

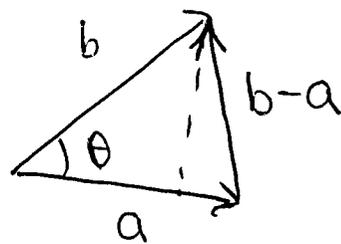
§ 3.3 Projections & Least Squares —

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Projection onto a line — (Law of Cosines) \mathbb{R}^n

$$\|b-a\|^2 = \|a\|^2 + \|b\|^2 - 2\|a\|\|b\|\cos\theta$$

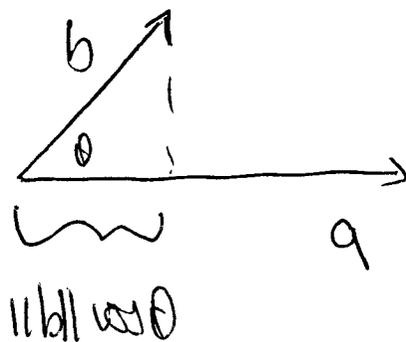
$$(a-b) \cdot (a-b) = \|a\|^2 - 2a \cdot b + \|b\|^2$$



$$\Rightarrow 2ab = 2\|a\|\|b\|\cos\theta$$

$$\boxed{\cos\theta = \frac{a \cdot b}{\|a\|\|b\|}}$$

• $\text{Proj}_a b = (\underbrace{\|b\|\cos\theta}_{\text{length}}) \underbrace{\frac{a}{\|a\|}}_{\text{direction}}$



$$\text{Proj}_a b = \frac{a \cdot b}{\|a\|^2} a = a \frac{a^T \cdot b}{\|a\|^2} = \underbrace{\frac{a \cdot a^T}{\|a\|^2}}_P b$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & \dots & a_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$n \times 1 \quad \quad 1 \times n \quad \quad n \times 1$

$$a \cdot a^T = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 a_1 & a_1 a_2 & \dots & a_1 a_n \\ a_2 a_1 & a_2 a_2 & \dots & a_2 a_n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_n a_1 & a_n a_2 & \dots & a_n a_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & (-a) \\ a_2 & (-a) \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ a_n & (-a) \end{bmatrix}$$

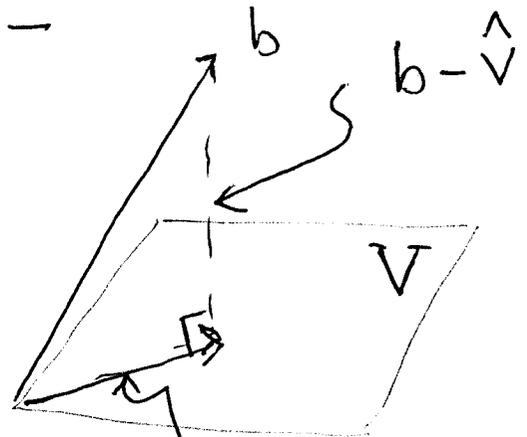
$n \times n$

②
□ Projection onto a subspace $V \in \mathbb{R}^m$

$$V = \text{Span} \{ c_1, \dots, c_n \} \in \mathbb{R}^m \quad (m > n)$$

• Form the matrix of columns -

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} | & & | \\ c_1 & \dots & c_n \\ | & & | \end{bmatrix}$$



• Find $v \in V$ closest to b

$$\text{Proj}_V b = \hat{v}$$

Any $v \in V = \text{Span} \{ c_1, \dots, c_n \}$ is given by

$$v = Ax \quad \text{some } x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \begin{bmatrix} | \\ c_i \\ | \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus: as that $(b - \hat{v}) \perp V$

or

$$\boxed{b - A\hat{x} \perp V}$$

But :

$$b - A\hat{x} \perp \bar{V}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow [b - A\hat{x}]^T \begin{bmatrix} | \\ c_i \\ | \end{bmatrix} = 0 \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

$$\Leftrightarrow [b - A\hat{x}]^T \cdot \begin{bmatrix} | & & | \\ c_1 & \dots & c_n \\ | & & | \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow [b - A\hat{x}]^T A = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow A^T [b - A\hat{x}] = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow A^T b - A^T A \hat{x} = 0$$

$(n \times n) (n \times 1) \quad (n \times n) (n \times n) \quad (n \times 1)$

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

◦ Thm If $\{c_1, \dots, c_n\}$ is a basis ⁽⁴⁾
for V , then $A^T A$ has an inverse -

I.e. $m > n$ so

$$A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} A^T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A^T A \end{bmatrix}$$

$n \times m$ $m \times n$ $n \times n$

$A^T A$ invertible $\Leftrightarrow (A^T A)^{-1}$ exists \Rightarrow

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

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

$$v = A \hat{x} = \underbrace{A (A^T A)^{-1} A^T}_{\text{matrix}} b$$

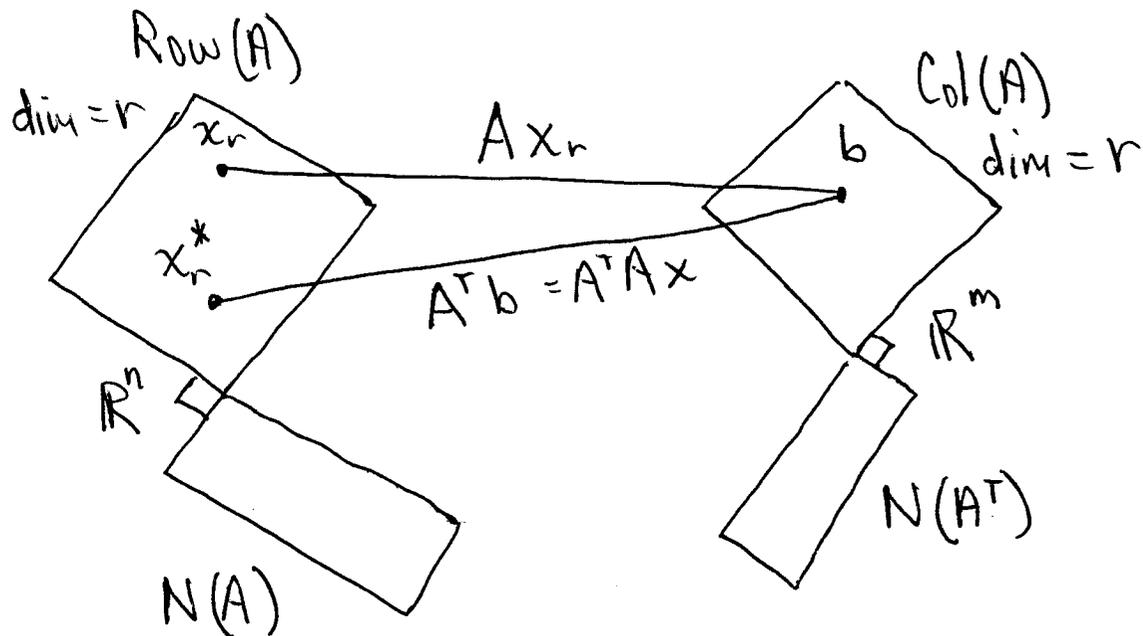
"The $m \times m$ matrix that projects b onto V "

Pf of Thm: It suffices to show

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Lemma: The rank of $(A^T A) = \text{rank of } A$

Picture



"Idea $A^T A : \text{Row}(A) \rightarrow \text{Row}(A)$ 1-1 and onto

so $\text{Span}\{\text{rows of } A\} = \text{span}\{\text{rows of } A^T A\}$

$\Rightarrow r = \text{rank } A = \text{rank}(A^T A) //$

For an alternative proof...

It suffices to prove

$$N(A) = N(A^T A)$$

I.e.

$$r = n - \dim(N(A))$$

$$\text{rank}(A^T A) = n - \dim(N(A^T A))$$

For (*):

$$\text{If } x \in N(A) \text{ then } Ax = 0 \Rightarrow A^T Ax = A^T 0 = 0$$

$$\therefore x \in N(A^T A) \Rightarrow N(A) \subseteq N(A^T A)$$

If $x \notin N(A)$ then

$$Ax \in \text{Col}(A) \quad Ax \neq 0$$

But $A^T: \text{Col}(A) \rightarrow \text{Row}(A) = \text{Col}(A^T)$ is 1-1 onto

$$\therefore A^T(Ax) = \underbrace{A^T Ax}_{\text{nonzero}} \neq 0$$

So $A^T A$ has no elements of the nullspace except $N(A)$

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Corollary: If $m > n$, then $A^T A$ is invertible iff the colms of A are indept

Pf. $\text{rank}(A^T A) = \text{rank}(A)$. If colms of A are indept, then $\text{rank}(A) = n$. Thus

$A^T A$ is an $n \times n$ matrix of rank $n \Rightarrow$ invertible
($n \times m$)($m \times n$)

Summary: Among all vectors $v \in V = \text{Col}(A)$

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

minimize the distance $\|b - Ax\|$ (or $\|b - Ax\|^2$)

$$\|b - Ax\| = \sqrt{(b_1 - (Ax)_1)^2 + \dots + (b_n - (Ax)_n)^2}$$

$$\|b - Ax\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (b_i - (Ax)_i)^2$$

we say: " Pb is the least squares best estimate for h in V "

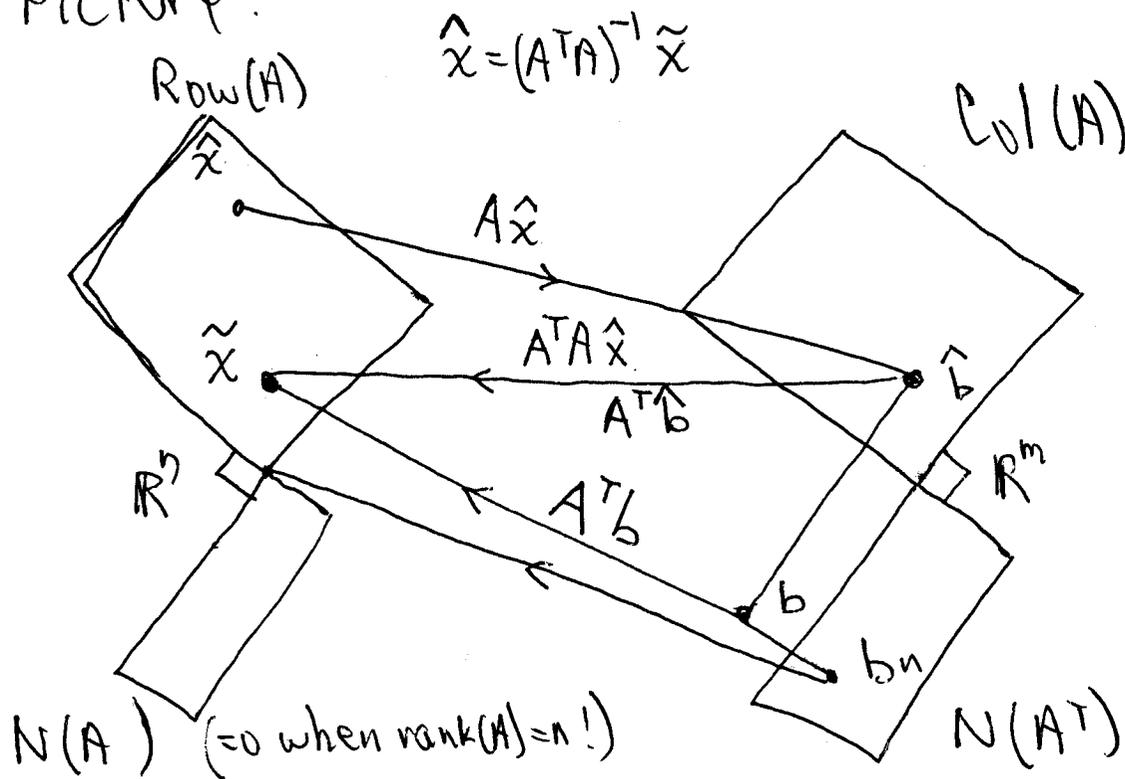
Note: $A (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b = P b = \hat{b}$

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$$\begin{matrix} \left[A \right] & \left[(A^T A)^{-1} \right] & \left[A^T \right] & \left[b \right] & = & \left[\hat{b} \right] \\ (m \times n) & (n \times n) & n \times m & (m \times 1) & & (m \times 1) \end{matrix}$$

$$\text{Col}(A) \ni \hat{b} \xleftarrow{A} \text{Row}(A) \xleftarrow{(A^T A)^{-1}} \text{Row}(A) \xleftarrow{A^T} b \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

Picture:



" P takes any $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$ to $\hat{b} \in \text{Col}(A)$ closest to b "

" P takes $\hat{b} \in \text{Col}(A)$ to \hat{b} "

⑨ Projection Matrices: P has following Properties

① $P^2 = P$ (P is a projection)

② $P^T = P$ (P is an orthogonal projection)

check ①: $P^2 = A \underbrace{(A^T A)^{-1} A^T A}_{I} (A^T A)^{-1} A^T = P \checkmark$

check ②: $P^T = (A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T)^T = A [A^T A]^{-1} A^T = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T = P \checkmark$

Theorem: Every matrix that satisfies ① & ② is the "least squares" projection onto $\text{Col}(P)$

P.T. If P is projection then ① & ② hold.

Now assume ① & ② hold:

Claim: $\|Pb - b\|$ is minimized among all $v \in \text{Col}(P)$. Need $Pb - b \perp \text{Col}(P)$, or equiv

$$(Pb - b)^T P = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow P^T (Pb - b) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow P(Pb - b) = P^2 b - Pb = Pb - Pb = 0 \quad \checkmark$$

Summary: "Start with colms of A , $\min \|b - Ax\|$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{x} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b$$

$$\hat{b} = A \hat{x} = \underbrace{A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T}_P b$$

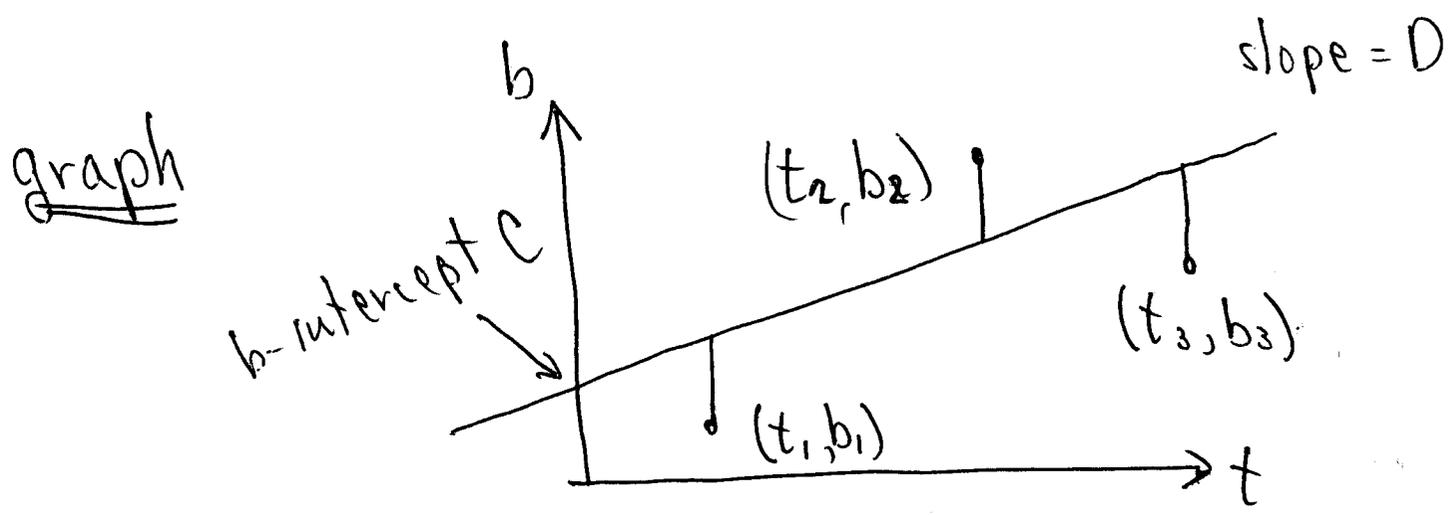
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(assume a basis for V , $m \geq n$)

Now colms of P span V also, and the only properties needed to show its a projector are

$$P^2 = P \quad \& \quad P^T = P \quad !$$

Application : (Fundamental) Least squares fit of a line...

Consider the line $b = C + Dt$



Say we get measurements $(t_i, b_i) \quad i=1, \dots, m$

Q: what line fits the data "best"

Least squares "minimize sum of squares of vertical distances"

(Measured value at t_i) = b_i

(Actual value at t_i) = $C + Dt_i$

Minimize :
$$\sum_{i=1}^m \| b_i - (C + Dt_i) \|^2$$

Minimize : $\sum_{i=1}^m \| b_i - (c + D t_i) \|^2$

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$\Leftrightarrow \| b - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & t_1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & t_m \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c \\ D \end{bmatrix} \|^2$

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$m \times 1$ $A_{m \times 2}$ $x = \begin{bmatrix} c \\ D \end{bmatrix}$

$b = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix}, x = \begin{bmatrix} c \\ D \end{bmatrix}$

\Leftrightarrow Minimize $\| b - Ax \|^2$

Soln : $\hat{x} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b$ (least sqv formula)

Formula For $\hat{x} = \begin{pmatrix} c \\ d \end{pmatrix}$:

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

$$\Leftrightarrow A^T A \hat{x} = A^T b$$

$$A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ t_1 & t_2 & \dots & t_m \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & t_1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & t_m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} m & \sum_{i=1}^m t_i \\ \sum_{i=1}^m t_i & \sum_{i=1}^m t_i^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^T b = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \dots & 1 \\ t_1 & \dots & t_m \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{i=1}^m b_i \\ \sum_{i=1}^m t_i b_i \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore A^T A \hat{x} = A^T b \Leftrightarrow$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} m & \sum_{i=1}^m t_i \\ \sum_{i=1}^m t_i & \sum_{i=1}^m t_i^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{i=1}^m b_i \\ \sum_{i=1}^m t_i b_i \end{bmatrix}$$

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2x2 matrix problem!

Ex: What line fits the data best in least squares sense?

Data: $(-1, 1)$, $(1, 1)$, $(2, 3)$

Soln: Look for $b = C + Dt$

$b =$ vector of outputs $= \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{pmatrix}$

Minimize: $(b_i - (C + Dt_i))^2$

$$\Leftrightarrow \left\| b - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & t_1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & t_m \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} C \\ D \end{bmatrix} \right\|^2 \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\| b - Ax \|^2$$

$$\hat{x} = A^T b = A^T A \hat{x} \quad \hat{x} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b$$

$$(A^T A) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$A^T b = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Want: } \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{c} \\ \hat{d} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} c \\ d \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \frac{1}{7}$$

$$b = \frac{9}{7} + \frac{4}{7}t$$

is line of best fit —