

## Orthogonality

Inner or dot product in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ :

$$\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = u_1 v_1 + \cdots u_n v_n$$

←examples

Properties:

- $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{u}$
- $(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) \cdot \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{w} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w}$
- $(c\mathbf{v}) \cdot \mathbf{w} = c(\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w})$
- $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} \geq 0$ ,  
and  $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u} > 0$  unless  $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$ .

Norm = length:

$$\|\mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{v}}$$

$\mathbf{u}$  is a unit vector if  $\|\mathbf{u}\| = 1$ .

If  $\mathbf{v} \neq 0$  then

$$\mathbf{u} = \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{v}\|} \mathbf{v}$$

is a unit vector positively-proportional to  $\mathbf{v}$ .

examples→

We argue that  $\mathbf{u} \perp \mathbf{v}$  if and only if  $\|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}\| = \|\mathbf{u} - (-\mathbf{v})\|$ .

←perpendicular or orthogonal

This means

$$(\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}) \cdot (\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}) = (\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) \cdot (\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v})$$

Expand and get

$$\begin{aligned} & \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 - 2\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} \\ = & \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 + 2\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\mathbf{u} \perp \mathbf{v} \iff \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$$

Exercise:

$$\mathbf{u} \perp \mathbf{v}$$

$$\iff \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}\|^2$$

Angles: We define the angle cosine between nonzero  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  to be

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{u}\| \|\mathbf{v}\|}$$

examples→

This fits with the law of cosines!

$W \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  a subspace.

we say

$$\mathbf{u} \perp W$$

if for all  $\mathbf{v} \in W$  we have

$$\mathbf{u} \perp \mathbf{v}.$$

$$W^\perp = \{\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \mathbf{u} \perp W\}.$$

Theorem: if  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k\}$  spans  $W$   
then

$$\mathbf{u} \perp W$$

if and only if

$$\mathbf{u} \perp \mathbf{v}_i \quad \text{for all } i.$$

Theorem:  $W^\perp \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is a subspace.

Theorem:  $\dim W + \dim W^\perp = n$

Theorem:  $(W^\perp)^\perp = W$ .

Key examples:

$$\mathbf{Row} (A)^\perp = \mathbf{Null} (A).$$

$$\mathbf{Col} (A)^\perp = \mathbf{Null} (A^T)$$

$\{\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$  is an **orthogonal set**  
if  $\mathbf{u}_i \perp \mathbf{u}_j$  whenever  $i \neq j$ .

examples - fill in  $\mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow$

**Theorem.** If  $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$  is an  
orthogonal set and  $\mathbf{u}_i$  are non-zero,  
then they are linearly independent.

prove it!  $\rightarrow$



An orthogonal set of non-zero vectors is a basis for its span.

Definition: An **orthogonal basis** of  $W$  is a basis which is an orthogonal set.

←just a change of perspective

**Theorem.** If  $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$  is an orthogonal basis for  $W$  and we want to decompose a vector  $\mathbf{y} \in W$  as

$$\mathbf{y} = c_1\mathbf{u}_1 + \dots + c_k\mathbf{u}_k$$

then

$$c_j = \frac{\mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{u}_j}{\mathbf{u}_j \cdot \mathbf{u}_j}.$$

←examples!!

Things get better if we normalize:

$\{\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$  is an **orthonormal set** if it is an orthogonal set of **unit vectors**.

examples→

**Theorem.** A matrix  $U$  has orthonormal columns if and only if

$$U^T U = I.$$

**Theorem.** If  $U$  has orthonormal columns then

$$(U\mathbf{x}) \cdot (U\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{x} \cdot \mathbf{y}$$

**Corollary** If  $U$  has orthonormal columns then

- $\|U\mathbf{x}\| = \|\mathbf{x}\|$
- $\mathbf{x} \perp \mathbf{y} \iff U\mathbf{x} \perp U\mathbf{y}$

If  $U$  is a square matrix with orthonormal columns then it is called **an orthogonal matrix**.

Note:  $U^T U = I$ , and  $U$  a square matrix means  $U U^T = I$ .

meaning the rows are also orthonormal!

Suppose  $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$  is an orthogonal basis for  $W$  but  $\mathbf{y} \notin W$ . What can we do?

**Theorem.** There is a unique expression

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y}_W + \mathbf{y}_{W^\perp}$$

where  $\mathbf{y}_W \in W$  and  $\mathbf{y}_{W^\perp} \in W^\perp$ .

In fact

$$\mathbf{y}_W = c_1 \mathbf{u}_1 + \dots + c_k \mathbf{u}_k$$

where

$$c_j = \frac{\mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{u}_j}{\mathbf{u}_j \cdot \mathbf{u}_j}.$$

←examples!!

If  $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$  is orthonormal, the formula gets simpler:

$$\mathbf{y}_W = (\mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{u}_1)\mathbf{u}_1 + \dots + (\mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{u}_k)\mathbf{u}_k$$

Writing  $U = [\mathbf{u}_1 \dots \mathbf{u}_k]$  this gives

$$\mathbf{y}_W = UU^T \mathbf{y}$$

We call  $\mathbf{y}_W$  the perpendicular projection of  $y$  on  $W$ .

Notation:

$$\mathbf{y}_W = \text{proj}_W \mathbf{y}$$

So

$$\mathbf{y} = \text{proj}_W \mathbf{y} + \text{proj}_{W^\perp} \mathbf{y}.$$

Then  $\mathbf{y}_W$  is the vector in  $W$  closest to  $W$ .

**Gram-Schmidt Algorithm.** Say  $\{\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_k\}$  is a basis for  $W$ .

Think about  $W_i = \mathbf{Span} \{\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_i\}$

We construct inductively  $\mathbf{v}_i$  as follows:

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$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \mathbf{x}_1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v}_2 &= \text{Proj}_{W_1^\perp} \mathbf{x}_2 &&= \mathbf{x}_2 - \text{Proj}_{W_1} \mathbf{x}_2 \\ &= \mathbf{x}_2 - \frac{\mathbf{x}_2 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1}{\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1} \mathbf{v}_1 \end{aligned}$$

$\vdots$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v}_k &= \text{Proj}_{W_{k-1}^\perp} \mathbf{x}_k \\ &= \mathbf{x}_k - \left( \frac{\mathbf{x}_k \cdot \mathbf{v}_1}{\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1} \mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + \frac{\mathbf{x}_k \cdot \mathbf{v}_{k-1}}{\mathbf{v}_{k-1} \cdot \mathbf{v}_{k-1}} \mathbf{v}_{k-1} \right) \end{aligned}$$

We can normalize:  $\mathbf{u}_i = \frac{1}{\|\mathbf{v}_i\|} \mathbf{v}_i$ .



## **$QR$ factorization**

Matrix interpretation of Gram-Schmidt:  
say  $A$  has linearly independent columns

$$A = [\mathbf{x}_1 \cdots \mathbf{x}_n]$$

and say  $Q = [\mathbf{u}_1 \cdots \mathbf{u}_n]$ .

Since **Span**  $(\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_i) = \mathbf{Span} (\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_i)$   
we have

$$\mathbf{x}_i = r_{1i}\mathbf{u}_1 + \cdots + r_{ii}\mathbf{u}_i$$

$$\text{meaning } \mathbf{x}_i = Q \begin{bmatrix} r_{1i} \\ \vdots \\ r_{ii} \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{So } A = [\mathbf{x}_1 \cdots \mathbf{x}_n] = Q[\mathbf{r}_1 \cdots \mathbf{r}_n].$$

In other words  $A = QR$ , where  $Q$  has orthonormal columns, and  $R$  is invertible upper triangular.

Note:  $R = Q^T A$

## Least squares approximation.

Say **Col**  $A$  does not span  $\mathbf{b}$ .

You still want to approximate

$$A\mathbf{x} \approx \mathbf{b}.$$

We'll calculate  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$  such that

$$\|A\hat{\mathbf{x}} - \mathbf{b}\|$$

is minimized. Then we'll apply.

The closest an element  $A\hat{\mathbf{x}}$  of the column space gets to  $\mathbf{b}$  is

ouch!→ Gram-Schmidt?

$$\hat{\mathbf{b}} = \text{proj}_{\text{Col } A} \mathbf{b}.$$

Now  $\hat{\mathbf{b}} \in \text{Col } A$ , so we can solve

$$A\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \hat{\mathbf{b}}.$$

This seems hard. But...

$$A\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \hat{\mathbf{b}} = \text{proj}_{\text{Col } A} \mathbf{b}.$$

$$\iff$$

$$(\mathbf{b} - \hat{\mathbf{b}}) \perp \text{Col } A \\ = \text{Row } A^T$$

$$\iff$$

$$A^T(\mathbf{b} - A\hat{\mathbf{x}}) = 0$$

$$\iff$$

$$\boxed{A^T A \hat{\mathbf{x}} = A^T \mathbf{b}}$$

## Linear regression

Theoretically a system behaves like

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x,$$

and you want to find  $\beta_i$ .

You run experiments which give data points  $(x_i, y_i)$ . They will not actually lie of a line.

You get the approximate equations

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \beta_0 + x_1\beta_1 & \approx & y_1 \\ \beta_0 + x_2\beta_1 & \approx & y_2 \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \beta_0 + x_n\beta_n & \approx & y_n \end{array}$$

In matrix notation:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 \\ 1 & x_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \beta_1 \\ \beta_2 \end{bmatrix} \approx \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix}$$

or

$$X\boldsymbol{\beta} \approx \mathbf{y}.$$

To solve it we take

$$X^T X \boldsymbol{\beta} = X^T \mathbf{y}$$

We can solve directly, or expand:

$$\begin{bmatrix} n & \sum x_i \\ \sum x_i & \sum x_i^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sum y_i \\ \sum x_i y_i \end{bmatrix}$$