

Math 2025, Quiz #4 (Fall 2003) Name: _____

1) Determine, if the following set of vectors are linearly independent or not. Give a reason for your answer. Functions are elements of the space of piecewise continuous functions on $[0, 1]$.

a) $(1, 0, 1), (1, 1, 0), (1, 1, 1)$ LI

b) $(1, 1), (1, -1)$ Orthogonal, hence L1

c) $(1, 1), (2, 1), (2, 2)$. 3 vectors in \mathbb{R}^2 are always LD

d) $\chi_{[0,1]}, \chi_{[0,1/2]}$ LI

e) x, x^2 and x^3 LI

2) Which of the following sets of vectors is generating for \mathbb{R}^3 ?

a) $(1, 0, 1), (1, 0, -1), (0, 1, 0)$. Generating

b) $(1, 1, 0), (1, 2, 1), (0, 1, 1)$. LD, hence not generating (need 3 L1 vector in \mathbb{R}^3 to have generating set)

c) $(1, 1, 1), (1, 0, -1), (0, 1, 0), (-1, 0, 2)$. Generating

3) Show that the vectors $(1, -1, 1), (1, 1, 0), (1, -1, -2)$ form an orthogonal basis for \mathbb{R}^3

and then determine the constants $a, b, c \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$(2, -4, 3) = a(1, -1, 1) + b(1, 1, 0) + c(1, -1, -2).$$

$$a = \frac{(2, -4, 3) \cdot (1, -1, 1)}{3} = \frac{2 + 4 + 3}{3} = 3$$

$$b = \frac{(2, -4, 3) \cdot (1, 1, 0)}{2} = \frac{2 - 4}{2} = -1$$

$$c = \frac{(2, -4, 3) \cdot (1, -1, -2)}{6} = \frac{2 + 4 - 6}{6} = 0$$

Math 2025, Quiz #5 (Fall 2003) Name: _____

In the following we use the inner product $((x_1, \dots, x_n), (y_1, \dots, y_n)) = x_1y_1 + \dots + x_ny_n$ on \mathbb{R}^n . All vector spaces of functions are viewed as subspaces of piecewise continuous functions on $[0, 1]$ with the inner product

$$(f, g) = \int_0^1 f(x)g(x) dx.$$

In all of the problems use the Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization to construct of orthogonal set of vectors with the same linear span as the given vectors.

1) $v_1 = (1, 2), v_2 = (-1, 1)$.

$$\begin{aligned} u_2 &= v_2 - \frac{(v_1, v_2)}{\|v_1\|^2} v_1 \\ &= (-1, 1) - \frac{1}{5} (1, 2) \\ &= \left(-\frac{6}{5}, \frac{3}{5}\right) = \frac{3}{5} (-2, 1) \end{aligned}$$

2) $v_1 = (1, 0, 1), v_2 = (0, 1, 1), v_3 = (1, 0, -1)$.

$$u_1 = (1, 0, 1) \quad u_2 = \frac{1}{2} (-1, 2, 1) \quad u_3 = \frac{2}{3} (1, 1, -2)$$

$$u_2 = (0, 1, 1) - \frac{1}{2} (1, 0, 1) = \left(-\frac{1}{2}, 1, \frac{1}{2}\right); \|u_2\|^2 = \frac{1}{4}(1+4+1) = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} u_3 &= (1, 0, -1) - 0 - \frac{2}{3} \left(\underbrace{-\frac{1}{2}, 1, \frac{1}{2}}_{=-1}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{2} (-1, 2, 1) \\ &= (1, 0, -1) + \left(-\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, \frac{1}{3}\right) = \left(\frac{2}{3}, \frac{2}{3}, -\frac{2}{3}\right) = \frac{2}{3} (1, 1, -2) \end{aligned}$$

3) $f(x) = 1, g(x) = 2 - 3x^2$

$$\begin{aligned} u_1(x) &= 1; \quad u_2(x) = 1 - 3x^2 \\ (f, g) &= \int_0^1 2 - 3x^2 - 1 dx = \int_0^1 2 - x^3 dx = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$u_2(x) = 2 - 3x^2 - 1 = 1 - 3x^2$$

4) $f(x) = \chi_{[0,1]}, g(x) = 2\chi_{[0,1/2]}$

$$\begin{aligned} u_1(x) &= \chi_{[0,1]}(x); \quad u_2(x) = \chi_{[0,1/2]}(x) - \chi_{[1/2,1]}(x) \\ (f, g) &= 2 \int_0^1 \chi_{[0,1/2]}(x) \chi_{[0,1/2]}(x) dx = 2 \int_0^{1/2} dx = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$u_2(x) = \chi_{[0,1/2]}(x) - \chi_{[0,1]}(x) = \chi_{[0,1/2]}(x) - \chi_{[1/2,1]}(x)$$

Math 2025, Quiz #6 (Fall 2003) Name: _____

1) Denote by W the plane $\{(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x + y + z = 0\}$.

a) Find the formula for the orthogonal projection $P : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow W$.

$$P(x, y, z) = \frac{1}{3}(2x - y - z, -x + 2y - z, -x - y + 2z)$$

i) The vectors $u_1 = (1, 1, -2)$ and $u_2 = (1, -1, 0)$ form an orthogonal basis for W . The orthogonal projection is then $P(v) = \frac{(v, u_1)}{\|u_1\|^2} u_1 + \frac{(v, u_2)}{\|u_2\|^2} u_2$.

$$\text{ii) } \|u_1\|^2 = 1 + 1 + (-2)^2 = 6, \|u_2\|^2 = 1^2 + (-1)^2 = 2.$$

$$\text{iii) } ((x, y, z), (1, 1, -2)) = x + y - 2z$$

$$((x, y, z), (1, -1, 0)) = x - y.$$

$$\text{iv) } P(x, y, z) = \frac{x+y-2z}{6} (1, 1, -2) + \frac{x-y}{2} (1, -1, 0) \quad \text{and}$$

$$\frac{x+y-2z}{6} + \frac{x-y}{2} = \frac{x+y-2z+3x-3y}{6} = \frac{4x-2y-2z}{6} = \frac{2x-y-z}{3}$$

and then the same calculation for the other coordinates.

$$\text{b) What is } P(1, 0, -1) = (1, 0, -1)$$

We insert into the formula we got in (a) or notice, that $(1, 0, -1) \in W$.

2) Let W be the space of functions on $[0, 1]$ generated by the step functions $\chi_{[0, 1/2]}$ and $\chi_{[1/2, 1]}$. Notice that those two functions form an orthogonal basis for W and $\|\chi_{[0, 1/2]}\|^2 = \|\chi_{[1/2, 1]}\|^2 = 1/2$. Find the orthogonal projection of the function $f(x) = 3x^2$ onto W .

$$P(f)(x) = \frac{1}{4} \chi_{[0, 1/2]}(x) + \frac{7}{4} \chi_{[1/2, 1]}(x) \iff [\frac{1}{4}, \frac{7}{4}]$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(3x^2)(x) &= [\text{Average value of } 3x^2 \text{ over } [0, 1/2]] \chi_{[0, 1/2]}(x) \\ &\quad + [\text{Average value of } 3x^2 \text{ over } [1/2, 1]] \chi_{[1/2, 1]}(x) \\ &= \left[2 \int_0^{1/2} 3x^2 dx \right] \chi_{[0, 1/2]}(x) + \left[2 \int_{1/2}^1 3x^2 dx \right] \chi_{[1/2, 1]}(x) \end{aligned}$$

$$2 \int_0^{1/2} x^2 dx = 2 \cdot \left[\frac{x^3}{3} \right]_0^{1/2} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$2 \int_{1/2}^1 x^2 dx = 2 \cdot \left[\frac{x^3}{3} \right]_{1/2}^1 = 2 - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{7}{4}$$