

LECTURE 28

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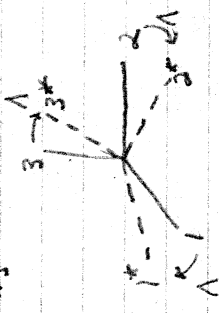
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I. RIGID TRANSFORMATION

Definition 28.1 A rigid transformation $\Lambda: V \rightarrow V$ is one which transforms an orthonormal basis into an orthonormal basis

$\{e_1, \dots, e_n\} = \text{old orthonormal basis} \xrightarrow{\Lambda} \{e_1^*, \dots, e_n^*\} = \text{new orthonormal basis}$



Proposition 28.1 A rigid transformation is orthogonal.

Let $\Lambda: 1, e_i^* = \Lambda(e_i) = e_j \Lambda_{ji}$

2. The matrix elements Λ_{ji} are computed using the orthonormality

$$e_k \cdot e_i^* = e_k \cdot e_j \Lambda_{ji} = \Lambda_{ki}$$

3. Thus $\delta_{ki} = e_k^* \cdot e_i^* = e_k \cdot e_l e_l \cdot e_j \Lambda_{ji}$

$$= \Lambda_{kl} \Lambda_{ji} \delta_{kl} \quad \text{"column } k \text{ of } \Lambda$$

$$= \Lambda_{lk} \Lambda_{ji} \delta_{kl} \quad \text{"index notation"}$$

$$\delta_{ki} = (\Lambda^T \Lambda)_{ki}$$

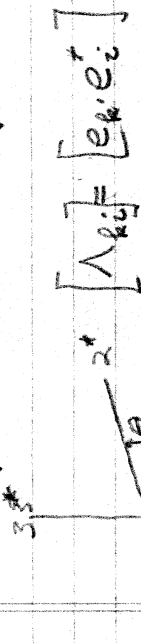
$$\therefore I = \Lambda^T \Lambda \quad \text{"matrix notation"}$$

Comment: The matrix element Λ_{ki} can be computed using orthonormality

$$e_k \cdot e_i^* = e_k \cdot e_j \Lambda_{ji} = \Lambda_{ki} = \cos(\theta_k, e_i^*)$$

= cos of θ between old k-axis and new i-axis.

Example 1: Rotation by θ around z-axis



$$\Lambda_{kj} = [e_k \cdot e_j^*] = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \cos(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta) & \cos \frac{\pi}{2} \\ \cos(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta) & \cos \theta & \cos \frac{\pi}{2} \\ \cos \frac{\pi}{2} & \cos \frac{\pi}{2} & \cos 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta & 0 \\ \sin \theta & \cos \theta & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

1) Rotate the vector using Λ .

$$x \mapsto x^* = \Lambda(x)$$

$$e_i^* \cdot x^* = \Lambda(e_i^*) \cdot x^* = \Lambda(e_i) \cdot x = e_j^* \cdot x$$

= rotated vector where $e_i^* = e_j \Lambda_{ji}$ (different from x)

2) change basis but vector stays fixed:

$$\text{Let } \vec{x} = x^i e_i = x^j e_j^*$$

$$\text{Passive view point } e_j^* \cdot x^* = e_j \cdot \Lambda^T x^*$$

$$x^* = \Lambda^T x$$

$$[x^*]_{old} = \Lambda^T [x]_{new}$$

same vector

but

different rep'n

II. ACTIVE vs PASSIVE VIEWPOINT

A rotation Λ can be used for two different purposes:

1. Rotate a vector using Λ :

$$\vec{x} \mapsto \vec{x}^* = \Lambda(\vec{x})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{e}_i \cdot \vec{x} \mapsto \Lambda(\vec{e}_i \cdot \vec{x}) &= \Lambda(\vec{e}_i) \cdot \vec{x} \\ &= (\vec{e}_j^* \Lambda_{ji}) \cdot \vec{x} \\ &= \vec{e}_j^* (\Lambda_{ji} x^j) \end{aligned}$$

$$\vec{x}^* = \vec{e}_j^* x^{*j} = \text{rotated vector}$$

Thus we have a different vector but the basis is the same, i.e. the orientation of the basis vectors remains fixed relative to the fixed stars while the vector rotates.

In physics and engineering, this use of Λ is called the active viewpoint,

2. Change the basis, but keep the vector fixed (relative to the fixed stars):

$$\vec{e}_i \cdot \vec{x} = \vec{x} = \vec{e}_k^* x^{*k} \quad (\text{same vector different basis})$$

$$\vec{e}_i \cdot \vec{x} = \vec{e}_i \cdot \Lambda_{ik} x^{*k}$$

Thus

$$x^i = \Lambda_{ik} x^{*k}$$

This expresses a transition between two representations whose transition matrix (see page 125)

$$\text{is } P_{ik} = \Lambda^{-1}_{ik}$$

(Indeed, using $\Lambda^{-1}_{ik} \Lambda_{ik} = \delta_{ik}$, one obtains

$$x^{*k} = \Lambda^{-1}_{ik} x^i, \text{ the transition from the old}$$

$[\vec{x}^i]$ to the new $[\vec{x}^{*k}]$ representation of \vec{x} .)

Using Λ for this purpose is called the passive

viewpoint. Thus one has the active viewpoint, where one rotates the vector \vec{x} while keeping the

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basis fixed (relative to the fixed stars) vs
the passive viewpoint where one
keeps the vector fixed (relative to the

fixed stars) while changing the reference

frame by means of a rotation.

III. Orthogonal Projections

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The Gram-Schmidt process consisted

of removing the orthogonal projections

$$\frac{\langle u_j | v \rangle}{\|u_j\|^2} u_j \quad j=1, \dots, N$$

from v ,

$$w^* = v - \left[\frac{\langle u_1 | v \rangle}{\|u_1\|^2} u_1 + \dots + \frac{\langle u_N | v \rangle}{\|u_N\|^2} u_N \right]$$

Hence $[\dots] = w^*$ is the orthogonal projection

of v onto the subspace $Sp(\{u_j\}_{j=1}^N) = W_N$

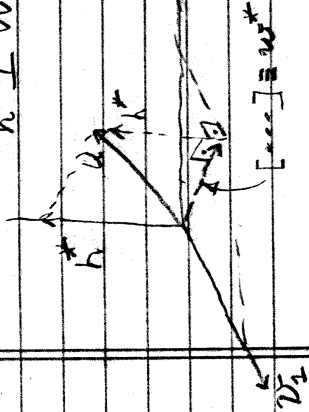
Removing these projections resulted in w^* , a

vector which was orthogonal to W_N

$$h^* \perp W : \langle u_j | h^* \rangle = 0; j=1, \dots, N$$

whenever the vector

u_1, \dots, u_N
 $\rightarrow v_2$ where mutually
orthogonal.



IV. LEAST SQUARES PROBLEM 28.7

One of the consequences of this orthogonality is that h^* minimizes the squared

distance of v from W_N . In other words,

\exists an optimal $w^* \in W_N$ such that

$$\|h^*\|^2 \leq \|v - w\|^2 \quad \forall w \in W_N$$

This observation motivates the following

the following orthogonal projection

problem:

Least-Squares Problem

Let V be an inner product space

Let $W_N \subset V$ be a subspace.

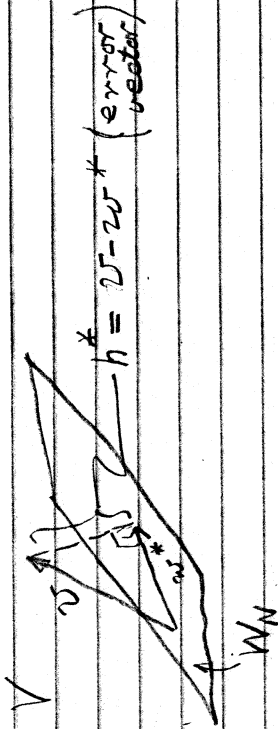
GIVEN $v \in V$, FIND in W_N a vector

w^* such that

$$\|v - w^*\|^2 = \min_{w \in W_N} \|v - w\|^2$$

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i.e. $\|v - w^*\| \leq \|v - w\| \quad \forall w \in W_N$



Comment: w^* is called (i) the orthogonal projection

of v onto W_N or

(ii) nearest vector in W_N to v

(iii) the least squares approximation

to v .

VI, SOLUTION TO LEAST SQUARES PROBLEM,

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This problem is solved by the following

Theorem (Perpendicular distance = Minimum distance)

Given:

V is an inner product space

$W_N \subseteq V$ is a subspace of V

Conclusion

\exists a unique $w^* \in W_N$ such that

$$\langle v, w - w^* \rangle = 0 \quad \forall w \in W_N$$

if and only if $\langle v, w - w^* \rangle = 0$

$$\|v - w^*\|^2 = \|v - w\|^2 \quad \forall w \in W_N$$

or equivalently, $\exists w^* \in W_N$ such that

$$\|v - w^*\| \leq \|v - w\| \quad \forall w \in W_N$$

Proof (\Rightarrow):

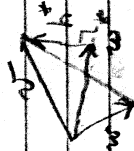
Let $w \in W_N$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|v - w\|^2 &= \langle v - w^* + w^* - w, v - w^* + w^* - w \rangle \\ &= \underbrace{\langle v - w^*, v - w^* \rangle}_{\|v - w^*\|^2} + \underbrace{\langle w^* - w, v - w^* \rangle}_{0} + \underbrace{\langle w^* - w, w^* - w \rangle}_{\|w^* - w\|^2} \end{aligned}$$

becaus $w^* - w \in W_N$

Thus

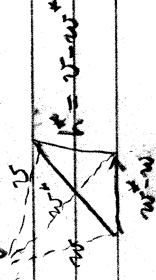
$$\|v - w^*\|^2 \leq \|v - w\|^2 \quad \forall w \in W_N$$



Comment

$$\|v - w\|^2 = \|v - w^*\|^2 + \|w^* - w\|^2$$

the Pythagorean theorem



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