

Q: what is the matrix P corresponding to projection?

$$P: x \mapsto a \frac{a \cdot x}{a \cdot a} = \frac{a a^T}{a \cdot a} x \text{ so } P = \frac{1}{a \cdot a} a a^T$$

$$\begin{matrix} a & a^T \\ \hline n \times 1 & 1 \times n \\ \hline n \times n \end{matrix}$$

example projection onto $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ $P = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}^T = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Properties of projections (1) P is symmetric: $P^T = \left(\frac{a a^T}{a \cdot a}\right)^T = \frac{(a^T)^T a^T}{a \cdot a} = \frac{a a^T}{a \cdot a} = P$.

(2) $P = P^2$.

Remark Q: is there a matrix B s.t. $(Ax) \cdot y = x \cdot (By)$ for all x, y ?

A: yes $B = A^T$: $(Ax)^T y = x^T A^T y = x^T (A^T y) = x \cdot (Ay)$. ↴

§ Projections and least squares

lots of equations in one variable: $a x = b$, e.g. $\begin{array}{l} 2x = b_1 \\ 3x = b_2 \\ 4x = b_3 \end{array}$

probably inconsistent, but can look for

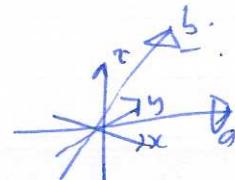
a solution \hat{x} which minimizes the error squared

$$E^2 = (2x - b_1)^2 + (3x - b_2)^2 + (4x - b_3)^2 = \| \begin{pmatrix} a \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} x - b \|^2$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(E^2) = 2(2x - b_1) \cdot 2 + 2(3x - b_2) \cdot 3 + 2(4x - b_3) \cdot 4 = 0$$

$$\hat{x} = \frac{2b_1 + 3b_2 + 4b_3}{2^2 + 3^2 + 4^2} = \frac{a \cdot b}{a \cdot a}$$

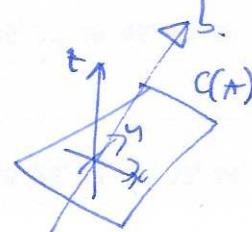
$$\begin{array}{l} Ax = b \\ \left[\begin{array}{c|c} 2 & 3 & 4 \\ \hline 2 & 3 & 4 \end{array} \right] x = \left[\begin{array}{c} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{array} \right] \text{ with } A = \dots \end{array}$$



General case (\neq var) $a x = b$ has least squares solution $\hat{x} = \frac{a \cdot b}{a \cdot a}$.

We error vector is $b - \hat{x}a$ is perpendicular to a : $a \cdot (b - \hat{x}a) = a \cdot b - \frac{a \cdot b}{a \cdot a} a \cdot a = 0$.

Several variables $Ax = b$ with #equations \gg #variables. $m \gg n$.



find \hat{x} to minimize least squares error $E^2 = \| A \hat{x} - b \|^2$, col(A)

Fact: this is minimized when $b - A \hat{x}$ is perpendicular to $C(A)$

recall $C(A)^\perp = N(A^\top)$ so $A^\top(b - Ax\hat{x}) = 0 \Leftrightarrow A^\top A x\hat{x} = A^\top b$. (52)

check $\epsilon^2 = \|Ax - b\|^2 = (Ax - b) \cdot (Ax - b) = (Ax - b)^\top (Ax - b)$ normal equations.

$$\epsilon^2 = Ax^\top A^\top A x - b^\top A x - \frac{b^\top A x}{x^\top A b} + \frac{b^\top b}{x^\top A b} - \frac{b^\top A \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(x)}{x^\top A b} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(\epsilon^2) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(x^\top) A^\top A x + \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(x^\top A^\top A) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(x) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(x^\top) A^\top b = 0.$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(\epsilon^2) = e_i^\top \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(x^\top) = e_i^\top \text{ so get: } e_i^\top A^\top A x + x^\top A^\top A e_i = 0$$

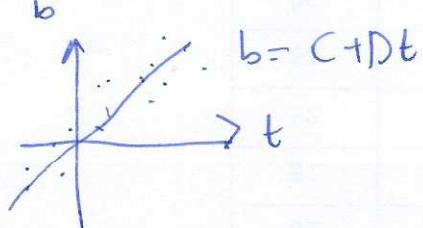
$$\therefore e_i^\top (A^\top A x - A^\top b) + (x^\top A^\top A - b^\top A) e_i = 0$$

$\uparrow A^\top A x = A^\top b \Rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}(\epsilon^2) = 0 \text{ for all } x_i \Rightarrow \text{critical point. } \square$

Remarks: if columns of A are linearly independent, then A^{-1} exists and $\hat{x} = (A^\top A)^{-1} A^\top b$

• $A\hat{x}$ = projection of b onto $\text{col}(A)$, i.e. $A\hat{x} = A(A^\top A)^{-1} A b$.

Example Best fit straight line. data points (t_i, b_i)



$$b = C + D t$$

$$\begin{aligned} C + D t_1 &= b_1 \\ C + D t_2 &= b_2 \\ &\vdots \\ C + D t_n &= b_n \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & t_1 \\ 1 & t_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & t_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} C \\ D \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix}$$

best solution

$$\hat{x} = \begin{bmatrix} C \\ D \end{bmatrix}$$

minimizes $\epsilon^2 = \|b - Ax\|^2$

$$A x = b$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n (b_i - C - D t_i)^2, \text{ i.e. } A^\top A \begin{bmatrix} C \\ D \end{bmatrix} = A^\top b$$

$$\sim \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ t_1 & t_2 & \dots & t_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} C \\ D \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} m & \sum t_i \\ \sum t_i & \sum t_i^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} C \\ D \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sum b_i \\ \sum t_i b_i \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{RHS}$$

Eigenvalues

recall: eigenvalues are solutions to $\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$

algebraic multiplicity = # of times $(\lambda - \lambda_i)$ appears in $\det(A - \lambda I)$.
characteristic equation

geometric multiplicity = dim of solution to $(A - \lambda_i I)x = 0$
(eigenspace)

Example $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ $\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 1 \\ 0 & 1-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (1-\lambda)^2$

$\lambda = 1$ has alg.
multiplicity = 2

solve $(A - I)x = 0$ $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ $x_1 = t$
 \uparrow free var $x_2 = 0$

solution $\{t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\}$.

dim of eigenspace = 1 < 2.

Example

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \det(A - \lambda I) = (1-\lambda)^2(2-\lambda)$$

$\lambda = 1, 1, 2$.

eigenvectors for $\lambda = 1$ $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ← two dimensional eigenspace

$$\lambda = 2 \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Special case: triangular matrices $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 4 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad \det(A - \lambda I) = (1-\lambda)(4-\lambda)(6-\lambda)$

eigenvalues = diagonal entries.

useful facts: $\det(A) = \text{product of eigenvalues } \lambda_1 \lambda_2 \dots \lambda_n$

$\text{trace}(A) = a_{11} + a_{22} + \dots + a_{nn} = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \dots + \lambda_n$ sum of eigenvalues.

Warning: row operations do not preserve eigenvalues!

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow \text{different eigenvalues!}$$

Example rotation by $\pi/2$: $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ $\det(A-x) = x^2 + 1$
 $x = \pm i$

find eigenvectors: $\lambda = i$: $\begin{bmatrix} -i & -1 \\ 1 & i \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -i & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ $v = t \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -i \end{bmatrix}$

check: $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} i \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = i \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -i \end{bmatrix}$. ✓.

Example: projection matrix $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$ eigenvalues: $(\frac{1}{2}-\lambda)^2 - \frac{1}{4} = 0$
 $\lambda = 1 \quad \lambda = 0$ $\lambda^2 - \lambda = 0$
eigenvectors: $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ $\lambda(\lambda-1) = 0$
 $\lambda = 0, 1$

Matrix powers $A^k = \underbrace{A \cdot A \cdots A}_{k \text{ times}}$.

Prop^n If v is an eigenvector for A with eigenvalue λ
then v A^k λ^k .

check $Av = \lambda v$ $\Rightarrow A^k v = A^{k-1} Av = A^{k-1} \lambda v = \lambda A^{k-1} v = \lambda^2 A^{k-2} v = \lambda^2 A^{k-2} v = \dots = \lambda^k v$.

Prop^n if $S^{-1}AS = D$ then $S^{-1}A^k S = D^k$
 $A = SDS^{-1}$ $A^k = SD^k S^{-1}$

Proof $A^k = (SDS^{-1})^k = \underbrace{S(DS^{-1})S(DS^{-1}) \cdots (DS^{-1})}_{k \text{ times}} = S D^k S^{-1}$. □.

Prop^n If λ is an eigenvalue of A , then $\frac{1}{\lambda}$ is an eigenvalue of A^{-1} .

Proof $Av = \lambda v \quad v = \lambda A^{-1}v \quad \frac{1}{\lambda}v = A^{-1}v \quad \checkmark \quad \square$.