

# Orthogonal Projection

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# Reference

- Textbook: Chapter 7.3, 7.4

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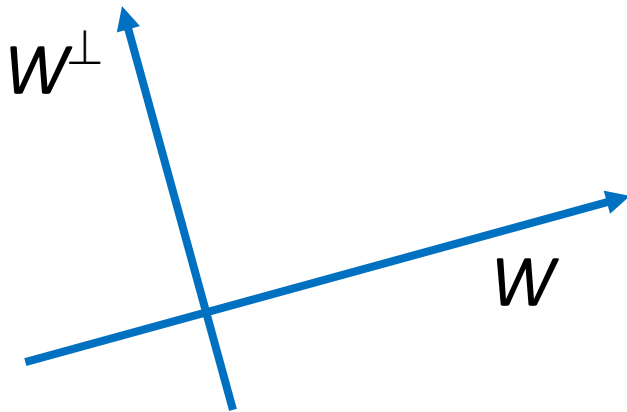
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# Orthogonal Complement

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$$S = \{0\}$$

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$$W = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \mid w_1, w_2 \in \mathcal{R} \right\}$$

$$V \subseteq W^\perp:$$

for all  $\mathbf{v} \in V$  and  $\mathbf{w} \in W$ ,  $\mathbf{v} \bullet \mathbf{w} = 0$

$$V = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ v_3 \end{bmatrix} \mid v_3 \in \mathcal{R} \right\} = W^\perp?$$

$$W^\perp \subseteq V:$$

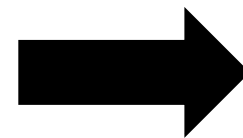
since  $\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2 \in W$ , all  $\mathbf{z} = [z_1 \ z_2 \ z_3]^T \in W^\perp$  must have  $z_1 = z_2 = 0$

# Properties of Orthogonal Complement

Is  $S^\perp$  always a subspace?

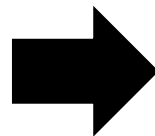
For any nonempty vector set  $S$ ,  $(\text{Span } S)^\perp = S^\perp$

Let  $W$  be a subspace, and  $B$  be a basis of  $W$ .



$$B^\perp = W^\perp$$

What is  $S \cap S^\perp$ ?



Zero vector

# Properties of Orthogonal Complement

- Example:

For  $W = \text{Span}\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2\}$ , where  $\mathbf{u}_1 = [1 \ 1 \ -1 \ 4]^T$  and  $\mathbf{u}_2 = [1 \ -1 \ 1 \ 2]^T$

$\mathbf{v} \in W^\perp$  if and only if  $\mathbf{u}_1 \bullet \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u}_2 \bullet \mathbf{v} = 0$

i.e.,  $\mathbf{v} = [x_1 \ x_2 \ x_3 \ x_4]^T$  satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + x_2 - x_3 + 4x_4 &= 0 \\ x_1 - x_2 + x_3 + 2x_4 &= 0. \end{aligned} \iff \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3x_4 \\ x_3 - x_4 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} = x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_4 \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\iff \mathcal{B} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \text{ is a basis for } W^\perp. \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & 4 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$W^\perp = \text{Solutions of "Ax=0"} = \text{Null A}$$

# Properties of Orthogonal Complement

- For any matrix  $A$

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

$$\mathbf{v} \in (\text{Row } A)^\perp$$

$$\Leftrightarrow A\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}.$$

$$(\text{Col } A)^\perp = \text{Null } A^T$$

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For any subspace  $W$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$

$$\text{rank} + \text{nullity} = n$$

rank

nullity



# Unique

For any subspace  $W$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$

$$\dim W + \dim W^\perp = n$$

Basis:  $\{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_k\}$

Basis:  $\{z_1, z_2, \dots, z_{n-k}\}$

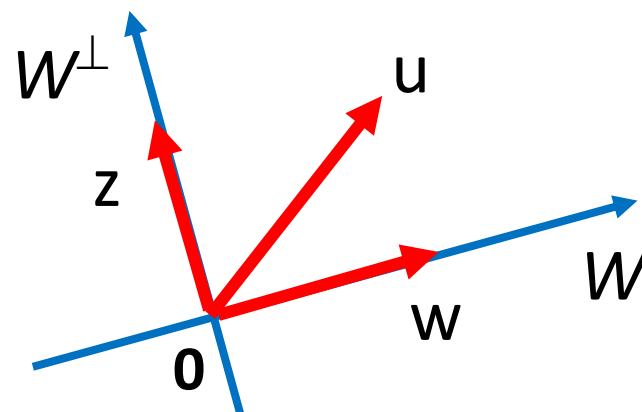
Basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$

For every vector  $u$ ,

$$u = w + z \quad (\text{unique})$$

$\in W$

$\in W^\perp$



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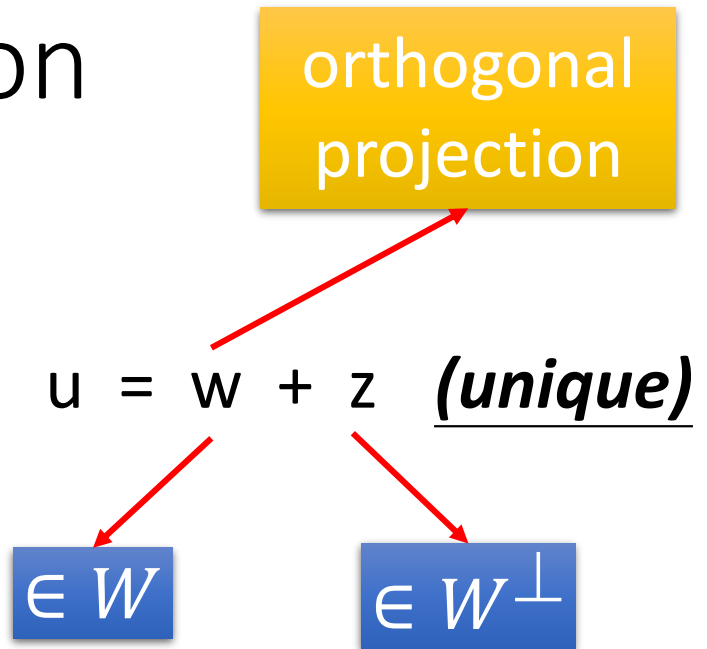
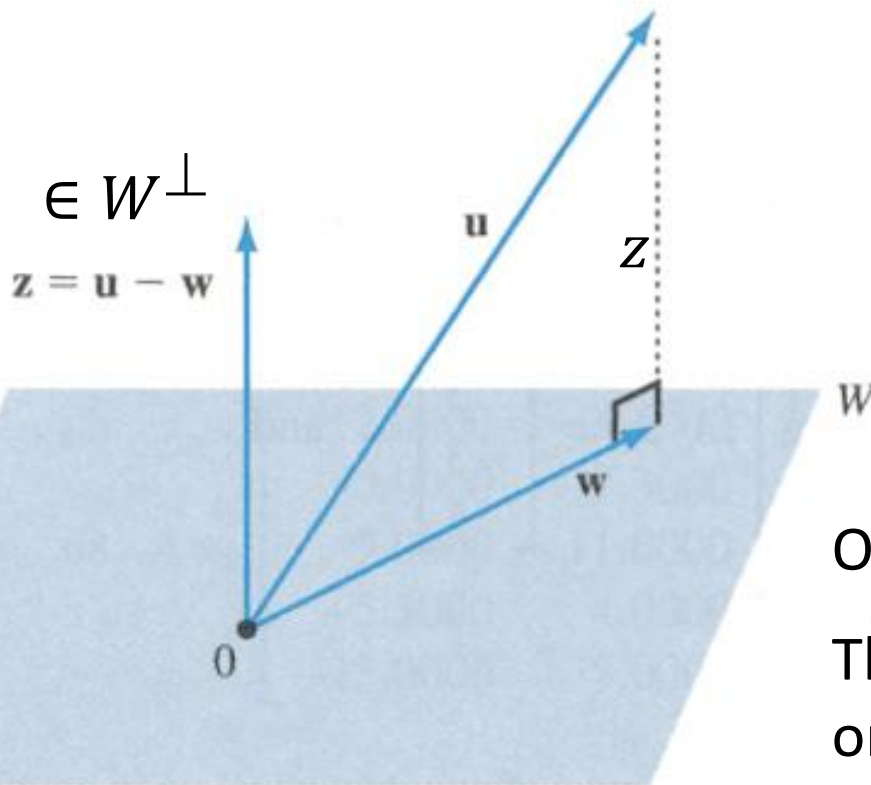
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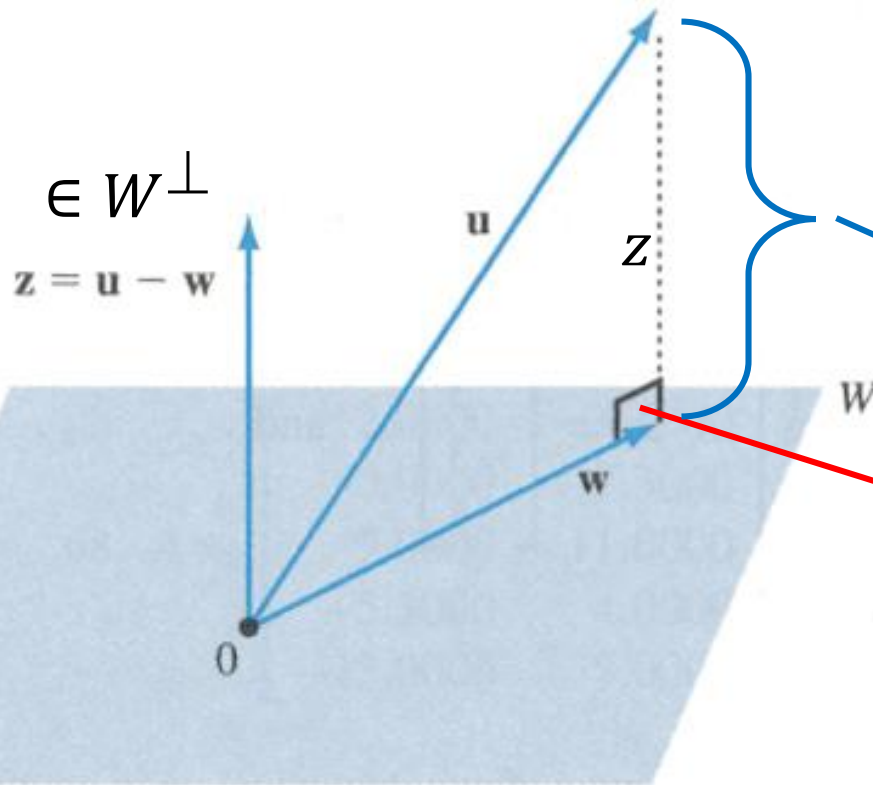
# Orthogonal Projection



Orthogonal Projection Operator:  
The function  $U_W(u)$  is the orthogonal projection of  $u$  on  $W$ .

Linear?

# Orthogonal Projection



$\mathbf{w}$  in subspace  $W$  is  
“closest” to vector  $\mathbf{u}$ .

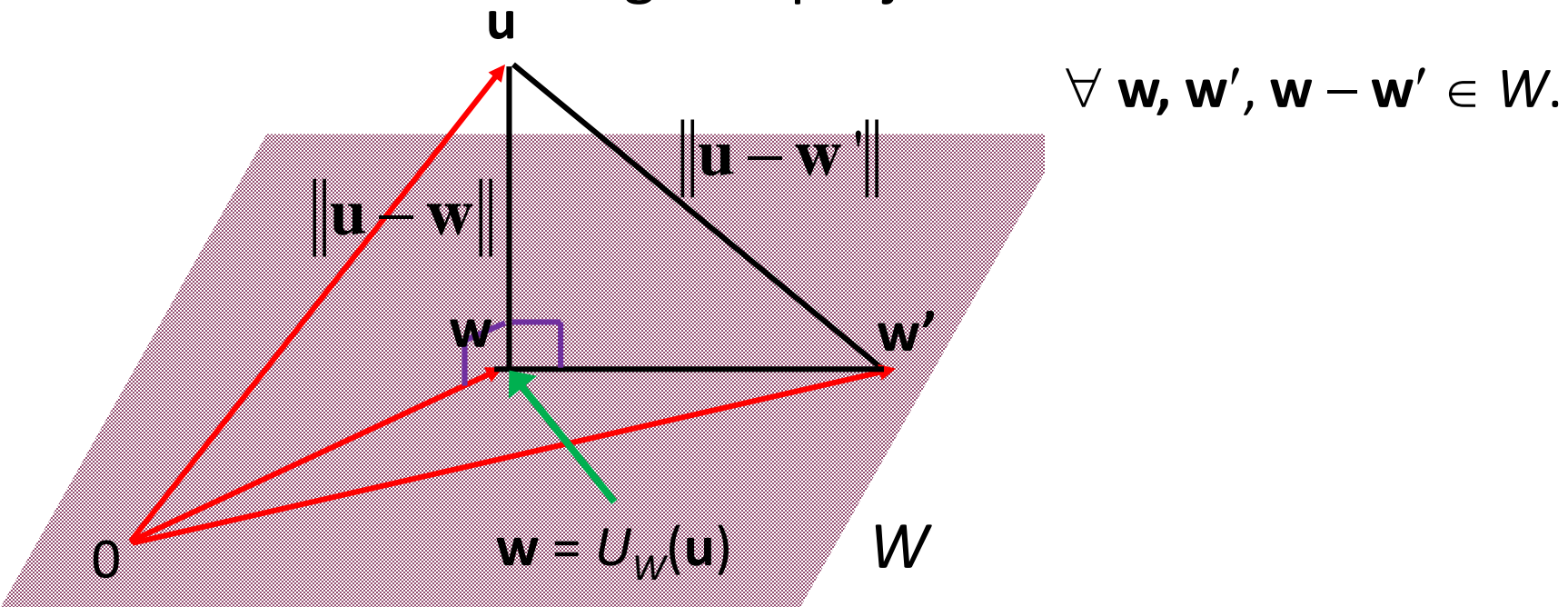
“closest”

Always orthogonal

$\mathbf{z}$  is always orthogonal to  
all vectors in  $W$ .

# Closest Vector Property

- Among all vectors in subspace  $W$ , the vector closest to  $u$  is the orthogonal projection of  $u$  on  $W$



The distance from a vector  $u$  to a subspace  $W$  is the distance between  $u$  and the orthogonal projection of  $u$  on  $W$



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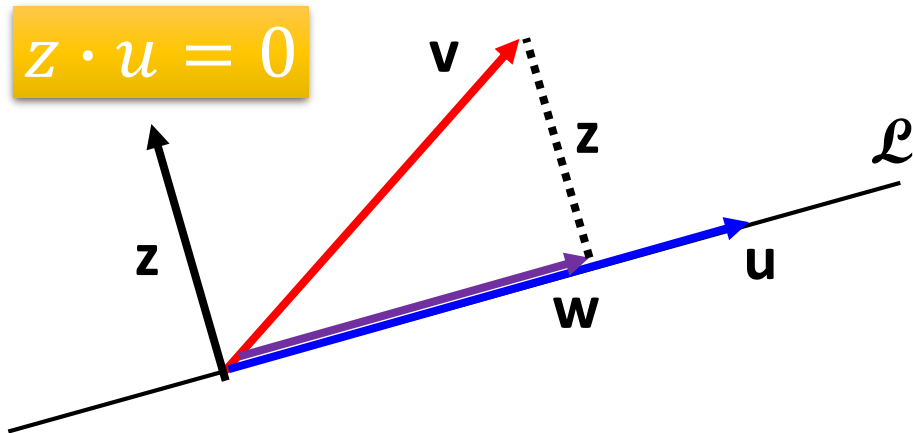
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# Orthogonal Projection on a line

- Orthogonal projection of a vector on a line



**v**: any vector

**u**: any nonzero vector on  $\mathcal{L}$

**w**: orthogonal projection of **v** onto  $\mathcal{L}$ ,  $w = cu$

**z**:  $v - w$

$$(v - w) \cdot u = (v - cu) \cdot u = v \cdot u - cu \cdot u = v \cdot u - c\|u\|^2$$

$$c = \frac{v \cdot u}{\|u\|^2} \quad w = cu = \frac{v \cdot u}{\|u\|^2} u$$

=0

$$\text{Distance from tip of } \mathbf{v} \text{ to } \mathcal{L}: \|z\| = \|v - w\| = \left\| v - \frac{v \cdot u}{\|u\|^2} u \right\|$$



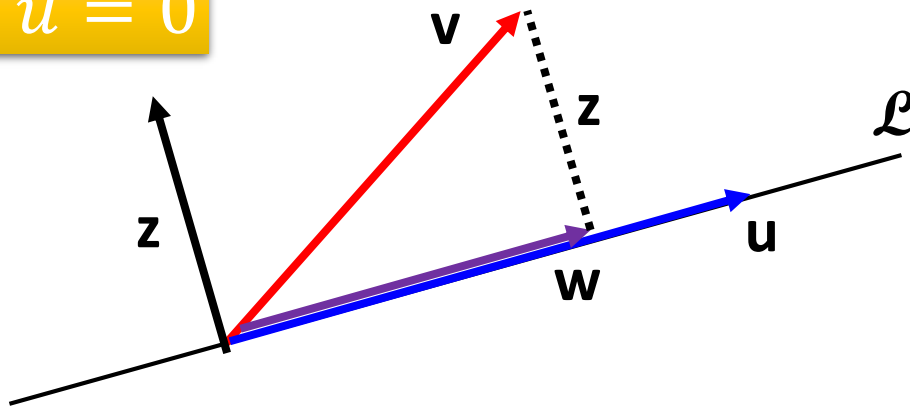
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$$c = \frac{v \cdot u}{\|u\|^2}$$

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- Example:

$$z \cdot u = 0$$



$\mathcal{L}$  is  $y = (1/2)x$

$$v = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad u = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Orthogonal Projection Matrix

- Let  $C$  be an  $n \times k$  matrix whose columns form a basis for a subspace  $W$

$$P_W = C(C^T C)^{-1} C^T$$

$n \times n$

*Proof:* Let  $\mathbf{u} \in \mathcal{R}^n$  and  $\mathbf{w} = U_W(\mathbf{u})$ .

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Let  $C$  be a matrix with linearly independent columns. Then  $C^T C$  is invertible.

# Orthogonal Projection Matrix

- Example: Let  $W$  be the 2-dimensional subspace of  $\mathcal{R}^3$  with equation  $x_1 - x_2 + 2x_3 = 0$ .

$$P_W = C(C^T C)^{-1} C^T$$

$$W \text{ has a basis } \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P_W = \frac{1}{6} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 5 & 2 \\ -2 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad P_W \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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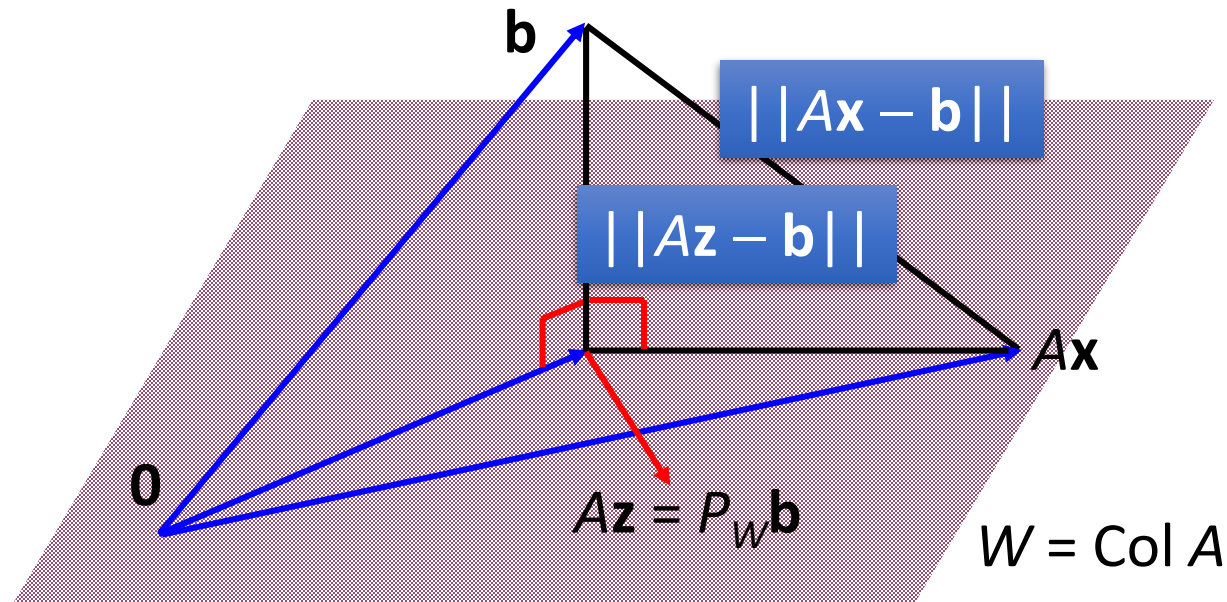
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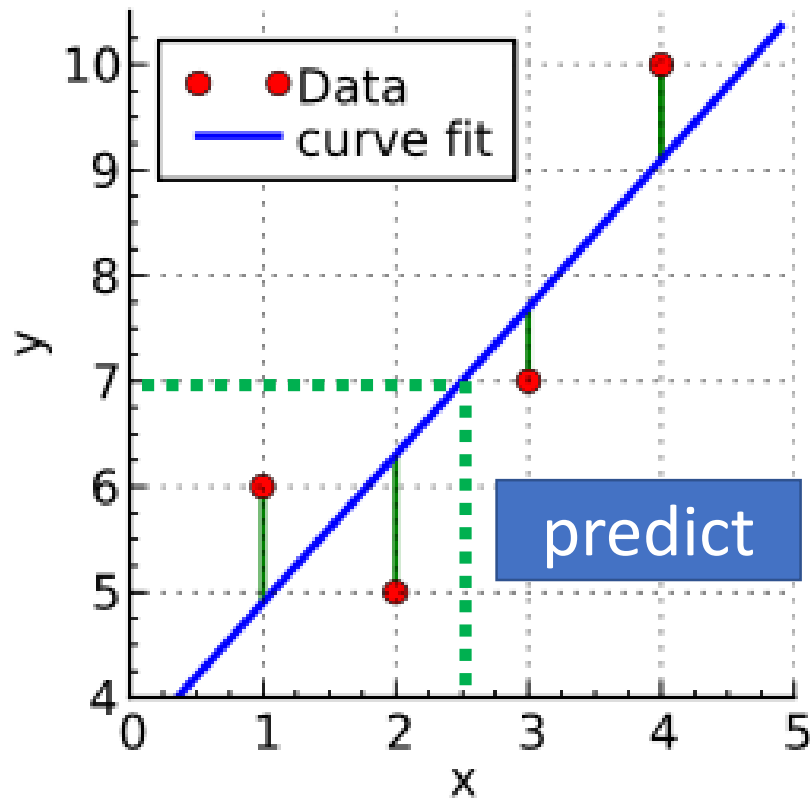
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# Solution of Inconsistent System of Linear Equations

- Suppose  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  is an inconsistent system of linear equations.
- $\mathbf{b}$  is not in the column space of  $A$
- Find vector  $\mathbf{z}$  minimizing  $\|A\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{b}\|$



# Least Square Approximation



data pairs:

$$x_1 \rightarrow y_1$$

$$x_2 \rightarrow y_2$$

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$$x_i \rightarrow y_i$$

⋮

e.g.

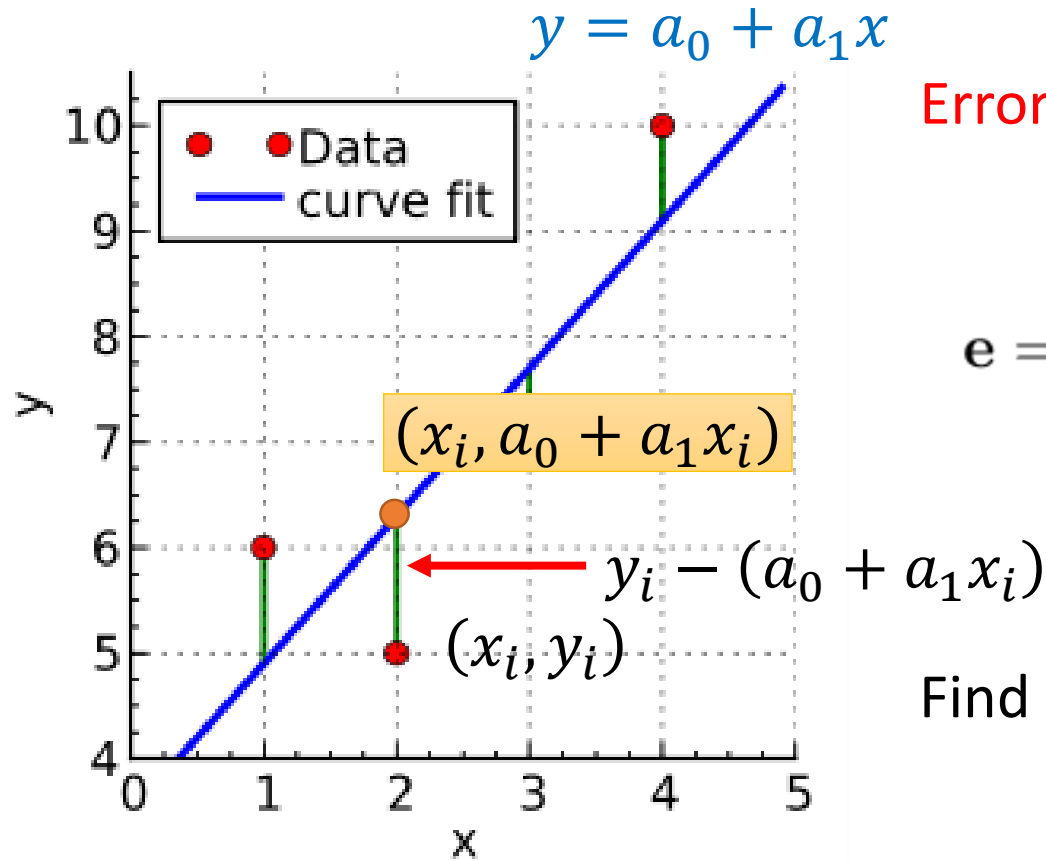
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Find the “least-square line”  $y = a_0 + a_1x$  to best fit the data

Regression

# Least Square Approximation



Error Vector:

$$\mathbf{e} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 - (a_0 + a_1 x_1) \\ y_2 - (a_0 + a_1 x_2) \\ \vdots \\ y_n - (a_0 + a_1 x_n) \end{bmatrix}$$

Find  $a_0$  and  $a_1$  minimizing  $E$

$$E = \|\mathbf{e}\|^2$$

$$E = [y_1 - (a_0 + a_1 x_1)]^2 + [y_2 - (a_0 + a_1 x_2)]^2 + \cdots + [y_n - (a_0 + a_1 x_n)]^2$$



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$$\mathbf{e} = \mathbf{y} - a_0 \mathbf{v}_1 - a_1 \mathbf{v}_2$$

$$\mathbf{y} \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v}_1 \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v}_2 \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C \triangleq [ \mathbf{v}_1 \quad \mathbf{v}_2 ], \quad \text{and } \mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E = \|\mathbf{y} - (a_0 \mathbf{v}_1 + a_1 \mathbf{v}_2)\|^2 = \|\mathbf{y} - C\mathbf{a}\|^2$$

# Least Square Approximation

Find  $\mathbf{a}$  minimizing

$$E = \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{C}\mathbf{a}\|^2$$

$$\mathcal{B} = \{\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2\} \text{ (L.I.)}$$

$$\mathbf{y} \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v}_1 \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{v}_2 \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$\mathbf{C}\mathbf{a}$  is the orthogonal projection of  $\mathbf{y}$  on  $W = \text{Span } \mathcal{B}$ .

find  $\mathbf{a}$  such that  $\mathbf{C}\mathbf{a} = P_W \mathbf{y}$

$$\mathbf{C} \triangleq [ \mathbf{v}_1 \quad \mathbf{v}_2 ], \text{ and } \mathbf{a} = \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix} = (\mathbf{C}^T \mathbf{C})^{-1} \mathbf{C}^T \mathbf{y}$$

# Example 1



| Rough weight<br>$x_i$ (in pounds) | Finished weight<br>$y_i$ (in pounds) |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 2.60                              | 2.00                                 |
| 2.72                              | 2.10                                 |
| 2.75                              | 2.10                                 |
| 2.67                              | 2.03                                 |
| 2.68                              | 2.04                                 |

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2.60 \\ 1 & 2.72 \\ 1 & 2.75 \\ 1 & 2.67 \\ 1 & 2.68 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 2.00 \\ 2.10 \\ 2.10 \\ 2.03 \\ 2.04 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix} = (C^T C)^{-1} C^T \mathbf{y} \approx \begin{bmatrix} 0.056 \\ 0.745 \end{bmatrix}$$

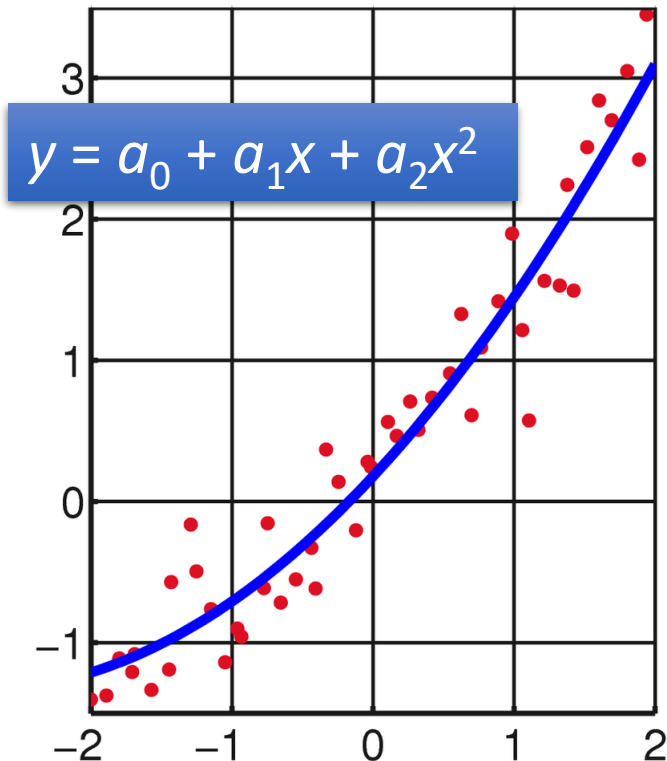
$$\Rightarrow y = 0.056 + 0.745x.$$

Prediction:  
if the rough weight is 2.65,  
the finished weight is  
 $0.056 + 0.745(2.65) = 2.030$ .

(estimation)

# Least Square Approximation

- **Best quadratic fit:** using  $y = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2$  to fit the data points  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$



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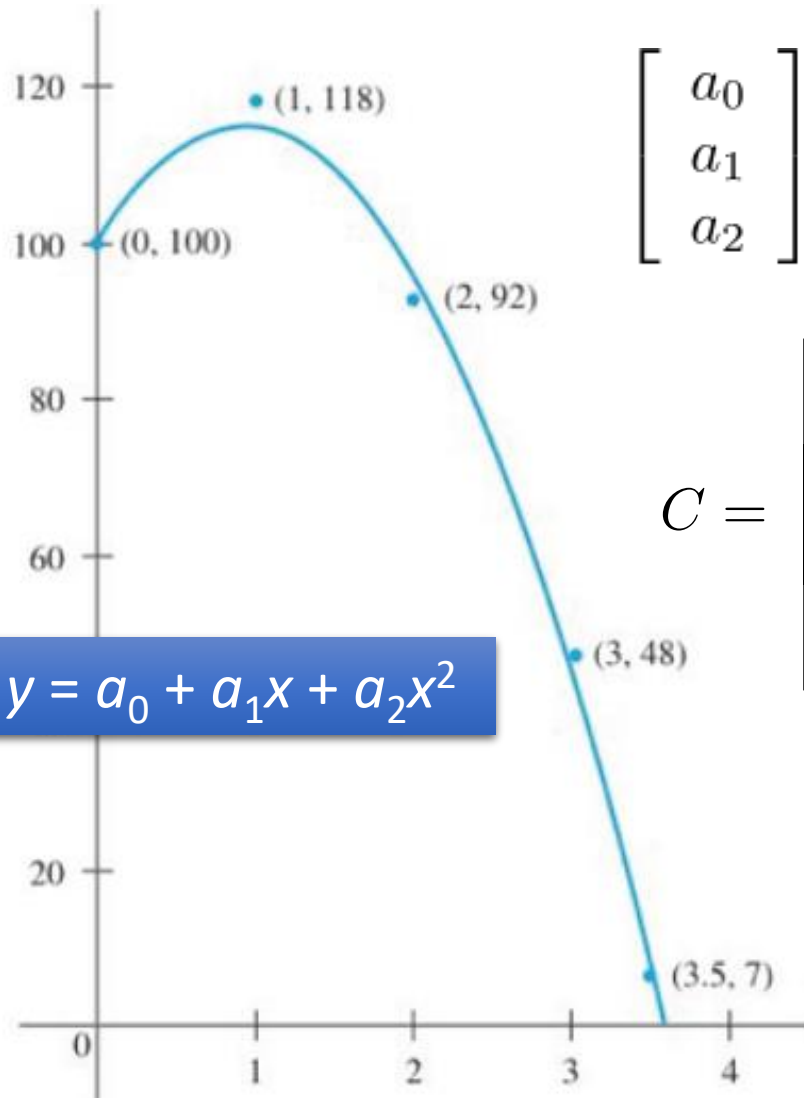
$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{v}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} x_1^2 \\ x_2^2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n^2 \end{bmatrix} \quad e = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 - (a_0 + a_1x_1 + a_2x_1^2) \\ y_2 - (a_0 + a_1x_2 + a_2x_2^2) \\ \vdots \\ y_n - (a_0 + a_1x_n + a_2x_n^2) \end{bmatrix}$$

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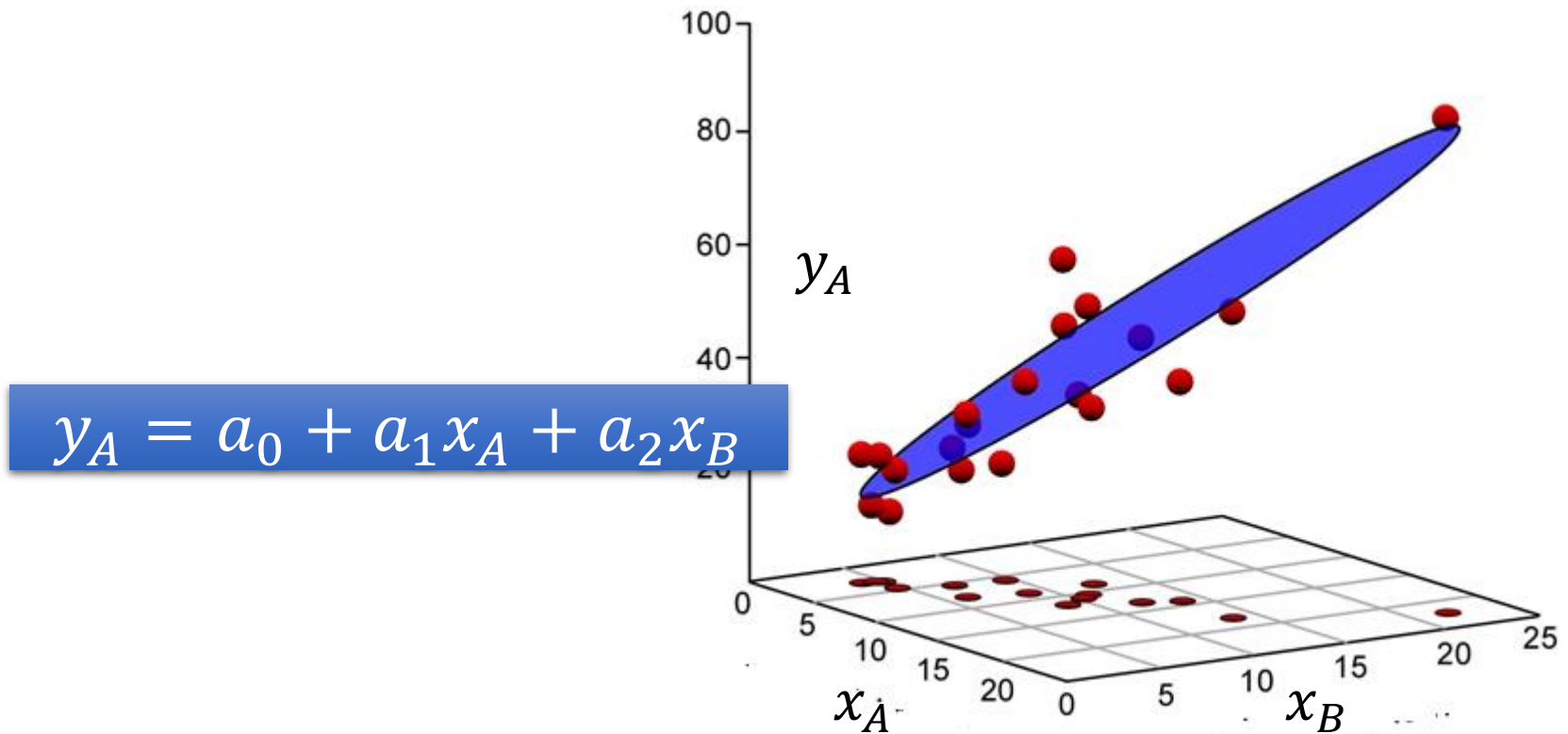
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$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 3 & 9 \\ 1 & 3.5 & 12.25 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 100 \\ 118 \\ 92 \\ 48 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$y = 101.00 + 29.77x - 16.11x^2$$

Best fitting polynomial of any desired maximum degree may be found with the same method.

# Multivariable Least Square Approximation



<http://www.palass.org/publications/newsletter/palaeomath-101/palaeomath-part-4-regression-iv>