#### Announcements: Nov 27

- CIOS open
- WebWork 6.1, 6.2, 6.3 due Wednesday
- WebWork 6.4 and 6.5 not due but on the final
- No quiz on Friday
- Final Exam on Tuesday Dec 12 6:00-8:50pm
- Upcoming Office Hours
	- ► Me: Monday 1-2 and Wednesday 3-4, Skiles 234
	- $\blacktriangleright$  Bharat: Tuesday 1:45-2:45, Skiles 230
	- ▶ Qianli: Wednesday 1-2, Clough 280
	- $\blacktriangleright$  Arjun: Wednesday, 2:30-3:30, Skiles 230
	- $\blacktriangleright$  Kemi: Thursday 9:30-10:30, Skiles 230
	- ▶ Martin: Friday 2-3, Skiles 230

Other help:

- $\blacktriangleright$  Math Lab, Clough 280, Mon Thu 12-6
- $\blacktriangleright$  Tutoring: http://www.successprograms.gatech.edu/tutoring
- $\triangleright$  CAS Study Session Dec 6 Clough 144/152

# Chapter 6 Orthogonality and Least Squares

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#### Where are we?

We have learned to solve  $Ax = b$  and  $Av = \lambda v$ .

We have one more main goal.

What if we can't solve  $Ax = b$ ? How can we solve it as closely as possible?



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The answer relies on orthogonality.

# **Outline**

- Orthogonal complements
- Computing orthogonal projections via orthogonal bases
- Orthogonal projections give closest points
- The Gram–Schmidt process: turn any basis into an orthogonal one

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Section 6.1 Orthogonal Complements

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# Orthogonal complements

 $W=$  subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  $W^{\perp} = \{v \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^n \mid v \perp w \text{ for all } w \text{ in } W\}$ 

Theorem.  $A = m \times n$  matrix

$$
(\text{Row}A)^{\perp} = \text{Nul}\,A
$$

Fact. Say W is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Then any vector  $y$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  can be written uniquely as

 $y_W + y_{W^{\perp}}$ 

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where  $y_W \in W$  and  $y_{W^{\perp}} \in W^{\perp}$ .



Section 6.2/6.3 Orthogonal Projections

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#### Orthogonal Projections

Let  $W$  be a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $y$  a vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

 $proj_W(y)$  = orthogonal projection to W of y

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If we write y as  $y_W + y_{W^{\perp}}$  then  $\text{proj}_W(y) = y_W$ .

Orthogonal projection as a linear transformation

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

We can think of orthogonal projection to  $W$  as a linear transformation  $T: \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$ .

The range of  $T$  is  $W$ .

The null space of T is  $W^{\perp}$ .

If v is in W then  $T(v) = v$ .

# Orthogonal projection

Suppose  $T(v) = Av$  is orthogonal projection onto a plane in  $\mathbb{R}^3.$  What is  $A^2$  equal to? 1. A 2.  $A^{-1}$  $3. -A$ 4. 0 5.  $I_n$ 6.  $-I_n$ Poll

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While you are at it: What are the eigenvalues of  $A$ ?

## Orthogonal projection onto a line

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Say  $W = \text{Span}\{u\}.$ 

Fact. 
$$
proj_W(y) = \frac{y \cdot u}{u \cdot u} u
$$

[Demo](http://people.math.gatech.edu/~jrabinoff6/1718F-1553/demos/projection.html?u1=3,2&vec=-6,4&labels=u&closed)

# Orthogonal projection

Projecting onto any subspace

Fact. If  $\mathcal{B} = \{u_1, \ldots, u_k\}$  is an orthogonal basis for W then

$$
y_W = \frac{y \cdot u_1}{u_1 \cdot u_1} u_1 + \dots + \frac{y \cdot u_k}{u_k \cdot u_k} u_k
$$

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Fact. If  $y$  is in W then this formula gives the B-coordinates.



#### Orthogonal bases

Finding coordinates with respect to orthogonal bases

Fact. If  $\mathcal{B} = \{u_1, \ldots, u_k\}$  is an orthogonal basis for W then

$$
y_W = \frac{y \cdot u_1}{u_1 \cdot u_1} u_1 + \dots + \frac{y \cdot u_k}{u_k \cdot u_k} u_k
$$

Problem. Say that

$$
B = \left\{ \left( \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{array} \right), \left( \begin{array}{c} 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{array} \right) \right\}
$$

and say that W is the span of B. Let  $y = (6, 1, -8)$ . Find  $y<sub>W</sub>$  and the *B*-coordinates of  $y_W$ .

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#### Best approximation

If we write y as  $y_W + y_{W^{\perp}}$  then  $\text{proj}_W(y) = y_W$ .

This point  $proj_W(y) = y_W$  is the closest point in W to y.



Section 6.4 The Gram–Schmidt Process

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## Gram–Schmidt Process

With two vectors

Find an orthogonal basis for  $W = \text{Span}\{u_1, u_2\}$ , where

$$
u_1 = \left(\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{array}\right), \quad u_2 = \left(\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{array}\right)
$$

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## Gram–Schmidt Process

With three vectors

Find an orthogonal basis for  $W = \text{Span}\{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$ , where

$$
u_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad u_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad u_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}
$$

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## Gram-Schmidt Process

Example

Theorem. Say  $\{u_1, \ldots, u_k\}$  is a basis for a nonzero subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Define:

$$
v_1 = u_1
$$
  
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$$
v_2 = u_2 - \text{proj}_{\text{Span}\{v_1\}(u_2)}
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$$
v_3 = u_3 - \text{proj}_{\text{Span}\{v_1, v_2\}(u_3)}
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$$
v_k = u_k - \text{proj}_{\text{Span}\{v_1, \dots, v_{k-1}\}(u_k)}
$$

Then  $\{v_1, \ldots, v_k\}$  is an orthogonal basis for  $\text{Span}\{u_1, \ldots, u_k\}$ .

In other words, if at some stage you find a vector that is not orthogonal to the previous ones, then make it so!

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## Gram–Schmidt Process

With three vectors

Find an orthogonal basis for  $W = \text{Span}\{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$ , where

$$
u_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad u_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 4 \\ 4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad u_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -2 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}
$$

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## **Summary**

- $proj_W(y)$  = orthogonal projection to W of y
- If  $\mathcal{B} = \{u_1, \ldots, u_k\}$  is an orthogonal basis for W then

$$
y_W = \frac{y \cdot u_1}{u_1 \cdot u_1} u_1 + \dots + \frac{y \cdot u_k}{u_k \cdot u_k} u_k
$$

This  $y_W$  is  $proj_W(y)$ .

- We find the matrix for projections in the usual way (project the  $e_i$ ).
- If y is already in W then this gives the B-coordinates.
- The projection of  $y$  to  $W$  is the closest point in  $W$  to  $y$ .
- To find an orthogonal basis, use Gram–Schmidt:

$$
v_k = u_k - \text{proj}_{\text{Span}}\{v_1, \ldots, v_{k-1}\}(u_k)
$$

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