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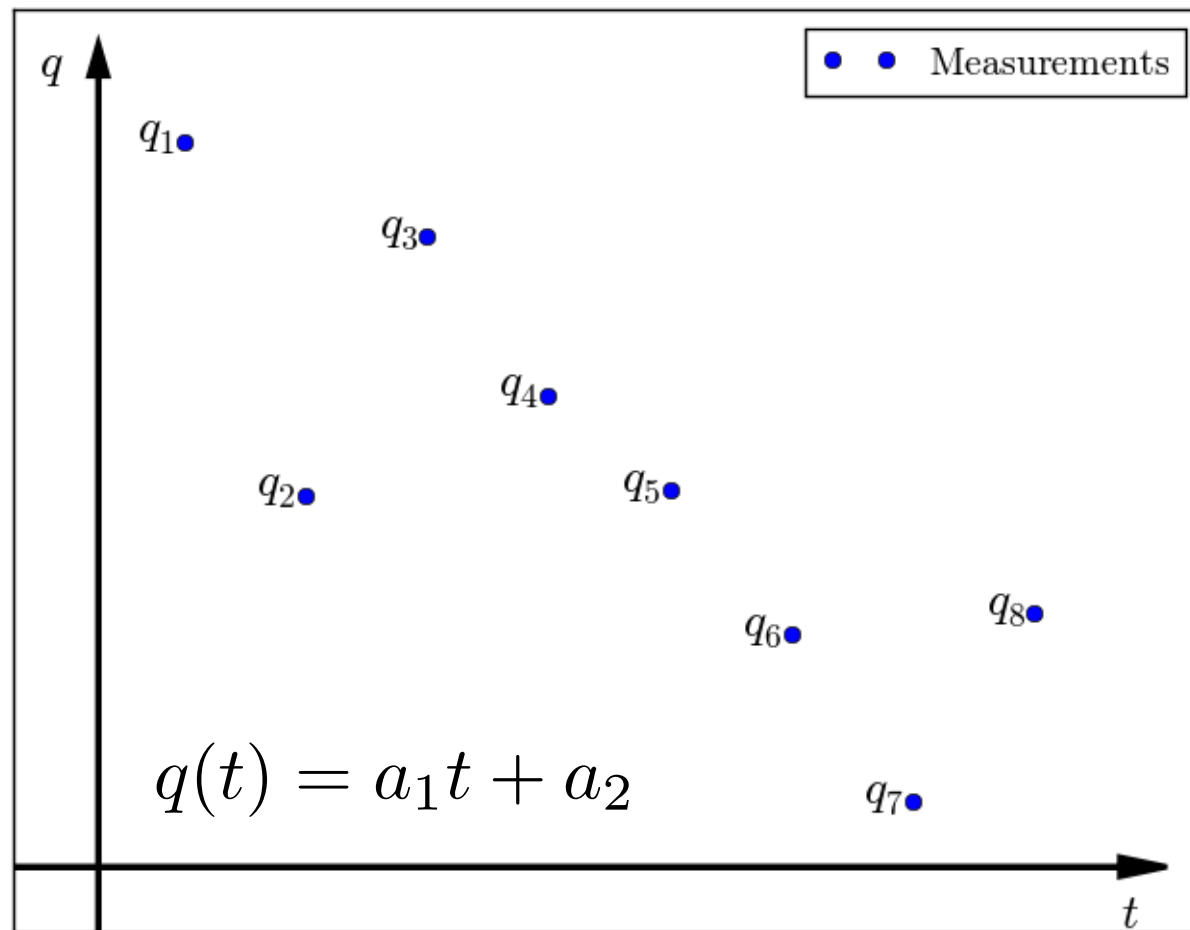


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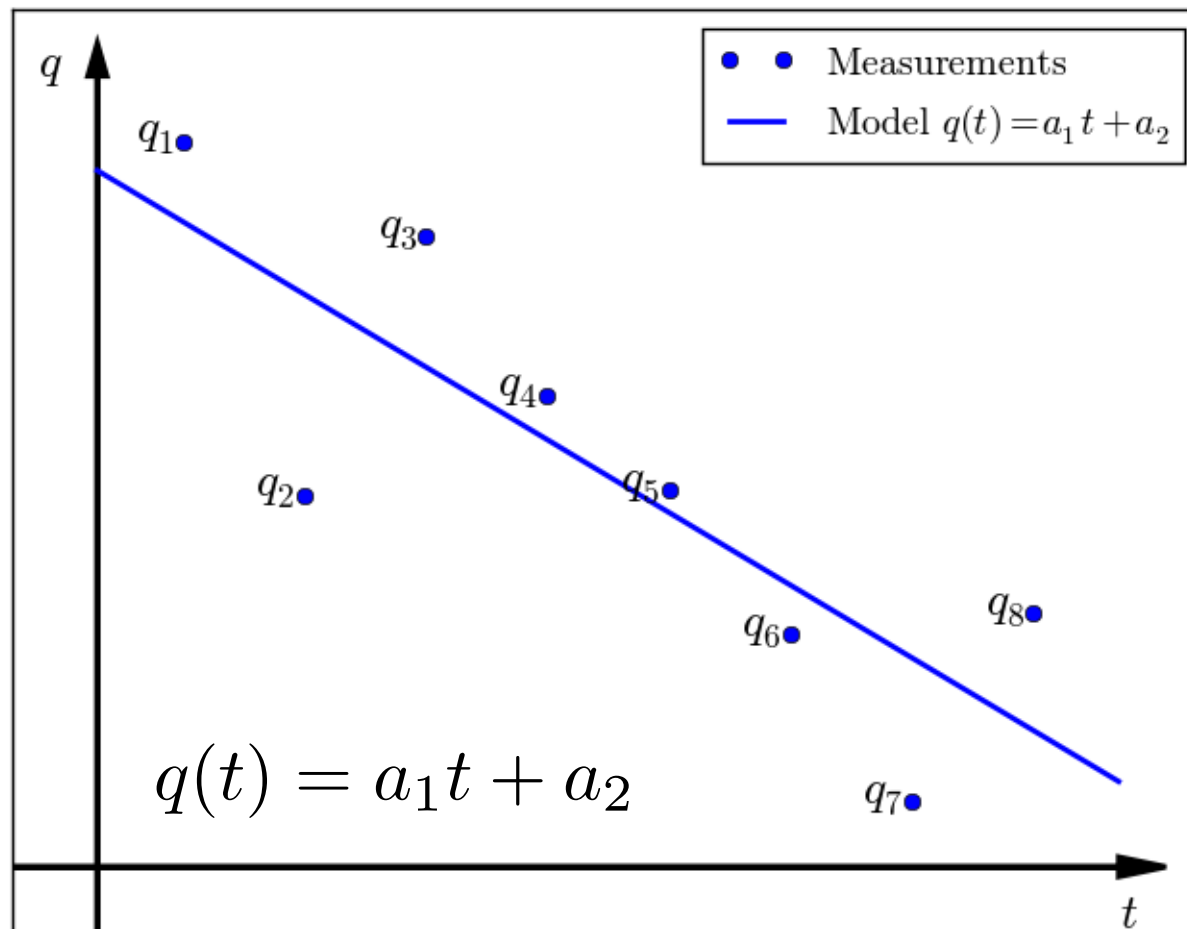
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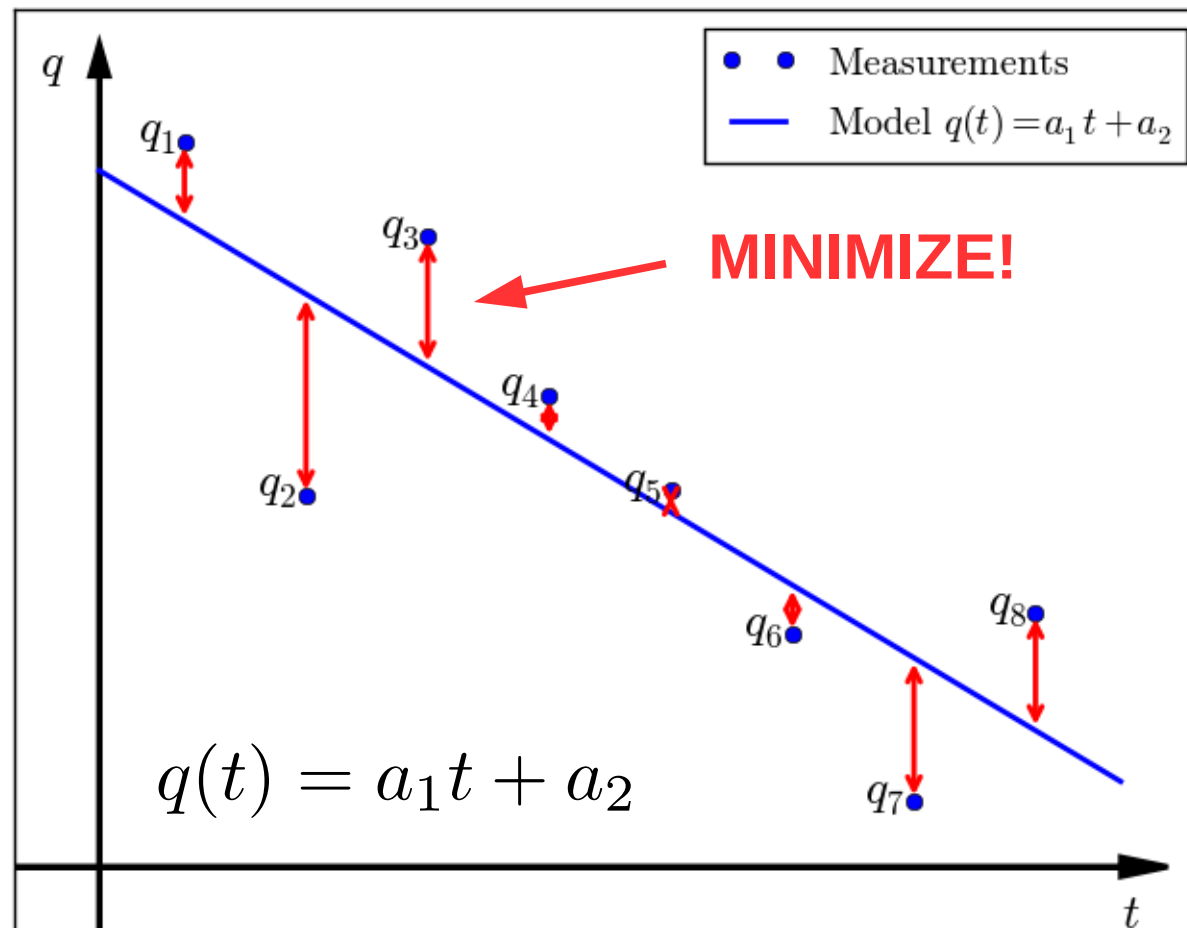
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- Least squares solution:

$$\min_{\mathbf{x} \in D} \|A\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|_2$$

Domain of valid parameters
(from application!)

Euclidean distance,
a.k.a. 2-norm

$$\|\mathbf{c}\|_2 = \sqrt{\mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{c}} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n c_i^2}$$

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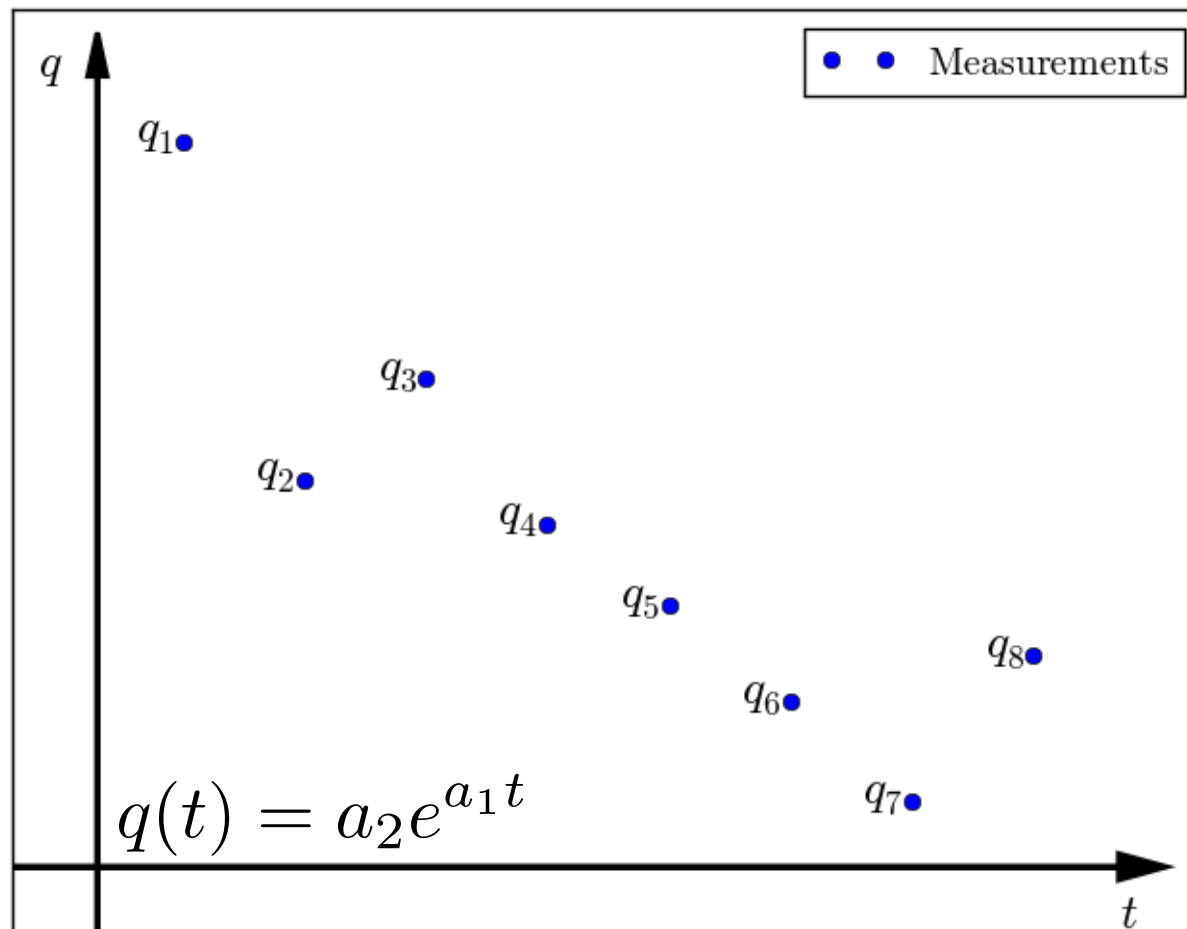
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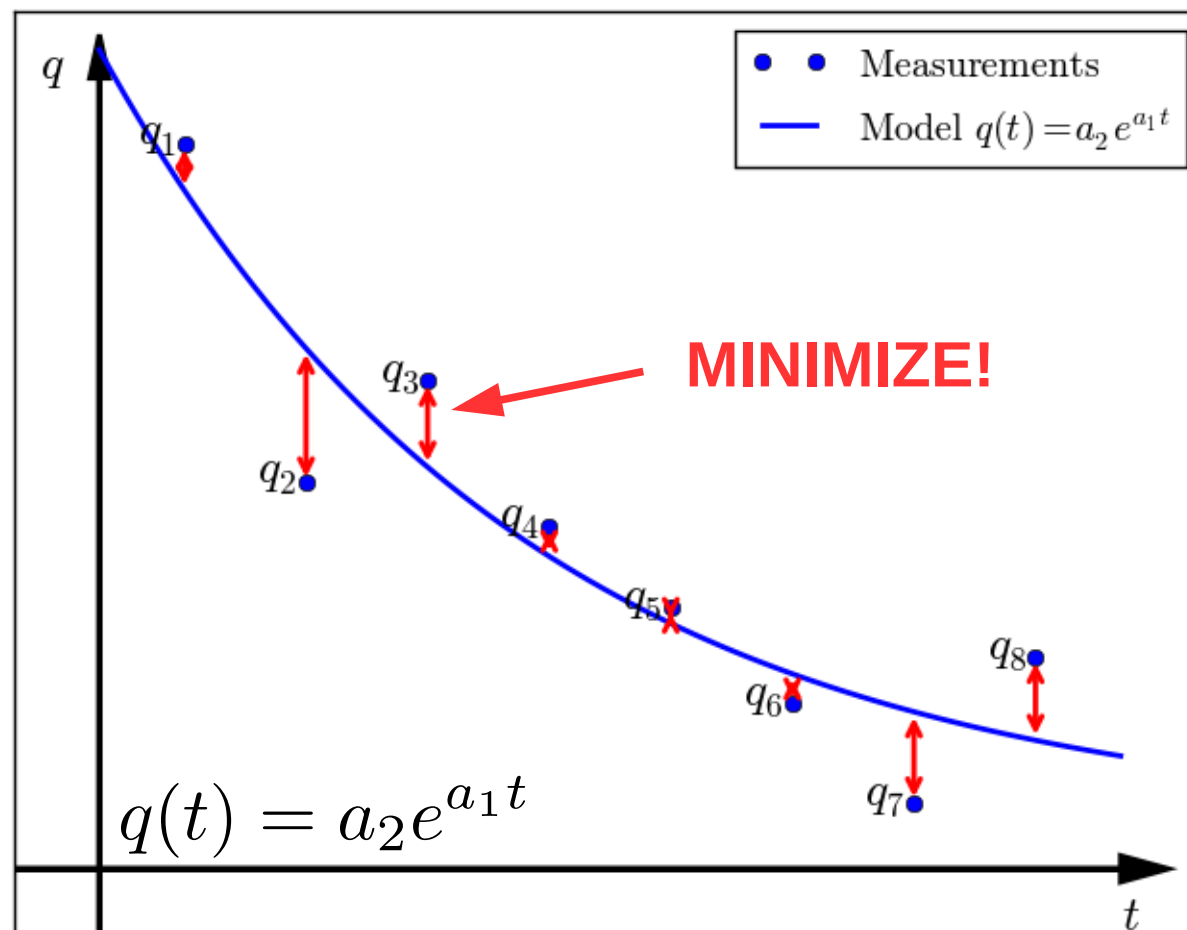
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$$\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

Nonlinear

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} f_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = b_1 \\ f_2(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = b_2 \\ \vdots \\ f_m(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = b_m \end{array} \right\} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{b}$$

$$\mathbf{f} : D \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$$

In parameters!


 $f_1 = f_2 = \cdots = f_m$ usually..

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- Least squares solution:

$$\min_{\mathbf{x} \in D} \|A\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|_2 \quad \textbf{Linear}$$

$$\min_{\mathbf{x} \in D} \|\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{b}\|_2 \quad \textbf{Nonlinear}$$

- Define scalar-valued function $\phi(\mathbf{x})$

$$\phi(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2} \|A\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|_2^2 \quad \textbf{Linear}$$

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- Quiz: linear or nonlinear model?

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$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & t_i & t_i^2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} \vdots \\ q_i \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Assumption: A has full column rank (linearly indep.)

$$\phi(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2} \|A\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|_2^2$$

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V.1.1. Normal equations

- Least squares solution:

$$\min_{\mathbf{x} \in D} \phi(\mathbf{x}) \qquad \phi(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2} \|A\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|_2^2$$

• Rewrite:

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(\mathbf{x}) &= \frac{1}{2} \|A\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|_2^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (A\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b})^T (A\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}) \quad \text{Transpose!} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} ((A\mathbf{x})^T A\mathbf{x} - (A\mathbf{x})^T \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{b}^T A\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{b}^T \mathbf{b}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x}^T A^T A\mathbf{x} - \underbrace{\mathbf{x}^T A^T \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{b}^T A\mathbf{x}}_{\text{Scalar!}} + \mathbf{b}^T \mathbf{b}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x}^T A^T A\mathbf{x} - 2\mathbf{x}^T A^T \mathbf{b} + \mathbf{b}^T \mathbf{b}) \end{aligned}$$


Diagram illustrating the derivation of the normal equations:

- The scalar expression $\frac{1}{2}(ax - b)^2$ is shown on the left.
- An arrow points from $\frac{1}{2}(ax - b)^2$ to $\frac{1}{2} \|A\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|_2^2$ (labeled with a tilde \sim).
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must vanish at extremum (min/max):

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Nothing difficult...

$$\sim \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{2} (ax - b)^2 \right) = aax - ab$$

V.1.1. Normal equations

- Necessary condition: $A^T A \mathbf{x} - A^T \mathbf{b} = 0$

Not sufficient!

(Gauss') Normal equations

- Is it a minimum?

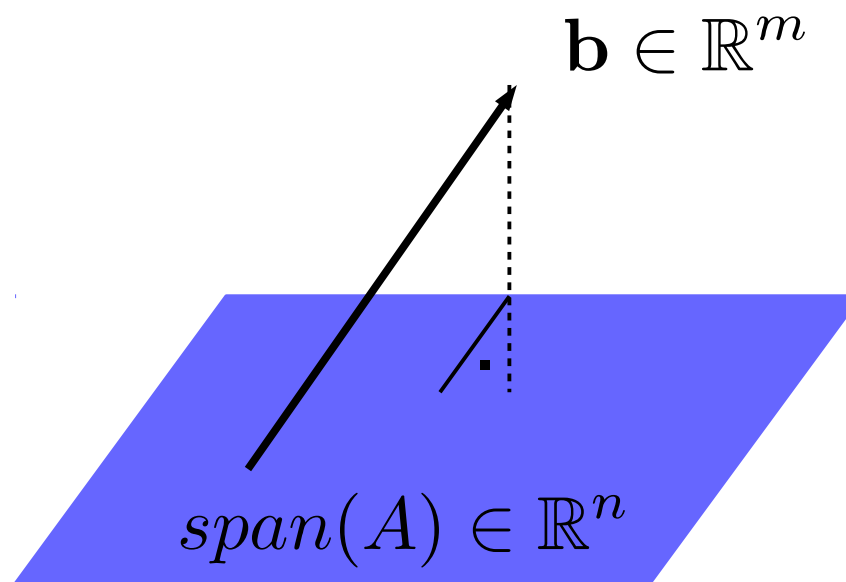
We have to make sure that the matrix $A^T A$ is positive definite

$$\begin{array}{l}
 \left\{ \begin{array}{l}
 \text{① } \mathbf{x}^T A^T A \mathbf{x} > 0 \quad \text{for all } \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad \text{and } \mathbf{x} \neq 0 \\
 \|A\mathbf{x}\|_2^2 > 0 \quad \text{Norm (length!)} \\
 \text{② } \underbrace{\mathbf{x}^T}_{(A\mathbf{x})^T} \underbrace{A^T A \mathbf{x}}_{\neq 0} = 0 \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \mathbf{x} = 0
 \end{array} \right.
 \end{array}$$

Because of our assumption of rank n Columns linearly independent!

V.1.1. Normal equations

- Geometric interpretation of the normal equations



- It turns out that they lead to a worse conditioned problem, i.e. difficult to solve the normal equations numerically...

Therefore the next method is preferred

V.1.2. The orthogonal decomposition method

- Definition: An **orthogonal matrix** Q is a real square matrix whose columns and rows are orthogonal unit vectors

$$Q^T Q = Q Q^T = I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

This means: $Q^{-1} = Q^T$

- Key property: Orthogonal matrices leave the Euclidean length invariant

$$\|Q\mathbf{x}\|_2^2 = (Q\mathbf{x})^T Q\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}^T \underbrace{Q^T Q}_I \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} = \|\mathbf{x}\|_2^2$$

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where Q is an orthogonal matrix and R an upper triangular matrix

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$r_{ii} \neq 0$!
Non zero diagonal!

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Minimize residuum: $\min_{\mathbf{x} \in D} \underbrace{\|A\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|_2}_{\mathbf{r}}$

$$\|A\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|_2^2 = \|\mathbf{r}\|_2^2$$

$$\|Q^T (A\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b})\|_2^2 = \|Q^T \mathbf{r}\|_2^2 = \|\mathbf{r}\|_2^2$$

$$\|Q^T (QR\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b})\|_2^2 = \|\mathbf{r}\|_2^2$$

$$\|R\mathbf{x} - Q^T \mathbf{b}\|_2^2 = \|\mathbf{r}\|_2^2$$



Orthogonal!

We still solve the same minimization problem!!!

$$\left\| \begin{pmatrix} R_1 \\ \hline 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ n \times 1 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{c} \\ \hline \mathbf{d} \end{pmatrix} \right\|_2^2 = \overbrace{\|R_1 \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{c}\|_2^2}^0 + \|\mathbf{d}\|_2^2$$

$$= \|\mathbf{d}\|_2^2 = \|\mathbf{r}\|_2^2$$

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$$\begin{matrix} \mathbf{V} \\ \mathbf{M} \end{matrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & \dots & r_{1n} \\ & r_{22} & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & r_{nn} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{x} = R_1^{-1} \mathbf{c}$$

the same
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Normal equations: $A^T A \mathbf{x} - A^T \mathbf{b} = 0$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 3.1 & 4.4 \\ 4.4 & 8.0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.844 \\ 2.62 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -0.86 \\ 0.80 \end{pmatrix}$$

Orthogonal transformation: analogue...

V.2. Nonlinear least-squares

- General problem: m measurements n parameters
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$$\left. \begin{array}{l} f_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = b_1 \\ f_2(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = b_2 \\ \vdots \\ f_m(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = b_m \end{array} \right\} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{b} \quad \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{f} : D \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m \\ \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \\ \mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m \end{array}$$

$\uparrow f_1 = f_2 = \dots = f_m$ usually..


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V.2.1 Newton method

- Gradient of $\phi(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{b}\|_2^2$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^m (f_i(x_1, \dots, x_n) - b_i)^2$$

must vanish at extremum (min/max):

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n equations
 n unknowns !

V.2.1 Newton method


Apply Newton's method to solve $\nabla\phi(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}) = 0$

$$\mathbf{x}^{(k+1)} = \mathbf{x}^{(k)} - D\mathbf{F}^{-1}(\mathbf{x}^{(k)})\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}^{(k)})$$

Gradient $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}) = \nabla\phi(\mathbf{x}) =$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x_1} \\ \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x_2} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial\phi}{\partial x_n} \end{pmatrix}$$

NOT $\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x})$



Hessian $D\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}) = H(\phi(\mathbf{x})) =$

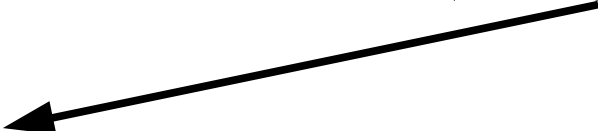
$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2\phi}{\partial x_1^2} & \frac{\partial^2\phi}{\partial x_1\partial x_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2\phi}{\partial x_1\partial x_n} \\ \frac{\partial^2\phi}{\partial x_2\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial^2\phi}{\partial x_2^2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2\phi}{\partial x_2\partial x_n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial^2\phi}{\partial x_n\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial^2\phi}{\partial x_n\partial x_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2\phi}{\partial x_n^2} \end{pmatrix}$$


V.2.2 Gauss-Newton method

Linearize the residuum/error equations

$$\min_{\mathbf{x} \in D} \phi(\mathbf{x}) = \min_{\mathbf{x} \in D} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{b}\|_2^2$$

Linearize at some $\mathbf{x}^{(k)}$



$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{b} &\approx \mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}^{(k)}) + D\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}^{(k)}) \left(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}^{(k)} \right) - \mathbf{b} \\ &\approx \underbrace{D\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}^{(k)})\mathbf{x}}_{\downarrow} + \underbrace{\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}^{(k)}) - \mathbf{b} - D\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}^{(k)})\mathbf{x}^{(k)}}_{\swarrow} \\ &\approx A^{(k)}\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\beta}^{(k)} \end{aligned}$$


Linear least squares problem!

$$D\mathbf{f} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_n} \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_1} & \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial f_m}{\partial x_n} \end{pmatrix}$$

V.2.2 Gauss-Newton method

Problem: $\min_{\mathbf{x} \in D} \phi(\mathbf{x}) = \min_{\mathbf{x} \in D} \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{b}\|_2^2$

Given an initial guess: $\mathbf{x}^{(0)}$

Solve a sequence of linear least squares problems

$$\min_{\mathbf{x} \in D} \frac{1}{2} \|A^{(0)} \mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\beta}^{(0)}\|_2^2 \longrightarrow \mathbf{x}^{(1)}$$

$$\min_{\mathbf{x} \in D} \frac{1}{2} \|A^{(1)} \mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\beta}^{(1)}\|_2^2 \longrightarrow \mathbf{x}^{(2)}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\min_{\mathbf{x} \in D} \frac{1}{2} \|A^{(k)} \mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\beta}^{(k)}\|_2^2 \longrightarrow \mathbf{x}^{(k+1)}$$

Until convergence

$$\|\mathbf{x}^{(k+1)} - \mathbf{x}^{(k)}\| \text{ Small enough}$$

V.2. Example: nonlinear least-squares

Data:

i	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
t	0.10	0.23	0.36	0.49	0.61	0.74	0.87	1.00
q	0.84	0.30	0.69	0.45	0.31	0.09	-0.17	0.12

Model: **2** $q(t) = a_2 e^{a_1 t}$

Goal: Find a_1, a_2

$$q_1 = a_1 e^{a_2 t_1}$$

$$q_2 = a_1 e^{a_2 t_2}$$

$$q_3 = a_1 e^{a_2 t_3}$$

$$q_4 = a_1 e^{a_2 t_4}$$

$$q_5 = a_1 e^{a_2 t_5}$$

$$q_6 = a_1 e^{a_2 t_6}$$

$$q_7 = a_1 e^{a_2 t_7}$$

$$q_8 = a_1 e^{a_2 t_8}$$

Nonlinear in model parameters!



$$\begin{pmatrix} q_1 \\ q_2 \\ q_3 \\ q_4 \\ q_5 \\ q_6 \\ q_7 \\ q_8 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 e^{a_2 t_1} \\ a_1 e^{a_2 t_2} \\ a_1 e^{a_2 t_3} \\ a_1 e^{a_2 t_4} \\ a_1 e^{a_2 t_5} \\ a_1 e^{a_2 t_6} \\ a_1 e^{a_2 t_7} \\ a_1 e^{a_2 t_8} \end{pmatrix}$$

\mathbf{b} \mathbf{f}

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \phi(\mathbf{x}) &= \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{f}(\mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{b}\|_2^2 \\
 \mathbf{x} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix} &\quad \nearrow \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^m (f_i(x_1, \dots, x_n) - b_i)^2 \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^8 (a_2 e^{a_1 t_i} - q_i)^2
 \end{aligned}$$

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Gradient

$$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}) = \nabla \phi(\mathbf{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x_1} \\ \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x_2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{i=1}^8 (a_2 e^{a_1 t_i} - q_i) (a_2 e^{a_1 t_i} t_i) \\ \sum_{i=1}^8 (a_2 e^{a_1 t_i} - q_i) (e^{a_1 t_i}) \end{pmatrix}$$

$\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}) = \nabla \phi(\mathbf{x}) = 0$ Two equations in two unknowns!

V.2. Example: nonlinear least-squares

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Hessian

$$D\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}) = H(\phi(\mathbf{x})) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x_1^2} & \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2} \\ \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x_2 \partial x_1} & \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial x_2^2} \end{pmatrix} = (\dots)$$

V.2. Example: nonlinear least-squares

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Initial guess: $\mathbf{x}^{(0)} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Iterate! $\mathbf{x}^{(k+1)} = \mathbf{x}^{(k)} - D\mathbf{F}^{-1}(\mathbf{x}^{(k)})\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{x}^{(k)})$

V.2. Example: nonlinear least-squares

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Gauss-Newton method: $\min_{\mathbf{x} \in D} \phi(\mathbf{x})$

$$\phi(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^8 (a_2 e^{a_1 t_i} - q_i)^2$$

Linearize residuum/error equations:

$$f_i(x_1, x_2) - b_i = x_2 e^{x_1 t_i} - b_i$$

$$\approx x_2^{(k)} e^{x_1^{(k)} t_i} - b_i + x_2^{(k)} e^{x_1^{(k)} t_i} t_i (x_1 - x_1^{(k)}) + e^{x_1^{(k)} t_i} (x_2 - x_2^{(k)})$$

Linear in parameters now!

V. Summary

- Linear/Nonlinear in parameters
- Overdetermined system of equations!
Determine parameters in the least-squares sense...
- Linear:
 - Normal equations
 - Orthogonal transformation method
 - Example
- Nonlinear:
 - Newton method
 - Gauss-Newton method
 - Example