

Last time: consider linearly independent vectors
 $v_1, \dots, v_k \in \mathbb{R}^n$

Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization

$$v_1 \rightsquigarrow b_1 = v_1$$

$$v_2 \rightsquigarrow b_2 = v_2 - p_{12} b_1, \text{ where } p_{ij} = \frac{v_j \cdot b_i}{b_i \cdot b_i}$$

⋮

$$v_k \rightsquigarrow b_k = v_k - p_{1k} b_1 - \dots - p_{k-1,k} b_{k-1}$$

$\{b_1, \dots, b_k\}$ span the same vector space as $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$, but they're orthogonal

Gram-Schmidt orthonormalization: on top of the above

$$b_1 \rightsquigarrow g_1 = \frac{b_1}{\|b_1\|}$$

⋮

$$b_k \rightsquigarrow g_k = \frac{b_k}{\|b_k\|}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{matrix} b_1 = d_1 g_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_k = d_k g_k \end{matrix}, \text{ where } d_i = \|b_i\|$$

(1) QR factorization: if $A = (v_1 \dots v_k)$, then

$$A = QR, \text{ where } Q = (q_1 \dots q_k)$$

linearly independent

orthonormal columns

upper triangular square matrix with positive diagonal entries

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} d_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & d_k \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & p_{12} & \dots & p_{1k} \\ & 1 & & p_{2k} \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & 1 & p_{k-1,k} \\ & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Today: equivalent way to get coefficients of R once you do G-S and $\{q_1, \dots, q_k\}$ is known

THM 24.1: suppose $A = (v_1 \dots v_k)$ and $A = QR$
 $Q = (q_1 \dots q_k)$
 ↳ orthonormal

Then $r_{ij} = q_i \cdot v_j$ are the coefficients of R.

Proof: $A = QR$ | left by Q^T

$$Q^T A = \underbrace{Q^T Q}_{I_k} R$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} q_1^T \\ \vdots \\ q_k^T \end{pmatrix} \cdot (v_1 | \dots | v_k) = R$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} g_1^T v_1 & g_1^T v_2 & \dots & g_1^T v_k \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ g_k^T v_1 & g_k^T v_2 & \dots & g_k^T v_k \end{pmatrix} = R$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} g_i \cdot v_1 & g_i \cdot v_2 & \dots & g_i \cdot v_k \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ g_k \cdot v_1 & g_k \cdot v_2 & \dots & g_k \cdot v_k \end{pmatrix} = R \quad \Rightarrow \quad r_{ij} = g_i \cdot v_j$$

R is upper triangular because $g_i \cdot v_j = 0 \quad \forall i > j$

$g_i \perp v_j$, because G-S makes it so g_i is orthogonal to $v_1, \dots, v_{j-1}, \dots, v_{i-1}$

Ex: find QR factorization of $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

$v_1 \quad v_2 \quad v_3$

$$G-S: v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightsquigarrow b_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightsquigarrow g_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

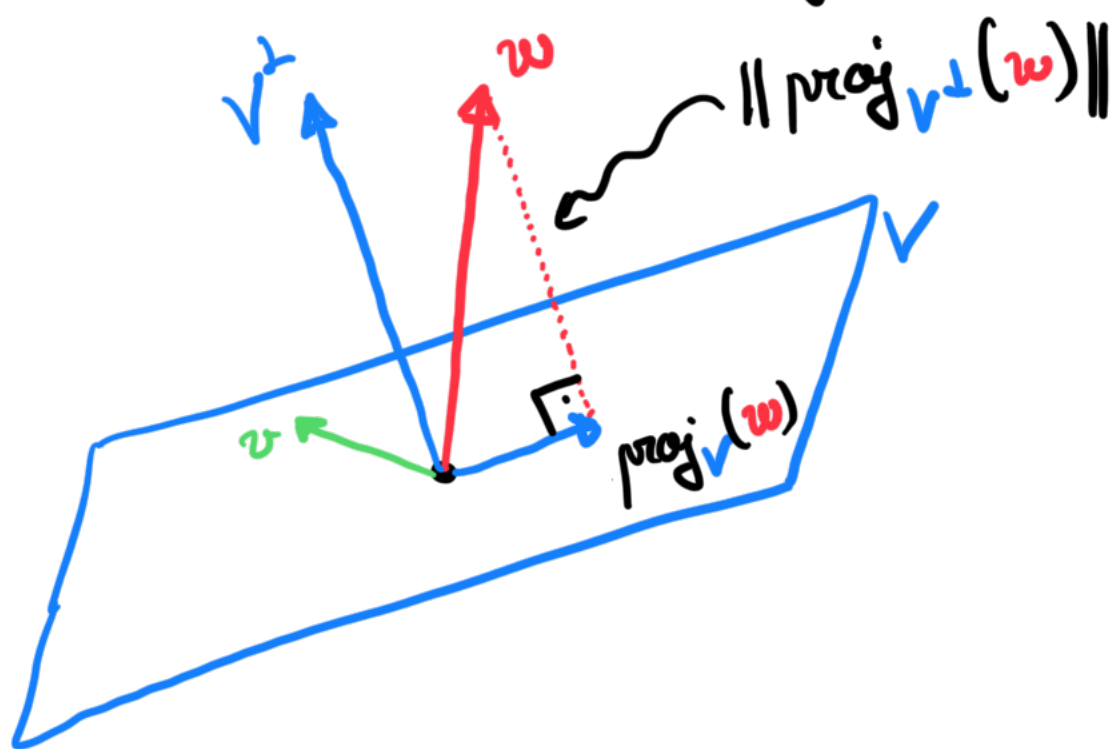
$$v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightsquigarrow b_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1/3 \\ 2/3 \\ 1/3 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightsquigarrow g_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$v_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \rightsquigarrow b_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 0 \\ -1/2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \rightsquigarrow g_3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{18}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{18}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{18}} \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{18}} & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{18}} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} g_1 \cdot v_1 & g_1 \cdot v_2 & g_1 \cdot v_3 \\ 0 & g_2 \cdot v_2 & g_2 \cdot v_3 \\ 0 & 0 & g_3 \cdot v_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{3} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}$$

New topic: orthogonal projections and distances



$$\text{dist}(w, V) = \min_{v \in V} \text{dist}(w, v)$$

$$= \text{dist}(w, \text{proj}_V(w))$$

$$= \|w - \text{proj}_V(w)\| = \|\text{proj}_{V^\perp}(w)\|$$

you can calculate this using the projection formula.

$$\text{Ex: } w = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad V = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\text{dist}(w, V) = ?$$

$$v_1 \quad v_2$$

$$v_1 \neq v_2$$

$$b_1 = v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$b_2 = v_2 - \text{proj}_{b_1}(v_2) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{b_1 \cdot v_2}{b_1 \cdot b_1} b_1$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{-3}{27} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{9} \begin{pmatrix} 19 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\frac{1}{9} \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{proj}_V(w) = \frac{w \cdot b_1}{b_1 \cdot b_1} b_1 + \frac{w \cdot b_2}{b_2 \cdot b_2} b_2$$

$$= \frac{1}{27} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{\frac{19}{9}}{\frac{378}{81}} \frac{1}{9} \begin{pmatrix} 19 \\ -4 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{126} \begin{pmatrix} 125 \\ -2 \\ 11 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{dist}(w, V) = \left\| \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{1}{126} \begin{pmatrix} 125 \\ -2 \\ 11 \end{pmatrix} \right\| = \frac{1}{126} \left\| \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 11 \end{pmatrix} \right\| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{126}}$$

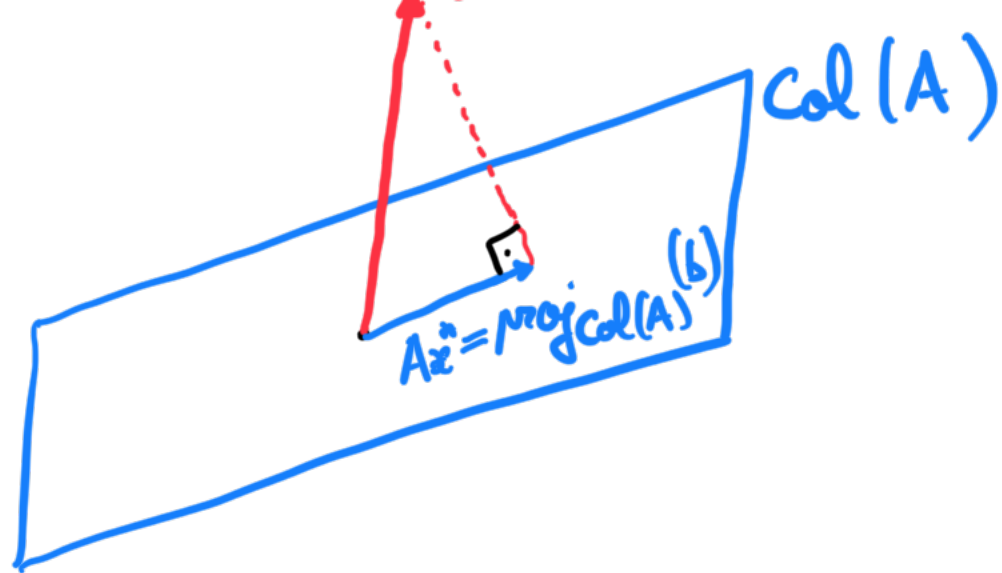
New topic: least squares approximation

$Ax = b \implies$ if $b \in \text{Col}(A)$, \exists solution!

But what if $b \notin \text{Col}(A)$, then $\nexists x$ s.t. $Ax = b$

Let's instead search for an approximation $Ax \sim b$

$\cdot b$



Best approximation: that $x = x^*$ such that $\|Ax - b\|$ is minimal
 \parallel
 $\text{dist}(b, \text{Col}(A))$

minimal when $Ax^* = \text{proj}_{\text{Col}(A)}(b)$

Goal of least squares: find x^* such that $Ax^* = \text{proj}_{\text{Col}(A)}(b)$

DEF 24.2: a least squares solution

to $Ax = b$ is x^* such that $Ax^* = \text{proj}_{\text{Col}(A)}(b)$

minimizes error

$$\left(\|Ax^* - b\| \leq \|Ax - b\| \text{ for all } x \right)$$

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 $\text{proj}_{\text{col}(A)}(b) \in \text{Col}(A)$, so $Ax^* = \text{proj}_{\text{col}(A)}(b)$ has sols.

THM 24.3: x^* is a least squares solution

$$\text{to } Ax = b \quad \iff \quad A^T A x^* = A^T b$$

rectangular
inconsistent

square
consistent

Proof: x^* is a least squares solution to $Ax = b$

$$Ax^* = \text{proj}_{\text{col}(A)}(b)$$

$$Ax^* - b \in \text{Col}(A)^\perp = \text{Ker}(A^T)$$

$$A^T(Ax^* - b) = 0$$

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Ex: find a least squares solution to

$$\underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}}_A \mathbf{x} = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}}_b$$

By Thm 24.3, $A^T A \mathbf{x}^* = A^T b = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} &\parallel \\ &\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \quad \rightsquigarrow \begin{pmatrix} 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}^* = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &\quad \rightsquigarrow \mathbf{x}^* = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2/5 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Explicit formula for \mathbf{x}^* : assumes columns of A are linearly independent ($A\mathbf{x}$ = linear combi of columns of A)

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$$A = QR \quad (Q \text{ orthonormal columns})$$

THM 24.4: for $A = QR$ as above, a least squares solution to $A\mathbf{x} = b$ is

$$\mathbf{x}^* = R^{-1} Q^T b$$

Proof: $A\mathbf{x}^* = A R^{-1} Q^T b = Q \underbrace{R R^{-1}}_I Q^T b$

$$= Q Q^T b$$

Thm 23.1

$$= \text{proj}_{\text{Col}(Q)}(b)$$

By G-S, $\text{Col}(A) = \text{Col}(Q)$

$$= \text{proj}_{\text{Col}(A)}(b)$$

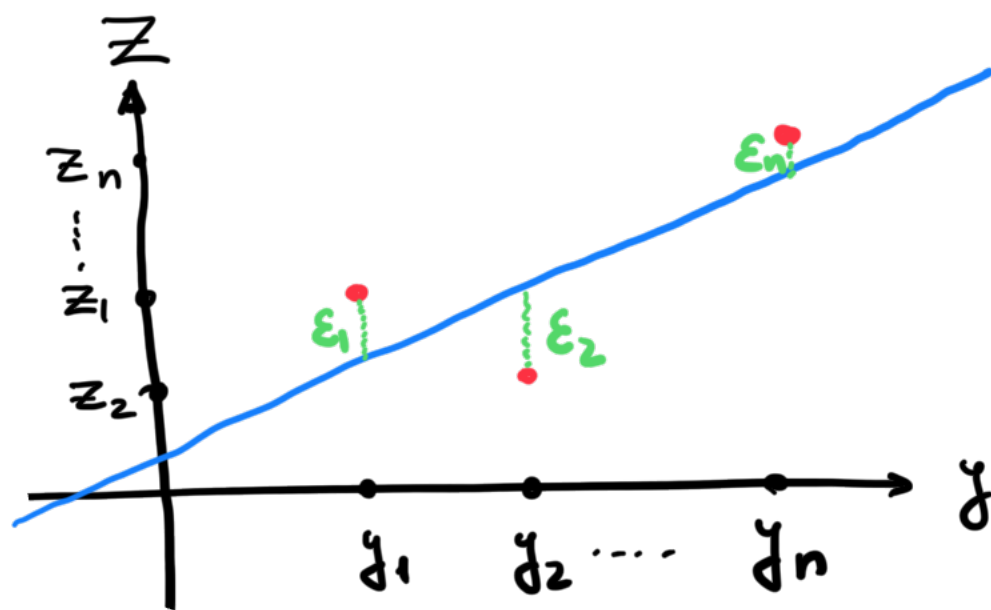
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THM 24.5: a least squares solution x^* always exists, but it is unique $\iff A^T A$ is invertible $\iff A$ has ind. columns

Why is this called least squares?

It's because it comes from approximation

Data points.



Find a line s.t. Error $\mathcal{E} = \sqrt{\epsilon_1^2 + \epsilon_2^2 + \dots + \epsilon_n^2}$ is minimal



$$z = ay + b, \text{ for } a, b \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\varepsilon_1 = z_1 - ay_1 - b$$

$$\varepsilon_2 = z_2 - ay_2 - b$$

⋮

$$\varepsilon_n = z_n - ay_n - b$$

$$\varepsilon = \sqrt{(z_1 - ay_1 - b)^2 + \dots + (z_n - ay_n - b)^2}$$

$$= \left\| \begin{pmatrix} z_1 \\ \vdots \\ z_n \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} ay_1 + b \\ \vdots \\ ay_n + b \end{pmatrix} \right\|$$

$$= \left\| \begin{pmatrix} z_1 \\ \vdots \\ z_n \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} \right\|$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{100px}}_b$
 $\underbrace{\hspace{100px}}_A$
 $\underbrace{\hspace{100px}}_{x^*}$

minimize
this length

Know minimum is achieved when x^* is a least squares solution, i.e. $A^T A x^* = A^T b$

$$\updownarrow$$

$$x^* = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b$$

invertible because
 y_1, \dots, y_n are distinct

Ex: $(y_1, z_1) = (1, 0)$

$(y_2, z_2) = (2, 3)$

$(y_3, z_3) = (3, 3)$

$(y_4, z_4) = (4, 2)$

$$\rightsquigarrow A = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ y_4 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$b = \begin{pmatrix} z_1 \\ \vdots \\ z_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

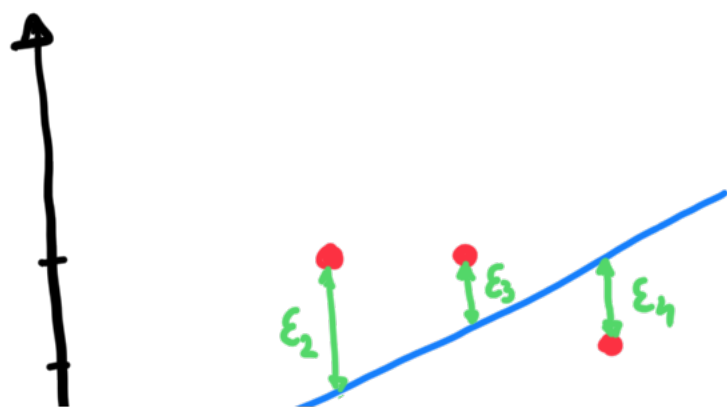
$$A^T A = \begin{pmatrix} 30 & 10 \\ 10 & 4 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (A^T A)^{-1} = \frac{1}{20} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -10 \\ -10 & 30 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A^T b = \begin{pmatrix} 23 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\rightsquigarrow x^* = \frac{1}{20} \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -10 \\ -10 & 30 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 23 \\ 8 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{20} \begin{pmatrix} 12 \\ 10 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 3/5 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Best linear fit for our 4 data points is the line
↳ smallest Error ϵ

$$z = \frac{3}{5}y + \frac{1}{2}$$



$\sqrt{\epsilon_1^2 + \epsilon_2^2 + \epsilon_3^2 + \epsilon_4^2}$ is minimal for this

Choice of line

