

# Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization process

It is a procedure which takes a nonorthogonal set of vectors and constructs an orthogonal basis

$$\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \vec{v}_3, \dots, \vec{v}_m, \dots$$

$$\vec{u}_1 = \vec{v}_1$$

To determine the second vector we use  $\vec{u}_2 = \vec{v}_2 + \alpha \vec{u}_1$  and the condition  $\vec{u}_1 \cdot \vec{u}_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{u}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_2 + \alpha |\vec{u}_1|^2 = 0$

$$\vec{u}_2 = \vec{v}_2 - \frac{\vec{u}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_2}{|\vec{u}_1|^2} \vec{u}_1$$

OBSERVE THAT IF  $\vec{v}_2 = \kappa \vec{u}_1 \Rightarrow \vec{u}_2 = \vec{0}!!!$

To determine the third vector we use  $\vec{u}_3 = \vec{v}_3 + \beta \vec{u}_1 + \gamma \vec{u}_2$  and the conditions  $\vec{u}_1 \cdot \vec{u}_3 = \vec{u}_2 \cdot \vec{u}_3 = 0$  leading to  $\vec{u}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_3 + \beta |\vec{u}_1|^2 = 0$  and  $\vec{u}_2 \cdot \vec{v}_3 + \gamma |\vec{u}_2|^2 = 0$

$$\vec{u}_3 = \vec{v}_3 - \frac{\vec{u}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_3}{|\vec{u}_1|^2} \vec{u}_1 - \frac{\vec{u}_2 \cdot \vec{v}_3}{|\vec{u}_2|^2} \vec{u}_2$$

OBSERVE THAT IF  $\vec{v}_3 = \kappa \vec{u}_1 + \gamma \vec{u}_2 \Rightarrow \vec{u}_3 = \vec{0}!!!$

FINALLY 
$$\vec{u}_m = \vec{v}_m - \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} \frac{\vec{u}_i \cdot \vec{v}_m}{|\vec{u}_i|^2} \vec{u}_i \quad m \geq 2$$

## FIRST EXAMPLE

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{[1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 0] \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}}{[1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 0] \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{2+6+12+0}{1+4+9+0} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{10}{7} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{7} \begin{bmatrix} 14-10 \\ 21-20 \\ 28-30 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{7} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{u}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{26 \ 13}{3+8+15} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{6 \ 2}{16+1+4} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{7} \begin{bmatrix} 21-13-8 \\ 28-26-2 \\ 35-39+4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

This means that  $\vec{v}_3$  is a linear combination of  $\vec{v}_1$  and  $\vec{v}_2$

In this case  $2\vec{v}_2 - \vec{v}_1 = \vec{v}_3$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\vec{v}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{18 \ 9}{0+6+12+0} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{-5}{16+1+4+0} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{21} \begin{bmatrix} 0-27+20 \\ 63-54+5 \\ 84-81-10 \\ 105+0+0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{21} \begin{bmatrix} -7 \\ 14 \\ -7 \\ 105 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 15 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 15 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 15 \end{bmatrix}$$

### SECOND EXAMPLE

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 15 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -10 \\ 5 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

PROOF

$$\vec{v}_5 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{7 \ 1}{1+4+9} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{7 \ 1}{16+1+4} \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{-14 \ 2}{1+4+1+225} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \\ -15 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{66} \begin{bmatrix} 132-33-88+4 \\ 66-66-22-8 \\ 66-99+44+4 \\ 66+0+0-60 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{66} \begin{bmatrix} 15 \\ -30 \\ 15 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -10 \\ 5 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

### PROVE THE FOLLOWING

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -4 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

THEN FIND THE LINEAR COMBINATION WHICH ALLOWS TO WRITE THE LAST VECTOR IN TERMS OF THE FIRST FOUR VECTORS

$$\begin{array}{cccc|cccc|cccc}
 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 & 2 & 2 & 4 & 6 & 0 & 4 & 3 & 6 & 9 & 0 & 6 \\
 2 & 2 & 4 & 3 & 1 & -2 & -2 & -4 & -3 & -1 & & & & & \\
 3 & 4 & 5 & 4 & 1 & & & & & & -3 & -4 & -5 & -4 & -1 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 & 1 & & & & & & & & & & 
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{cccc|cccc}
 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 & 2 & & & & & & & & & & \\
 0 & 2 & 2 & -3 & 3 & 0 & -2 & -2 & 3 & -3 & & & & & \\
 0 & 2 & 4 & -4 & 5 & 0 & 2 & 4 & -4 & 5 & & & & & \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 & 1 & & & & & & & & & & \\
 & & & & & 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 & 2 & & & & & 
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{cccc|c}
 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 & 2 \\
 0 & 2 & 2 & -3 & 3 \\
 0 & 0 & 2 & -1 & 2 \\
 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 & 1
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_1 &= -2x_2 - 3x_3 + 2 \\
 2x_2 &= -2x_3 + 3x_4 + 3 \\
 2x_3 &= x_4 + 2 \\
 5x_4 &= 1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_1 &= -27/10 \\
 x_2 &= 7/10 \\
 x_3 &= 11/10 \\
 x_4 &= 1/5
 \end{aligned}$$

$$2x_2 = -\frac{11}{5} + \frac{3}{5} + 3 = \frac{7}{5}$$

$$x_1 = -\frac{7}{5} - \frac{33}{10} + 2 = \frac{-14 - 33 + 20}{10} = -\frac{27}{10}$$

$$\frac{1}{10} \begin{bmatrix} -27 + 14 + 33 + 10 \\ -54 + 14 + 44 + 6 \\ -81 + 28 + 55 + 8 \\ 0 + 0 + 0 + 10 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{10} \begin{bmatrix} 20 \\ 10 \\ 10 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \checkmark$$

$$(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = \frac{1}{10} (-27, 7, 11, 2)$$