

1. Let  $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & -1 & 3 \\ 4 & 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 3 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Is  $\mathbf{u}$  in  $(\text{Col}(A))^\perp$ ?

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= 2 - 1.5x_4 \\ x_2 &= -8 + 3.5x_4 \\ x_3 &= 3 \\ x_4 &\text{ free} \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \text{yes}$$

2. Let  $W = \text{Span}\{\mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2\}$  where  $\mathbf{w}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{w}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(a) Find a vector  $\mathbf{u}$  in  $W^\perp$ .

(b) Does  $\{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{w}_1, \mathbf{w}_2\}$  form a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ ?

a) I suppose I never said "nonzero"

$$\text{solve } \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right] \sim \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

$$\text{So } \begin{aligned} x_1 &= 0 \\ x_2 &= x_3 \\ x_3 &\text{ free} \end{aligned} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ t \\ t \end{bmatrix} \text{ for any } t$$

b) yes

3. Let  $\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(a) Find  $\text{proj}_{\mathbf{v}}(\mathbf{u})$  (that is, find the projection of  $\mathbf{u}$  onto  $\mathbf{v}$ ).

(b) Use (a) to find a vector orthogonal to  $\mathbf{v}$ .

$$\text{a) } \text{proj}_{\mathbf{v}} \mathbf{u} = \frac{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{-1 + 2}{6} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/6 \\ 1/6 \\ 1/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{b) } \hat{\mathbf{z}} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1/6 \\ 1/6 \\ 1/3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -7/6 \\ -1/6 \\ 2/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

4. Consider the point  $P = (1, 2, 3)$  and the plane  $W = \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ .

(a) Find the closest point in  $W$  to  $\mathbf{u}$ .

(b) What is the distance between  $\mathbf{u}$  and  $W$ ?

(c) Check your answer using my "projection calculator" (link at end of problem set).

1) Solve  $A^T A \hat{\mathbf{x}} = A^T \mathbf{b}$  to find weights

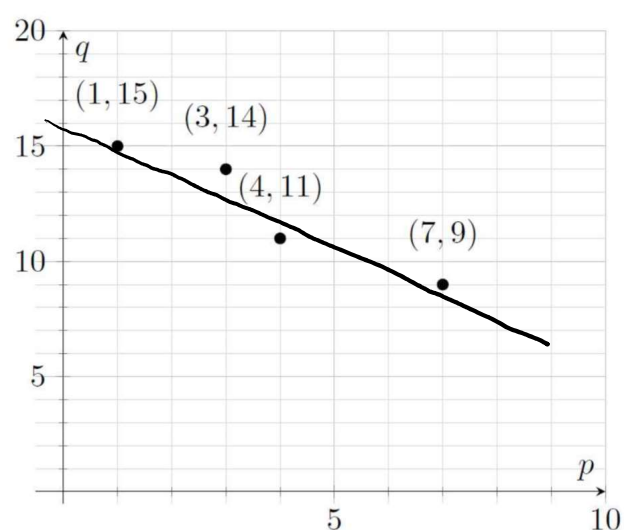
$$\begin{aligned} \text{2) a) } A^T A &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad A^T \mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} & \quad \begin{aligned} \hat{x}_1 &= 0 \\ \hat{x}_2 &= 1/2 \end{aligned} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{closest point in } W \text{ is } \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1/2 \\ 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{b) } \text{dist}(\mathbf{u}, W) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

## Least Squares

5. A coffee company would like to better understand how the demand of coffee  $q$  (in thousands of lbs) is related to the unit price of coffee  $p$  (in \$/lb). So far, all they have is some data (illustrated below).



For economic reasons, they expect  $p$  and  $q$  to satisfy a linear relationship, i.e.

$$q = cp + d;$$

for some constants  $c$  and  $d$ . They'd like to find the line that is "closest" to their data to try to better understand this relationship.

- Use the data to generate a system of linear equations in  $c$  and  $d$  (there will be one equation for each data point).
- Is the system of equations in (a) consistent?
- Find the least-squares solution to the system of equations from (a).
- Add the graph of the line corresponding to the least-squares solution to the illustration above. In what sense is this the "closest" line to the data?
- Based on your model, what will be the demand if the unit price of coffee is \$10/lb? What should the company set the price of coffee to be if they want to maximize revenue?

$$(1, 15), (3, 14), (4, 11), (7, 9)$$

$$a) \begin{cases} 15 = c + d \\ 14 = 3c + d \\ 11 = 4c + d \\ 9 = 7c + d \end{cases}$$

b) NO

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$$c) A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 15 \\ 3 & 1 & 14 \\ 4 & 1 & 11 \\ 7 & 1 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 75 & 15 \\ 15 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^T \vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 164 \\ 49 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\hat{x} \approx \begin{bmatrix} -1.05 \\ 16.2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$y = -1.05x + 16.2$$

$$d) q \approx -10.53 + 16.2 = 5.67$$

6. Suppose you run an experiment and collect the following data.

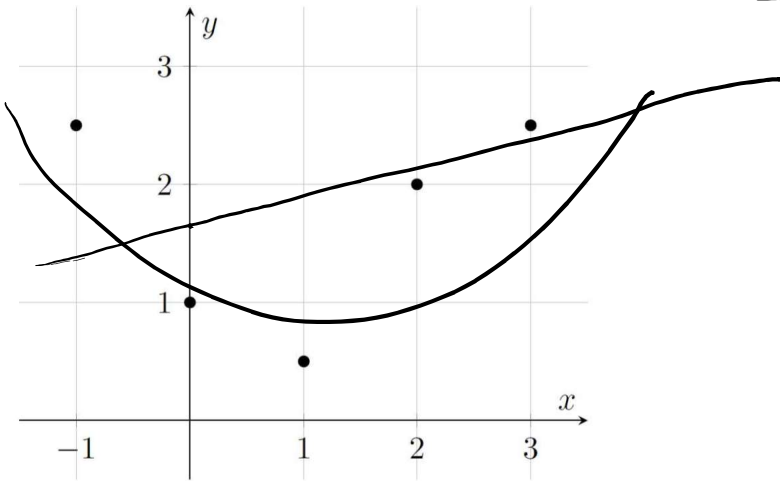
$x$	$y$
-1	2.5
0	1
1	0.5
2	2
3	2.5

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} -1 & 1 & 1 & 2.5 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0.5 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 & 1 & 2.5 \end{array} \right]$$

- (a) You expect  $x$  and  $y$  to satisfy a linear relationship,  $y = cx + d$ . Use the data to generate a system of equations in  $c$  and  $d$ , and then find the least-squares solution to this system.
- (b) ~~Add the graph of the line corresponding to the least squares solution to the data below.~~  
Do you think this linear model is a good model for the relationship between  $x$  and  $y$ ?

$y = 0.1x + 1.6$

any answer fine



7. After reassessing the situation in (2), you decide that it may make more sense for  $y$  to be a quadratic function of  $x$ , i.e.

$y = a + bx + cx^2$

for some numbers  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$ .

$$\left[ \begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -1 & 1 & 2.5 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0.5 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 & 9 & 2.5 \end{array} \right]$$

- (a) Use the data to generate a system of equations in  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$ . Note that this system is linear in  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$ .
- (b) Find the least-squares solution to the system from (a).
- (c) Add the graph of your least-squares quadratic to the illustration in 2(b). Does this look like a better fit than the least-squares line?
- (d) For the system in 2(a) and the system in 3(a), find each squared distance between your approximation  $A\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$ , (i.e. find  $\|A\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|$  in both cases). Which is smaller? Does this agree with your answer to 3(c)?
- (e) Use the better of the two models to predict the value of  $y$  when  $x = 6$ .

$y = 1.17 - 0.76x + 0.43x^2$

no grade, just comment

$1.17 - 4.56 + 15.48$   
 $12.09$

8. You've been given a bunch of data relating the demand of a good  $q$  (in thousands of units) to its unit price  $p$  (in dollars per unit) shown below

$p$	1.0	1.5	4.5	4.8	5.3	6.5	7.7	8.0	9.5	10.5
$q$	29	28.5	23.5	23.0	22.1	19.7	17.1	16.9	14.5	12.8

You expect that  $p$  and  $q$  will satisfy a linear relationship, i.e.

$$q = cp + d$$

for some numbers  $c$  and  $d$ . You want to build a linear model for the relationship between  $p$  and  $q$  in order to make predictions for the demand associated with prices outside of your data set. In order to assess a model's ability to make predictions, we first *randomly* divide the data into two sub-collections, the "training set" and the "test set":

$p$	1.5	4.8	5.3	6.5	10.5
$q$	28.5	23.0	22.1	19.7	12.8

training

$p$	1.0	4.5	7.7	8.0	9.5
$q$	29	23.5	17.1	16.9	14.5

test

We then build a model using only the data from the training set, and use the unused data from the test set to assess the quality of the model's predictions.

- Use the data from the training set to generate a system of equations in  $c$  and  $d$ . Write this system as a matrix equation  $A_1 \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}_1$ , where  $\mathbf{x} = (c, d)$ . Then, find the least squares solution  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$  to this system of equations.
- Use the data from the test set to generate a system of equations in  $c$  and  $d$ . Write this system as a matrix equation  $A_2 \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}_2$ .
- On average, how well does the model from (a) predict the demands associated with the prices in the test set? That is, what is the mean squared error  $\frac{1}{5} \|A_2 \hat{\mathbf{x}} - \mathbf{b}_2\|$ , where  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$  is the least squares solution you found in (a)?

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 4.8 \\ 1 & 5.3 \\ 1 & 6.5 \\ 1 & 10.5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 29 \\ 23.5 \\ 22.1 \\ 19.7 \\ 12.8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{1}{5} \left\| \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 4.8 \\ 1 & 5.3 \\ 1 & 6.5 \\ 1 & 10.5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 31.25 \\ -1.75 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 29 \\ 23.5 \\ 22.1 \\ 17.1 \\ 16.9 \end{bmatrix} \right\| \approx \frac{1}{5} 5 = 1$$