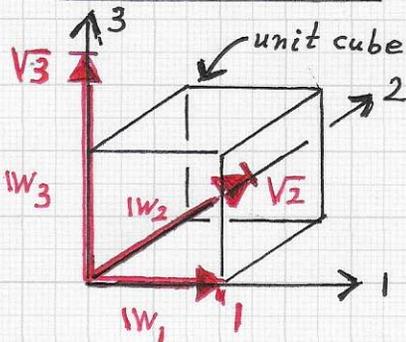


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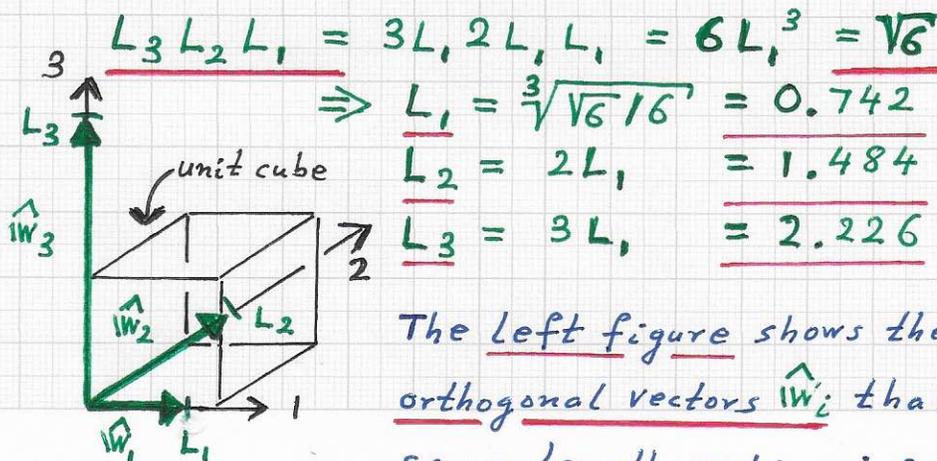


Applying the orthogonalization procedure to the given three vectors v_i shown in the figure on the previous page, one obtains the orthogonal vectors \hat{w}_i , sketched in the left figure. The lengths of these vectors are

After orthogonalization.

$\|\hat{w}_1\| = \|(1, 0, 0)^T\| = 1$, $\|\hat{w}_2\| = \|(0, \sqrt{2}, 0)^T\| = \sqrt{2}$

and $\|\hat{w}_3\| = \|(0, 0, \sqrt{3})^T\| = \sqrt{3}$. Thus, these vectors define the same volume that the vectors v_i define, i. e., $\text{volume} = v = 1 \cdot \sqrt{2} \cdot \sqrt{3} = \sqrt{6}$. If length preservation (relative) of the original vectors v_i is desired, one will have to enforce the length ratio $l_3 | l_2 | l_1 = 3 | 2 | 1$ (or 3:2:1). Thus, one must require that $L_3 : L_2 : L_1 = 3 : 2 : 1$. This requirement implies that $L_2 = 2L_1$, and $L_3 = 3L_1$. Therefore, the following volume equation must hold:



$L_3 L_2 L_1 = 3L_1 \cdot 2L_1 \cdot L_1 = 6L_1^3 = \sqrt{6}$

$\Rightarrow L_1 = \sqrt[3]{\sqrt{6}/6} = 0.742$

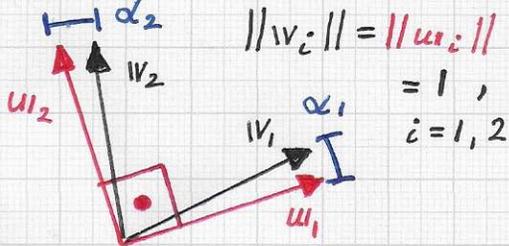
$L_2 = 2L_1 = 1.484$

$L_3 = 3L_1 = 2.226$

The left figure shows the resulting orthogonal vectors \hat{w}_i that have the same length ratio, i. e., $\|\hat{w}_1\| : \|\hat{w}_2\| : \|\hat{w}_3\|$.

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• Orientation of pairs of vectors $\{v_1, v_2\}$ and $\{u_1, u_2\}$ minimizes angle sum $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2$.

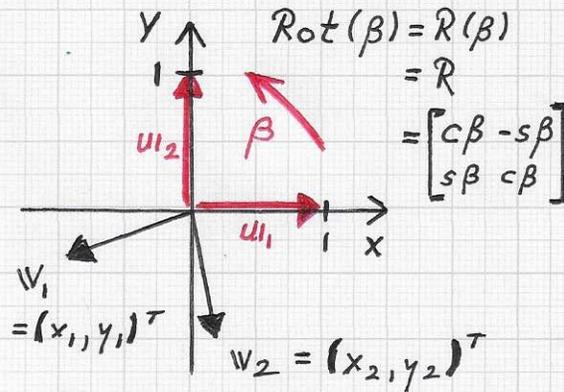
• Note. The methods described can be used to (i) perform orthogonalization; (ii) ensure length-ratio preservation of basis vectors; and (iii) guarantee hyper-volume preservation for parallelepipeds — in the general D -dimensional case.

The top-left figure illustrates another goal that one should keep in mind when "optimally transforming" a set of non-orthogonal basis vectors to a set of orthogonal basis vectors: The figure shows a 2D example, where the goal is to map two given non-orthogonal vectors v_1 and v_2 to two orthogonal vectors u_1 and u_2 , such that a measure for "overall orientation" is optimized. In other words, the transformation of v_1 and v_2 to u_1 and u_2 should minimally change the orientation of the given vectors v_1 and v_2 . Formally, one can understand this problem as minimization of the angle sum $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2$, or maximization of the sum of $\cos(\alpha_1) + \cos(\alpha_2)$. All vectors shown in the figure have length 1; considering only vectors of length 1 suffices, since the problem concerns orientation only.

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Rotating orthonormal basis vector pair u_1, u_2 .

Concerning the two-dimensional ($D=2$) case, one can understand this optimization problem as the problem of calculating the optimal rotation angle β , see left figure. Given the orthonormal basis vector pair u_1, u_2 in initial orientation $u_1 = (1, 0)^T$ and $u_2 = (0, 1)^T$, one must de-

termine the angle β for a rotation matrix $Rot(\beta) = R(\beta) = R$ that — when applied to the initial values of u_1 and u_2 — maximizes the value of $\cos(\alpha_1) + \cos(\alpha_2)$. Thus, we can tackle a univariate optimization problem that is defined as follows:

$$\begin{bmatrix} c\beta & -s\beta \\ s\beta & c\beta \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & u_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c\beta & -s\beta \\ s\beta & c\beta \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c\beta & -s\beta \\ s\beta & c\beta \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{R \cdot u_1 = (c\beta, s\beta)^T}, \quad \underline{R \cdot u_2 = (-s\beta, c\beta)^T}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\langle R u_1, v_1 \rangle = \langle (c\beta, s\beta)^T, (x_1, y_1)^T \rangle = x_1 c\beta + y_1 s\beta};$$

$$\underline{\langle R u_2, v_2 \rangle = \langle (-s\beta, c\beta)^T, (x_2, y_2)^T \rangle = -x_2 s\beta + y_2 c\beta}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos(\alpha_1) + \cos(\alpha_2) = x_1 c\beta + y_1 s\beta - x_2 s\beta + y_2 c\beta$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\text{Maximize } C(\beta) = \cos(\alpha_1(\beta)) + \cos(\alpha_2(\beta)) =}$$

$$\underline{= x_1 c\beta + y_1 s\beta - x_2 s\beta + y_2 c\beta}, \quad \beta \in [0, 2\pi].$$

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To maximize the value of $C(\beta)$, we must consider its derivative:

$$d/d\beta C(\beta) = -x_1 s\beta + y_1 c\beta - x_2 c\beta - y_2 s\beta, \beta \in [0, 2\pi]$$

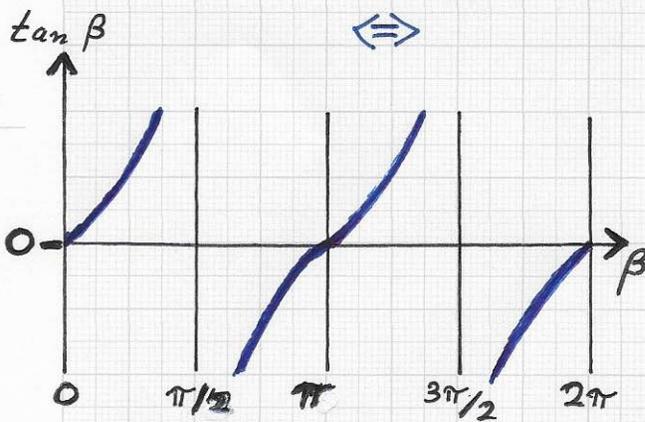
$$\Rightarrow C' = -x_1 s\beta + y_1 c\beta - x_2 c\beta - y_2 s\beta = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (-x_1, -y_2) s\beta + (y_1, -x_2) c\beta = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow (x_1 + y_2) s\beta = (y_1 - x_2) c\beta$$

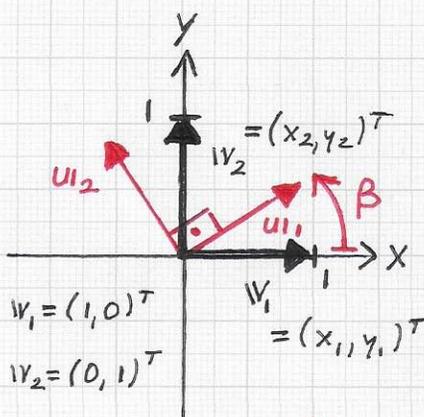
$$\Leftrightarrow s\beta / c\beta = (y_1 - x_2) / (x_1 + y_2)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \tan \beta = \frac{y_1 - x_2}{x_1 + y_2}$$

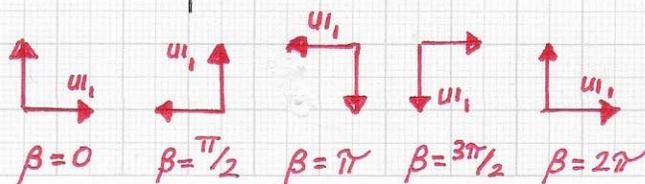
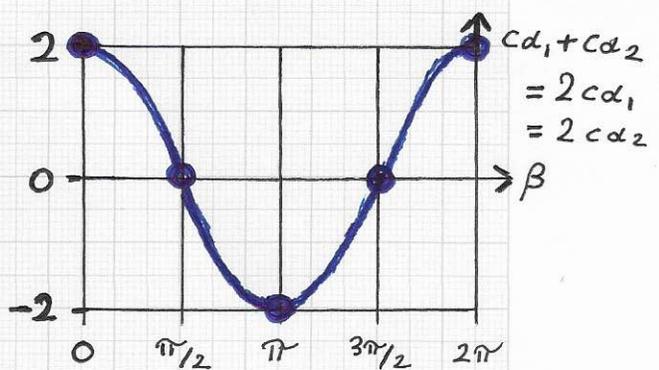


The left figure shows a qualitative sketch of the graph of the tan function.

In the interval $[0, 2\pi]$, $\tan \beta = 0$ holds for $\beta \in \{0, \pi, 2\pi\}$.



β	cd_1	cd_2
0	1	1
$\pi/2$	0	0
π	-1	-1
$3\pi/2$	0	0
2π	1	1



These figures and the table consider the simple example $v_1 = (1, 0)^T$ and

$v_2 = (0, 1)^T$, i.e., a case where v_1 and v_2 are orthogonal.

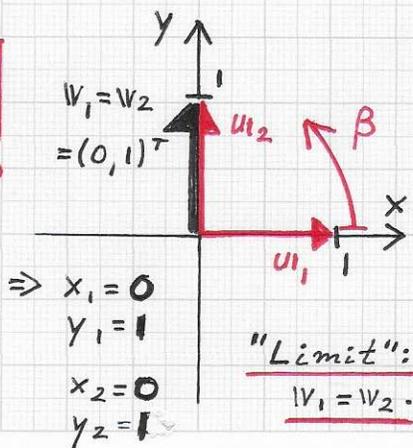
$$\Rightarrow \text{Extrema: } \tan \beta = \frac{y_1 - x_2}{x_1 + y_2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta = 0, \pi, 2\pi.$$

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• Laplacian eigenfunctions and neural networks:... The simple scenario illustrated and discussed at the bottom of the previous page uses vectors w_1 and w_2 that are already orthogonal. Thus, the optimal solution vectors are $u_1 = w_1$ and $u_2 = w_2$. Algebraically, $\tan \beta = (y_1 - x_2) / (x_1 + y_2)$ must hold to define an extremum of the function $C(\beta) = \cos(\alpha_1) + \cos(\alpha_2)$. Here, $\tan \beta = (0 - 0) / (1 + 1) = 0$. Further, $\tan \beta$ takes on the value 0 for $\beta = 0, \pi, 2\pi$. Due to the cyclic/periodic nature of the $\tan \beta$ function, one must only determine whether the desired maximum is associated with $\beta = 0$ or $\beta = \pi$. When evaluating $C(\beta)$ for $\beta = 0$ and $\beta = \pi$, one obtains the C-values 2 and -2, respectively. Therefore, $\beta = 0$ defines the maximal C-value - and, as expected, $u_1 = w_1$ and $u_2 = w_2$.



We briefly discuss a "limit case" shown in the left figure, where w_1 and w_2 are equal; specifically, $w_1 = w_2 = (0, 1)^T$. In this case, $\tan \beta =$

β	0	$\pi/2$	π	$3\pi/2$	2π
$\cos \alpha_1$	0	1	0	-1	0
$\cos \alpha_2$	1	0	-1	0	1

$= (y_1 - x_2) / (x_1 + y_2) = 1$. Thus, $C(\beta)$ is extremal for $\beta = \pi/4$ and

$\Rightarrow \tan \beta = \frac{y_1 - x_2}{x_1 + y_2} = 1$
 $\Rightarrow \beta = \pi/4, 5\pi/4$

$\beta = 5\pi/4$. The maximal C-value is $C(\pi/4) = \sqrt{2}$.