


Reminder HW 8 due Friday.

HW 9 not due next Friday

(in fact due 12/4)

Last time: minimization of quadratics

$$p(x) = \underbrace{x^T K x}_{\text{deg 2}} - \underbrace{2x^T f}_{\text{deg 1}} + \underbrace{c}_{\text{constant}}$$

If K is pos def, the $p(x)$ has a min!

$$\text{It occurs at } \vec{x}^* = K^{-1} f$$

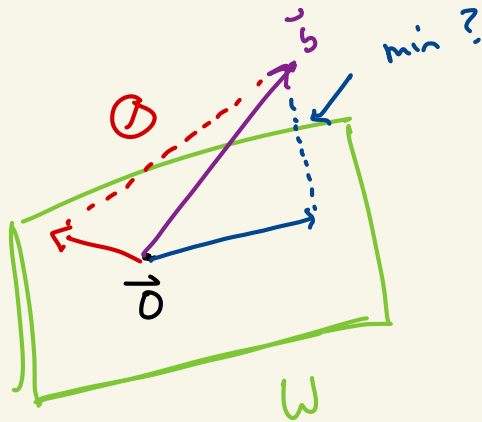
$$\text{the minimum value } p(x^*) = c - f^T x^*.$$

Related Problem: Suppose $W \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ w/ dot product.
 W is a subspace. Let $\vec{b} \in \mathbb{R}^n$. What vector in W
 is closest to \vec{b} ?

Find $\min_{w \in W} \|\vec{w} - \vec{b}\|$.

Turn this into a quadratic minimization!

$$\begin{aligned} \|\vec{w} - \vec{b}\|^2 &= (\vec{w} - \vec{b}) \cdot (\vec{w} - \vec{b}) \\ &= \vec{w} \cdot \vec{w} - 2\vec{w} \cdot \vec{b} + \vec{b} \cdot \vec{b} \\ &= \|\vec{w}\|^2 - 2\vec{w} \cdot \vec{b} + \|\vec{b}\|^2 \end{aligned}$$



Suppose W has a basis $\vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_k$.

Since basis vectors span

all vectors $\vec{w} \in W$ have the form

$$\vec{w} = x_1 \vec{w}_1 + x_2 \vec{w}_2 + \dots + x_k \vec{w}_k.$$

x_i
coefficients

Idea: Find coefficients x_1, \dots, x_k which minimize $\|w-b\|$ and plug them into the linear comb.

$$\|w-b\|^2 = \|w\|^2 - 2w \cdot b + \|b\|^2$$

$$= \left\| \sum_{i=1}^k x_i \vec{w}_i \right\|^2 - 2 \left(\sum_{i=1}^k x_i \vec{w}_i \right) \cdot b + \|b\|^2$$

$$= \left(\sum_{i=1}^k x_i \vec{w}_i \right) \cdot \left(\sum_{i=1}^k x_i \vec{w}_i \right) - 2 \sum_{i=1}^k x_i (\vec{w}_i \cdot b) + \|b\|^2$$

linearity

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using bilinearity

$$= \sum_{i,j} (x_i \vec{w}_i \cdot x_j \vec{w}_j) - 2 \sum x_i (w_i \cdot b) + \|b\|^2$$

$$= \sum_{i,j} x_i x_j (w_i \cdot w_j) - 2 \sum x_i (w_i \cdot b) + \|b\|^2$$

$x^T K x$ $- 2 x^T f$ $+ c$

$$= (x_1 \dots x_k) \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \cdot w_1 & w_1 \cdot w_2 & \dots & w_1 \cdot w_k \\ w_1 \cdot w_2 & w_2 \cdot w_2 & \dots & w_2 \cdot w_k \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ w_k \cdot w_1 & w_k \cdot w_2 & \dots & w_k \cdot w_k \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_k \end{pmatrix}$$

x^T K x

$$- 2 (x_1 \dots x_n) \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \cdot b \\ w_2 \cdot b \\ \vdots \\ w_k \cdot b \end{pmatrix} + \|b\|^2$$

x^T f c

$$= x^T K x - 2x^T f + c$$

$$W = \text{span}\{w_1, \dots, w_k\}$$

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_k \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{coordinates}$$

$$w = x_1 \vec{w}_1 + \dots + x_k \vec{w}_k$$

$$K = \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \cdot w_1 & & w_1 \cdot w_j \\ & \ddots & \\ w_i \cdot w_j & & w_k \cdot w_k \end{pmatrix} = \text{Gram matrix of } \underbrace{w_1, \dots, w_k}_{!!}$$

$$f = \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \cdot b \\ \vdots \\ w_k \cdot b \end{pmatrix}$$

$$c = \|b\|^2$$

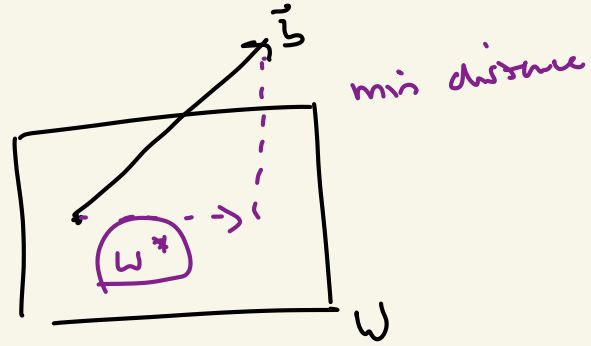
$$\min_{w \in W} \|w - b\|$$

$$x^* = \text{min coordinates} = K^{-1} f$$

$$\boxed{w^*} = x_1^* \vec{w}_1 + \dots + x_k^* \vec{w}_k = (\vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_k) \begin{pmatrix} x_1^* \\ \vdots \\ x_k^* \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \underbrace{(w_1 \dots w_k)}_{\text{to } b!} x^*$$

is the closest vector



- ① Find basis of W , w_1, \dots, w_k
- ② Find Gram matrix K of your basis
- ③ $f = \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \cdot b \\ \vdots \\ w_k \cdot b \end{pmatrix}$

④ Let $A = (\vec{w}_1 \dots \vec{w}_k)$.

Answer

min distance

$\|w-b\|$ occurs at $\underline{x^* = K^{-1}f}$, vector

$\underline{w^* = Ax^*}$,

$d = \min \|w-b\| = \sqrt{C - f^T x^*}$

$= \underline{\sqrt{\|b\|^2 - f^T x^*}}$

Slightly different formula.

K = Gram - matrix of w_1, \dots, w_k w/ dot product

$$= \begin{pmatrix} -w_1- \\ \vdots \\ -w_k- \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} | & & | \\ w_1 & \dots & w_k \\ | & & | \end{pmatrix} = A^T A$$

$$f = \begin{pmatrix} w_1 \cdot b \\ \vdots \\ w_k \cdot b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -w_1- \\ \vdots \\ -w_k- \end{pmatrix} \vec{b} = A^T b$$

$$x^* = K^{-1} f = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b \quad \text{where } A = (\vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_k)$$

$$w^* = A x^* = A (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b$$

$$d = \min \|w - b\| = \sqrt{\|b\|^2 - \underbrace{x^* \cdot f}_{\text{optional}}} = \sqrt{\|b\|^2 - ((A^T A)^{-1} A^T b)^T (A^T b)}$$

Process: Suppose $W \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ $\min_{w \in W} \|w - b\| = ?$, b given

① Find a basis w_1, \dots, w_k of W

② $A = (w_1, \dots, w_k)$

③ $x^* = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b$

④ $w^* = A x^*$

w^* is the vector of W closest to \vec{b}

⑤ $d^* = \sqrt{\|b\|^2 - x^{*T} (A^T b)}$

Done.

min distance d^* .

Ex Suppose $W = \text{span} \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right)$. Let $\vec{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}^*$

• Find the minimum distance from W to b .

(Asking for d^*)

• Which vector of W is closest to b .

(Asking for w^*)

$$\textcircled{1} \quad w_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad w_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\text{Span} \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

Are $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ independent?

$$\textcircled{2} \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -3 \\ -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\text{Span} \left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \right)$
dependent!

$$\textcircled{3} \quad x^* = \underbrace{(A^T A)^{-1}} \underbrace{A^T b}$$

$$(A^T A)^{-1} \rightarrow A^T A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & -3 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -3 \\ -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -3 \\ -3 & 14 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(A^T A)^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -3 \\ -3 & 14 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det} \begin{pmatrix} 14 & 3 \\ 3 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{75} \begin{pmatrix} 14 & 3 \\ 3 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A^T b = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & -3 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}^+ = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = f$$

$$x^* = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b = \frac{1}{75} \begin{pmatrix} 14 & 3 \\ 3 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{75} \begin{pmatrix} 20 \\ 15 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4/15 \\ 1/5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad w^* = \frac{4}{15} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{5} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = A x^* = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 4/15 \\ 1/5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$x_1^* u_1 + x_2^* u_2$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 2/3 \\ -1/15 \\ -7/15 \end{pmatrix}$$

vector in $\text{span}\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}\right)$
closest to $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$!

$$\textcircled{5} \quad d = \sqrt{\|b\|^2 - x^{*T} f} = \sqrt{1 - (4/15, 1/5) \cdot (1, 2)}$$

$$= \sqrt{1 - \frac{4}{15} - \frac{6}{15}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}}$$

Thm $w^* = \text{proj}_w b$!

$$\text{proj}_w b = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T b$$

$P = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T$ is called a projection matrix.