

Linear Algebra

Chapter 5: Orthogonality

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More on Projection onto a Line

The standard matrix of a projection onto the line through the

origin with direction vector $\mathbf{d} = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \end{bmatrix}$: $P = \frac{1}{d_1^2 + d_2^2} \begin{bmatrix} d_1^2 & d_1 d_2 \\ d_1 d_2 & d_2^2 \end{bmatrix}$

- Can be written as

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cos^2 \theta & \cos \theta \sin \theta \\ \cos \theta \sin \theta & \sin^2 \theta \end{bmatrix} = R_\theta \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} R_{-\theta} = R_{\theta - \frac{\pi}{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} R_{\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta}$$

- $P = \mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^T$ where $\mathbf{u} := \mathbf{d}/\|\mathbf{d}\|$. Why? (Geometrically)

$$P\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{x}) = (\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^T)\mathbf{x}$$

- $P^T = P$

$$P^T = (\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^T)^T = \mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^T = P$$

- $P^2 = P$

$$P^2 = (\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^T)(\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^T) = \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{u})\mathbf{u}^T = \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u})\mathbf{u}^T = \mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^T = P$$

- For a projection matrix $P \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$, the line onto which it projects vectors is the column space of P . Why?

$$P\mathbf{x} = (\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^T)\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{x}) = (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{x})\mathbf{u}$$

More on Projections onto Planes

Let

- ▶ \mathcal{P} be a plane through the origin with normal \mathbf{n} and
- ▶ $\text{proj}_{\mathcal{P}}(\mathbf{v})$ be the projection of \mathbf{v} onto \mathcal{P} .

Then

- ▶ What is $\text{proj}_{\mathcal{P}}(\mathbf{v})$?

Find c such that $(\mathbf{v} - c\mathbf{n}) \cdot \mathbf{n} = 0$.

$\rightarrow c = \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{n} \rightarrow \text{proj}_{\mathcal{P}}(\mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{v} - (\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{n})\mathbf{n}$

- ▶ Find $\text{proj}_{\mathcal{P}}(\mathbf{v})$ using two direction vectors \mathbf{u}_1 and \mathbf{u}_2 such that $\|\mathbf{u}_1\| = \|\mathbf{u}_2\| = 1$ and $\mathbf{u}_1 \cdot \mathbf{u}_2 = 0$ (orthogonal unit vectors)
 $\rightarrow P = \mathbf{u}_1\mathbf{u}_1^T + \mathbf{u}_2\mathbf{u}_2^T$.
- ▶ $(\mathbf{v} - P\mathbf{v}) \perp \mathbf{u}_1$ and $(\mathbf{v} - P\mathbf{v}) \perp \mathbf{u}_2$?

$$\begin{aligned}(\mathbf{v} - (\mathbf{u}_1\mathbf{u}_1^T + \mathbf{u}_2\mathbf{u}_2^T)\mathbf{v}) \cdot \mathbf{u}_1 &= ((I - \mathbf{u}_1\mathbf{u}_1^T - \mathbf{u}_2\mathbf{u}_2^T)\mathbf{v})^T \mathbf{u}_1 \\&= \mathbf{v}^T (I - \mathbf{u}_1\mathbf{u}_1^T - \mathbf{u}_2\mathbf{u}_2^T) \mathbf{u}_1 \\&= \mathbf{v}^T (\mathbf{u}_1 - \mathbf{u}_1\mathbf{u}_1^T \mathbf{u}_1 - \mathbf{u}_2\mathbf{u}_2^T \mathbf{u}_1) \\&= \mathbf{v}^T (\mathbf{u}_1 - \mathbf{u}_1 - 0) = 0\end{aligned}$$

More on Projections onto Planes (cont'd)

- ▶ $P = P^T$ and $P^2 = P$.
- ▶ $P = AA^T$ for some $A \in \mathbb{R}^{3 \times 2}$.

With $A := [\mathbf{u}_1 \quad \mathbf{u}_2]$,

$$[\mathbf{u}_1 \quad \mathbf{u}_2] [\mathbf{u}_1 \quad \mathbf{u}_2]^T = [\mathbf{u}_1 \quad \mathbf{u}_2] \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1^T \\ \mathbf{u}_2^T \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{u}_1 \mathbf{u}_1^T + \mathbf{u}_2 \mathbf{u}_2^T$$

- ▶ $\text{rank}(P) = 2$
(See Theorem 3.25 (p.202) and Theorem 3.28, (p.205))
 $\text{rank}(AA^T) = \text{rank}(A^T) = \text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(A^T A)$
and

$$A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1^T \\ \mathbf{u}_2^T \end{bmatrix} [\mathbf{u}_1 \quad \mathbf{u}_2] = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1^T \mathbf{u}_1 & \mathbf{u}_1^T \mathbf{u}_2 \\ \mathbf{u}_2^T \mathbf{u}_1 & \mathbf{u}_2^T \mathbf{u}_2 \end{bmatrix} = I_2$$

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Orthogonal Sets of Vectors

What make the standard basis of \mathbb{R}^n good?

- ▶ orthogonal to each other
- ▶ unit vectors

Definition: Orthogonal Set

A set of vectors $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k\}$ in \mathbb{R}^n is called an **orthogonal set** if all pairs of distinct vectors in the set are orthogonal – that is, if

$$\mathbf{v}_i \cdot \mathbf{v}_j = 0 \quad \text{whenever } i \neq j \quad \text{for } i, j = 1, 2, \dots, k$$

- ▶ Geometrically, they are mutually **perpendicular**.

Orthogonal Basis

Why is it good that the vectors are orthogonal?

Theorem 5.1

If $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$ is an orthogonal set of nonzero vectors in \mathbb{R}^n , then these vectors are linearly independent.

→ Can be used as a basis.

Definition

An **orthogonal basis** for a subspace W of \mathbb{R}^n is a basis of W that is an orthogonal set.

- Given two orthogonal vectors, how can we get the third orthogonal vector in \mathbb{R}^3 ?

$$v_3 = v_1 \times v_2$$

Orthogonal Basis (cont'd)

- How to compute the coordinate of a vector w.r.t. an orthogonal basis?

Theorem 5.2

Let $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k\}$ be an orthogonal basis for a subspace W of \mathbb{R}^n and let \mathbf{w} be any vector in W . Then the unique scalars c_1, \dots, c_k such that

$$\mathbf{w} = c_1\mathbf{v}_1 + \dots + c_k\mathbf{v}_k$$

are given by

$$c_i = \frac{\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{v}_i}{\mathbf{v}_i \cdot \mathbf{v}_i} \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, k$$

$$\text{► } \mathbf{w} = \sum_{i=1}^k \left(\frac{\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{v}_i}{\mathbf{v}_i \cdot \mathbf{v}_i} \right) \mathbf{v}_i = \sum_{i=1}^k \text{proj}_{\mathbf{v}_i}(\mathbf{w})$$

Orthonormal Basis

- Even better basis?

Definition: Orthonormal Set and Basis

A set of vectors in \mathbb{R}^n is an **orthonormal set** if it is an orthogonal set of unit vectors. An **orthonormal basis** for a subspace W of \mathbb{R}^n is a basis of W that is an orthonormal set.

- If $\{\mathbf{q}_1, \dots, \mathbf{q}_k\}$ is an orthonormal set of vectors,

$$\mathbf{q}_i \cdot \mathbf{q}_j = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \\ 1 & \text{if } i = j \end{cases}$$

- How can we convert an orthogonal basis into an orthonormal basis? \rightarrow Normalize vectors ($\mathbf{v}_i \rightarrow \mathbf{v}_i / \|\mathbf{v}_i\|$)

Orthonormal Basis (cont'd)

- How to compute the coordinate of a vector w.r.t. an orthonormal basis?

Theorem 5.3

Let $\{\mathbf{q}_1, \mathbf{q}_2, \dots, \mathbf{q}_k\}$ be an orthonormal basis for a subspace W of \mathbb{R}^n and let \mathbf{w} be any vector in W . Then

$$\mathbf{w} = (\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{q}_1)\mathbf{q}_1 + \cdots + (\mathbf{w} \cdot \mathbf{q}_k)\mathbf{q}_k$$

and this representation is unique.

- Standard basis case ($\mathbf{q}_i = \mathbf{e}_i$)?

Orthogonal Matrices

- ▶ Given an orthonormal basis $\{\mathbf{q}_1, \dots, \mathbf{q}_k\}$,

$$[\mathbf{q}_1 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{q}_k]^T [\mathbf{q}_1 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{q}_k] = ?$$

Theorem 5.4

The columns of an $m \times n$ matrix Q form an orthonormal set if and only if $Q^T Q = I_n$.

Definition: Orthogonal Matrix

An $n \times n$ matrix Q whose columns form an orthonormal set is called an **orthogonal matrix**.

- ▶ Square matrix
- ▶ Not an “orthonormal matrix”

Properties Orthogonal Matrices

Theorem 5.5

A square matrix Q is orthogonal if and only if $Q^{-1} = Q^T$.

► Example 5.7

→ Permutation matrices, rotation matrices

Theorem 5.6

Let Q be an $n \times n$ matrix. The following statements are equivalent:

- a. Q is orthogonal.
- b. $\|Qx\| = \|x\|$ for every x in \mathbb{R}^n . (**isometry**: length-preserving)
- c. $(Qx) \cdot (Qy) = x \cdot y$ for every x and y in \mathbb{R}^n . (angle-preserving)

Properties of Orthogonal Matrices (cont'd)

► $Q^T Q = I \Rightarrow Q Q^T = I.$

What does it mean?

Theorem 5.7

If Q is an orthogonal matrix, then its rows form an orthonormal set.

► More properties...

Theorem 5.8

Let Q be an orthogonal matrix.

- Q^{-1} is orthogonal.
- $\det Q = \pm 1.$
- If λ is an eigenvalue of Q , then $|\lambda| = 1.$
- If Q_1 and Q_2 are orthogonal $n \times n$ matrices, then so is $Q_1 Q_2.$

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Orthogonal Complements

- How can we generalize the notion of “a normal vector to a plane” to higher dimensions?

Definition: Orthogonal Complement

Let W be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n . We say that a vector \boldsymbol{v} in \mathbb{R}^n is **orthogonal to** W if \boldsymbol{v} is orthogonal to every vector in W . The set of all vectors that are orthogonal to W is called the **orthogonal complement of** W , denoted W^\perp (“ W perp”). That is,

$$W^\perp = \{\boldsymbol{v} \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^n : \boldsymbol{v} \cdot \boldsymbol{w} = 0 \text{ for all } \boldsymbol{w} \text{ in } W\}$$

Properties of Orthogonal Complements

Theorem 5.9

Let W be a subspace in \mathbb{R}^n .

- a. W^\perp is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n .
- b. $(W^\perp)^\perp = W$
- c. $W \cap W^\perp = \{\mathbf{0}\}$
- d. If $W = \text{span}(\mathbf{w}_1, \dots, \mathbf{w}_k)$, then \mathbf{v} is in W^\perp if and only if $\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{w}_i = 0$ for all $i = 1, \dots, k$.

Fundamental Subspaces of a Matrix

- Orthogonal complements and the subspaces associated with an $m \times n$ matrix.

Theorem 5.10

Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix. Then the orthogonal complement of the row space of A is the null space of A , and the orthogonal complement of the column space of A is the null space of A^T :

$$(\text{row}(A))^{\perp} = \text{null}(A) \quad \text{and} \quad (\text{col}(A))^{\perp} = \text{null}(A^T)$$

- See Figure 5.6 on p.377.

Orthogonal Projections

- How can we generalize the projection of a vector onto a line or a plane?

Definition: Orthogonal Projection

Let W be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n and let $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_k\}$ be an orthogonal basis for W . For any vector \mathbf{v} in \mathbb{R}^n , the **orthogonal projection of \mathbf{v} onto W** is defined as

$$\begin{aligned}\text{proj}_W(\mathbf{v}) &= \left(\frac{\mathbf{u}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\mathbf{u}_1 \cdot \mathbf{u}_1} \right) \mathbf{u}_1 + \cdots + \left(\frac{\mathbf{u}_k \cdot \mathbf{v}}{\mathbf{u}_k \cdot \mathbf{u}_k} \right) \mathbf{u}_k \\ &= \text{proj}_{\mathbf{u}_1}(\mathbf{v}) + \cdots + \text{proj}_{\mathbf{u}_k}(\mathbf{v})\end{aligned}$$

The **component of \mathbf{v} orthogonal to W** is the vector $\text{perp}_W(\mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{v} - \text{proj}_W(\mathbf{v})$

- “Orthogonal decomposition”
- See Figure 5.8 on p.380.

Orthogonal Decomposition

- ▶ Is the orthogonal decomposition unique?

Theorem 5.11: The Orthogonal Decomposition Theorem

Let W be a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n and let \mathbf{v} be a vector in \mathbb{R}^n . Then there are unique vectors \mathbf{w} in W and \mathbf{w}^\perp in W^\perp such that

$$\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{w} + \mathbf{w}^\perp$$

- ▶ $\text{proj}_W(\mathbf{v})$ and $\text{perp}_W(\mathbf{v})$ do not depend on the choice of orthogonal basis.
- ▶ Can be used to prove

$$(W^\perp)^\perp = W$$

Orthogonal Decomposition (cont'd)

- Relationship between the dimension of W and W^\perp

Theorem 5.13

If W is a subspace of \mathbb{R}^n , then

$$\dim W + \dim W^\perp = n$$

- Special case:

Corollary 5.14: The Rank Theorem

If A is an $m \times n$ matrix, then

$$\text{rank}(A) + \text{nullity}(A) = n$$

- $\text{rank}(A) + \text{nullity}(A^T) = m$

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The Gram-Schmidt Process

- ▶ Given a subspace, how can we construct an orthogonal basis?
- ▶ The Gram-Schmidt Process: Starting from an arbitrary basis for a subspace, “orthogonalize” it one vector at a time.
→ Example 5.12

The Gram-Schmidt Process (cont'd)

Theorem 5.15: The Gram-Schmidt Process

Let $\{\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_k\}$ be a basis for a subspace W of \mathbb{R}^n and define the following:

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \mathbf{x}_1,$$

$$W_1 = \text{span}(\mathbf{x}_1)$$

$$\mathbf{v}_2 = \mathbf{x}_2 - \left(\frac{\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{x}_2}{\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1} \right) \mathbf{v}_1,$$

$$W_2 = \text{span}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2)$$

$$\mathbf{v}_3 = \mathbf{x}_3 - \left(\frac{\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{x}_3}{\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1} \right) \mathbf{v}_1 - \left(\frac{\mathbf{v}_2 \cdot \mathbf{x}_3}{\mathbf{v}_2 \cdot \mathbf{v}_2} \right) \mathbf{v}_2,$$

$$W_3 = \text{span}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_3)$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\mathbf{v}_k = \mathbf{x}_k - \left(\frac{\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{x}_k}{\mathbf{v}_1 \cdot \mathbf{v}_1} \right) \mathbf{v}_1 - \left(\frac{\mathbf{v}_2 \cdot \mathbf{x}_k}{\mathbf{v}_2 \cdot \mathbf{v}_2} \right) \mathbf{v}_2 - \dots$$

$$- \left(\frac{\mathbf{v}_{k-1} \cdot \mathbf{x}_k}{\mathbf{v}_{k-1} \cdot \mathbf{v}_{k-1}} \right) \mathbf{v}_{k-1},$$

$$W_k = \text{span}(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_k)$$

Then for each $i = 1, \dots, k$, $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k\}$ is an orthogonal basis for W_i . In particular, $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k\}$ is an orthogonal basis for W .

The QR Factorization

- ▶ Factorization of a matrix according to the Gram-Schmidt process.
- ▶ Applications:
Approximation of eigenvalues (p.395), least squares approximation (Chap. 7)

$$W_i = \text{span}(\mathbf{a}_1, \dots, \mathbf{a}_i) = \text{span}(\mathbf{q}_1, \dots, \mathbf{q}_i)$$

$$\rightarrow \mathbf{a}_i = r_{1i}\mathbf{q}_1 + r_{2i}\mathbf{q}_2 + \dots + r_{ii}\mathbf{q}_i, \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, n$$

$$\rightarrow A = [\mathbf{a}_1 \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{a}_n] = [\mathbf{q}_1 \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{q}_n] \begin{bmatrix} r_{11} & r_{12} & \dots & r_{1n} \\ & r_{22} & \dots & r_{2n} \\ & & \ddots & \vdots \\ & & & r_{nn} \end{bmatrix} = QR$$

The QR Factorization (cont'd)

Theorem 5.16: The QR Factorization

Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix with linearly independent columns. Then A can be factored as $A = QR$, where Q is an $m \times n$ matrix with orthonormal columns and R is an invertible upper triangular matrix.

- ▶ Why is R invertible?
- ▶ How can we find R ? (Example 5.15)
 $\rightarrow R = Q^T A$

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Real Symmetric Matrices

- ▶ Does a square matrix with real entries have real eigenvalues?
→ No. $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$
- ▶ Are all square matrices diagonalizable?
→ No. (Example 4.25 on p.301)

Real symmetric matrices are good!

- ▶ All eigenvalues are real.
- ▶ Always diagonalizable.

Real Symmetric Matrices (cont'd)

Definition: Orthogonally Diagonalizable

A square matrix A is **orthogonally diagonalizable** if there exists an orthogonal matrix Q and a diagonal matrix D such that $Q^T A Q = D$.

- ▶ Example 5.16
- ▶ Why is it good to be orthogonally diagonalizable?

Theorem 5.17

If A is orthogonally diagonalizable, then A is symmetric.

- ▶ How about the converse? Is every symmetric matrix is orthogonally diagonalizable?
→ Theorem 5.20 (p.400)

The (Real) Spectral Theorem

Theorem 5.18

If A is a real symmetric matrix, then the eigenvalues of A are real.

- ▶ Theorem 4.20 (p.294): “Eigenvectors corresponding to distinct eigenvalues are linearly independent.”
→ How about symmetric matrices?

Theorem 5.19

If A is a symmetric matrix, then any two eigenvectors corresponding to distinct eigenvalues of A are orthogonal.

Theorem 5.20: The Spectral Theorem

Let A be an $n \times n$ real matrix. Then A is symmetric **if and only if** it is orthogonally diagonalizable.

Spectral Decomposition

$$\begin{aligned} A &= QDQ^T = [\mathbf{q}_1 \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{q}_n] \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_1^T \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{q}_n^T \end{bmatrix} \\ &= [\lambda_1 \mathbf{q}_1 \quad \cdots \quad \lambda_n \mathbf{q}_n] \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_1^T \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{q}_n^T \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \lambda_1 \mathbf{q}_1 \mathbf{q}_1^T + \cdots + \lambda_n \mathbf{q}_n \mathbf{q}_n^T \end{aligned}$$

- ▶ “Projection form of the Spectral Theorem”
- ▶ Steps
 1. $A = PDP^{-1}$ (diagonalization)
 2. $P \rightarrow Q$ (Gram-Schmidt process)
 3. $A = QDQ^T$ (orthogonal diagonalization)

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