

Lecture 8. Projection, Gram-Schmidt Orthogonalization, projection into a subspace

Inner product in \mathbb{R}^n .

Definition 1. Consider arbitrary vectors $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$, let

$$u = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad v = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ \vdots \\ v_n \end{pmatrix}.$$

The inner or dot or scalar product of u and v is denoted by $u \cdot v$ and defined as

$$u \cdot v = u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2 + \dots + u_n v_n.$$

If $u \cdot v = 0$, then we say u and v are orthogonal. We note that $u \cdot v \in \mathbb{R}$.

Definition 2. The space \mathbb{R}^n with the operations of vector addition, scalar multiplication, and dot product is called Euclidean n -space.

Example 1. Let $u = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$, $v = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -6 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $w = \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ -5 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$.

Then $u \cdot v = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -6 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = 1 \cdot 5 + (-3) \cdot (-6) + 5 \cdot 1 = 5 + 18 + 5 = 28$,

$$\begin{aligned} u \cdot w &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} -5 \\ -5 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} = 1 \cdot (-5) + (-3) \cdot (-5) + 5 \cdot (-2) = \\ &= -5 + 15 - 10 = 0, \end{aligned}$$

Hence, u and w are orthogonal.

Basic properties of inner product

Theorem 1. For any vectors $u, v, w \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and any scalar $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$:

- $(u + v) \cdot w = u \cdot w + v \cdot w$
- $(\lambda u) \cdot v = \lambda(u \cdot v)$
- $u \cdot v = v \cdot u$
- $u \cdot u \geq 0$ and $u \cdot u = 0$ if and only if u is a zero vector.

Norm or Length of a vector

Definition 3. The norm or length of a vector u in \mathbb{R}^n , denoted by $||u||$, is defined to be the nonnegative square of $u \cdot u$. In particular, if $u = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{pmatrix}$, then

$$||u|| = \sqrt{u \cdot u} = \sqrt{u_1^2 + u_2^2 + \cdots + u_n^2}.$$

A vector u is called a unit if $||u|| = 1$.

Proposition 1. Let $u \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Then $\hat{u} = \frac{u}{||u||}$ is a unit vector. The process of finding \hat{u} from u is $||u||$ called normalizing u .

Example 2. a) Suppose $u = \begin{pmatrix} 1/6 \\ 5/6 \\ -1/6 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix}$. Then

$$||u|| = \sqrt{\frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{6} + \frac{5}{6} \cdot \frac{5}{6} + \left(-\frac{1}{6}\right) \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{6}\right) + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{36} + \frac{25}{36} + \frac{1}{36} + \frac{1}{4}} = 1.$$

Hence, u is a unit vector.

b) Suppose $v = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$. $||u|| = \sqrt{1 \cdot 1 + (-3) \cdot (-3) + 5 \cdot 5} = \sqrt{35}$.

Hence, v is not a unit vector. By normalizing v one can have unit vector from v :

$$\hat{u} = \frac{u}{||u||} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{35}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{35} \\ -3/\sqrt{35} \\ 5/\sqrt{35} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Inequalities

Theorem (Cauchy-Schwarz inequality). For any vectors $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$,

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

Theorem (Minkowski inequality). For any vectors $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$,

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

Angle between vectors

Definition 4. The angle θ between nonzero vectors $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is defined by

$$\cos \theta = \frac{u \cdot v}{||u|| \cdot ||v||}.$$

Example 3. Let $u = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$ and $v = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -6 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

We have $u \cdot v = 1 \cdot 5 + (-3) \cdot (-6) + 5 \cdot 1 = 5 + 18 + 5 = 28$

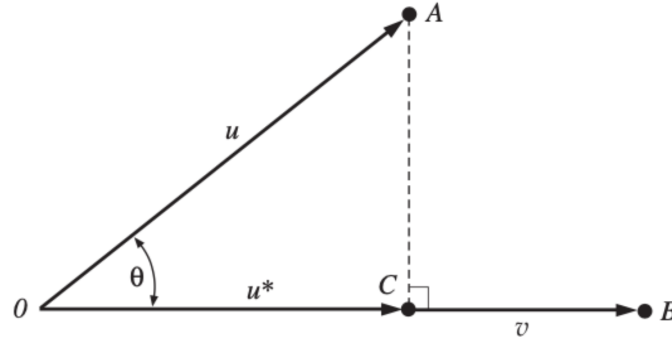
$$||u|| = \sqrt{1^2 + (-3)^2 + 5^2} = \sqrt{35} \quad ||v|| = \sqrt{5^2 + 6^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{62}.$$

Then

$$\cos \theta = \frac{u \cdot v}{||u|| \cdot ||v||} = \frac{28}{\sqrt{35} \cdot \sqrt{62}} = \frac{28}{\sqrt{2170}}.$$

Projections

Given vectors $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Consider the projection of u onto the vector v . If we denote the projection of u onto v as u^* , then its length is $||u^*|| = ||u|| \cos \theta$. To obtain u^* , we multiply its length by the unit vector in the direction of v and have



$$\begin{aligned} u^* &= ||u^*|| \frac{v}{||v||} = ||u|| \cos \theta \frac{v}{||v||} = ||u|| \frac{u \cdot v}{||u|| \cdot ||v||} \frac{v}{||v||} = \frac{u \cdot v}{||v||^2} v. \\ &= \frac{u \cdot v}{||v||^2} v. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$u^* = \frac{u \cdot v}{||v||^2} v.$$

Example 4. Let $u = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$ and $v = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -6 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$. We know that $u \cdot v = 28$ and $\|v\|^2 = 62$. Then the projection u^* of u onto v is

$$u^* = \frac{u \cdot v}{\|v\|^2} v = \frac{28}{62} \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -6 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{14}{31} \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -6 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 70/31 \\ -84/31 \\ 14/31 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Orthogonal vectors

Recall that $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ are said to be orthogonal if $u \cdot v = 0$. Let us find nonzero vector w that is orthogonal to $u = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \\ 5 \end{pmatrix}$ and $v = \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ -6 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$. Let

$w = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{pmatrix}$. To be orthogonal we have $w \cdot u = 0$ and $w \cdot v = 0$. They imply

$$\begin{cases} x - 3y + 5z = 0 \\ 5x + 6y + z = 0 \end{cases} \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} x - 3y + 5z = 0 \\ 21y - 24z = 0 \end{cases}$$

Let $z = 7$. Then $y = 8$ and $x = -11$. Thus, $w = \begin{pmatrix} -11 \\ 8 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}$.

Orthogonal Complement

Definition 5. Let S be a set of vectors \mathbb{R}^n . The orthogonal complement of S is defined by

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

Theorem 2. Let W be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n . Then \mathbb{R}^n is the direct of W and W^\perp , that is $\mathbb{R}^n = W \oplus W^\perp$.

Orthogonal basis

Theorem 3. Let $S = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$ be an orthogonal basis of V . Then for any $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$,

$$v = \frac{v \cdot u_1}{u_1 \cdot u_1} u_1 + \frac{v \cdot u_2}{u_2 \cdot u_2} u_2 + \dots + \frac{v \cdot u_n}{u_n \cdot u_n} u_n.$$

Example 5. Let $S = \{u_1, u_2, u_3\} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ -4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$. It is easy to check that u_1, u_2, u_3 are basis vectors. We note that $u_1 \cdot u_2 = u_1 \cdot u_3 = u_2 \cdot u_3 = 0$. So, they are orthogonal. Let $v = \begin{pmatrix} 7 \\ 1 \\ 9 \end{pmatrix}$. We write

$$v = \lambda_1 u_1 + \lambda_2 u_2 + \lambda_3 u_3.$$

Now we will calculate λ_1, λ_2 and λ_3 .

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_1 &= \frac{v \cdot u_1}{u_1 \cdot u_1} = \frac{7 + 2 + 9}{1 + 4 + 1} = \frac{18}{6} = 3, \\ \lambda_2 &= \frac{v \cdot u_2}{u_2 \cdot u_2} = \frac{14 + 1 - 36}{4 + 1 + 16} = \frac{-21}{21} = -1, \\ \lambda_3 &= \frac{v \cdot u_3}{u_3 \cdot u_3} = \frac{21 - 2 + 9}{9 + 4 + 1} = \frac{28}{14} = 2. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$v = 3u_1 - u_2 + 2u_3.$$

Definition 6. A set of basis vectors $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ is called orthonormal if $v_i \cdot v_j = 0$ for $i \neq j$ and $v_i \cdot v_i = 1$ for all i . In other words, $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ is a orthogonal basis such that $\|v_i\| = 1$ for all i .

Example 6. Standard basis are orthonormal basis vectors for \mathbb{R}^n .

Gram-Schmidt Orthogonalization Process

Suppose $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be a basis of \mathbb{R}^n . One can obtain orthogonal basis $\{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n\}$ of \mathbb{R}^n from $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ using so called Gram-Schmidt Orthogonalization Process.

$$\begin{aligned} w_1 &= v_1 \\ w_2 &= v_2 - \frac{v_2 \cdot w_1}{w_1 \cdot w_1} w_1 \\ w_3 &= v_3 - \frac{v_3 \cdot w_1}{w_1 \cdot w_1} w_1 - \frac{v_3 \cdot w_2}{w_2 \cdot w_2} w_2 \\ &\quad \dots \\ w_n &= v_n - \frac{v_n \cdot w_1}{w_1 \cdot w_1} w_1 - \frac{v_n \cdot w_2}{w_2 \cdot w_2} w_2 - \dots - \frac{v_n \cdot w_{n-1}}{w_{n-1} \cdot w_{n-1}} w_{n-1} \end{aligned}$$

Example 7. Using the Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization process, we orthogonalize the basis

$$v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, v_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}:$$

$$w_1 = v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\begin{aligned} w_2 &= v_2 - \frac{v_2 \cdot w_1}{w_1 \cdot w_1} w_1 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{1 \cdot (-1) + 2 \cdot 0 + 2 \cdot 2}{1^2 + 2^2 + 2^2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{3}{9} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{4}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{4}{3} \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

$$w_3 = v_3 - \frac{v_3 \cdot w_1}{w_1 \cdot w_1} w_1 - \frac{v_3 \cdot w_2}{w_2 \cdot w_2} w_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{2}{9} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{4}{3 \cdot 4} \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{4}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{4}{3} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{9} \\ -\frac{2}{9} \\ \frac{1}{9} \end{pmatrix}.$$

So we have obtained three orthogonal basis vectors

$$w_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, w_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{4}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{4}{3} \end{pmatrix}, w_3 = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{9} \\ -\frac{2}{9} \\ \frac{1}{9} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Now we normalize these vectors and have orthonormal basis vectors

$$\hat{w}_1 = \frac{w_1}{||w_1||} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \hat{w}_2 = \frac{w_2}{||w_2||} = \frac{4}{3} \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{4}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{4}{3} \end{pmatrix}, \hat{w}_3 = \frac{w_3}{||w_3||} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{9} \\ -\frac{2}{9} \\ \frac{1}{9} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Glossary

norm or length	норма или длина
Cauchy-Schwarz inequality	Неравенство Коши-Шварца
Minkowski inequality	Неравенство Минковского
projection	проекция
orthogonal complement	ортогональное дополнение
Gram-Schmidt Orthogonalization Process	Процесс ортогонализации Грама-Шмидта

Exercises for lecture 8

Projection

1. Normalize the vector $v = (1, 2, -2, 4)$.
2. Let $u = (1, 2, -2)$, $v = (3, -12, 4)$ and $k = -3$. Find $\|u\|$, $\|v\|$, $\|u + v\|$, $\|ku\|$.
3. Find k so that u and v are orthogonal, where:
 - (a) $u = (3, k, -2)$, $v = (6, -4, -3)$;
 - (b) $u = (5, k, -4, 2)$, $v = (1, -3, 2, 2k)$.

Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization

4. Let $w = (1, -2, -1, 3)$ be a vector in R^4 . Find
 - (a) an orthogonal basis for w^\perp ;
 - (b) an orthonormal basis for w^\perp ;
5. Let W be the subspace of R^4 orthogonal to $u_1 = (1, 1, 2, 2)$ and $u_2 = (0, 1, 2, -1)$. Find
 - (a) an orthogonal basis for W ;
 - (b) an orthonormal basis for W .
6. Find the Fourier coefficient c and projection cw of v along w , where
 - (a) $v = (2, 3, -5)$ and $w = (1, -5, 2)$ in R^3 .
7. Let U be the subspace of R^4 spanned by

$$v_1 = (1, 1, 1, 1), \quad v_2 = (1, -1, 2, 2), \quad v_3 = (1, 2, -3, -4)$$
 - (a) Apply the Gram-Schmidt algorithm to find an orthogonal and an orthonormal basis for U .
Find the projection of $v = (1, 2, -3, 4)$ onto U .

Homework 8

Projection

1. Normalize the vector $v = (2, -1, -4, 2)$.
2. Let $u = (1, 3, -4)$, $v = (-3, 12, -4)$ and $k = -5$. Find $\|u\|$, $\|v\|$, $\|u + v\|$, $\|ku\|$.
3. Find k so that u and v are orthogonal, where:
 - (c) $u = (3, k, -2)$, $v = (-6, 4, 3)$;

(d) $u = (5, k, -4, 2), v = (-1, 3, -2, -2k)$.

Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization

4. Let $w = (1, 4, -2, -3)$ be a vector in R^4 . Find

(c) an orthogonal basis for w^\perp ;

(d) an orthonormal basis for w^\perp ?

5. Let W be the subspace of R^4 orthogonal to $u_1 = (1, -1, 2, -2)$ and $u_2 = (0, -1, -2, 1)$. Find

(c) an orthogonal basis for W ;

(d) an orthonormal basis for W .

6. Find the Fourier coefficient c and projection cw of v along w , where

(b) $v = (1, 3, 1, 2)$ and $w = (1, -2, 7, 4)$ in R^4 .

7. Let U be the subspace of R^4 spanned by

$$v_1 = (1, 1, 1, 1), \quad v_2 = (1, -1, -2, -2), \quad v_3 = (1, 2, 3, 4)$$

(b) Apply the Gram-Schmidt algorithm to find an orthogonal and an orthonormal basis for U .

(c) Find the projection of $v = (1, 2, -3, 4)$ onto U .