

# Chapter 7

## ORTHOGONALITY

- Geometric concepts on *length* and *perpendicularity* of vectors
- **Construct** a basis of perpendicular eigenvectors for a given matrix or L.T.
- **Conditions** for the existence of such a basis

# 7.1 The Geometry of Vectors

- The **norm** (**length**) of any vector  $\mathbf{v}$  in  $\mathcal{R}^n$ , denoted by  $\|\mathbf{v}\|$ , is defined by

$$\|\mathbf{v}\| = \sqrt{v_1^2 + v_2^2 + \cdots + v_n^2}.$$

- A vector  $\mathbf{v}$  with  $\|\mathbf{v}\|=1$  is called a **unit vector**.
- The **distance** between two vectors  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  in  $\mathcal{R}^n$  is defined as  $\|\mathbf{u}-\mathbf{v}\|$ .
- By the Pythagorean theorem, two vectors  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  in  $\mathcal{R}^2$  are perpendicular iff

$$\begin{aligned}\|\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{u}\|^2 &= \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 \\ (v_1 - u_1)^2 + (v_2 - u_2)^2 &= u_1^2 + u_2^2 + v_1^2 + v_2^2 \\ u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2 &= 0.\end{aligned}$$

- Define the **dot product** of vectors  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  in  $\mathcal{R}^n$  by

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2 + \cdots + u_n v_n.$$

We say that  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  are **orthogonal** (**perpendicular**) if  $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$ .

✓ The dot product of two vectors is a scalar.

✓  $\mathbf{0}$  is orthogonal to every vector in  $\mathcal{R}^n$ .

- The dot product of  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  can be represented as a matrix product:

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{v}$$

If  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix,  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathcal{R}^n$ , and  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathcal{R}^m$ , then  $A\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u} \cdot A^T \mathbf{v}$ .

## Theorem 7.1

For any vectors  $\mathbf{u}$ ,  $\mathbf{v}$ , and  $\mathbf{w}$  in  $\mathcal{R}^n$  and every scalar  $c$ ,

- a)  $\mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{u} = \|\mathbf{u}\|^2$ .
- b)  $\mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{u} = 0$  iff  $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$ .
- c)  $\mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v} \bullet \mathbf{u}$ .
- d)  $\mathbf{u} \bullet (\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}) = \mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{w}$ .
- e)  $(\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}) \bullet \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{v} \bullet \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{w} \bullet \mathbf{u}$ .
- f)  $(c\mathbf{u}) \bullet \mathbf{v} = c(\mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{u} \bullet (c\mathbf{v})$ .
- g)  $\|c\mathbf{u}\| = |c| \|\mathbf{u}\|$ .

- By Theorem 7.1(g), any nonzero vector  $\mathbf{v}$  can be **normalized**, that is, transformed into a unit vector by multiplying it by the scalar  $\frac{1}{\|\mathbf{v}\|}$ .
- Extend (d) and (e) of Theorem 7.1 to linear combinations,

$$\mathbf{u} \cdot \sum_{i=1}^p c_i \mathbf{v}_i = \sum_{i=1}^p c_i \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}_i \quad \text{and}$$

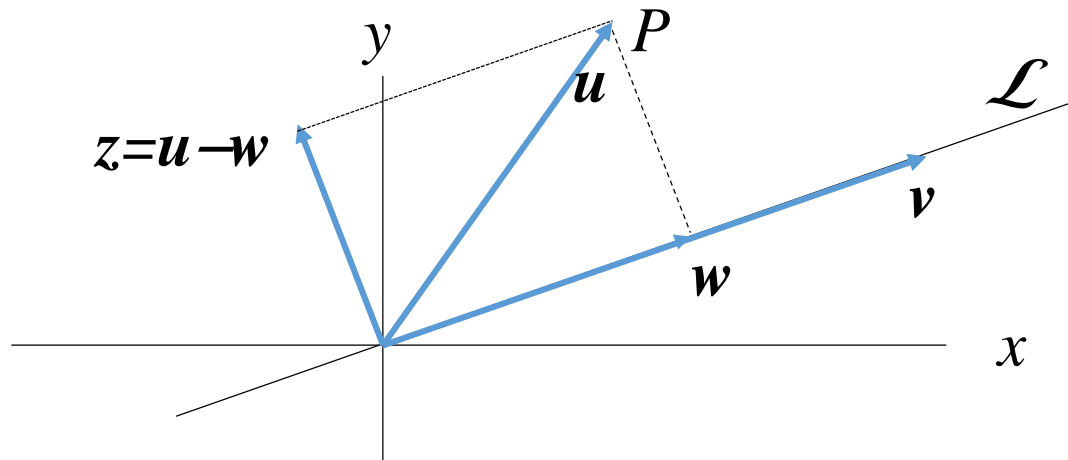
$$\left( \sum_{i=1}^p c_i \mathbf{v}_i \right) \cdot \mathbf{u} = \sum_{i=1}^p c_i \mathbf{v}_i \cdot \mathbf{u}$$

### **Theorem 7.2 (Pythagorean Theorem in $\mathcal{R}^n$ )**

Let  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  be vectors in  $\mathcal{R}^n$ . Then  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  are orthogonal iff

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

# Orthogonal projection of a vector on a line



Find the distance from a point  $P$  to the line  $\mathcal{L}$ :

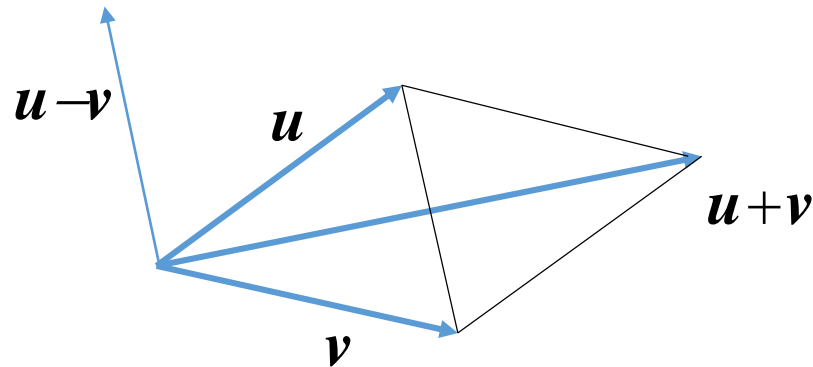
- The vector  $\mathbf{w}$  is called the **orthogonal projection of  $\mathbf{u}$  on  $\mathcal{L}$** .
- To find  $\mathbf{w}$  in terms of  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathcal{L}$ , let  $\mathbf{v}$  be any nonzero vector along  $\mathcal{L}$  and  $\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{u} - \mathbf{w}$ . Then  $\mathbf{w} = c\mathbf{v}$  for some scalar  $c$ . Since  $\mathbf{z}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  are orthogonal,

$$0 = \mathbf{z} \cdot \mathbf{v} = (\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{w}) \cdot \mathbf{v} = (\mathbf{u} - c\mathbf{v}) \cdot \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} - c\|\mathbf{v}\|^2. \text{ So}$$

$$\checkmark \quad c = \frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{v}\|^2} \text{ and thus } \mathbf{w} = \frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{v}\|^2} \mathbf{v}$$

$$\checkmark \quad \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{w}\| = \left\| \mathbf{u} - \frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\|\mathbf{v}\|^2} \mathbf{v} \right\|.$$

*The diagonals of a parallelogram are orthogonal iff the parallelogram is a rhombus.*



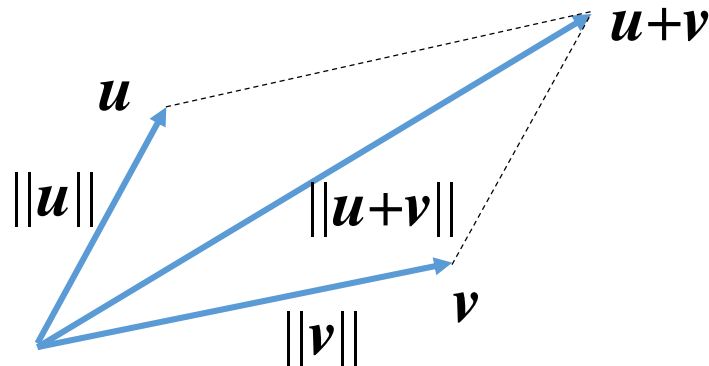
The diagonals of the rhombus are  $\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}$  and  $\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}$ .

The dot product of them is

$$(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) \cdot (\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}) = \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 - \|\mathbf{v}\|^2.$$

Thus the diagonals are orthogonal iff  $\|\mathbf{u}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{v}\|^2$ .

# The Cauchy-Schwarz and Triangle inequalities



## Theorem 7.3 (Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality)

For any vectors  $u$  and  $v$  in  $\mathcal{R}^n$ , we have

$$|u \cdot v| \leq \|u\| \|v\|.$$

## Theorem 7.4 (Triangle Inequality)

For any vectors  $u$  and  $v$  in  $\mathcal{R}^n$ , we have

$$\|u + v\| \leq \|u\| + \|v\|.$$

Computing average class size ?



## 7.2 Orthogonal vectors

A subset of  $\mathcal{R}^n$  is an **orthogonal set** if every pair of distinct vectors in the set is orthogonal

- The subset is called **orthonormal set** if it is an orthogonal set consisting entirely of **unit vectors**.

### Theorem 7.5

Any orthogonal set of nonzero vectors is linearly independent.

An orthogonal set that is also a basis for a subspace of  $\mathcal{R}^n$  is called an **orthogonal basis** for the subspace.

- A basis that is also an orthonormal set is called an **orthonormal basis**.
- Multiplying vectors in an orthogonal basis by nonzero scalars produces a new orthogonal basis for the same subspace.

Let  $\mathcal{S}=\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k\}$  be an orthogonal basis for a subspace  $V$  of  $\mathcal{R}^n$ . Consider the problem that a vector  $\mathbf{u}$  in  $V$  is to be represented as a linear combination of the vectors in  $\mathcal{S}$ :

Suppose that  $\mathbf{u}=c_1\mathbf{v}_1+c_2\mathbf{v}_2+\dots+c_k\mathbf{v}_k$ .

To obtain  $c_i$ , we use

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{u}\cdot\mathbf{v}_i &= (c_1\mathbf{v}_1+c_2\mathbf{v}_2+\dots+c_k\mathbf{v}_k)\cdot\mathbf{v}_i \\ &= c_i\|\mathbf{v}_i\|^2\end{aligned}$$

and hence  $c_i = \frac{\mathbf{u}\cdot\mathbf{v}_i}{\|\mathbf{v}_i\|^2}$ . (It needn't solve a system of linearly equations.)

## Representation of a Vector in terms of an Orthogonal or Orthonormal Basis

Let  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k\}$  be an orthogonal basis for a subspace  $V$  of  $\mathcal{R}^n$  and let  $\mathbf{u}$  be a vector in  $V$ . Then

$$\mathbf{u} = \frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}_1}{\|\mathbf{v}_1\|^2} \mathbf{v}_1 + \frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}_2}{\|\mathbf{v}_2\|^2} \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + \frac{\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}_k}{\|\mathbf{v}_k\|^2} \mathbf{v}_k.$$

If, in addition, the orthogonal basis is an orthonormal basis for  $V$ , then

$$\mathbf{u} = (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}_1) \mathbf{v}_1 + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}_2) \mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}_k) \mathbf{v}_k.$$

Two questions arise:

1. Does every subspace of  $\mathcal{R}^n$  have an orthogonal basis?
2. If the answer is “YES”, how can it be found?

*Gram-Schmidt (orthogonalization) process* provides the following info:

Every subspace of  $\mathcal{R}^n$  has an orthogonal and hence an orthonormal basis.

**Theorem 7.6 (The Gram-Schmidt Process)**

Let  $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$  be a basis for a subspace  $W$  of  $\mathcal{R}^n$ . Define

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \mathbf{u}_1,$$

$$\mathbf{v}_2 = \mathbf{u}_2 - \frac{\mathbf{u}_2 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1}{\|\mathbf{v}_1\|^2} \mathbf{v}_1,$$

$$\mathbf{v}_3 = \mathbf{u}_3 - \frac{\mathbf{u}_3 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1}{\|\mathbf{v}_1\|^2} \mathbf{v}_1 - \frac{\mathbf{u}_3 \cdot \mathbf{v}_2}{\|\mathbf{v}_2\|^2} \mathbf{v}_2,$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\mathbf{v}_k = \mathbf{u}_k - \frac{\mathbf{u}_k \cdot \mathbf{v}_1}{\|\mathbf{v}_1\|^2} \mathbf{v}_1 - \frac{\mathbf{u}_k \cdot \mathbf{v}_2}{\|\mathbf{v}_2\|^2} \mathbf{v}_2 - \dots - \frac{\mathbf{u}_k \cdot \mathbf{v}_{k-1}}{\|\mathbf{v}_{k-1}\|^2} \mathbf{v}_{k-1}.$$

Then  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_i\}$  is an orthogonal set of nonzero vectors such that

$\text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_i\} = \text{Span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_i\}$   
for each  $i$ . So  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k\}$  is an orthogonal basis for  $W$ .

# The QR Factorization of a Matrix

Suppose that  $A=[\mathbf{a}_1 \ \mathbf{a}_2 \ \cdots \ \mathbf{a}_n]$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix with linearly independent columns. Apply the Gram-Schmidt process to vectors  $\mathbf{a}_i$  to obtain orthogonal vectors  $\mathbf{v}_i$ ,  $i=1,2, \dots, n$ . Then normalize these vectors to obtain orthonormal set  $\{\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2, \cdots, \mathbf{w}_n\}$ .

We may write

$$\mathbf{a}_1 = r_{11}\mathbf{w}_1$$

$$\mathbf{a}_2 = r_{12}\mathbf{w}_1 + r_{22}\mathbf{w}_2$$

.....

$$\mathbf{a}_n = r_{1n}\mathbf{w}_1 + r_{2n}\mathbf{w}_2 + \dots + r_{nn}\mathbf{w}_n$$

$$\text{Define } Q=[\mathbf{w}_1 \ \mathbf{w}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{w}_n] \text{ and } R = \begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & \dots & r_{1n} \\ 0 & r_{22} & \dots & r_{2n} \\ \vdots & 0 & \dots & r_{3n} \\ 0 & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & r_{nn} \end{bmatrix}, \text{ with}$$

$$r_{ij}=\mathbf{a}_j \bullet \mathbf{w}_i .$$

Then  $A=Q[\mathbf{r}_1 \ \mathbf{r}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{r}_n]=QR$ , where  $\mathbf{r}_i=[r_{1i} \ r_{2i} \ r_{3i} \ 0 \ \dots \ 0]^T$ .

## The QR Factorization of a Matrix

Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix with linearly independent columns. There exists an  $m \times n$  matrix  $Q$  whose columns form an orthonormal set in  $\mathcal{R}^m$ , and an  $n \times n$  upper triangular matrix  $R$  such that  $A = QR$ . Furthermore,  $R$  can be chosen to have positive diagonal entries.

Suppose that  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix with linearly independent columns. Any factorization  $A = QR$ , where  $Q$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix whose columns form an orthonormal set in  $\mathcal{R}^m$  and  $R$  is an  $n \times n$  upper triangular matrix, is called a **QR factorization of  $A$** .

For any QR factorization of  $A$ , the columns of  $Q$  forms an orthonormal basis for  $\text{Col } A$ .

Suppose that  $A\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{b}$  is given where  $A$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix with linearly independent columns. Let  $A=QR$  be a QR factorization of  $A$ . Using the result  $Q^T Q=I_n$ , we have the equivalent systems

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

$$QR\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$$

$$Q^T QR\mathbf{x} = Q^T \mathbf{b}$$

$$I_n R\mathbf{x} = Q^T \mathbf{b}$$

$$R\mathbf{x} = Q^T \mathbf{b}$$

$$Q^T Q = Q^T [\mathbf{w}_1 \ \mathbf{w}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{w}_n]$$

$$= [Q^T \mathbf{w}_1 \ Q^T \mathbf{w}_2 \ \dots \ Q^T \mathbf{w}_n]$$

$$= [(\mathbf{w}_1^T Q)^T (\mathbf{w}_2^T Q)^T \ \dots \ (\mathbf{w}_n^T Q)^T]$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} ([\mathbf{w}_1^T \mathbf{w}_1 \ \mathbf{w}_1^T \mathbf{w}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{w}_1^T \mathbf{w}_n])^T & ([\mathbf{w}_2^T \mathbf{w}_1 \ \mathbf{w}_2^T \mathbf{w}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{w}_2^T \mathbf{w}_n])^T \\ \dots & ([\mathbf{w}_n^T \mathbf{w}_1 \ \mathbf{w}_n^T \mathbf{w}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{w}_n^T \mathbf{w}_n])^T \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= [\mathbf{e}_1 \ \mathbf{e}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{e}_n] = I_n.$$

## 7.3 Orthogonal Projections

**Definition** The **orthogonal complement** of a nonempty subset  $S$  of  $\mathcal{R}^n$ , denoted by  $S^\perp$ , is the set of all vectors in  $\mathcal{R}^n$  that are orthogonal to **every vector** in  $S$ . That is,

$$S^\perp = \{\mathbf{v} \in \mathcal{R}^n : \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0 \text{ for every } \mathbf{u} \text{ in } S\}.$$

- If  $S = \mathcal{R}^n$ , then  $S^\perp = \{\mathbf{0}\}$ ; and if  $S = \{\mathbf{0}\}$ , then  $S^\perp = \mathcal{R}^n$ .
  - If  $S$  is any nonempty subset of  $\mathcal{R}^n$ , then  $\mathbf{0}$  is in  $S^\perp$ .
  - Moreover, if  $\mathbf{v}$  and  $\mathbf{w}$  are in  $S^\perp$ , then, for every vector  $\mathbf{u} \in S$ ,  $(\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w}) \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$  and therefore  $(\mathbf{v} + \mathbf{w})$  is in  $S^\perp$ .
    - ✓  $S^\perp$  is closed under vector addition.
    - ✓ By similar arguments,  $S^\perp$  is closed under scalar multiplication.
- So, ..



The orthogonal complement of any nonempty subset of  $\mathcal{R}^n$  is a **subspace** of  $\mathcal{R}^n$ .

For any nonempty subset  $\mathcal{S}$  of  $\mathcal{R}^n$ , we have  $\mathcal{S}^\perp = (\text{Span } \mathcal{S})^\perp$ . In particular, the orthogonal complement of a basis for a subspace is the same as the orthogonal complement of the subspace.

For any matrix  $A$ , the orthogonal complement of the row space of  $A$  is the null space of  $A$ ; that is,

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

Applying the above to  $A^T$ , we have

$$(\text{Col } A)^\perp = (\text{Row } A^T)^\perp = \text{Null } A^T.$$

### **Theorem 7.7 (Orthogonal Decomposition Theorem)**

Let  $W$  be a subspace of  $\mathcal{R}^n$ . Then, for any vector  $\mathbf{u}$  in  $\mathcal{R}^n$ , there exist unique vectors  $\mathbf{w}$  in  $W$  and  $\mathbf{z}$  in  $W^\perp$  such that  $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{w} + \mathbf{z}$ . In addition, if  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k\}$  is an orthonormal basis for  $W$ , then

$$\mathbf{w} = (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}_1)\mathbf{v}_1 + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}_2)\mathbf{v}_2 + \dots + (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}_k)\mathbf{v}_k.$$

Combining a basis for  $W$  with a basis for  $W^\perp$ , we have a basis for  $\mathcal{R}^n$ . Thus,

For any subspace  $W$  of  $\mathcal{R}^n$ ,

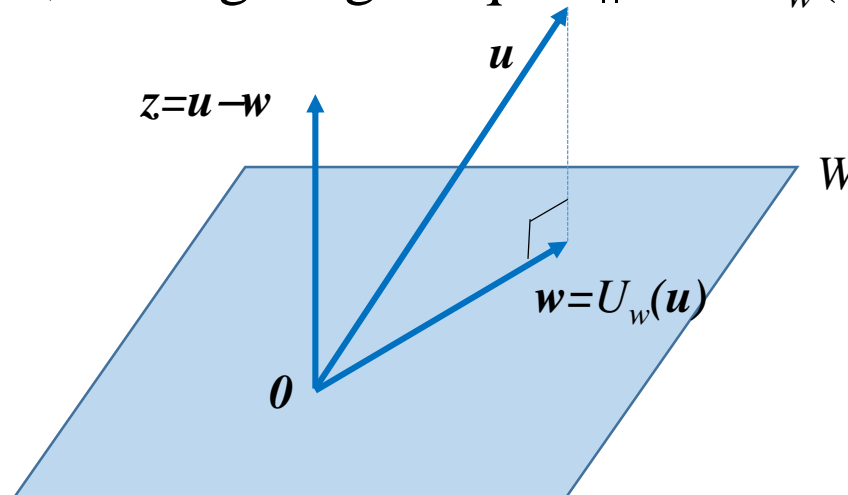
$$\dim W + \dim W^\perp = n.$$

# Orthogonal Projections on Subspaces

**Definitions** Let  $W$  be a subspace of  $\mathcal{R}^n$  and  $\mathbf{u}$  be a vector in  $\mathcal{R}^n$ . The **orthogonal projection of  $\mathbf{u}$  on  $W$**  is the unique vector  $\mathbf{w}$  in  $W$  such that  $\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{w}$  is in  $W^\perp$ .

Furthermore, the function  $U_w: \mathcal{R}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{R}^n$  such that  $U_w(\mathbf{u})$  is the orthogonal projection of  $\mathbf{u}$  on  $W$  for every  $\mathbf{u}$  in  $\mathcal{R}^n$  is called **the orthogonal projection operator on  $W$** .

For any vector  $\mathbf{u}$  in  $\mathcal{R}^n$  but not in  $W$ , the vector  $\mathbf{u} - U_w(\mathbf{u})$  is orthogonal to  $W$ , having length equal  $\|\mathbf{u} - U_w(\mathbf{u})\|$ .



The vector  $\mathbf{w}$  is the orthogonal projection of  $\mathbf{u}$  on  $W$ .

Any orthogonal projection  $U_w$  of  $\mathcal{R}^n$  is *linear*, by showing that

- $U_w$  preserves vector addition.

Let  $u_1, u_2 \in \mathcal{R}^n$  and suppose that  $U_w(u_1)=w_1$  and  $U_w(u_2)=w_2$ .  
Then there are unique vectors  $z_1, z_2 \in W^\perp$  such that  $u_1=w_1+z_1$   
and  $u_2=w_2+z_2$ .

Thus

$$u_1+u_2=(w_1+w_2)+(z_1+z_2)$$

Since  $w_1+w_2 \in W$  and  $z_1+z_2 \in W^\perp$ ,

$$U_w(u_1+u_2)=w_1+w_2=U_w(u_1)+U_w(u_2) \quad \#$$

- $U_w$  preserves scalar multiplication

Let  $c$  be a scalar.

It follows that  $cu_1=cw_1+cz_1$  where  $cw_1 \in W$  and  $cz_1 \in W^\perp$ .

Then  $U_w(cu_1)=cw_1=cU_w(u_1) \quad \#$

**Linear** transformation  $\Rightarrow$  **Matrix** transformation

The **standard matrix** of an orthogonal projection operator  $U_w$  on a subspace  $W$  of  $\mathcal{R}^n$  is called the **orthogonal projection matrix** for  $W$  and is denoted  $P_w$ .

- The columns of  $P_w$  are the images of the standard vectors under  $U_w$ , that is, the orthogonal projections of the standard vectors. (See example 3 with  $u=e_i$ )

$$P_w = [U_w(\mathbf{e}_1) \quad U_w(\mathbf{e}_2) \quad \cdots \quad U_w(\mathbf{e}_n)]$$

- An alternative method for computing  $P_w$ , by Theorem 7.8.

**Lemma** Let  $C$  be a matrix whose columns are linearly independent. Then  $C^T C$  is invertible.

Proof:

### Theorem 7.8

Let  $C$  be an  $n \times k$  matrix whose columns form a basis for a subspace  $W$  of  $\mathcal{R}^n$ . Then

$$P_w = C(C^T C)^{-1} C^T.$$

Proof:

Let  $W$  be a subspace of  $\mathcal{R}^n$ ,  $\mathbf{w} = U_w(\mathbf{u})$  and  $\mathbf{w}'$  be any vector in  $W$ .

- $(\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{w}) \cdot (\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{w}') = 0$  since  $(\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{w}) \in W^\perp$  and  $(\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{w}') \in W$ .

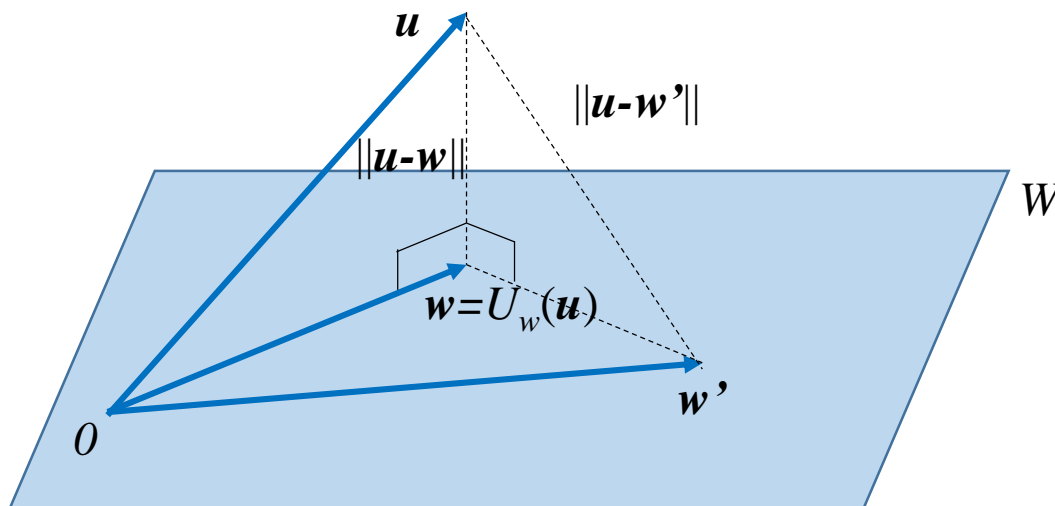
- By the Pythagorean theory in  $R^n$ ,

$$\|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{w}'\|^2 = \|(\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{w}) + (\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{w}')\|^2 = \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{w}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{w} - \mathbf{w}'\|^2 \geq \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{w}\|^2.$$

## Closest Vector Property

Let  $W$  be a subspace of  $\mathcal{R}^n$  and  $\mathbf{u}$  be a vector in  $\mathcal{R}^n$ . Among all vectors in  $W$ , the vector closest to  $\mathbf{u}$  is the orthogonal projection  $U_w(\mathbf{u})$  of  $\mathbf{u}$  on  $W$ .

Define the **distance from a vector  $\mathbf{u}$  in  $\mathcal{R}^n$  to a subspace  $W$  of  $\mathcal{R}^n$**  to be  $\|\mathbf{u} - U_w(\mathbf{u})\|$ , the minimum distance between  $\mathbf{u}$  and every vector in  $W$ .



## 7.4 Least-squares approximation and orthogonal projection matrices

- Deterministic vs Stochastic/Probabilistic!
- Given a set of data  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$  obtained by empirical measurements, obtain their relationship by finding the line  $y=a_0+a_1x$  that *best fits* the data.

### **The method of least squares:**

Find  $a_0$  and  $a_1$  so that

$$E = [y_1 - (a_0 + a_1x_1)]^2 + [y_2 - (a_0 + a_1x_2)]^2 + \dots + [y_n - (a_0 + a_1x_n)]^2$$

is minimized.

$E$  is called the **error sum of squares**.



Let  $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix}$ , and  $C = [\mathbf{v}_1 \ \mathbf{v}_2]$ .

Then,

$$E = \|\mathbf{y} - (a_0 \mathbf{v}_1 + a_1 \mathbf{v}_2)\|^2$$

$\sqrt{E}$  is the distance between  $\mathbf{y}$  and the vector  $a_0 \mathbf{v}_1 + a_1 \mathbf{v}_2 \in W = \text{Span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$

The orthogonal projection of  $\mathbf{y}$  on  $W$  is the vector in  $W$  that is nearest to  $\mathbf{y}$ .

$$a_0 \mathbf{v}_1 + a_1 \mathbf{v}_2 = C \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix} = P_w \mathbf{y}.$$

Suppose that  $\mathbf{v}_1$  and  $\mathbf{v}_2$  are linearly independent !  
So  $\mathcal{B}=\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\}$  is a basis for  $W$ .

Apply Theorem 7.8 to obtain

$$C \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix} = C(C^T C)^{-1} C^T \mathbf{y}.$$

Multiplying both sides by  $C^T$  gives

$$C^T C \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix} = C^T C(C^T C)^{-1} C^T \mathbf{y} = C^T \mathbf{y}.$$

- The matrix equation  $C^T C \mathbf{x} = C^T \mathbf{y}$ , a system of linear equations, is called the **normal equations**.

By the Lemma preceding Theorem 7,  $C^T C$  is invertible. The least-square line has the equation  $y=a_0+a_1x$ , where

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix} = (C^T C)^{-1} C^T \mathbf{y}.$$

Find the best fit by a quadratic polynomial  $y=a_0+a_1x+a_2x^2$ :

The error sum of squares is

$$E = [y_1 - (a_0 + a_1x_1 + a_2x_1^2)]^2 + [y_2 - (a_0 + a_1x_2 + a_2x_2^2)]^2 \\ + \cdots + [y_n - (a_0 + a_1x_n + a_2x_n^2)]^2.$$

In this case,

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} x_1^2 \\ x_2^2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n^2 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and } C = [\mathbf{v}_1 \ \mathbf{v}_2 \ \mathbf{v}_3].$$

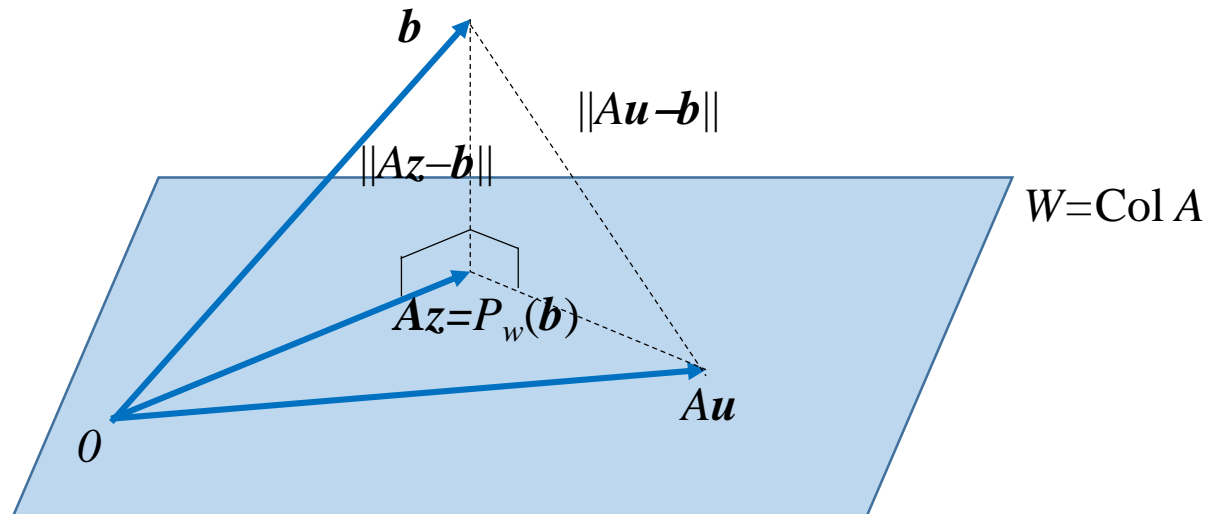
- Assume that  $\mathbf{v}_1$ ,  $\mathbf{v}_2$ , and  $\mathbf{v}_3$  are linearly independent !
- Obtain the normal equations

$$C^T C \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} = C^T \mathbf{y}$$

The solution is

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} = (C^T C)^{-1} C^T \mathbf{y}.$$

# Inconsistent systems of Linear Equations



- A system of linear equations  $A\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{b}$  may be inconsistent.
- Obtain a vector  $\mathbf{z}$  for which  $\|A\mathbf{z}-\mathbf{b}\|$  is a minimum.
- The vector  $\mathbf{z}$  minimizes  $\|A\mathbf{z}-\mathbf{b}\|$  iff it is a solution of the system of linear equation  $A\mathbf{x}=P_w\mathbf{b}$ .

# Solutions of Least Norm

Given a nonhomogeneous system of linear equations with an infinite set of solutions, select the solution of least norm.

A consistent system  $A\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{c}$  of linear equations with  $\mathbf{c}\neq\mathbf{0}$ .

Let  $\mathbf{v}_0$  be any solution of the system and  $Z = \text{Null } A$ .

- A vector  $\mathbf{v}$  is a solution of the system iff it is of the form  $\mathbf{v}=\mathbf{v}_0+\mathbf{z}$ , where  $\mathbf{z}\in Z$ .

- Select a vector  $\mathbf{z}$  in  $Z$  so that  $\|\mathbf{v}_0+\mathbf{z}\|$  is a minimum:

Let  $\mathbf{z}$  be the orthogonal projection of  $-\mathbf{v}_0$  on  $Z$ ; that is,

$$\mathbf{z} = P_Z(-\mathbf{v}_0) = -P_Z \mathbf{v}_0.$$

Thus,

$$\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}_0 - P_Z \mathbf{v}_0$$

is the unique solution of the system of least norm.

# 7.5 Orthogonal Matrices and Operators

Which **linear** operators  $T$  will satisfy  $\|T(\mathbf{u})\|=\|\mathbf{u}\|$  for every  $\mathbf{u}$  in  $\mathcal{R}^n$ ?

Let  $Q$  be an  $n \times n$  matrix and  $\|Q\mathbf{u}\|=\|\mathbf{u}\|$  for every  $\mathbf{u}$  in  $\mathcal{R}^n$ .  $\Rightarrow$

- For the  $j$ -th column of  $Q$ , denoted by  $\mathbf{q}_j$ ,

$$\|\mathbf{q}_j\|=\|Q\mathbf{e}_j\|=\|\mathbf{e}_j\|=1. \quad (1)$$

Thus, the norm of every column of  $Q$  is 1.

- If  $i \neq j$ , we have

$$\|\mathbf{q}_i + \mathbf{q}_j\|^2 = \|Q\mathbf{e}_i + Q\mathbf{e}_j\|^2 = \|Q(\mathbf{e}_i + \mathbf{e}_j)\|^2 = \|\mathbf{e}_i + \mathbf{e}_j\|^2 = 2 = \|\mathbf{q}_i\|^2 + \|\mathbf{q}_j\|^2. \quad (2)$$

By Theorem 7.2,  $\mathbf{q}_i$  and  $\mathbf{q}_j$  are orthogonal. The columns of  $Q$  thus form an orthonormal basis for  $\mathcal{R}^n$ .

- ✓ An  $n \times n$  matrix is an **orthogonal matrix** (or **orthogonal**) if its columns form an *orthonormal* basis for  $\mathcal{R}^n$ .
- ✓ A linear operator on  $\mathcal{R}^n$  is called an **orthogonal operator** (or **orthogonal**) if its standard matrix is an orthogonal matrix.

## Theorem 7.9

The following conditions about an  $n \times n$  matrix  $Q$  are equivalent:

- a)  $Q$  is orthogonal.  $\leftarrow$  Unitary
- b)  $Q^T Q = I_n$ .
- c)  $Q$  is invertible and  $Q^T = Q^{-1}$ .
- d)  $Qu \cdot Qv = u \cdot v$  for any  $u$  and  $v$  in  $\mathcal{R}^n$ . ( $Q$  preserves dot products.)
- e)  $\|Qu\| = \|u\|$  for any  $u$  in  $\mathcal{R}^n$ . ( $Q$  preserves dot norms)

Proof ?

- An  $n \times n$  matrix  $Q$  is orthogonal iff  $Q^T = Q^{-1}$  ( $Q^T Q = I_n$  or  $QQ^T = I_n$ ).
- The condition  $QQ^T = I_n$  is equivalent to the condition that the rows of  $Q$  form an orthonormal basis for  $\mathcal{R}^n$ .



## Theorem 7.10

Let  $P$  and  $Q$  be  $n \times n$  orthogonal matrices.

- a)  $\det Q = \pm 1$ .
- b)  $PQ$  is an orthogonal matrix.
- c)  $Q^{-1}$  is an orthogonal matrix.
- d)  $Q^T$  is an orthogonal matrix

Proof ?

A linear operator is orthogonal iff its standard matrix is orthogonal:  $\Rightarrow$

If  $T$  is a linear operator on  $\mathcal{R}^n$ , then the following statements are equivalent:

- a)  $T$  is an orthogonal operator.
- b)  $T(\mathbf{u}) \bullet T(\mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{u} \bullet \mathbf{v}$  for all  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  in  $\mathcal{R}^n$ . ( $T$  preserves dot products.)
- c)  $\|T(\mathbf{u})\| = \|\mathbf{u}\|$  for all  $\mathbf{u}$  in  $\mathcal{R}^n$ . ( $T$  preserves norms)

If  $T$  and  $U$  are orthogonal operators on  $\mathcal{R}^n$ , then  $TU$  and  $T^{-1}$  are orthogonal operators on  $\mathcal{R}^n$ .

# Orthogonal Operator on the Euclidean Plane\*

## Theorem 7.11

Let  $T$  be an orthogonal linear operator on  $\mathcal{R}^2$  with standard matrix  $Q$ .

- a) If  $\det Q = 1$ , then  $T$  is a rotation.
- b) If  $\det Q = -1$ , then  $T$  is a reflection.

## Theorem 7.12

Let  $T$  and  $U$  be orthogonal linear operators on  $\mathcal{R}^2$ .

- a) If both  $T$  and  $U$  are reflections, the  $TU$  is a rotation.
- b) If one of  $T$  or  $U$  is a reflection and the other is a rotation, then  $TU$  is a reflection.

# RIGID MOTIONS

A function  $F: \mathcal{R}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{R}^n$  is called a **rigid motion** if

$$\|F(\mathbf{u}) - F(\mathbf{v})\| = \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}\|$$

for all  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  in  $\mathcal{R}^n$ .

- *Any orthogonal operator is a rigid motion.*
- *Any rigid motion that is also linear is an orthogonal operator.*
- *A translation is one kind of rigid motion but usually not linear:*  
For any  $\mathbf{b}$  in  $\mathcal{R}^n$ , the function  $F_b: \mathcal{R}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{R}^n$  defined by
$$F_b(\mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{b}$$
is called the **translation by  $\mathbf{b}$** .
  - ✓ If  $\mathbf{b} \neq \mathbf{0}$ ,  $F_b$  is not linear because  $F_b(\mathbf{0}) = \mathbf{b} \neq \mathbf{0}$ .
  - ✓  $F_b$  is a rigid motion.
- *The composition of two rigid motions on  $\mathcal{R}^n$  is a rigid motion on  $\mathcal{R}^n$ .*
- Any rigid motion on  $\mathcal{R}^n$  can be represented as the composition of an orthogonal operator followed by a translation.

### Theorem 7.13

Let  $T : \mathcal{R}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{R}^n$  be a rigid motion such that  $T(\mathbf{0}) = \mathbf{0}$ .

- a)  $\|T(\mathbf{u})\| = \|\mathbf{u}\|$  for every  $\mathbf{u}$  in  $\mathcal{R}^n$ .
- b)  $T(\mathbf{u}) \cdot T(\mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}$  for all  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  in  $\mathcal{R}^n$ .
- c)  $T$  is linear.
- d)  $T$  is an orthogonal operator.

Proof ?

Consider any rigid motion  $F$  on  $\mathcal{R}^n$  and let  $T: \mathcal{R}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{R}^n$  be defined by

$$T(\mathbf{v}) = F(\mathbf{v}) - F(\mathbf{0}).$$

- $T$  is a rigid motion.
- $T(\mathbf{0}) = \mathbf{0}$ . Therefore  $T$  is an orthogonal operator by Theorem 7.13

$$F(\mathbf{v}) = T(\mathbf{v}) + F(\mathbf{0}) \text{ for any } \mathbf{v} \text{ in } \mathcal{R}^n.$$

Setting  $\mathbf{b} = F(\mathbf{0})$ , we have

$$F(\mathbf{v}) = F_b T(\mathbf{v})$$

for any  $\mathbf{v}$  in  $\mathcal{R}^n$ , and hence  $F$  is the composition  $F = F_b T$ .

Any rigid motion on  $\mathcal{R}^n$  is the composition of an orthogonal operator followed by a translation. Hence any rigid motion on  $\mathcal{R}^2$  is the composition of a rotation or a reflection, followed by a translation.

## 7.6 Symmetric Matrices

Consider that the columns of invertible matrix  $P$  form a basis for  $\mathcal{R}^n$  consisting of eigenvectors of an  $n \times n$  diagonalizable matrix  $A$ , and the diagonal entries of  $D$  are the corresponding eigenvalues. Then,  $A = PDP^{-1}$ .

Now suppose that the columns of  $P$  also form an **orthonormal** basis for  $\mathcal{R}^n$ . Then,

- $P^T = P^{-1}$ , by Theorem 7.9
- $A^T = (PDP^{-1})^T = (PDP^T)^T = PD^TP^T = PDP^T = PDP^{-1} = A$ .

Thus  $A^T = A$ , a *symmetric* matrix.

(The above proves that “if there is an orthonormal basis for  $\mathcal{R}^n$  consisting of eigenvectors of  $A$ , then  $A$  is symmetric.”)

### Theorem 7.14

If  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  are eigenvectors of a **symmetric** matrix that correspond to distinct eigenvalues, then  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{v}$  are orthogonal.

Proof ?

### Theorem 7.15

An  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  is symmetric iff there is an orthonormal basis for  $\mathcal{R}^n$  consisting of eigenvectors of  $A$ . In this case, there exists an orthogonal matrix  $P$  and a diagonal matrix  $D$  such that  $P^T A P = D$ .

Proof (? If time is available)

(Preliminary: “*Every eigenvalue of a symmetric matrix having real entries is real*”).)

By Theorem 7.14, the vectors in any eigenspace of a **symmetric**  $n \times n$  matrix  $A$  are orthogonal to the vectors in any other eigenspace of  $A$ .

- Combine all of the vectors from **orthonormal** bases for the distinct eigenspaces of  $A$ , we obtain an orthonormal basis for  $\mathcal{R}^n$  consisting of eigenvectors of  $A$



## Quadratic Forms: (Self –study)

In the plane, the equations of all conic sections can be expressed by

$$ax^2+2bxy+cy^2+dx+ey+f=0.$$

The associated quadratic form of the above equation is

$$ax^2+2bxy+cy^2.$$

Assume  $b \neq 0$ . Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ b & c \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$ . Then, the associated quadratic form can be written as  $\mathbf{v}^T A \mathbf{v}$ .

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# SPECTRAL DECOMPOSITION OF A MATRIX

Consider an  $n \times n$  symmetric matrix  $A$  and an orthonormal basis  $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n\}$  for  $\mathcal{R}^n$  consisting of eigenvectors of  $A$  with corresponding eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$ .

Let  $P = [\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n]$  and  $D$  denote the  $n \times n$  diagonal matrix with diagonal entries  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$ , respectively. Then,

$$A = PDP^T$$

$$= P[\lambda_1 \mathbf{e}_1 \quad \lambda_2 \mathbf{e}_2 \quad \cdots \quad \lambda_n \mathbf{e}_n] [\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n]^T$$

$$= [P(\lambda_1 \mathbf{e}_1) \quad P(\lambda_2 \mathbf{e}_2) \quad \cdots \quad P(\lambda_n \mathbf{e}_n)] \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1^T \\ \mathbf{u}_2^T \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{u}_n^T \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= [\lambda_1 \mathbf{u}_1 \quad \lambda_2 \mathbf{u}_2 \quad \cdots \quad \lambda_n \mathbf{u}_n] \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1^T \\ \mathbf{u}_2^T \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{u}_n^T \end{bmatrix} = \lambda_1 \mathbf{u}_1 \mathbf{u}_1^T + \lambda_2 \mathbf{u}_2 \mathbf{u}_2^T + \cdots +$$

$$\lambda_n \mathbf{u}_n \mathbf{u}_n^T$$

- $P_i = \mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{u}_i^T$  is a matrix of rank 1.
- $P_i$  is the orthogonal projection matrix for  $\text{Span} \{\mathbf{u}_i\}$ .  
Let  $W = \text{Span} \{\mathbf{u}_i\}$  and  $C = \mathbf{u}_i$ . Applying Theorem 7.8, we have

$$\begin{aligned} P_W &= \mathbf{u}_i (\mathbf{u}_i^T \mathbf{u}_i)^{-1} \mathbf{u}_i^T = \mathbf{u}_i (\mathbf{u}_i \cdot \mathbf{u}_i)^{-1} \mathbf{u}_i^T = \mathbf{u}_i (1)^{-1} \mathbf{u}_i^T \\ &= \mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{u}_i^T \end{aligned}$$

- The representation

$$A = \lambda_1 P_1 + \lambda_2 P_2 + \dots + \lambda_n P_n$$

is called a **spectral decomposition** of  $A$ .

- $P_i$  is symmetric and satisfies  $P_i^2 = P_i$ .

### Theorem 7.16 (Spectral Decomposition Theorem)

Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  symmetric matrix, and let  $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_n\}$  be an orthonormal basis for  $\mathcal{R}^n$  consisting of eigenvectors of  $A$  with corresponding eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$ . Then there exist symmetric matrices  $P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n$  such that the following results hold:

- a)  $A = \lambda_1 P_1 + \lambda_2 P_2 + \dots + \lambda_n P_n$ .
- b)  $\text{rank } P_i = 1$  for all  $i$ .
- c)  $P_i P_i = P_i$  for all  $i$  and  $P_i P_j = \mathbf{0}$  if  $i \neq j$ .
- d)  $P_i \mathbf{u}_i = \mathbf{u}_i$  for all  $i$ , and  $P_i \mathbf{u}_j = \mathbf{0}$  if  $i \neq j$ .

(Spectral approximation ?)

# 7.7 Singular Value Decomposition (SVD)

Problems arise when

- $A$  is not symmetric.
- $A$  is not square, for which eigenvectors are not defined.

## Theorem 7.17

Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix of rank  $k$ . Then there exist orthonormal bases  $\mathcal{B}_1 = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$  for  $\mathcal{R}^n$  and  $\mathcal{B}_2 = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_m\}$  for  $\mathcal{R}^m$  and scalars

$$\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_k > 0$$

such that

$$A\mathbf{v}_i = \begin{cases} \sigma_i \mathbf{u}_i & \text{if } 1 \leq i \leq k \\ \mathbf{0} & \text{if } i > k \end{cases}$$

and

$$A^T \mathbf{u}_i = \begin{cases} \sigma_i \mathbf{v}_i & \text{if } 1 \leq i \leq k \\ \mathbf{0} & \text{if } i > k. \end{cases}$$

# More on SVD

- If  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_n\}$  and  $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_m\}$  are any orthonormal bases for  $\mathcal{R}^n$  and  $\mathcal{R}^m$ , respectively, that satisfy the two equations in Theorem 7.17,

✓ then each  $\mathbf{v}_i$  is an eigenvector of  $A^T A$  corresponding to the eigenvalue  $\sigma_i^2$  if  $i \leq k$  and to the eigenvalue 0 if  $i > k$ .

$$(? A^T A \mathbf{v}_i = A^T \sigma_i \mathbf{u}_i = \sigma_i A^T \mathbf{u}_i = \sigma_i (\sigma_i \mathbf{v}_i) = \sigma_i^2 \mathbf{v}_i \text{ if } i \leq k)$$

✓ Furthermore, for  $i=1, 2, \dots, k$ , the vector  $\mathbf{u}_i$  is an eigenvector of  $AA^T$  corresponding to the eigenvalue  $\sigma_i^2$  and for  $i > k$ , the vector  $\mathbf{u}_i$  is an eigenvector of  $AA^T$  corresponding to the eigenvalue 0.

$\Rightarrow \sigma_i$ 's are the **unique** scalars satisfying the two equations in Theorem 7.17. They are called the **singular value** of matrix  $A$ .

- The orthonormal bases  $\mathcal{B}_1$  and  $\mathcal{B}_2$  in Theorem 7.17 are not unique.
- Consider a linear transformation  $T: \mathcal{R}^n \rightarrow \mathcal{R}^m$ , with standard matrix  $A$ . For any vector  $\mathbf{v}_i \in \mathcal{B}_1$  and  $\mathbf{u}_i \in \mathcal{B}_2$  such that  $A\mathbf{v}_i = \sigma_i \mathbf{u}_i$ ,  $\|T(c\mathbf{v}_i)\| = \sigma_i \|c\mathbf{v}_i\|$ .

# The Singular Value Decomposition of a Matrix

Follow the notations in Theorem 7.17. Define  $n \times n$  orthogonal matrix  $V$  and  $m \times m$  orthogonal matrix  $U$ , respectively, by

$$V = [\mathbf{v}_1 \ \mathbf{v}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{v}_n] \text{ and } U = [\mathbf{u}_1 \ \mathbf{u}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{u}_m].$$

Let  $\Sigma$  be defined by  $\Sigma =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \sigma_k & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (*)$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} AV &= A[\mathbf{v}_1 \ \mathbf{v}_2 \ \dots \ \mathbf{v}_n] = [A\mathbf{v}_1 \ A\mathbf{v}_2 \ \dots \ A\mathbf{v}_n] \\ &= [\sigma_1 \mathbf{u}_1 \ \sigma_2 \mathbf{u}_2 \ \dots \ \sigma_k \mathbf{u}_k \ \mathbf{0} \ \dots \ \mathbf{0}] \\ &= U\Sigma. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $V$  is an orthogonal matrix,

$$A = U\Sigma V^{-1} = U\Sigma V^T.$$

Any factorization of an  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$  into the product  $A = U\Sigma V^T$ , where  $U$  and  $V$  are orthogonal matrices and  $\Sigma$  is an  $m \times n$  matrix of the above form, is called a **singular value decomposition** of  $A$ .



## Theorem 7.18 (Singular Value Decomposition)

For any  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$  of rank  $k$ . There exists  $\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_k > 0$ , and an  $m \times m$  orthogonal matrix  $U$ , and an  $n \times n$  orthogonal matrix  $V$  such that

$$A = U \Sigma V^T$$

where  $\Sigma$  is the  $m \times n$  matrix given in equation (\*).

Further result: (proof ?)

If  $A = U \Sigma V^T$  is any SVD of an  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$ , then the nonzero diagonal entries of  $\Sigma$  are the singular values of  $A$ , and the columns of  $V$  and the columns of  $U$ , which form orthonormal bases for  $\mathcal{R}^n$  and  $\mathcal{R}^m$ , respectively, satisfy the two equations in Theorem 7.17.

$$(? A \mathbf{v}_i = U \Sigma V^T \mathbf{v}_i = U \Sigma \mathbf{e}_i = U \sigma_i \mathbf{e}_i = \sigma_i U \mathbf{e}_i = \sigma_i \mathbf{u}_i \text{ if } i \leq k)$$

$\Rightarrow$  The columns of  $U$  and  $V$  in a singular decomposition of a matrix  $A$  are referred to as the *left* and *right singular vectors* of  $A$ , respectively.

# Orthogonal Projections, Systems of Linear Equations, and the Pseudoinverse

Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix and  $\mathbf{b}$  be in  $\mathcal{R}^m$ . Consider a system of linear equation  $A\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{b}$ .

- If it is consistent, a vector  $\mathbf{u}$  in  $\mathcal{R}^n$  is a solution iff  $\|A\mathbf{u}-\mathbf{b}\|=0$ .
- If it is inconsistent,  $\|A\mathbf{u}-\mathbf{b}\|>0$  for every  $\mathbf{u}$  in  $\mathcal{R}^n$ . A general objective is to find a vector  $\mathbf{z}$  in  $\mathcal{R}^n$  that minimizes the distance between  $A\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$ , that is, a vector  $\mathbf{z}$  such that

$$\|A\mathbf{z}-\mathbf{b}\| \leq \|A\mathbf{u}-\mathbf{b}\| \text{ for all } \mathbf{u} \text{ in } \mathcal{R}^n.$$

- ✓ This is the least-squares problem addressed previously where

$$\|A\mathbf{z}-\mathbf{b}\| \text{ is a minimum iff } A\mathbf{z}=P_W\mathbf{b},$$

where  $W=\text{Col } A$  and  $P_W$  is the orthogonal projection matrix for  $W$ .

## Theorem 7.19

Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix of rank  $k$  having a singular value decomposition  $A = U\Sigma V^T$ , and let  $W = \text{Col } A$ . Let  $D$  be the  $m \times m$  diagonal matrix whose first  $k$  diagonal entries are 1s and whose other entries are 0s. Then

$$P_W = UDU^T.$$

Proof?

Let  $P = UDU^T$ .

- Since  $P^2 = P^T = P$ ,  $P$  is an orthogonal projection matrix for **some subspace** of  $\mathcal{R}^m$ .

(For  $u, v \in \mathcal{R}^m$ ,  $Pv \bullet (u - Pu) = v \bullet P^T(u - Pu) = v \bullet P(u - Pu) = v \bullet (Pu - P^2u) = 0$ )

- Show that this subspace is  $W$ .

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Modify the  $m \times n$  matrix  $\Sigma$  to obtain a new  $n \times m$  matrix  $\Sigma^\dagger$  defined by

$$\Sigma^\dagger = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sigma_1} & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sigma_2} & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \frac{1}{\sigma_k} & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (**)$$

Thus  $\Sigma \Sigma^\dagger = D$ , and hence

$$A(V \Sigma^\dagger U^T) = U \Sigma V^T (V \Sigma^\dagger U^T) = U D U^T = P.$$

→  $\text{Col } P \subset \text{Col } A (=W)$

→  $\text{Col } P = \text{Col } A = W$  because  $\dim(\text{Col } P) = k$ .

Therefore  $P = P_W$ .

Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix with a singular value decomposition  $A = U\Sigma V^T$ ,  $\mathbf{b}$  be a vector in  $\mathcal{R}^m$ , and  $\mathbf{z} = V\Sigma^\dagger U^T \mathbf{b}$ , where  $\Sigma^\dagger$  is as in (\*\*). Then the following statements are true:

- a) If the system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  is consistent, then  $\mathbf{z}$  is the unique solution of least norm.
- b) If the system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  is inconsistent, then  $\mathbf{z}$  is the unique vector of least norm such that

$$\|A\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{b}\| \leq \|A\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{b}\|$$

for all  $\mathbf{u}$  in  $\mathcal{R}^n$ .

- Although a singular value decomposition of a matrix  $A = U\Sigma V^T$  is not unique, the matrix  $V\Sigma^\dagger U^T$  is unique.
- For a given matrix  $A = U\Sigma V^T$ , the matrix  $V\Sigma^\dagger U^T$  is called the **pseudoinverse**, or **Moore-Penrose generalized inverse**, of  $A$  and is denoted  $A^\dagger$ .
  - ✓ The pseudoinverse of  $\Sigma$  is  $\Sigma^\dagger$ .
  - ✓ The terminology pseudoinverse is due to that fact that **if  $A$  is invertible**, then  $A^{-1} = A^\dagger$ .

## Applications of the Pseudoinverse

For any  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$  and any vector  $\mathbf{b}$  in  $\mathcal{R}^m$ , the following statements are true:

1. The orthogonal projection matrix for  $\text{Col } A$  is  $AA^\dagger$ .
2. The unique vector of least norm that minimizes  $\|A\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{b}\|$  for  $\mathbf{u}$  in  $\mathcal{R}^n$  is  $A^\dagger\mathbf{b}$ .

Therefore, if  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  is consistent,  $A^\dagger\mathbf{b}$  is the unique solution of least norm.

# 7.8 Principal Component Analysis (PCA)