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# Gramm-Schmidt Orthogonalization —

- A vector space has no inner product  $\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle$  and extra structure for vector space
- $\mathbb{R}^n$  has a natural inner product  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\langle x, y \rangle = \sum x_i y_i = \|x\| \|y\| \cos \theta = x \cdot y = x^T \cdot y$$

Defn: A basis  $\{q_1, \dots, q_n\}$  for  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is

orthonormal if  ~~$\|e_i\| = 1$~~   $q_i \cdot q_j = \delta_{ij}$

I.e.  $q_i \cdot q_j = 0$  if  $i \neq j$

$$\|e_i\| = 1 = q_i \cdot q_i$$

When you have an orthonormal basis, it is easy to find the comp's of  $b$  wrt basis:

• Let  $\{q_1, \dots, q_n\}$  be orthonormal basis,  $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$  (2)

$$b = b_1 q_1 + \dots + b_n q_n$$

Q: Formula for  $b_i$ ?

Ans: Dot both sides with  $q_i^T$

$$\begin{aligned} q_i^T \cdot b &= b_1 \cancel{q_i^T q_1} \dots b_i \underbrace{q_i^T q_i}_1 + \dots + b_n \cancel{q_i^T q_n} \\ &\stackrel{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{matrix} \\ \text{mult}}}{=}}{b_i} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Conclude: } b_i = \underbrace{q_i^T \cdot b}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{matrix} \\ \text{mult}}} = \underbrace{q_i \cdot b}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{dot} \\ \text{product}}}$$

$$\text{I.e. } \text{Proj}_{q_i} b = \frac{q_i \cdot b}{\|q_i\|^2} q_i = (q_i \cdot b) q_i$$

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Thm:  $\{q_1, \dots, q_n\}$  orthonormal  $\Rightarrow$

$$b = \sum_{i=1}^n (q_i^T \cdot b) q_i$$

□ Orthogonal matrix —  $\{q_1, \dots, q_n\}$  orthonormal.

Let  $Q = \begin{bmatrix} | & & | \\ q_1 & \dots & q_n \\ | & & | \end{bmatrix}$

Defn: an orthogonal matrix is an  $n \times n$  matrix whose columns are an orthonormal basis.

Claim:  $Q^{-1} = Q^T$  iff  $Q$  is orthogonal

( $\Rightarrow$ ) Assume  $Q$  orthonormal. Then

$$Q^T Q = \begin{bmatrix} -q_1- \\ \vdots \\ -q_n- \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} | & & | \\ q_1 & \dots & q_n \\ | & & | \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since  $Q$  is invertible = full rank,  $Q^T$  must also be right inverse - or

$$Q Q^T = A \Rightarrow \underbrace{Q^T Q}_{=I} Q^T = Q^T A$$

$$\Rightarrow I Q^T = Q^T A \Rightarrow A = id$$

( $\Leftarrow$ ) Assume  $Q^{-1} = Q^T$ . Then

$$Q^T Q = \begin{bmatrix} -q_1- \\ \vdots \\ -q_n- \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & 1 \\ q_1 & \dots & q_n \\ 1 & & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow q_i \cdot q_j = \delta_{ij} \Rightarrow \text{orthogonal} \checkmark$$

Note: To solve  $Qx = b$  write

$$Q^T Q x = Q^T b \Leftrightarrow x = Q^T b = \begin{bmatrix} -q_1- & b_1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ -q_n- & b_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} q_1^T \cdot b \\ \vdots \\ q_n^T \cdot b \end{bmatrix} \text{ as before } \checkmark$$

I.e.  $Qx = b \Leftrightarrow q_1 x_1 + \dots + q_n x_n = b \quad x_i = q_i^T \cdot b$

Cor: If the cols of  $Q$  are ON,  
then so are the rows:

Pf.  $Q = \begin{bmatrix} \underset{\uparrow}{q_1} & \cdots & \underset{\uparrow}{q_n} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \\ \vdots \\ \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \text{---} \text{---} \end{bmatrix}$

$Q$  ON.  $\Leftrightarrow Q Q^T = I$

$\Leftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \text{---} r_1 \text{---} \\ \vdots \\ \text{---} r_n \text{---} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \underset{\uparrow}{q_1} & \cdots & \underset{\uparrow}{q_n} \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$\Rightarrow$  rows are ON.

• Note To solve  $Qx = b$ , write  $Q^T Q x = Q^T b$

$(\Rightarrow) x = Q^T b = \begin{bmatrix} \text{---} q_1 \text{---} \\ \vdots \\ \text{---} q_n \text{---} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} q_1^T b \\ \vdots \\ q_n^T b \end{pmatrix}$

So  $b = x_1 q_1 + \cdots + x_n q_n, \quad x_i = q_i^T \cdot b$   
" =  $Ax$  "

as before

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Thm: If  $Q$  is orthogonal, then  $Q$  viewed as a linear transformation preserves lengths and angles ( $\Rightarrow$  inner products)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{P.f. } \langle Qx, Qy \rangle &= (Qx) \cdot (Qy) = (Qx)^T \cdot Qy \\
 &\quad \uparrow \\
 &\quad \text{dot} \\
 &= x^T \underbrace{Q^T Q}_I y = x^T \cdot y = x \cdot y = \langle x, y \rangle \\
 &\quad \uparrow \\
 &\quad \text{dot} \quad \checkmark
 \end{aligned}$$

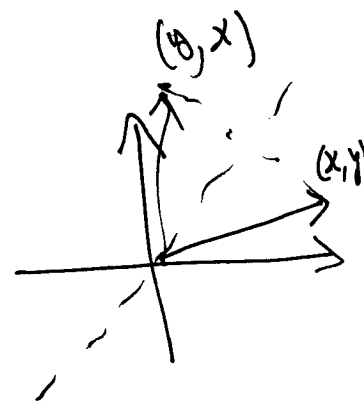
Conclude: The orthogonal transformations represent the "rotations & reflections" in  $\mathbb{R}^n$

Ex: Rotation thru  $\theta$ :

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & -\sin \theta \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{columns ON} \checkmark$$

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad P \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y \\ x \end{bmatrix}$$

reflects about  $y=x$  ON.  $\checkmark$



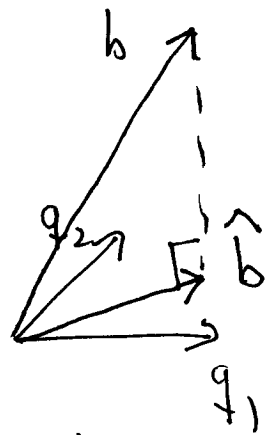
A permutation matrix is ON.

$P_\pi v = (v_{\pi_1}, \dots, v_{\pi_n})$  permute  
entries according to  $\pi: \{1, \dots, n\} \rightarrow \{1, \dots, n\}$

$$\Leftrightarrow P_\pi = \begin{bmatrix} -e_{\pi_1}- \\ \vdots \\ -e_{\pi_n}- \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{"identity matrix with rows permuted by } \pi \text{"}$$

$\Rightarrow$  ON  $\checkmark$

Ex: Given  $\{q_1, \dots, q_n\}$  or in  $\mathbb{R}^m$   $m > n$ ,  
 find the least squares approx  $\hat{b}$  of  $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$   
 we call:  $\hat{b} = \text{Proj}_{q_1, \dots, q_n} b$



Soln:  $A_{m \times n} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & 1 \\ q_1 & \dots & q_n \\ 1 & & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{m \times n}$

$\uparrow$  rank  $n \Rightarrow (A^T A)^{-1}$  exists

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

$$A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} - & q_1 & - \\ & \vdots & \\ - & q_n & - \end{bmatrix}_{m \times m} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & 1 \\ q_1 & \dots & q_n \\ 1 & & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{m \times n} = I_{n \times n}$$

$$\therefore \hat{b} = A A^T b = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & 1 \\ q_1 & \dots & q_n \\ 1 & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} - & q_1 & - \\ & \vdots & \\ - & q_n & - \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & 1 \\ q_1 & \dots & q_n \\ 1 & & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} q_1 \cdot b \\ \vdots \\ q_n \cdot b \end{bmatrix} = \sum_{i=1}^n (q_i \cdot b) q_i \in \mathbb{R}^m \leftarrow \text{cloud with } m > n$$

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Conclude:

$$\text{Proj}_{q_1 \dots q_n} b = (q_1^T b) q_1 + \dots + (q_n^T b) q_n$$

As you would expect: eg if  $m=n$ ,  
 $\{q_1, \dots, q_n\}$  basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ; then

$$b = \underbrace{(q_1^T \cdot b) q_1 + \dots + (q_k^T \cdot b) q_k}_{\text{gives projection onto the span of 1st } k \text{ } q\text{'s}} + \underbrace{\dots + (q_n^T \cdot b) q_n}_{\text{because this is } \perp \text{ to 1st } k \text{ terms}}$$