [\underline{w}_n]_S \end{aligned}$$

so if we know $[\underline{w}_1]_S, \dots, [\underline{w}_n]_S$, we can work out $[\underline{v}]_S$ from $[\underline{v}]_T$.

to suppose $[\underline{w}_j]_S = \begin{bmatrix} a_{1j} \\ \vdots \\ a_{nj} \end{bmatrix}$

Then $[\underline{v}]_S = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \\ \vdots \\ a_{n1} \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} a_{12} \\ \vdots \\ a_{n2} \end{bmatrix} + \dots + c_n \begin{bmatrix} a_{1n} \\ \vdots \\ a_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$

$$[\underline{v}]_S = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1} & a_{n2} & \dots & a_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$\uparrow$ transition matrix. $\uparrow [\underline{v}]_T$

notation: transition matrix often called $P_{S \leftarrow T}$

$$[\underline{v}]_S = P_{S \leftarrow T} [\underline{v}]_T$$

the columns of $P_{S \leftarrow T}$ are the vectors $[\underline{w}_j]_S$

i.e. the basis element of T written down in terms of S .

Example $\mathbb{R}^3$: $S = \{\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \underline{v}_3\}$ $T = \{\underline{w}_1, \underline{w}_2, \underline{w}_3\}$

$$\underline{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \underline{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \underline{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underline{w}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \underline{w}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad \underline{w}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 5 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

find $P_{S \leftarrow T}$

method ① need to find $\underline{w}_i$ in terms of S . (7)

i.e. solve $\underline{w}_1 = c_1 \underline{v}_1 + c_2 \underline{v}_2 + c_3 \underline{v}_3$, $\underline{w}_2 = d_1 \underline{v}_1 + d_2 \underline{v}_2 + d_3 \underline{v}_3$, etc...

i.e. solve $\left[\underline{v}_1 \ \underline{v}_2 \ \underline{v}_3 \mid \underline{w}_1 \right]$

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so can solve all at once: $\left[\underline{v}_1 \ \underline{v}_2 \ \underline{v}_3 \mid \underline{w}_1 \ \underline{w}_2 \ \underline{w}_3 \right]$

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 2 & 1 & 1 & 6 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 & 3 & -1 & 5 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 3 & 3 & 2 \end{array} \right] \rightsquigarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

Thm $P_{S \leftarrow T}$ is non-singular.

Proof compute $\ker(P_{S \leftarrow T})$ i.e. suppose

$$\underline{0} = c_1 \underline{v}_1 + c_2 \underline{v}_2 + c_3 \underline{v}_3 \quad \text{but } \{\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \underline{v}_3\}$$

linear independent $\Rightarrow c_1 = c_2 = \dots = c_n = 0$

so $\ker(P_{S \leftarrow T}) = \{\underline{0}\}$, then $\text{rank}(P_{S \leftarrow T}) + \text{nullity}(P_{S \leftarrow T}) = n$.

$$\Rightarrow \text{rank}(P_{S \leftarrow T}) = n.$$

method ② $E = \{\underline{e}_1, \underline{e}_2, \underline{e}_3\}$ standard basis.

Wk solve $\underline{v}_1 = c_1 \underline{e}_1 + c_2 \underline{e}_2 + c_3 \underline{e}_3$ easy!

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = c_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_2 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + c_3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{so } \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix} = \underline{v}_1$$

$$\text{so } P_{S \leftarrow E} = \left[\underline{v}_1 \ \underline{v}_2 \ \underline{v}_3 \right] \quad \text{similarly } P_{E \leftarrow T} = \left[\underline{w}_1 \ \underline{w}_2 \ \underline{w}_3 \right]$$

$$\text{so } P_{S \leftarrow T} = P_{E \leftarrow S}^{-1} P_{E \leftarrow T}$$

§6.8 Orthonormal bases in $\mathbb{R}^n$

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we'll now consider $\mathbb{R}^n$ with the inner product (dot product).

Defn A set $S = \{\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_k\}$ in $\mathbb{R}^n$ is orthogonal if $\underline{v}_i \cdot \underline{v}_j = 0$ for all i, j , $i \neq j$.

Example standard basis is orthogonal! $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ also $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \dots$

Thm Let $S = \{\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_k\}$ be an orthogonal set of non-zero vectors in $\mathbb{R}^n$. Then S is linearly independent.

Proof suppose $c_1 \underline{v}_1 + c_2 \underline{v}_2 + \dots + c_k \underline{v}_k = \underline{0}$

then $\underline{v}_i \cdot (c_1 \underline{v}_1 + \dots + c_k \underline{v}_k) = \underline{v}_i \cdot \underline{0}$

$$c_i \|\underline{v}_i\|^2 = 0 \Rightarrow c_i = 0.$$

can do this for all i . $\square$

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Defn $S = \{\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_k\}$ is orthonormal if it is orthogonal

and $\|\underline{v}_i\| = 1$ for all i .

Defn An orthonormal basis for $\mathbb{R}^n$ is an orthonormal set which is a basis.

Thm Let $S = \{\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_n\}$ be an orthonormal basis for $\mathbb{R}^n$.

and $\underline{v}$ any vector in $\mathbb{R}^n$ then $\underline{v} = c_1 \underline{v}_1 + c_2 \underline{v}_2 + \dots + c_n \underline{v}_n$

where $c_i = \underline{v} \cdot \underline{v}_i$.

Proof $\underline{v} = c_1 \underline{v}_1 + \dots + c_n \underline{v}_n$ for some $c_1, \dots, c_n$

$$\underline{v} \cdot \underline{v}_i = c_1 \underline{v}_1 \cdot \underline{v}_i + \dots + c_i \underline{v}_i \cdot \underline{v}_i + \dots + c_n \underline{v}_n \cdot \underline{v}_i$$

$$\underline{v} \cdot \underline{v}_i = c_i \|\underline{v}_i\|^2 = c_i \quad \square$$

Corollary if $S = \{\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_n\}$ is an orthogonal basis, then

$$\underline{v} = c_1 \underline{v}_1 + \dots + c_n \underline{v}_n, \text{ where } c_i = \frac{\underline{v} \cdot \underline{v}_i}{\|\underline{v}_i\|^2} \quad \square$$

how to find an orthonormal basis, given a basis:

Th^m (Gram-Schmidt Process)

Given a basis $\{\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_n\}$, we can construct an orthonormal basis $\{\underline{w}_1, \dots, \underline{w}_n\}$. First find an orthogonal basis, then normalize.

Proof start with $\underline{w}_1 = \frac{\underline{v}_1}{\|\underline{v}_1\|}$ then $\|\underline{w}_1\| = 1$.

now find $\underline{w}_2$ orthogonal to $\underline{w}_1$ in $\text{span}\{\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2\}$

set $\underline{w}_2 = \underline{v}_2 + \lambda \underline{v}_1$ want to choose λ s.t. $\underline{w}_1, \underline{w}_2$ orthogonal.

$$\underline{w}_1 \cdot \underline{w}_2 = \underline{v}_1 \cdot \underline{v}_2 + \lambda \underline{v}_1 \cdot \underline{v}_1 = 0$$

$$\text{so } \lambda = -\frac{\underline{v}_1 \cdot \underline{v}_2}{\underline{v}_1 \cdot \underline{v}_1}$$

$$\text{i.e. } \underline{w}_2 = \underline{v}_2 - \frac{\underline{v}_1 \cdot \underline{v}_2}{\underline{v}_1 \cdot \underline{v}_1} \underline{v}_1$$

now find $\underline{w}_3$ orthogonal to $\underline{w}_1, \underline{w}_2$ in span of $\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2, \underline{v}_3$.

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set $\underline{w}_3 = \underline{v}_3 + \lambda_1 \underline{w}_1 + \lambda_2 \underline{w}_2$ $\text{span}\{\underline{w}_1, \underline{w}_2, \underline{v}_3\}$

want $\underline{w}_1 \cdot \underline{w}_3 = 0$

$$\underline{w}_1 \cdot \underline{w}_3 = \underline{w}_1 \cdot \underline{v}_3 + \lambda_1 \underline{w}_1 \cdot \underline{w}_1 + \lambda_2 \underline{w}_1 \cdot \underline{w}_2 = 0$$

$\underline{w}_2 \cdot \underline{w}_3 = 0$

$$\underline{w}_2 \cdot \underline{w}_3 = \underline{w}_2 \cdot \underline{v}_3 + \lambda_1 \underline{w}_2 \cdot \underline{w}_1 + \lambda_2 \underline{w}_2 \cdot \underline{w}_2 = 0$$

so $\lambda_1 = - \frac{\underline{w}_1 \cdot \underline{v}_3}{\underline{w}_1 \cdot \underline{w}_1} = - \frac{\underline{v}_1 \cdot \underline{v}_3}{\underline{v}_1 \cdot \underline{v}_1}$

$\lambda_2 = - \frac{\underline{w}_2 \cdot \underline{v}_3}{\underline{w}_2 \cdot \underline{w}_2} = - \frac{\underline{v}_2 \cdot \underline{v}_3}{\underline{v}_2 \cdot \underline{v}_2}$

so $\underline{w}_3 = \underline{v}_3 - \frac{\underline{v}_3 \cdot \underline{w}_1}{\underline{w}_1 \cdot \underline{w}_1} \underline{w}_1 - \frac{\underline{v}_3 \cdot \underline{w}_2}{\underline{w}_2 \cdot \underline{w}_2} \underline{w}_2$ and so on $\square$

finally normalize, replace $\underline{w}_i$ with $\frac{\underline{w}_i}{\|\underline{w}_i\|}$