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# Linear Algebra

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# Orthogonal Projection Perspective

- Back to the case of invertible  $C = A^T A$ , consider the orthogonal projection of  $\mathbf{b}$  onto  $\text{Col } A$  as

$$\hat{\mathbf{b}} = f(\mathbf{b}) = A\hat{\mathbf{x}} = A\underline{(A^T A)^{-1} A^T \mathbf{b}}$$

$\hat{\mathbf{x}}$



# Orthogonal and Orthonormal Sets

- **Definition:** A set of vectors  $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_p\}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is an **orthogonal set** if each pair of distinct vectors from the set is orthogonal. That is, if  $\mathbf{u}_i \cdot \mathbf{u}_j = 0$  whenever  $i \neq j$ .
- **Definition:** A set of vectors  $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_p\}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is an **orthonormal set** if it is an orthogonal set of **unit vectors**.
- Is an orthogonal (or orthonormal) set also a linearly independent set? What about its converse?

Yes

No

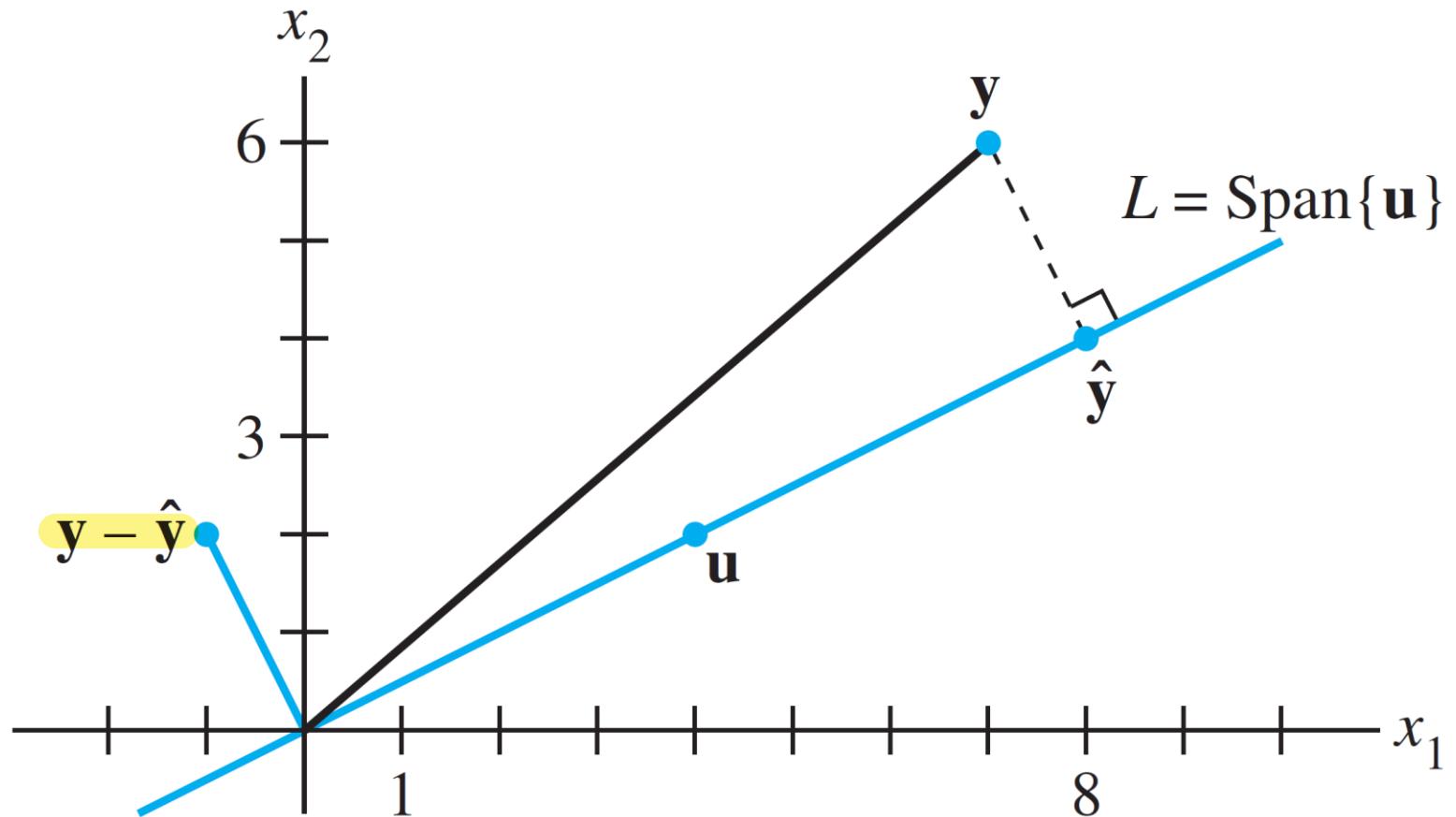


# Orthogonal and Orthonormal Basis

- Consider basis  $\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_p\}$  of a  $p$ -dimensional subspace  $W$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
- Can we make it as an orthogonal (or orthonormal) basis?
  - Yes, it can be done by Gram–Schmidt process. → QR factorization.
- Given the orthogonal basis  $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_p\}$  of  $W$ ,  
let's compute the orthogonal projection of  $\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  onto  $W$ .

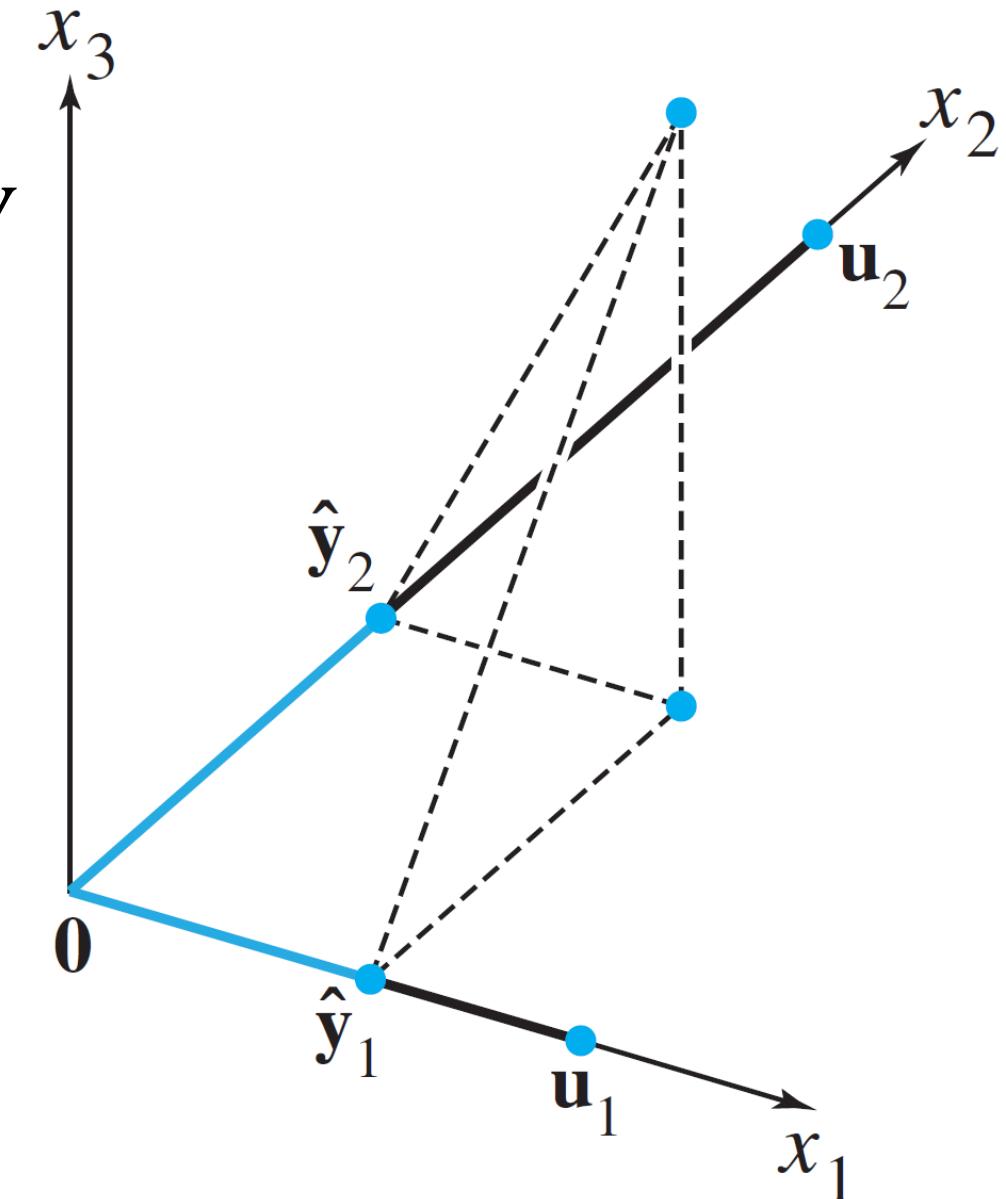
# Orthogonal Projection $\hat{y}$ of $y$ onto Line

- Consider the orthogonal projection  $\hat{y}$  of  $y$  onto one-dimensional subspace  $L$ .
- $\hat{y} = \text{proj}_L y = \frac{y \cdot u}{u \cdot u} u$
- If  $u$  is a unit vector,  
 $\hat{y} = \text{proj}_L y = (y \cdot u)u$



# Orthogonal Projection $\hat{y}$ of $y$ onto Plane

- Consider the orthogonal projection  $\hat{y}$  of  $y$  onto two-dimensional subspace  $W$
- $\hat{y} = \text{proj}_L y = \frac{y \cdot \mathbf{u}_1}{\mathbf{u}_1 \cdot \mathbf{u}_1} \mathbf{u}_1 + \frac{y \cdot \mathbf{u}_2}{\mathbf{u}_2 \cdot \mathbf{u}_2} \mathbf{u}_2$
- If  $\mathbf{u}_1$  and  $\mathbf{u}_2$  are unit vectors,  
 $\hat{y} = \text{proj}_L y = (y \cdot \mathbf{u}_1)\mathbf{u}_1 + (y \cdot \mathbf{u}_2)\mathbf{u}_2$
- Projection is done independently on each orthogonal basis vector.



# Orthogonal Projection when $y \in W$

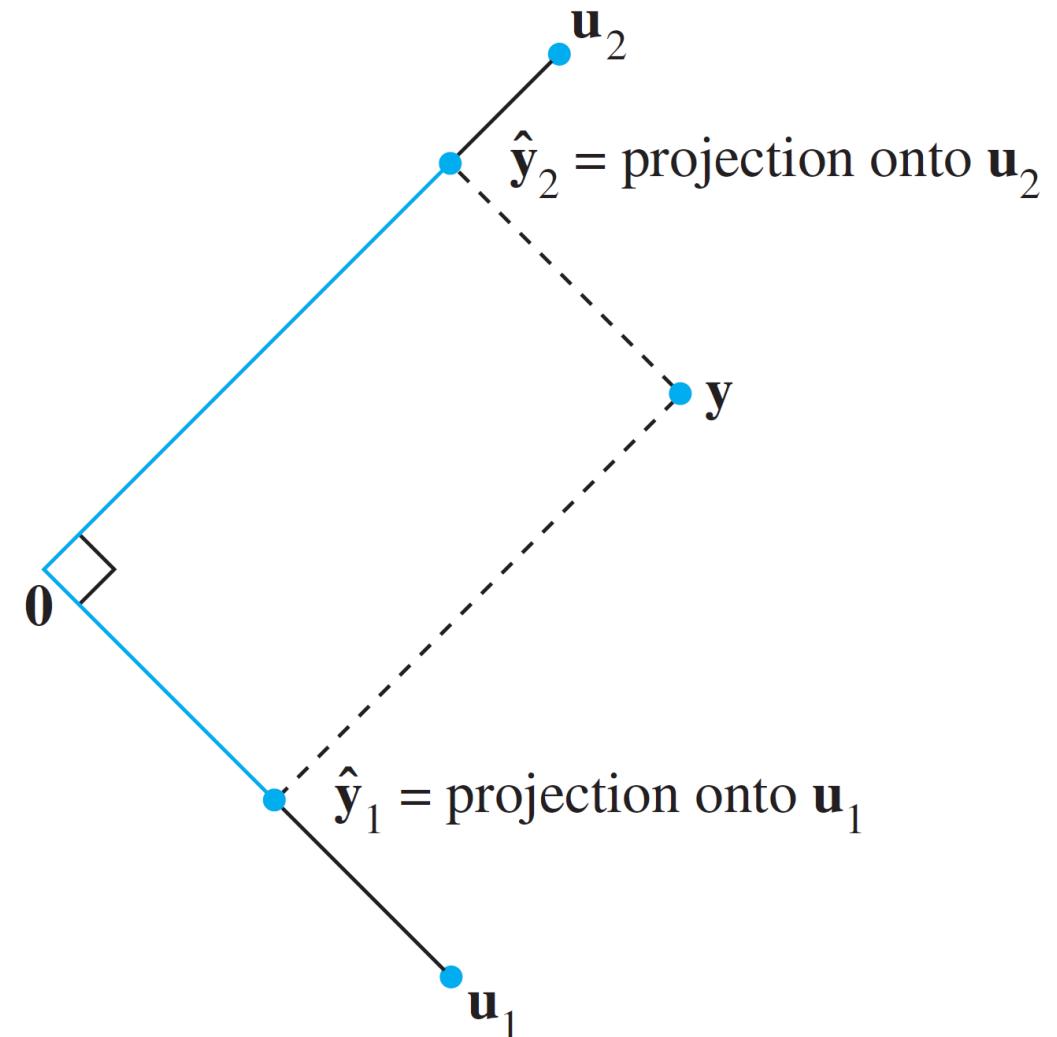
- Consider the orthogonal projection  $\hat{y}$  of  $y$  onto two-dimensional subspace  $W$ , where  $y \in W$

$$\hat{y} = \text{proj}_L y = y = \frac{y \cdot \mathbf{u}_1}{\mathbf{u}_1 \cdot \mathbf{u}_1} \mathbf{u}_1 + \frac{y \cdot \mathbf{u}_2}{\mathbf{u}_2 \cdot \mathbf{u}_2} \mathbf{u}_2$$

- If  $\mathbf{u}_1$  and  $\mathbf{u}_2$  are unit vectors,

$$\hat{y} = y = (y \cdot \mathbf{u}_1)\mathbf{u}_1 + (y \cdot \mathbf{u}_2)\mathbf{u}_2$$

- The solution is the same as before.  
Why?





# Transformation: Orthogonal Projection

- Consider a transformation of orthogonal projection  $\hat{\mathbf{b}}$  of  $\mathbf{b}$ , given **orthonormal** basis  $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2\}$  of a subspace  $W$ :

$$\hat{\mathbf{b}} = f(\mathbf{b}) = (\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{u}_1)\mathbf{u}_1 + (\mathbf{b} \cdot \mathbf{u}_2)\mathbf{u}_2$$

$$= (\mathbf{u}_1^T \mathbf{b})\mathbf{u}_1 + (\mathbf{u}_2^T \mathbf{b})\mathbf{u}_2$$

$$= \mathbf{u}_1(\mathbf{u}_1^T \mathbf{b}) + \mathbf{u}_2(\mathbf{u}_2^T \mathbf{b})$$

$$= (\mathbf{u}_1 \mathbf{u}_1^T) \mathbf{b} + (\mathbf{u}_2 \mathbf{u}_2^T) \mathbf{b}$$

$$= (\mathbf{u}_1 \mathbf{u}_1^T + \mathbf{u}_2 \mathbf{u}_2^T) \mathbf{b}$$

$$= [\mathbf{u}_1 \quad \mathbf{u}_2] \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1^T \\ \mathbf{u}_2^T \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{b} = UU^T \mathbf{b} \Rightarrow \text{linear transformation!}$$



# Orthogonal Projection Perspective

- Let's verify the following, when  $A = U = [\mathbf{u}_1 \quad \mathbf{u}_2]$  has orthonormal columns:

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$$\hat{\mathbf{b}} = A\hat{\mathbf{x}} = A(A^T A)^{-1}A^T \mathbf{b} = f(\mathbf{b})$$

- $C = A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1^T \\ \mathbf{u}_2^T \end{bmatrix} [\mathbf{u}_1 \quad \mathbf{u}_2] = I$ . Thus,

$$\hat{\mathbf{b}} = A\hat{\mathbf{x}} = A(A^T A)^{-1}A^T \mathbf{b} = A(I)^{-1}A^T \mathbf{b} = AA^T \mathbf{b} = UU^T \mathbf{b}$$