

# SC1004 Part 2

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# Quiz 2 and Exam:

## 1. Quiz 2

- **Coverage** : Ch 6 ,7, 8
- **Time/Date**: Week 13, last lecture time (10:30-11.20am, 17<sup>th</sup> April 2024)

## 2. Final Exam

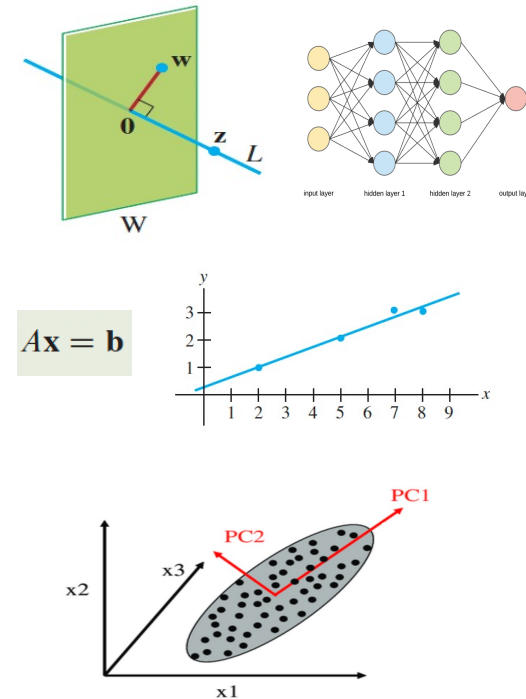
- **Coverage** : Ch 6, 7, 8 (Q3 & Q4)
- **Date/Time**: 2 May 2024 (Thursday), 1.00-3.00pm

(Ch 9 will not be tested)

# Syllabus for Part 2

Chapter	Topics	Week (Lecture)	Week (Tut)
6	Orthogonality	8-9	9-10
7	Least Squares	9-10	10-11
8	EigenValue and Eigenvectors	11-12	12-13
9	Singular Value Decomposition (SVD)	13	

Table 1: schedule



# Online Video learning Schedule

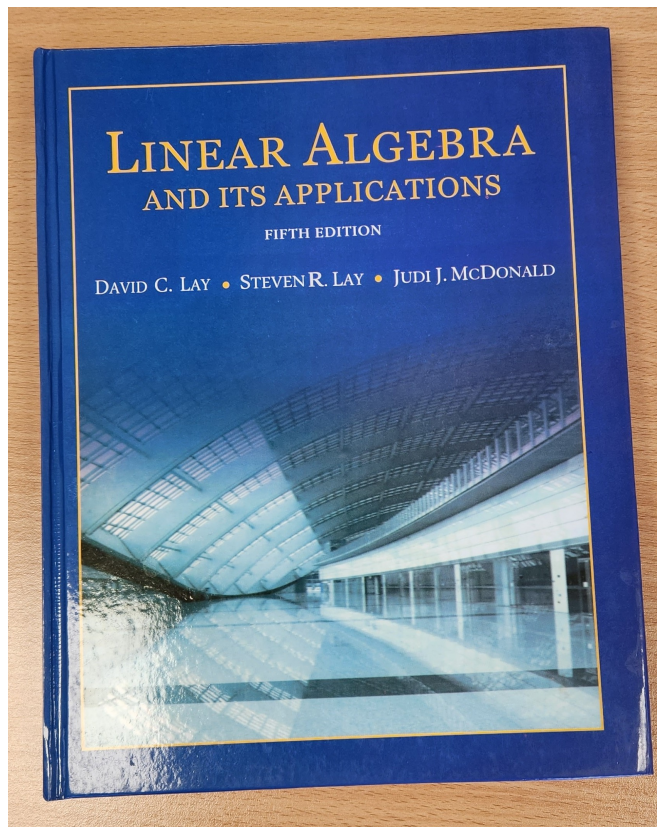
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Week	Part	Topic	Notes
8	6.1.1-6.2.3	Orthogonality, Normalization, Dot-Product, Inequalities,	Lecture 1: <b>6.1.1 - 6.1.3</b> Lecture 2: <b>6.1.4 - 6.2.3</b>
9	6.2.4-6.3.2	Orthogonal/Orthonormal Sets, Basis, Gram Schmidt and QR Decomposition	Lecture 3: <b>6.2.4</b> Lecture 4: <b>6.2.5 – 6.3.2</b>
10	7.1.1-7.2.1	Least Squares and Normal Eqn, Projection Matrix, Applications	Lecture 5: <b>7.1.1 – 7.1.3</b> Lecture 6: <b>7.1.4 – 7.2.1</b>
11	8.1.1-8.1.2	Eigenvectors, Eigen-values, Characteristics Eqn	Lecture 7: <b>8.1.1</b> Lecture 8: <b>8.1.2</b>
12	8.1.3-8.1.5	Diagonalisation, Power of A, Change of basis	Lecture 9: <b>8.1.3</b> Lecture 10: <b>8.1.4 – 8.1.5</b>
13	9.1.1-9.2	Introduction to SVD and PCA (Not examined in quiz/exam)	Lecture 11: <b>9.1.1 – 9.2</b> Lecture 12: <b>Quiz 2</b>

# How will we conduct the course?

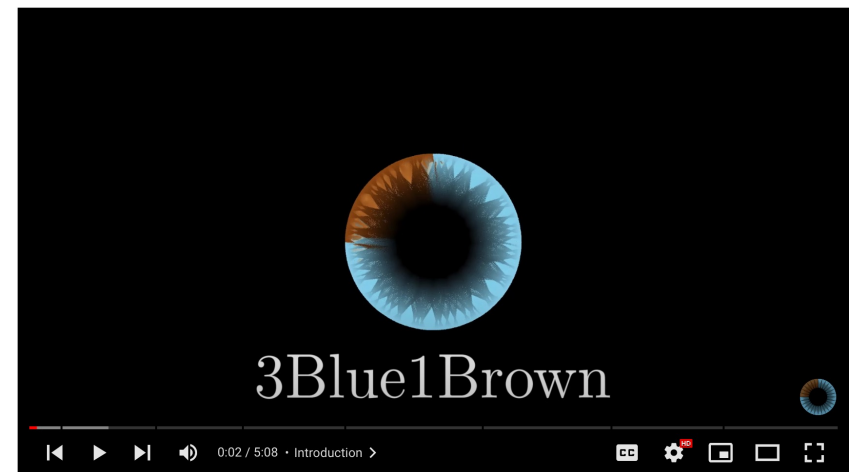
- 1) Before the lectures, watch the videos according to the schedule in Table 1
  - You can watch past years zoom video recordings at [https://www.youtube.com/@linearalgebra1884/playlists?view=50&sort=dd&shelf\\_id=2](https://www.youtube.com/@linearalgebra1884/playlists?view=50&sort=dd&shelf_id=2)
- 2) During lecture hours –
  - We will summarize the lectures and highlight the key points
  - Q&A.

# References



**Linear Algebra and Its Applications**  
by David Lay, Steven Lay, Judi McDonald

## 3Blue1Brown on YouTube



Essence of linear algebra preview

[https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLZHQObOWTQDPD3MizzM2xVFitgF8hE\\_ab](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLZHQObOWTQDPD3MizzM2xVFitgF8hE_ab)

**Lecture (Week 10)**  
**(Chapter 7.1.1-7.2.1)**



## Revision

# Key points – Ch 6: Orthogonal Projection

- Project a vector to a line (1-d subspace):  $\hat{y} = Proj_u y = \frac{y \cdot u}{u \cdot u} u$

- Project a vector to a subspace spanned by  $\{u_1, u_2 \dots u_p\}$ :

$$\hat{y} = Proj_W y = \frac{y \cdot u_1}{u_1 \cdot u_1} u_1 + \dots + \frac{y \cdot u_p}{u_p \cdot u_p} u_p$$

➤ where  $\{u_1, u_2 \dots u_p\}$  is an **orthogonal** basis

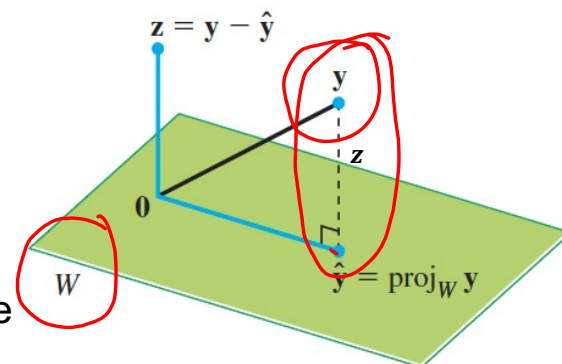
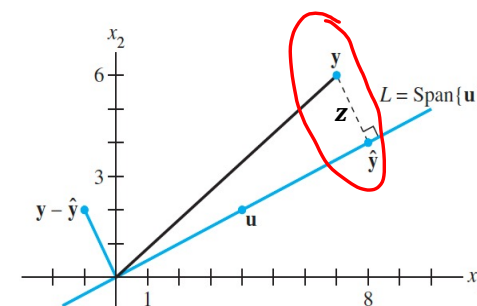
$$\hat{y} = Proj_W y = \frac{y \cdot u_1}{u_1 \cdot u_1} u_1 + \dots + \frac{y \cdot u_p}{u_p \cdot u_p} u_p = (y \cdot u_1) u_1 + \dots + (y \cdot u_p) u_p = (u_1^T y) u_1 + \dots +$$

$$(u_p^T y) u_p = [u_1 \ u_2 \ \dots \ u_p] \begin{bmatrix} u_1^T \\ \vdots \\ u_p^T \end{bmatrix} y = U U^T y$$

➤ where  $\{u_1, u_2 \dots u_p\}$  is an **orthonormal** basis.  $U$  spans the subspace  $W$ .

- $\hat{y}$  is the best approximation of  $y$  on  $W \iff \|z\| = \|y - \hat{y}\|$  is the minimal distance from  $y$  to  $W$ .

- Think of a linear system:  $Ax = b$ . If  $A$  span the subspace  $W$ , what solutions we can get when  $b$  is on  $W$  or not?



# Key points – 7.1.1 Consistency in a System of Equations

- Definition:

- For a linear system:  $Ax = b$

- If no solution exists, it is an inconsistent system

$$[\vec{u}_1, \vec{u}_2, \dots, \vec{u}_n] \vec{x} = \vec{b}$$

$$x_1 \vec{u}_1 + x_2 \vec{u}_2 + \dots + x_n \vec{u}_n = \vec{b}$$

$m \times n$

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

- Explain: inconsistency happens when one of the following conditions is true

- $b$  is not in column space of  $A$ :  $b$  is not formed by linear combinations of  $A$ 's columns. ✓
- The rows of  $A$  are dependent, but their corresponding  $b$  values are not consistent. ✓
- Rank ( $A$ ) < Rank ( $A|b$ ): rank of  $A$  is less than that of the augmented matrix.

- In most cases, inconsistency occurs when  $M \gg N$  (**over-determined**), where there are more equations than unknowns.

# Example of an inconsistent system

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\rightarrow \underline{A\vec{x} = \vec{b}} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \xrightarrow{A} \\ \xrightarrow{b} \end{array} \begin{array}{l} 3 \times \\ 1 \times \\ 1 \times \end{array} \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 & 2 \\ 4 & 6 & 6 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\begin{cases} 1x_1 + 2x_2 = 3 \\ 3x_1 + 4x_2 = 2 \end{cases} \quad 4x_1 + 6x_2 = \textcircled{5}$$

$$\boxed{4x_1 + 6x_2 = \textcircled{6}} \rightarrow \text{inconsistent}$$

$$\rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & -2 & -7 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{array} \right]$$

rank(A) = 2

rank([A|b]) = 3

# Key points – 7.1.2 The Least Square Problem

## • Definition

- If there is no solution for system:  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ , we can find an  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$ , which is the closet approximation:  $A\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \hat{\mathbf{b}}$ , such that

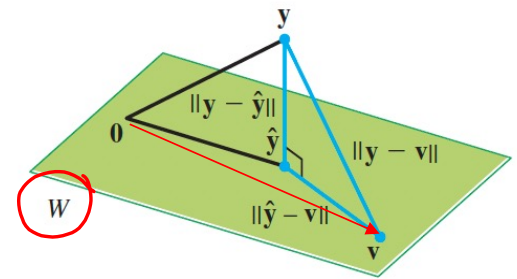
$$\|A\hat{\mathbf{x}} - \mathbf{b}\| < \|A\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|$$

$$\| \hat{\mathbf{b}} - \mathbf{b} \| \rightarrow \min$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\mathbf{y}} &= A\hat{\mathbf{x}} \\ &= \hat{x}_1 \vec{u}_1 + \hat{x}_2 \vec{u}_2 + \dots + \hat{x}_n \vec{u}_n \end{aligned}$$

## • Explain:

- Columns of  $A$  spans a subspace  $W$
- $\hat{\mathbf{b}} = A\hat{\mathbf{x}}$  is the linear combination of columns of  $A$ , so  $\hat{\mathbf{b}}$  is in subspace  $W$
- If  $\hat{\mathbf{b}}$  is the orthogonal projection of  $\mathbf{b}$  onto  $W$ , then  $\|A\hat{\mathbf{x}} - \mathbf{b}\| = \|\hat{\mathbf{b}} - \mathbf{b}\|$  (residual) is orthogonal to  $W$
- So,  $\|A\hat{\mathbf{x}} - \mathbf{b}\|$  is the least distance from  $\mathbf{b}$  to  $W$



- Recall 6.5.2 (see graph above) Best Approximation Theorem :  $\|\mathbf{y} - \hat{\mathbf{y}}\| < \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{v}\|$ 
  - $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{b}$
  - $\hat{\mathbf{y}} = \hat{\mathbf{b}}$
  - $\mathbf{v}$  (red color) is an any vector in  $W$

# Key points – 7.1.3 Norm Equation (LS Solution)

- Definition

- From  $Ax = b$ , define “normal equation”:  $A^T A \hat{x} = A^T b$

$$A = [\mathbf{a}_1 \quad \mathbf{a}_2 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{a}_i \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{a}_n]$$

$A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, \mathbf{a}_i \in \mathbb{R}^m$

- Explain

- Since  $Ax = b$  does not have a solution ( $b$  is not a linear combination of columns of  $A$ ), we project  $b$  to  $W$  spanned by the columns of  $A$  as  $\hat{b}$ :

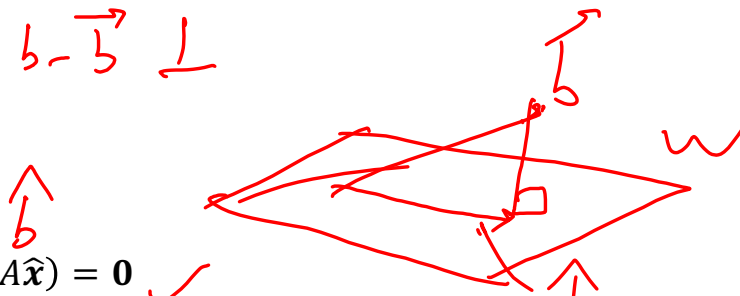
$$A\hat{x} = \hat{b}$$

which has a solution (because  $\hat{b}$  is on  $W$ )

- $b - \hat{b} = b - A\hat{x}$  is the residual of  $b$  onto  $W$
  - $b - A\hat{x}$  is orthogonal to all columns of  $A$ :  $\mathbf{a}_i \cdot (b - A\hat{x}) = 0$
  - Use matrix form:  $\mathbf{a}_i \cdot (b - A\hat{x}) = \mathbf{a}_i^T (b - A\hat{x}) = 0$ , for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$

- Finally:  $\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1^T \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{a}_n^T \end{bmatrix} (b - A\hat{x}) = 0 \rightarrow A^T (b - A\hat{x}) = 0 \rightarrow A^T A \hat{x} = A^T b$

- If  $A^T A$  is invertible, we get **Least-Square solution**:  $\hat{x} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b$



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

This Least-Square solution is derived from the normal equation directly.

## Key points – 7.1.3 Find Least Square Solution

- Example: find least square solution using normal equation  $\hat{\mathbf{x}} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T \mathbf{b}$ , **if  $A^T A$  is invertible.**

Given  $A$  and  $\mathbf{b}$ :  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 11 \end{bmatrix}$

Find  $A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 17 & 1 \\ 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$  (Invertible)

We have  $(A^T A)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 17 & 1 \\ 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{17 \times 5 - 1 \times 1} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -1 \\ -1 & 17 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{84} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -1 \\ -1 & 17 \end{bmatrix}$

Find  $A^T \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 11 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 19 \\ 11 \end{bmatrix}$

Finally,  $\hat{\mathbf{x}} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T \mathbf{b} = \frac{1}{84} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -1 \\ -1 & 17 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 19 \\ 11 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{84} \begin{bmatrix} 84 \\ 168 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$

Least square residual:  $\mathbf{b} - A\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 11 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ -4 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}$ , least square error:  $\|\mathbf{b} - A\hat{\mathbf{x}}\| =$

$\sqrt{(-2)^2 + (-4)^2 + (8)^2} = \sqrt{84}$

Invert a  $2 \times 2$  matrix:  $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$   
 $\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{ad - bc} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$

## Key points – 7.1.3 Find Least Square Solution(2).

- Example to find a least square solution for  $Ax = b$ . If  $A^T A$  is not invertible, using Gaussian Elimination approach.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, b = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \\ 5 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- Following normal equation  $A^T A \hat{x} = A^T b$

$$A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & 2 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \text{ (not invertible, rank=3), } A^T b = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -4 \\ 2 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A' \hat{x} = \vec{b'}$$

$$(A^T A) \quad A^T b$$

$$\text{Use Gaussian elimination: } \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 6 & 2 & 2 & 2 & 4 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 & 0 & -4 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 6 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & -5 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} x_1 + x_4 = 3 \\ x_2 - x_4 = -5 \\ x_3 - x_4 = -2 \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{array}{l} x_1 = 3 - x_4 \\ x_2 = -5 + x_4 \\ x_3 = -2 + x_4 \end{array}$$

$$\text{Finally the least square solutions (infinite): } \hat{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \\ -2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_4 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Key points – 7.1.4 Projection Matrix

- Definition:

- Project a vector  $\mathbf{b}$  onto a subspace  $W$ , spanned by columns of  $A$ . The project matrix is defined as:  $P = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T$

$$\rightarrow \hat{\mathbf{b}} = P\mathbf{b}$$

- Explain:

- $\hat{\mathbf{b}} = Proj_W \mathbf{b} = A \hat{\mathbf{x}}$  is the orthogonal projection of  $\mathbf{b}$  onto a subspace  $W$
- Bring in the Least Square solution  $\hat{\mathbf{x}} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T \mathbf{b}$  into the above equation
- $\hat{\mathbf{b}} = A \hat{\mathbf{x}} = A ( (A^T A)^{-1} A^T \mathbf{b} ) = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T \mathbf{b} \rightarrow P = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T$

- Properties of project matrix

- $P^T = P$
- $P^N = P \times P \times \dots \times P = P$  (idempotent)



# Key points – 7.1.5 Least Square Solution Using QR Factorization

Recall:  $\hat{\mathbf{y}} = \text{Proj}_W \mathbf{y} = (\mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{u}_1)\mathbf{u}_1 + \cdots + (\mathbf{y} \cdot \mathbf{u}_p)\mathbf{u}_p$

$$= (\mathbf{u}_1^T \mathbf{y})\mathbf{u}_1 + \cdots + (\mathbf{u}_p^T \mathbf{y})\mathbf{u}_p = [\mathbf{u}_1 \ \mathbf{u}_2 \ \cdots \ \mathbf{u}_p] \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1^T \mathbf{y} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{u}_p^T \mathbf{y} \end{bmatrix} = [\mathbf{u}_1 \ \mathbf{u}_2 \ \cdots \ \mathbf{u}_p] \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1^T \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{u}_p^T \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{y} = U U^T \mathbf{y}$$

- Definition:

- Given  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$
- Using QR factorization:  $A = QR$
- So we have:  $QR\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b} \rightarrow$  multiply  $Q^T$  on both sides  $Q^T QR\mathbf{x} = Q^T \mathbf{b}$
- Since  $Q^T Q = I$ , we get:  $R\mathbf{x} = Q^T \mathbf{b} \rightarrow \mathbf{x} = R^{-1} Q^T \mathbf{b}$

- Explain why  $\mathbf{x} = R^{-1} Q^T \mathbf{b}$  is a Least Square solution

- Since  $\mathbf{x} = R^{-1} Q^T \mathbf{b}$ , then  $A\mathbf{x} = A(R^{-1} Q^T \mathbf{b}) = QR (R^{-1} Q^T \mathbf{b}) = QQ^T \mathbf{b} = \hat{\mathbf{b}}$  (Orthogonal Projection of  $\mathbf{b}$  onto column space of  $Q$  and  $A$ )
- Recall:  $Q$  is orthonormal.  $\text{Col}(Q)$  spans the same subspace  $W$  as  $\text{Col}(A)$
- So,  $\mathbf{x}$  is the least square solution.

- $A^T A$  is sensitive to small errors, so QR method is often used.

# Key points – 7.2.1 Applications of Least Square

- Least Square method is used to find a linear regression (linear curve fitting) – try to find a line which fits the discrete data points

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

such that  $\sum (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$  is minimal ( $\hat{y}_i$  is the estimated value from the linear equation  $y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x$ , and  $\beta_0, \beta_1$  called regression coefficients)

- Solution:

- Given  $n$  data points, the system equations are:

$$\begin{matrix} y_1 = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_n \end{matrix} \rightarrow \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}$$

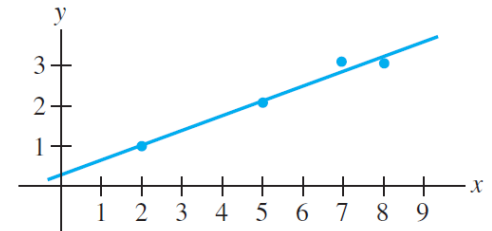
- The least square solution:  $\boldsymbol{\beta} = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y}$

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

- Example:

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 5 \\ 1 & 7 \\ 1 & 8 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 22 \\ 22 & 142 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 57 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \boldsymbol{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 22 \\ 22 & 142 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 57 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2/7 \\ 5/14 \end{bmatrix}$$



**FIGURE 2** The least-squares line  
 $y = \frac{2}{7} + \frac{5}{14}x$ .

$i$	$x_i$	$y_i$
1	2	1
2	5	2
3	7	3
4	8	3

## Key points – 7.2.1 Applications of Least Square (2)

- Least square fitting of other curves

- If we can use certain known functions to fit the discrete data points,

$$y = \beta_0 f_0(x) + \beta_1 f_1(x) + \cdots + \beta_k f_k(x)$$

we can use least square method to find regression coefficients  $\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_k$

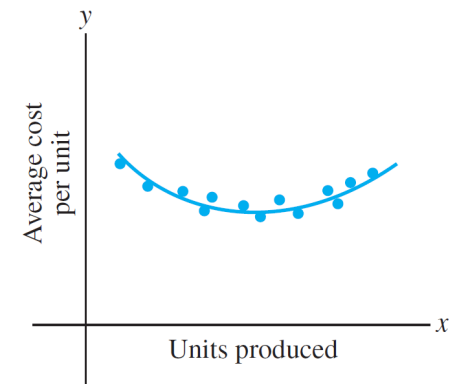
- Example:

- For data shown on the right, we could fit it with a combination of linear and quadratic functions, i.e.

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x + \beta_2 x^2$$

So we can form the system equations as:

$$\begin{aligned} y_1 &= \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_1^2 \\ &\vdots \\ y_n &= \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_n + \beta_2 x_n^2 \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 & x_1^2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_n & x_n^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \\ \beta_2 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} \Rightarrow \boldsymbol{\beta} = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y}$$



**FIGURE 3**  
Average cost curve.

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## Additional notes:

- Differences between LU and QR factorization
  - LU is applied to any square matrix, QR is applied to a matrix with independent columns
  - LU factorization produces an upper-triangle and a lower-triangle matrix
  - QR factorization produces an orthonormal matrix and an upper-triangle
  - Find LU factorization through Gaussian elimination
  - Find QR factorization using the Gram-Schmidt algorithm
  - Different use cases:
    - LU factorization is used to find solutions of systems of linear equations, matrix inversion, and matrix determinant.
    - QR factorization is used in least-squares, eigenvalue, and signal processing.