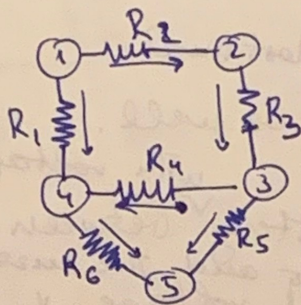


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# Graphs & Networks through an example

1. Consider the following resistor network



- Construct the incidence matrix  $D$ .
- Construct the Laplacian  $L$ , for  $R_i = 1, i=1, \dots, 6$ .
- Let  $\vec{v}$  be the vector of voltages at each of the vertices.  
 $\vec{z}$  vector of currents at each of the vertices.  
 $\vec{j}$  vector of currents at each of the edges.

Express  $\vec{z}$  in terms of  $\vec{j}$ ,  
 $\vec{j}$  in terms of  $\vec{v}$ ,  
 and  $\vec{z}$  in terms of  $\vec{v}$  (Ohm's Law).

(d). State Kirchhoff's law and what it implies in terms of  $\vec{z}$ ,  $\vec{v}$ , and  $\vec{j}$ .

Solutions: (a).  $D = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} \textcircled{1} & \textcircled{2} & \textcircled{3} & \textcircled{4} & \textcircled{5} \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} \textcircled{1} \\ \textcircled{2} \\ \textcircled{3} \\ \textcircled{4} \\ \textcircled{5} \\ \textcircled{6} \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}; L = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} \textcircled{1} & \textcircled{2} & \textcircled{3} & \textcircled{4} & \textcircled{5} \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} \textcircled{1} \\ \textcircled{2} \\ \textcircled{3} \\ \textcircled{4} \\ \textcircled{5} \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$

(b).  $L = D^T R^{-1} D$ ,  $L_{ii} = \sum_j \frac{1}{R_j}$  sum over all edges incident to  $i$   
 $L_{ij} = -\frac{1}{R_k}$  if  $\textcircled{i} \xrightarrow{R_k} \textcircled{j}$

(c).  $\vec{z} = D^T \vec{j}$ ;  $R \vec{j} = D \vec{v} \Rightarrow \vec{j} = R^{-1} D \vec{v}$ ;  $\vec{z} = D^T R^{-1} D \vec{v} = L \vec{v}$ .



(d). Kirchhoff's law: no current accumulates at any vertex unless there are power sources involved.

$$\Rightarrow \vec{z} = \vec{0}, \text{ i.e. } \nabla \vec{v} = \vec{0} \Leftrightarrow D\vec{v} = \vec{0}$$

from last time?

Since  $\vec{j} = R^{-1} D\vec{v} \Rightarrow \vec{j} = \vec{0}$  as well.

with voltages  $v_2 = 6, v_4 = 0$ .

(e) Suppose we add a battery  $v$  between nodes ② and ④. Find the voltages at  $v_1, v_3, v_5$  and the currents  $i_2, i_4$ .

The terminals are kept at a fixed voltage  $v_2 = b_2, v_4 = b_4$ .

Only voltage differences have meaning  $\Rightarrow$  can set  $b_2 = 0$ .

At ② and ④ there will be current flowing in and

out of the battery. Call these  ~~$i_2, i_4$~~   $z_2$  and  $z_4$ .

At all other nodes current is still 0. (i.e.  $z_i = 0, i=1,3,5$ )

Equations of circuit:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & -1 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \\ b_4 \\ b_5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ z_2 \\ 0 \\ z_4 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

unknown

known

First rearrange matrix:



$$\begin{matrix} & \textcircled{2} & \textcircled{4} & \textcircled{1} & \textcircled{3} & \textcircled{5} \\ \textcircled{2} & 2 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 \\ \textcircled{4} & 0 & 3 & -1 & -1 & -1 \\ \textcircled{1} & -1 & -1 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ \textcircled{3} & -1 & -1 & 0 & 3 & -1 \\ \textcircled{5} & 0 & -1 & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_2 \\ b_4 \\ b_1 \\ b_3 \\ b_5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} z_2 \\ z_4 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Block matrix form  $\begin{bmatrix} A & B^T \\ B & C \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \underline{b} \\ \underline{b}' \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{z} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, C = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$b = \begin{bmatrix} b_2 \\ b_4 \end{bmatrix}, b' = \begin{bmatrix} b'_1 \\ b'_3 \\ b'_5 \end{bmatrix}, z = \begin{bmatrix} z_2 \\ z_4 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \text{unknowns!}$$

Our system is:  $Ab + B^T b' = z$

$$Bb + Cb' = 0$$

Solve for  $b'$ :  $b' = -C^{-1}Bb$

Plug into first equation:  $Ab - B^T C^{-1} Bb = z$

$$\Rightarrow z = (A - B^T C^{-1} B)b \quad \leftarrow \text{Plug in } b = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The matrix  $A - B^T C^{-1} B$  is the voltage to current map between nodes ② and ④.

In our case  $A - B^T C^{-1} B = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} C^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\Rightarrow b' = -C^{-1} Bb = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2.4 \\ 1.2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_3 \\ v_5 \end{bmatrix} = 1.1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and  $z = \begin{bmatrix} z_2 \\ z_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6.6 \\ -6.6 \end{bmatrix}$ .

The "Laplacian" if we isolated ② and ④ from the graph.

In fact,  $A - B^T C^{-1} B = \frac{1}{R} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , where  $R$  is the reduced resistance between ② and ④.

So, if we had  $R_i$  any numbers, then  $A - B^T C^{-1} B$  would tell us what the resistance between ② and ④ is.

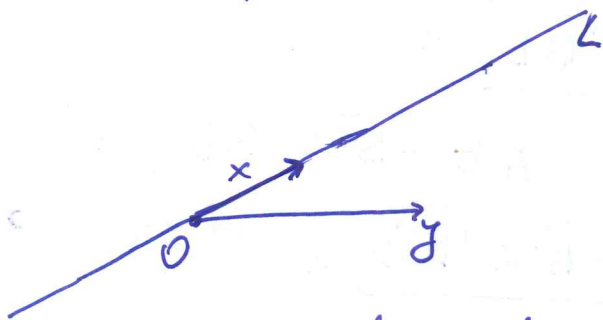


# Chapter 3. Orthogonality

## 3.1. Projections

Projecting onto lines and planes in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ :

Given a line  $L = \text{span}\{x\}$ , where  $x \in \mathbb{R}^3$  is a fixed (direction) vector, and a point  $y \in \mathbb{R}^3$ .



Definition: The projection of  $y \in \mathbb{R}^3$  onto the line  $L = \text{span}\{x\}$  is the vector in  $L$  that is closest to  $y$ . We denote this vector by  $P_x y$  or  $P_y$  (when it is clear what  $x$  is).

Q: Given  $x$  and  $y$ , how do we compute  $P_x y$ ?

\*  $P_x y \in L = \text{span}\{x\}$

$\Leftrightarrow P_x y = s^* x$  for some  $s^* \in \mathbb{R}$

\*  $d^2 = \|P_x y - y\|_2^2 = \|s^* x - y\|_2^2$  is smallest for  $s^*$  among all  $s \in \mathbb{R}$ !

Let  $f(s) = \|sx - y\|_2^2$ . Thus,  $s^*$  minimizes  $f(s)$ .

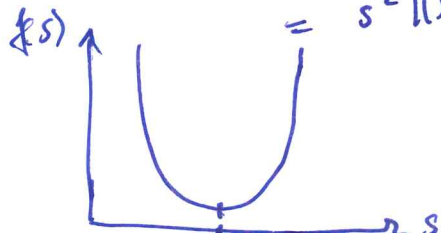
To minimize  $f(s)$ , need  $f'(s) = 0$ .

But  $f(s) = \|sx - y\|_2^2 = \langle sx - y, sx - y \rangle = \langle sx, sx \rangle - \langle y, sx \rangle$

$-\langle sx, y \rangle + \langle y, y \rangle = s^2 \langle x, x \rangle - 2s \langle x, y \rangle + \langle y, y \rangle$

$f(s) = s^2 \|x\|^2 - 2s \langle x, y \rangle + \|y\|^2$

(a parabola opening up / convex)



$$f'(s) = 2\|x\|s^2 - 2\langle x, y \rangle = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow s^* = \frac{\langle x, y \rangle}{\|x\|^2} \quad (\text{assuming } x \neq \vec{0})$$

$$\Rightarrow P_x y = s^* x = \frac{\langle x, y \rangle}{\|x\|^2} \cdot x$$

Two ~~representations~~ ways to write:

$$\textcircled{1} \quad P_x y = \left\langle \frac{x}{\|x\|}, y \right\rangle \frac{x}{\|x\|} = \langle \hat{x}, y \rangle \hat{x}$$

$\hat{x} \rightarrow$  unit vector in the direction of  $x$ .

$\textcircled{2}$ . Recall that  $\langle x, y \rangle = x^T y$ .

$$\text{Then } P_x y = \frac{1}{\|x\|^2} (x^T y) x = \frac{1}{\|x\|^2} \begin{pmatrix} x & (x^T y) \\ n \times 1 & 1 \times 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\|x\|^2} \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} x x^T \\ n \times n \text{ matrix} \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{scalar}} y$$

$x$

$n \times 1$

$x$

$1 \times n$

$$\Rightarrow P_x y = \left( \frac{x x^T}{\|x\|^2} \right) y$$

$P_x \leftarrow$  the matrix associated with the projection operator  $P_x$ .

Example: Let  $x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . Then,

$$P_x = \frac{1}{\|x\|^2} x x^T = \frac{1}{5} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/5 & 2/5 & 0 \\ 2/5 & 4/5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Then, say } y = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 8 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ we have } P_x y = \begin{bmatrix} 1/5 & 2/5 & 0 \\ 2/5 & 4/5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 8 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 18/5 \\ 36/5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(Often, we denote  $P_x$  by just  $P$ .)