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Let F be a field with

$\bar{\cdot} : F \rightarrow F$ such that

$$\overline{\bar{c}} = c, \quad \overline{c_1 + c_2} = \overline{c_1} + \overline{c_2}, \quad \overline{c_1 c_2} = \overline{c_1} \overline{c_2}$$

and $T=1$.

Let V be an F -vector space.

Let $\langle, \rangle : V \times V \rightarrow F$ be a sesquilinear form.

Let $W \subseteq V$ a subspace. Let

$k \in \mathbb{Z}_{>0}$ be $\dim(W) = k$.

Let $\{w_1, \dots, w_k\}$ be a basis of W .

The dual basis to $\{w_1, \dots, w_k\}$ is $\{w^1, \dots, w^k\}$ such that

$$\langle w^i, w_j \rangle = \delta_{ij}.$$

Proposition The following are equivalent:

(1) $\{w^1, \dots, w^k\}$ exists

(2) The Gram matrix G is invertible.

$$(G(i,j) = \langle w_i, w_j \rangle).$$

$$(3) W \cap W^\perp = \{0\}.$$

Proof (2) \Leftrightarrow (3). (Sketch).

Let $w \in W \cap W^\perp$. Let $c_1, \dots, c_k \in F$ such that

$$w = c_1 w_1 + \dots + c_k w_k$$

Since $w \in W^\perp$ then

$$0 = \langle w, w_i \rangle = \sum_{j=1}^k \langle c_j w_j, w_i \rangle$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^k c_j \langle w_j, w_i \rangle$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^k c_j G(j, i)$$

$$= \text{ith entry of } (c_1, \dots, c_k) \begin{pmatrix} G \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\delta_0 \quad (0, \dots, 0) = (c_1, \dots, c_k) \begin{pmatrix} -G_1 \\ -G_2 \\ \vdots \\ -G_k \end{pmatrix}$$

The rows of G are linearly independent

\Leftrightarrow For all choices of $w \in W \cap W^\perp$
 $c_1 = 0, \dots, c_k = 0$

\Leftrightarrow For all choices of $w \in W \cap W^\perp$
 $w = 0$
 $(w = c_1 w_1 + \dots + c_k w_k)$

δ_0 G is invertible

$$\Leftrightarrow W \cap W^\perp = 0 \quad //$$

Orthogonal bases

Assume \langle, \rangle is Hermitian,

i.e. if $v_1, v_2 \in V$ then $\langle v_2, v_1 \rangle = \overline{\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle}$

An orthonormal basis of W ,
~~or~~ selfdual basis, is

(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k) such that

$$\langle u_i, u_j \rangle = \delta_{ij}$$

Assume $W \cap W^\perp = 0$
 $v, v' \in V$ and $v \neq 0$
 $\langle v, v' \rangle = 0$ then $v' = 0$

Construct orthonormal bases
with Gram-Schmidt process.

Let $\{w_1, \dots, w_k\}$ be a basis of W .

$C_1 = \{b_1, w_2, w_3, \dots, w_k\}$ with $b_1 = w_1$

$C_2 = \{b_1, b_2, w_3, w_4, \dots, w_k\}$ with

$$b_2 = w_2 - \frac{\langle w_2, b_1 \rangle}{\langle b_1, b_1 \rangle} b_1$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} \langle b_2, b_1 \rangle &= \left\langle w_2 - \frac{\langle w_2, b_1 \rangle}{\langle b_1, b_1 \rangle} b_1, b_1 \right\rangle \\ &= \langle w_2, b_1 \rangle - \frac{\langle w_2, b_1 \rangle}{\langle b_1, b_1 \rangle} \langle b_1, b_1 \rangle \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$C_3 = \{b_1, b_2, b_3, w_4, w_5, \dots, w_k\}$ with

$$b_3 = w_3 - \frac{\langle w_3, b_1 \rangle}{\langle b_1, b_1 \rangle} b_1 - \frac{\langle w_3, b_2 \rangle}{\langle b_2, b_2 \rangle} b_2$$

(so that $\langle b_3, b_2 \rangle = 0$ and $\langle b_3, b_1 \rangle = 0$).

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$$L_k = \{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_k\}.$$

This has $\langle b_j, b_i \rangle = 0$ if $i < j$.

$$\text{and } \langle b_i, b_j \rangle = \overline{\langle b_j, b_i \rangle} = 0.$$

So L_k is orthogonal.

Assume that F has good square roots.

(in most courses one assumes

$$\left(\langle v, v \rangle \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \text{ and } \langle v, v \rangle \neq 0 \text{ if } v \neq 0 \right)$$

Let $U = \{u_1, \dots, u_k\}$ given by

$$u_1 = \frac{b_1}{\sqrt{\langle b_1, b_1 \rangle}}, \dots, u_k = \frac{b_k}{\sqrt{\langle b_k, b_k \rangle}}$$

$$\text{Then } \langle u_i, u_i \rangle = 1$$

$$\text{and } \langle u_i, u_j \rangle = 0.$$

} orthonormal.

Gram-Schmidt process

Start with $\{w_1, \dots, w_k\}$.

Recursively construct b_1, \dots, b_k to get

$\{b_1, \dots, b_k\}$ orthogonal basis.

Make the vectors unit vectors to get $\{u_1, \dots, u_k\}$ orthonormal basis.

Example $w_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $w_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$

$\{w_1, w_2\}$ is basis (not orthonormal)
Let

$$b_1 = w_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} b_2 &= w_2 - \frac{\langle w_2, b_1 \rangle}{\langle b_1, b_1 \rangle} b_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{2+0+4}{1+1+1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad (b_2 \cdot b_1 = 0) \end{aligned}$$

So $\{b_1, b_2\}$ are orthogonal.

$$\text{Let } u_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(b_1 \cdot b_2 = 4 + 4 \text{ so } \sqrt{b_1 \cdot b_2} = \sqrt{2} \cdot 2)$$

$$u_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2} \cdot 2} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

Then $\{u_1, u_2\}$ is an orthonormal basis of W .

To show: (2) \Leftrightarrow (3) where

(2) G is invertible

(3) $W \cap W^\perp = \{0\}$.

\Rightarrow : Assume G is invertible.

So the rows of G are linearly independent.

To show: If $w \in W \cap W^\perp$ then

$$W = 0.$$

Assume $w \in W \cap W^\perp$.

Let $c_1, \dots, c_k \in F$ be such that

$$w = c_1 w_1 + \dots + c_k w_k.$$

Since $w \in W^\perp$ then

$$0 = \langle w_1, w \rangle, \dots, 0 = \langle w_k, w \rangle$$

So

$$(0, \dots, 0) = (c_1, \dots, c_k) \begin{pmatrix} G \end{pmatrix}$$

So

$$(0, \dots, 0) \begin{pmatrix} G^{-1} \end{pmatrix} = (c_1, \dots, c_k)$$

So

$$(0, \dots, 0) = (c_1, \dots, c_k)$$

$$\text{So } w = 0w_1 + \dots + 0w_k = 0.$$

$$\text{So } W \cap W^\perp = 0.$$

← Assume $W \cap W^\perp = 0$.

To show: G is invertible.

To show: The rows of G are linearly independent.

To show: If $c_1, \dots, c_k \in \mathbb{F}$ and
 $(0, \dots, 0) = (c_1, \dots, c_k) \begin{pmatrix} G \\ \end{pmatrix}$
then $c_1 = 0, \dots, c_k = 0$.

Assume $c_1, \dots, c_k \in \mathbb{F}$ and
 $(0, \dots, 0) = (c_1, \dots, c_k) \begin{pmatrix} G \\ \end{pmatrix}$

Let $w = c_1 w_1 + \dots + c_k w_k$.

Then $w \in W$ and

$$\langle w_1, w \rangle = 0, \dots, \langle w_k, w \rangle = 0$$

(because $\langle w_i, w \rangle$ is the i th
entry of $(c_1, \dots, c_k) \begin{pmatrix} G \\ \end{pmatrix}$)

$$\Rightarrow w \in W \cap W^\perp$$

Since $W \cap W^\perp = \{0\}$ then $w = 0$

$$\text{and } c_1 = 0, \dots, c_k = 0.$$