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# Final Exam

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## Topics

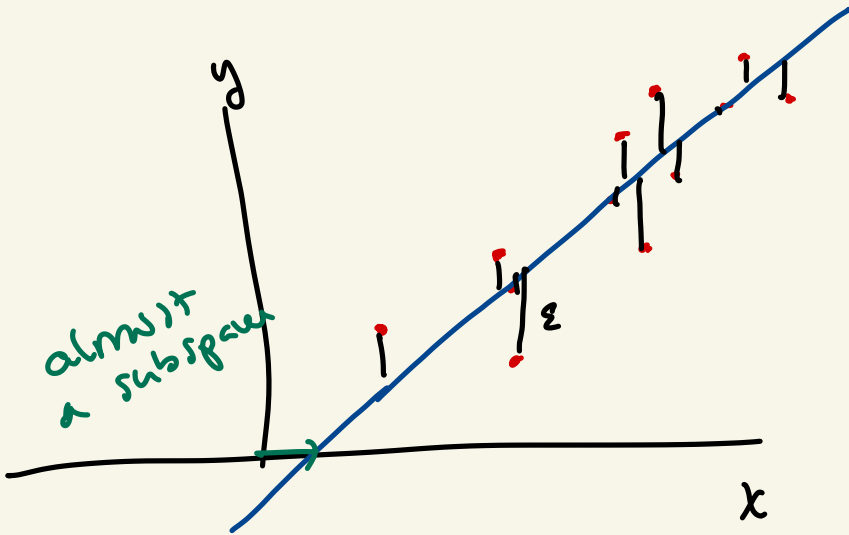
- Majority past Exam 2 problems

• few problems from Exams 1 and 2.

7/8/9 problems

6 after exam 2      2/3 for Exams 1, 2

Use linear algebra to derive a  
least squares formula



$\epsilon = \text{error}$

Linear regression.

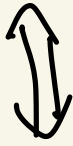
linear approximation

Idea: minimize  $\sum \epsilon_i^2$

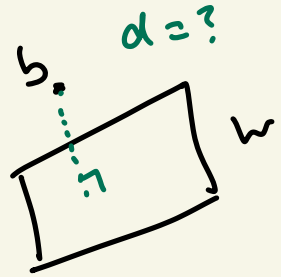
$\Rightarrow$  minimization in linear algebra?

How to minimize a  
quadratic eq?

How to minimize a quadratic eq? ✓



How to minimize the distance between a given subspace  $W$  and sample vector  $b$ ?



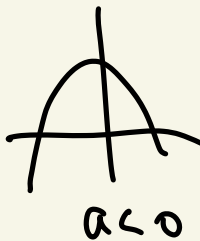
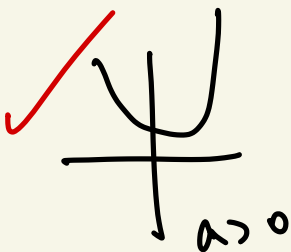
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5.2 Minimization of quadratics in more than 1 variable.

$$p(x) = ax^2 + bx + c$$

$$p'(x) = 0 \Rightarrow$$

if  $a > 0$  then you get a min!





let's say

$$p(x,y) = 2x^2 + 2xy + 2y^2 + 3x - 5y + 2$$

Minimum value?

Can we get this to look  
like  $ax^2 + bx + c$

$$q(x) = x^T K x, \quad K \text{ symmetric}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & ax^2 + bx + c \\ & \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow \\ & = x^T K x + x^T b + c \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad -2 \downarrow \frac{1}{2} b \\ & = \underline{x^T K x} - \underline{2x^T f} + \underline{c} \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{(easier to minimize)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(x,y) &= \underbrace{2x^2 + 2xy + 2y^2}_{\text{red}} + \underbrace{3x - 5y}_{\text{blue}} + 2 \\
 &= \underbrace{(x \ y) \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{red}} \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \end{pmatrix} \\
 &\quad \underbrace{- 2 \begin{pmatrix} x & y \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{3}{2} \\ \frac{5}{2} \end{pmatrix}}_{\text{blue}} + 2
 \end{aligned}$$

$ax^2 + bx + c$  has a min  
 $\Leftrightarrow a > 0$

$p(x) = \underbrace{x^T K x - 2x^T f + c}_{\text{red}} \text{ has a min } (\Rightarrow) K \text{ is positive definite.}$

In order for  $p(x,y)$  to have a minimum, we need  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$  to be positive definite.

Thm let  $p(x) = x^T \underline{K} x - 2x^T \underline{f} + c$  \*

$x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $K$  is  $n \times n$  symmetric

$f, c \in \mathbb{R}^n$  given.

If  $K$  is pos. def. then

$p(x)$  has a unique minimum value  
achieved at  $x^* = K^{-1}f$ .

(positive def. matrices are always  
invertible!)

$$p(x^*) = p(K^{-1}f) = c - f^T x^*.$$

Pf: By definition  $f = Kx^*$ .

$$\begin{aligned} p(x) &= x^T Kx - 2x^T (Kx^*) + c \\ &= x^T Kx - \underline{2x^T Kx^*} + c \end{aligned}$$

$$(x-y)^2 = x^2 - 2xy + y^2$$

$$p(x) = x^T K x - 2x^T K x^* + c$$

$$= (x - x^*)^T K (x - x^*) + (c - x^{*T} K x^*)$$

$$= (x^T K x - 2x^T K x^* + x^{*T} K x^*) + c - x^{*T} K x^*$$

$$= ((x - x^*)^T K (x - x^*)) + (c - x^{*T} K x^*)$$

$$= \underbrace{(x - x^*)^T K (x - x^*)}_{\text{just need to minimize this part}} + \underbrace{(c - x^{*T} K x^*)}_{\text{constant}}$$

since  $K$  is positive definite  $\implies$

$$q(x) = (x - x^*)^T K (x - x^*) > 0$$

$$\forall x - x^* \neq 0$$

and when  $x = x^* \Rightarrow q(x) = 0$

$q(x)$  has a minimum at  $x^*$ !

$\Rightarrow p(x)$  has minimum at  $x = x^*$  as well.

$$p(x^*) = p(K^{-1}f)$$

$$= c - \underbrace{x^{*T} K x^*}$$

$$= c - f^T x^* .$$

□

$$\underline{\text{Ex}} \quad p(x, y) = (x \ y) \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} - 2(x \ y) \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{3}{2} \\ \frac{5}{2} \end{pmatrix} + 2$$

$p(x, y)$  has minimum at

$$x^* = K^{-1} f$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{3}{2} \\ \frac{5}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{\frac{1}{6} \begin{pmatrix} -11 \\ 13 \end{pmatrix}}}$$

$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$  is positive definite!  
(check eigenvalues  $> 0$ )

$$p(K^{-1}f) = c - f^T x^*$$

$$= 2 - \frac{1}{6} \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{3}{2} & \frac{5}{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} -11 \\ 13 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{\frac{-2}{3}}}$$

### 5.3 Minimizing distance from a point to a subspace

Problem Given a subspace  $W$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , minimize  $\|w - b\|$  over all  $w \in W$ .

It's the same as minimizing  $\|w - b\|^2$ .

Furthermore let  $W$  have a basis  $w_1, \dots, w_k$ .

$$w = x_1 w_1 + \dots + x_k w_k.$$

Minimizing over  $w$

$\Leftrightarrow$  minimizing over  $x_1, \dots, x_k$ .

$p(x) = \|w - b\|^2$  is a function of  $x_1, \dots, x_k$ .

2 ways to write

$$p(x) = \|w - b\|^2 \quad \text{as a quadratic.}$$

$$\text{Since } w = x_1 w_1 + \dots + x_k w_k$$

then

$$p(x) = \|w - b\|^2 = \langle w - b, w - b \rangle$$

$$= \|w\|^2 - 2\langle w, b \rangle + \|b\|^2$$

$$= \|x_1 w_1 + \dots + x_k w_k\|^2$$

quadratic

linear

$$- 2\langle x_1 w_1 + \dots + x_k w_k, b \rangle$$

$$+ \|b\|^2$$

$$= \underbrace{\sum_{i,j=1}^n x_i x_j \langle w_i, w_j \rangle}_{\text{quadratic}} - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \langle w_i, b \rangle + \|b\|^2$$



$$= \underbrace{\sum_{i,j=1}^n x_i x_j \langle w_i, w_j \rangle}_{\text{quadratic form}} - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \langle w_i, b \rangle + \|b\|^2$$

quad. form  
 assoc. Gram  
 matrix of  $w_i$

$\|w-b\|^2$

$$= x^T K x - 2 x^T f + \|b\|^2$$

where  $K =$  gram matrix of  
 $w_i$ .

$$K_{ij} = \langle w_i, w_j \rangle$$

$$f = \begin{pmatrix} \langle w_1, b \rangle \\ \langle w_2, b \rangle \\ \vdots \\ \langle w_n, b \rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

why is  
 $\rightarrow$  positive  
 definite?

minimal value of  $\|w-b\|^2$

$$\Rightarrow x = K^{-1} f \quad \text{if } A = (w_1 \dots w_n)$$

$$x = (A^T A)^{-1} f$$

$\sqrt{p(x^*)}$  = minimal distance from  $w$  to  $b$  is  $x^* = K^{-1}f$

$$= \sqrt{p(K^{-1}f)}$$

$$= \sqrt{\|b\|^2 - f^T K^{-1}f}$$

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

Ex: let  $W = \text{Span} \left( \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \right) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^4$

let  $b = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ : what is the minimal distance from  $W$  to  $b$ ?

Basis for  $W = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ .

$$K = \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -1 \\ -1 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \approx \text{Gram matrix for } W$$

$$f = \begin{pmatrix} \langle w_1, b \rangle \\ \langle w_2, b \rangle \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

The minimal value occurs  
at

$$\begin{aligned}x^* &= K^{-1}f \\&= \begin{pmatrix} 6 & -1 \\ -1 & 5 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\&= \frac{1}{29} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 1 \\ 1 & 6 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{29} \begin{pmatrix} 5 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

The point of  $W$  which is closest  
to  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

is  $\frac{1}{29} 5 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{29} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ .

That minimal distance is

$$\sqrt{\|b\|^2 - f^T x^*} = \frac{1}{29} (2\sqrt{274})$$