

**M 340L – CS**  
**Homework Set 8**

1. Let  $u^1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, u^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, u^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, b = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$

a. Form the matrix  $U = \begin{bmatrix} u^1 & u^2 & u^3 \end{bmatrix}$  and confirm that the columns of  $U$  are orthogonal by computing  $U^T U$ .

b. Express  $b$  as a linear combination of  $u^1, u^2$  and  $u^3$ . (That is, solve  $Ux = b$ . Be clever about using  $U^T$  to do this.)

2. Let  $u^1 = \begin{bmatrix} -2/3 \\ 1/3 \\ 2/3 \end{bmatrix}, u^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 \\ 2/3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

a. Form the matrix  $U = \begin{bmatrix} u^1 & u^2 \end{bmatrix}$  and confirm that the columns of  $U$  are orthogonal by computing  $U^T U$ .

b. Normalize the columns and confirm that  $U^T U = I$ .

3. Answer true or false to the following. If false offer a simple counterexample.

a. Every orthogonal set in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is linearly independent.

b. If a set  $S = \{u^1, u^2, \dots, u^k\}$  has the property that  $u^i \cdot u^j = 0$  whenever  $i \neq j$ , then  $S$  is an orthonormal set.

4. Show that if  $U$  is a square matrix whose columns are orthonormal then  $U^T = U^{-1}$ .

5. Show that if  $U$  is an  $m \times n$  orthogonal matrix then for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \|Ux\| = \|x\|$ . (This is not hard: work out  $\|Ux\|^2$ . This can be stated as “An orthogonal transformation preserves length.”.)

6. Consider this mathematical (and not necessarily computer) procedure:

$$[\alpha, v'] = \text{project}[u, v]$$

Inputs vectors  $u$  and  $v$ , computes and returns  $\alpha = u \cdot v / u \cdot u$  and  $v' = v - \alpha u$ .

$$\text{Now, let } u^1 = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, u^2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 5 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, u^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ -3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

a. Perform  $[r_{1,2}, u_2'] = \text{project}[u_1, u_2]$ . (That is, subtract the projection of  $u_2$  onto the subspace spanned by  $u_1$ .)

b. Perform  $[r_{1,3}, u_3'] = \text{project}[u_1, u_3]$ . (That is, subtract the projection of  $u_3$  onto the subspace spanned by  $u_1$ .)

c. Perform  $[r_{2,3}, u_3''] = \text{project}[u_2', u_3']$ . (That is, subtract the projection of  $u_3'$  onto the subspace spanned by  $u_1$ .)

d. Compute  $A = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & u_2' & u_3'' \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & r_{1,2} & r_{1,3} \\ 0 & 1 & r_{2,3} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . (Compare to  $U$  in Problem 1. You have

just used the Gram-Schmidt Algorithm to orthogonalize – but not orthonormalize – vectors. That is, the normalizations are not done.)

7. Prove that if  $y^T x = 0$ , for all  $x$ , then  $y = 0$ . (Hint: Consider  $x = y$ , in particular.)

8. Prove that if  $Q^T Q = I$ , then if  $x$  is perpendicular to  $y$ , then  $Qx$  is perpendicular to  $Qy$ .