

Day 32

## Learning Goals

- Direct sum
- Orthogonal complement
- Orthogonal projection
- Least squares

Defn Given  $F$ -vector spaces  $U, V$ , the direct sum of  $U$  and  $V$  is  $U \oplus V := U \times V = \{(u, v) \mid u \in U, v \in V\}$  with componentwise add'n and scalar mult'n:

$$(u, v) + (u', v') = (u + u', v + v')$$

$$\lambda(u, v) = (\lambda u, \lambda v).$$

Prop Let  $U, V \subseteq W$  st.

$$\textcircled{1} \text{ span}(U \cup V) = W$$

$$\textcircled{2} \text{ } U \cap V = \{0\}.$$

Then  $U \oplus V \rightarrow W$  is an isomorphism.

$$(u, v) \mapsto u + v$$

linearity is clear.

Pf  $\textcircled{1}$  guarantees surjectivity. If  $u + v = 0$  for  $u \in U, v \in V$  then  $u = -v \in V \cap U \Rightarrow u = v = 0$  by  $\textcircled{2}$ .

Thus  $\ker = \{0\}$  so the map is injective as well. □

From here on, let  $(V, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle)$  be an IPS over  $F = \mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ .

Defn For  $S \subseteq V$ , the **orthogonal complement** of  $S$  is

$$S^\perp := \{x \in V \mid \langle x, s \rangle = 0 \ \forall s \in S\}.$$

TPS  $S^\perp$  is a subspace of  $V$ .

Prop Suppose  $\dim V = n$  and  $S = \{v_1, \dots, v_k\} \subseteq V$  is orthonormal.

①  $S$  can be extended to an orthonormal basis  $\{v_1, \dots, v_k, v_{k+1}, \dots, v_n\}$  of  $V$ .

② If  $W = \text{span } S$ , then  $\{v_{k+1}, \dots, v_n\}$  is an orthonormal basis for  $W^\perp$ .

③ If  $W \subseteq V$ , then  $\dim W + \dim W^\perp = \dim V = n$ .

④ If  $W \subseteq V$ , then  $(W^\perp)^\perp = W$ .

Pf ① Apply Gram-Schmidt starting with  $\{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$ .

② Let  $S' = \{v_{k+1}, \dots, v_n\}$  which is lin ind and orthonormal. Since  $S$  is orthonormal,  $S' \subseteq W^\perp \Rightarrow \text{span } S' \subseteq W^\perp$ .

For  $x \in W^\perp$ , since  $S$  is orthonormal,

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \sum_{i=1}^n \langle x, v_i \rangle v_i \\ &= \sum_{i=k+1}^n \langle x, v_i \rangle v_i \quad (x \in W^\perp) \\ &\in \text{span } S' \end{aligned}$$

so  $\text{span } S' = W^\perp \Rightarrow S'$  a basis for  $W^\perp$ .

③ Let  $S = \{v_1, \dots, v_k\}$  be an orthonormal basis for  $W$  and let  $S' = \{v_{k+1}, \dots, v_n\}$  be as in ②.

Then  $\dim W = k$ ,  $\dim W^\perp = n - k$ .

④ We have  $(W^\perp)^\perp = \{x \in V \mid \langle x, y \rangle = 0 \text{ for } y \in W^\perp\} \geq W$ .

$$\text{Now } \dim (W^\perp)^\perp = n - \dim W^\perp = \dim W$$

$$\Rightarrow W = (W^\perp)^\perp. \quad \square$$

Prop Let  $W \leq V$ . Then  $V = W \oplus W^\perp$ , i.e.  
for  $y \in V \exists! u \in W, v \in W^\perp$  s.t.

$$y = u + v.$$

Call  $u$  the orthogonal projection of  $y$  onto  $W$ .  
If  $\{u_1, \dots, u_k\}$  is an orthonormal basis for  $W$ ,  
then  $u = \sum_{i=1}^k \langle y, u_i \rangle u_i$ .

pf Let  $\{u_1, \dots, u_k\}$  be an orthonormal basis of  $W$  and  
define  $u = \sum_{i=1}^k \langle y, u_i \rangle u_i$ ,  $v = y - u$ . Then  
 $u \in W$  and  $y = u + v$ . Furthermore, for  $1 \leq j \leq k$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \langle v, u_j \rangle &= \langle y - u, u_j \rangle \\ &= \langle y, u_j \rangle - \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^k \langle y, u_i \rangle u_i, u_j \right\rangle \\ &= \langle y, u_j \rangle - \sum_{i=1}^k \langle y, u_i \rangle \langle u_i, u_j \rangle \\ &= \langle y, u_j \rangle - \langle y, u_j \rangle \cdot 1 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

so  $v \in W^\perp$ .

Moral ex  $W \cap W^\perp = \{0\}$  and the expression is unique. □

Cor The orthogonal projection<sup>u</sup> of  $y$  onto  $W$  is the vector in  $W$  closest to  $y$ :

$$\|y - u\| \leq \|y - w\|$$

for all  $w \in W$  with equality iff  $u = w$ .

Pf Write  $y = u + v$  with  $u \in W, v \in W^\perp$ . Take  $w \in W$ . Then  $u - w \in W, y - u \in W^\perp$ . By Pythagoras,

$$\begin{aligned}\|y - w\|^2 &= \|(y - u) + (u - w)\|^2 \\ &= \|y - u\|^2 + \|u - w\|^2 \\ &\geq \|y - u\|^2\end{aligned}$$

with equality iff  $\|u - w\| = 0$  iff  $u = w$ . □

E.g. Let  $W = \text{span} \{ \overset{\vec{u}_1}{(1, 1, 0)}, \overset{\vec{u}_2}{(0, 1, 1)} \}$ . We determine the (minimal) distance of  $(4, 0, -1)$  from  $W$ :  
The orthogonal proj<sup>y</sup> of  $y$  onto  $W$  is

$$u = \frac{\langle y, u_1 \rangle}{\|u_1\|^2} u_1 + \frac{\langle y, u_2 \rangle}{\|u_2\|^2} u_2$$

$$= (3, 1, -2)$$

so  $y - u = (1, -1, 1)$  with  $\|y - u\| = \sqrt{3}$  the distance of  $y$  from  $W$ .

## Least squares

Goal Given  $A \in \text{Mat}_{m \times n}(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$ , find

$x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  s.t.  $\|r(x) := Ax - b\|$  is as small as possible.

— call this  $\hat{x}$ , the least squares solution.

Thm A vector  $\hat{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  is the least squares solution of  $Ax = b$  iff it is a sol'n of the associated normal system  $A^T A x = A^T b$ .

Pf Idea  $r(x)$  is minimized when it is orthogonal to the row space of  $A$ .

Show that  $\text{row}(A)^\perp = \ker(A^T)$  so  $\hat{x}$  satisfies

$$A^T r(\hat{x}) = 0 \Leftrightarrow A^T (b - A\hat{x}) = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow A^T A \hat{x} = A^T b.$$

Fact The normal system  $A^T A x = A^T b$   
is consistent  $\iff \ker(A) = 0 \iff$  columns of  $A$   
are lin ind.