

## Exercises on projection matrices and least squares

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16.1

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We can rewrite the problem as  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} x = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 7 \\ 21 \end{bmatrix}$ . Multiply each side by  $A^T$ , we want to find  $\hat{x}$  that satisfies  $A^T A \hat{x} = A^T b$ .

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

$$A^T b = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 7 \\ 21 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 35 \\ 42 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} C \\ D \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 35 \\ 42 \end{bmatrix}$$

We can solve the above and get  $\hat{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ .

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$$p = A\hat{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 13 \\ 17 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$e = b - p = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -6 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Pe = P(b - p) = Pb - Pp = p - p = 0$$

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When  $b = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -6 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $b$  is perpendicular to the column space of  $A$ .

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**16.4**


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$hat{x}$  remains the same as before. The error  $e = 0$  because  $b$  is in the column space of  $A$ .

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**16.5**


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The error vector  $e$  is in the left nullspace of  $A$ .  $p$  is in the column space of  $A$ .  $\hat{x}$  is in the row space of  $A$ . The nullspace of  $A$  is the zero vector.

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**16.6**


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In an attempt to solve  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} x = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ , we multiply both sides by  $A^T$ .

$$A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} -5 & 0 \\ 0 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^T b = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -10 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -5 & 0 \\ 0 & 10 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} C \\ D \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -10 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solving the above, we get  $\hat{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Therefore, the best line is  $y = 1 - t$ .