

LINEAR ALGEBRA - WEEK 5

Repeat the notion of the vector space with a scalar product. I will use notation $\langle u, v \rangle$ for the scalar product of two vectors.

Orthogonal vectors Vectors u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k are orthogonal if $\langle u_i, u_j \rangle = 0$ for all $i \neq j$.

Gramm - Schmidt Orthogonalization

Let u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k be linearly independent in U . Then there are uniquely determined orthogonal vectors v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k such that

$$v_1 = u_1$$

$$v_2 = u_2 - a_1 v_1$$

$$v_3 = u_3 - b_1 v_1 - b_2 v_2$$

$$\dots$$

$$v_k = u_k - c_1 v_1 - c_2 v_2 - \dots - c_{k-1} v_{k-1}$$

It means that for linear hulls we have

$$[v_1, v_2, \dots, v_i] = [u_1, u_2, \dots, u_i]$$

for all $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$.

Proof: By induction. Suppose we have orthogonal v_1, v_2, \dots, v_i . Then

$$v_{i+1} = u_{i+1} - d_1 v_1 - d_2 v_2 - \dots - d_i v_i$$

Scalar product with v_1 gives

$$0 = \langle v_{i+1}, v_1 \rangle = \langle u_{i+1}, v_1 \rangle - d_1 \langle v_1, v_1 \rangle - d_2 \underbrace{\langle v_2, v_1 \rangle}_{0} - \dots$$
$$d_1 = \frac{\langle u_{i+1}, v_1 \rangle}{\langle v_1, v_1 \rangle}$$

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Similarly we compute d_2, \dots, d_i .

Example: In \mathbb{R}^3 apply Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization on vectors

$$u_1 = (1, 0, 0), \quad u_2 = (1, 2, 0), \quad u_3 = (1, 1, 2).$$

Orthonormal basis in U - a basis (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)

$$\text{such that } \langle u_i, u_j \rangle = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } i \neq j \\ 1 & \text{for } i = j \end{cases}$$

Theorem Let $\alpha = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$ be an orthonormal basis in U . Then

(1) the coordinates of a vector u in the basis α are

$$(u)_\alpha = (\langle u, u_1 \rangle, \langle u, u_2 \rangle, \dots, \langle u, u_n \rangle)^T$$

(2) the scalar product of vectors u and v in the coordinates of α is

$$\begin{aligned} \langle u, v \rangle &= x_1 \bar{y}_1 + x_2 \bar{y}_2 + \dots + x_n \bar{y}_n \\ &= (x_1, \dots, x_n) \cdot \begin{pmatrix} \bar{y}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \bar{y}_n \end{pmatrix} = x^T \cdot \bar{y} \end{aligned}$$

where

$$(u)_\alpha = (x_1, \dots, x_n)^T, \quad (v)_\alpha = (y_1, \dots, y_n)^T.$$

Notation For complex number $z = a + ib$, $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, the conjugate number is $\bar{z} = a - ib$.

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If z is real, then $\bar{z} = z$.

Orthogonal complement V^\perp to a vector subspace $V \subseteq U$ is the vector subspace

$$V^\perp = \{u \in U : (\forall v \in V) \langle u, v \rangle = 0\}$$

Theorem Let U be a vector space with a scalar product, $V \subseteq U$ vector subspace.

Then

$$U = V \oplus V^\perp$$

which according to definition means

$$(1) \quad \forall u \in U \exists v \in V \exists w \in V^\perp \quad u = v + w$$

$$(2) \quad V \cap V^\perp = \{\vec{0}\}.$$

The condition (1) and (2) are equivalent to the condition

$$(*) \quad \forall u \in U \exists! v \in V \exists! w \in V^\perp \quad u = v + w.$$

(The symbol $\exists!$ means: "there is just one.")

Example In \mathbb{R}^4 we have a subspace

$$V = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^4, ax_1 + bx_2 + cx_3 + dx_4 = 0\}$$

where $(a, b, c, d) \neq (0, 0, 0, 0)$. Compute an orthogonal complement of V .

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Orthogonal projection of the space U into a subspace V is the mapping

$P: U \rightarrow V$ such that for every $u \in U$

$$u = Pu + (u - Pu)$$

where $Pu \in V$ and $u - Pu \in V^\perp$.

So having decomposition

$$u = v + w, \quad v \in V, \quad w \in V^\perp$$

then $Pu = v$.

It is a linear map.

Computation of orthogonal projection

Let $V = [u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k] \subseteq U$. Then we look for Pu in the form

$$Pu = a_1 u_1 + a_2 u_2 + \dots + a_k u_k$$

and we want

$$u - Pu \in V^\perp \text{ i.e. } u - Pu \perp u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k$$

So we get a system of k equations for unknowns a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k

$$\left\langle u - \sum_{i=1}^k a_i u_i, u_j \right\rangle = 0$$

which is

$$\sum_{i=1}^k a_i \langle u_i, u_j \rangle = \langle u, u_j \rangle \quad \text{for } j=1, 2, \dots, k$$

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Example Compute orthogonal projection of the vector $u = (1, 2, 3, 4, 5)$ in \mathbb{R}^5 into the subspace

$$V = [(3, 3, 2, 1, 3), (5, 1, 4, -1, 1)].$$

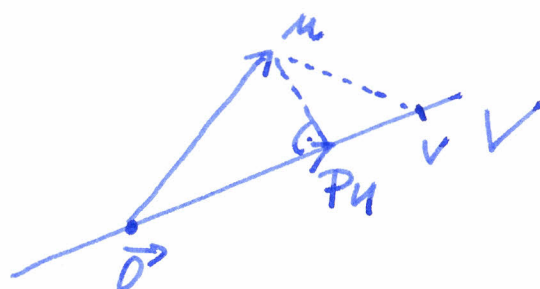
Theorem Properties of orthogonal projection

Let $P : U \rightarrow V$ be an orthogonal projection into a subspace V . Then Pu is the only vector with the property

$$\|u - Pu\| = \min \{ \|u - v\|, v \in V \}.$$

Proof:

$$u \in U, v \in V$$



$$\|u - v\|^2 = \left\| \underbrace{u - Pu}_{\in V^\perp} + \underbrace{Pu - v}_{\in V} \right\|^2 = \langle (u - Pu) + (Pu - v), (u - Pu) + (Pu - v) \rangle$$

$$= \langle u - Pu, u - Pu \rangle + \underbrace{\langle u - Pu, Pu - v \rangle}_{=0} + \underbrace{\langle Pu - v, u - Pu \rangle}_{=0} + \langle Pu - v, Pu - v \rangle$$

$$= \|u - Pu\|^2 + \|Pu - v\|^2 \geq \|u - Pu\|^2$$

The equality occurs just for $v = Pu$.