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Chapter 1

Orthogonal Projections for Fixed Vectors

For any two fixed vectors z_1, z_2 that are of equal dimension,

$$\langle z_1, z_2 \rangle = z_1 \cdot z_2 = z_1^T z_2$$

Suppose M is an m -dimensional linear space that is a subset of \mathbb{R}^d . Consequently, define M^\perp as the orthogonal complement of M that has dimension $d - m$ which can be defined with ϕ_k as mutually orthogonal vectors for $k = 1, \dots, d$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} M &= \text{span}\{\phi_1, \dots, \phi_m\} \\ M^\perp &= \text{span}\{\phi_{m+1}, \dots, \phi_d\} \end{aligned}$$

Any vector $z \in \mathbb{R}^d$ can be uniquely represented as $x_1 + x_2 = z$ where $x_1 \in M$ and $x_2 \in M^\perp$, which is to say

$$M \oplus M^\perp = \mathbb{R}^d$$

For any $y \in \mathbb{R}^d$ notice that

$$\begin{aligned} y &= \sum_{k=1}^d \langle y, \phi_k \rangle \phi_k \\ \|y\|^2 &= \langle y, y \rangle = \sum_{k=1}^d \langle y, \phi_k \rangle^2 \end{aligned}$$

and the projection of y onto M is defined as $P_M y = \operatorname{argmin}_{w \in M} \|w - y\|^2$, which can be expressed as

$$\boxed{P_M y = \sum_{k=1}^m \langle y, \phi_k \rangle \phi_k} \tag{1.1}$$

The following relation holds for the space M and its orthogonal compliment M^\perp

$$P_M y \perp P_{M^\perp} y \quad i.e. \quad P_M y \perp (y - P_M y)$$

Chapter 2

Projections for Gaussian Random Vectors

Assume a Gaussian setting where we consider Y a dimension $d \times 1$ vector of values and U as an orthogonal "rotation" matrix of dimension $d \times d$, where $I = U^T U$.

$$Y \sim N(0, \sigma^2 I_d) \quad \Rightarrow \quad UY \sim N(0, \sigma^2 I_d)$$

Several consequential results are expressed from the properties of fixed vectors with the orthogonal ϕ_1, \dots, ϕ_d representation where $M = \text{span}\{\phi_1, \dots, \phi_m\}$.

$$\boxed{\begin{pmatrix} \langle Y, \phi_1 \rangle \\ \vdots \\ \langle Y, \phi_d \rangle \end{pmatrix} \sim N(0, \sigma^2 I_d)} \quad (2.1)$$

$$\boxed{\|P_M Y\|^2 = \sum_{k=1}^m \langle Y, \phi_k \rangle^2 \quad \sim \quad \sigma^2 \chi_m^2} \quad (2.2)$$

$$\boxed{P_M Y \text{ is independent of } (Y - P_M Y)} \quad (2.3)$$