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Lecture 18

- Homework: due Today
- Quiz 3: on Thursday: II.3, III-1.1, III.1.2; At end of class!!
- Final exam date: Sat, Dec 7, 8:30 AM

Last time: Projecting onto lines ~~lines~~.  $L = \text{span}\{x\}$ .

The projection of  $y$  onto the line  $L = \text{span}\{x\}$  is the vector in  $L$  closest to  $y$ . Denote this vector by  $P_x y$ .

$\hookrightarrow P_x y = sx$  for some  $s$ , and we showed that  $s$  is the minimizer of  $f(s) = \|y - sx\|_2^2$  ~~minimizer~~.

After minimizing  $f$ , we got  $s = \frac{\langle x, y \rangle}{\|x\|^2}$ , thus,

$$P_x y = \frac{\langle x, y \rangle}{\|x\|^2} x.$$

Then, we showed that

$$\Rightarrow P_x y = \frac{1}{\|x\|^2} x x^T y$$

$n \times n$        $n \times 1$

$$\frac{\langle x, y \rangle}{\|x\|^2} x = \frac{x^T y}{\|x\|^2} x = \frac{x x^T y}{\|x\|^2}$$

$P_x := \frac{1}{\|x\|^2} x x^T$  is the projection matrix/operator.

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

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

If  $y = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 8 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ , then

$$P_x y = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{5} & \frac{2}{5} & 0 \\ \frac{2}{5} & \frac{4}{5} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 8 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{18}{5} \\ \frac{36}{5} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Another way to rewrite  $P_x y$  is:

$$P_x y = \frac{\langle x, y \rangle}{\|x\|^2} x = \left\langle \frac{x}{\|x\|}, y \right\rangle \frac{x}{\|x\|}$$

What is  $\frac{x}{\|x\|}$ ? It is the unit vector in the direction of  $x$ .

Call it  $\hat{x}$ .

Then, 
$$P_x y = \langle \hat{x}, y \rangle \hat{x}.$$

Some important properties of projection operators  $P = P_x$ :

①  $P(Py) = Py$ , i.e.  $P^2 = P$

Proof:  $P = \frac{1}{\|x\|^2} (x x^T) \Rightarrow P^2 = \left( \frac{1}{\|x\|^2} x x^T \right) \left( \frac{1}{\|x\|^2} x x^T \right)$

$$= \frac{1}{\|x\|^4} x \underbrace{x^T x}_{\|x\|^2} x^T = \frac{1}{\|x\|^2} x x^T = P. \quad \checkmark$$

②.  $P^T = P$

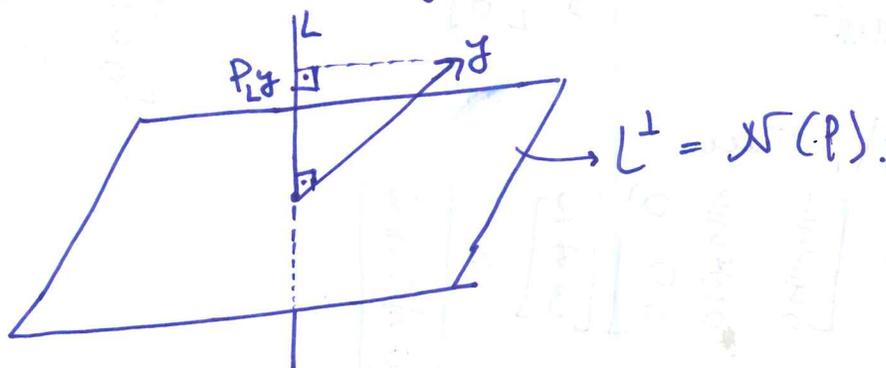
Proof:  $P^T = \left( \frac{1}{\|x\|^2} x x^T \right)^T = \frac{1}{\|x\|^2} (x^T)^T x^T = \frac{1}{\|x\|^2} x x^T = P. \quad \checkmark$

Consequences: (a)  $\langle z, Py \rangle = \langle Pz, y \rangle$  since  $P^T = P$

(b).  $\langle Pz, Py \rangle = \langle P^2 z, y \rangle = \langle Pz, y \rangle$  since  $P^T = P$  and  $P^2 = P$ .

③.  $\mathcal{R}(P) = L = \text{span}\{x\}$ .

④.  $\mathcal{N}(P) = (\mathcal{R}(P^T))^{\perp} = (\mathcal{R}(P))^{\perp} = (\text{span}\{x\})^{\perp} = L^{\perp}$ .



How do we project onto  $L^\perp$ ? Let  $P_{L^\perp}y = y - P_L y = (I - P_L)y$

$$\Rightarrow y = P_L y + P_{L^\perp} y \quad (*)$$

~~$\Rightarrow P_{L^\perp} y = y - P_L y = (I - P_L)y$~~

Conclusion:  $P_{L^\perp} = I - P_L$  is the projection operator onto  $L^\perp$

Example continued:  $P_{L^\perp} = I - P_L = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{5} & \frac{2}{5} & 0 \\ \frac{2}{5} & \frac{4}{5} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{4}{5} & -\frac{2}{5} & 0 \\ -\frac{2}{5} & \frac{1}{5} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus,  $P_{L^\perp} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 8 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{4}{5} & -\frac{2}{5} & 0 \\ -\frac{2}{5} & \frac{1}{5} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 8 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{8}{5} \\ \frac{5}{5} \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$

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~~Example 4~~ (\*) For any vector  $y$ , show that  $P_L y \perp P_{L^\perp} y$ :

$$\langle P_L y, P_{L^\perp} y \rangle = \langle P_L y, (I - P_L) y \rangle$$

$$= \langle (I - P_L)^T P_L y, y \rangle$$

But  $(I - P_L)^T = \{ I^T - P_L^T = I - P_L$

$$\Rightarrow (I - P_L)^T P_L = (I - P_L) P_L = P_L - P_L^2 = P_L - P_L = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \langle P_L y, P_{L^\perp} y \rangle = \langle 0, y \rangle = 0$$

## Projecting onto general linear subspaces:

An  $n \times n$  matrix  $P$  is an orthogonal projection matrix if

(a)  $P^2 = P$ , and

(b)  $P^T = P$ .

For such a matrix define  $Q = I - P$ . Then:

(1).  $Q$  is also an orthogonal projection matrix

(2).  $P + Q = I$  and  $PQ = QP = 0$ .

(3).  $P$  projects orthogonally onto  $\mathcal{R}(P)$

(4).  $Q$  projects orthogonally onto  $\mathcal{N}(P) = \mathcal{R}(P)^\perp$ .

Proofs: see typed notes.

One immediate consequence: Pythagorean Theorem:

Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and let  $P$  be an orthogonal projection matrix with  $Q = I - P$ . Then,  $\|x\|^2 = \|Px\|^2 + \|Qx\|^2$ .

Proof:  $\|x\|^2 = \langle x, x \rangle$

and  $x = Px + Qx$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \|x\|^2 &= \langle Px + Qx, Px + Qx \rangle \stackrel{\text{expand}}{=} \langle Px, Px \rangle + \overbrace{\langle Px, Qx \rangle}^0 \\ &+ \underbrace{\langle Qx, Px \rangle}_0 + \langle Qx, Qx \rangle = \langle Px, Px \rangle + \langle Qx, Qx \rangle \\ &= \|Px\|^2 + \|Qx\|^2. \end{aligned}$$

$$\langle Px, Qx \rangle = \langle Q^T Px, x \rangle \stackrel{(b)+(a)}{=} \langle QPx, x \rangle \stackrel{(2)}{=} \langle 0, x \rangle = 0.$$

Next: linear regression and least squares!!!

Example: linear regression.

$$\text{price of house in Vancouver} = \text{Size} \cdot x_1 + \text{Year built} \cdot x_2 + \text{distance to beach} \cdot x_3 + \dots$$

Observe data: for  $m$  houses:

$$b_1 = a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + a_{13}x_3$$

$$b_2 = a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + a_{23}x_3$$

$\vdots$

$$b_m = a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + a_{m3}x_3$$

$$b = Ax + z \quad \text{Can we find } x?$$

known  $\swarrow \nwarrow$

in real data there is always noise!

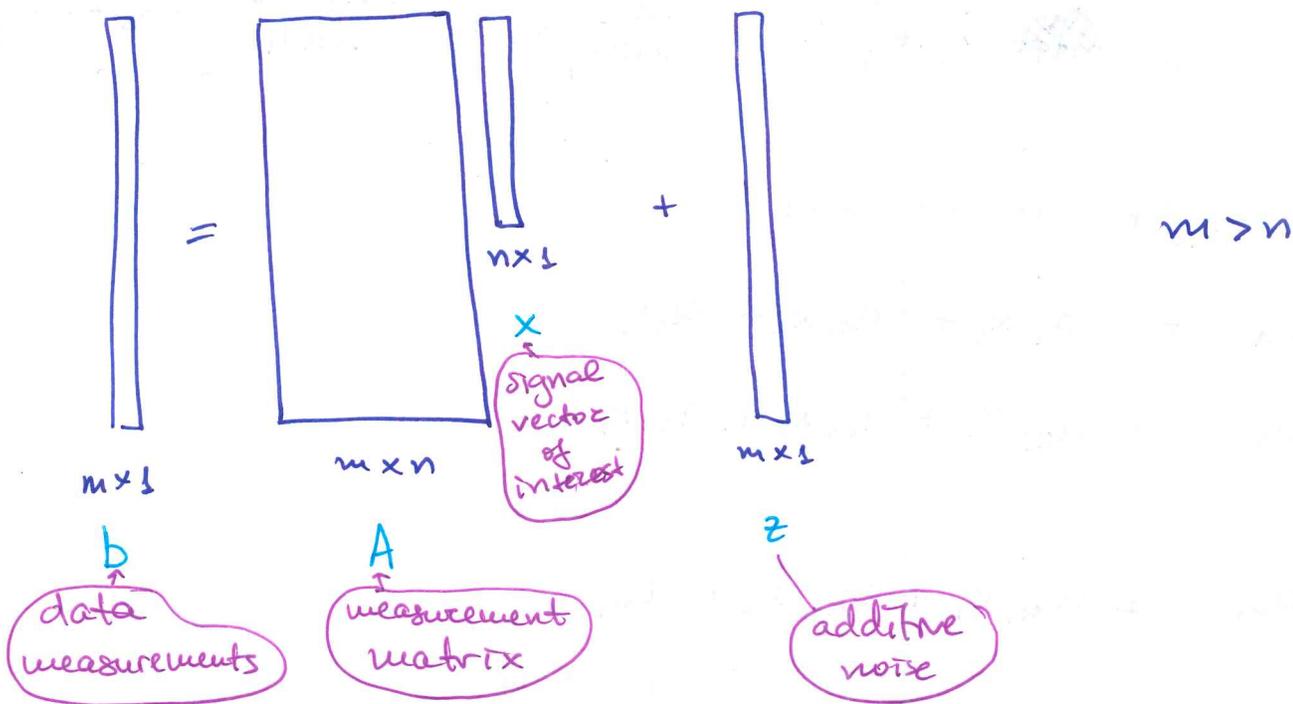
Note: We want to find a linear function

$$f(x) = a_1x_1 + a_2x_2 + a_3x_3$$

that fits our data!

"linear regression".

### III-1.3. Least squares and projections onto $\mathcal{R}(A)$



We know:  $A, b$

Want to learn:  $x$ .

$\mathcal{R}(A)$  is  $n$ -dimensional,  $\mathcal{R}(A) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$   
 $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$

but because of the noise  $z$ ,  $b \notin \mathcal{R}(A)$ .

So, if we try to solve  $Ax = b$ , there will be NO solution!

Thus, we want the "best" solution, i.e. we want to minimize the error  $\|b - Ax\|$ , for  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Thus, we want pick the minimize  $x^* = x$ .

$$x^* = \arg \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \|b - Ax\|$$

We are projecting  $b$  onto  $\mathcal{R}(A)$ !!! The projection vector is