

The orthogonal projection of \vec{b} onto $\text{col}(A)$ minimizes $\|A\vec{x} - \vec{b}\|^2$

Best estimate $\hat{\vec{x}} = (A^T A)^{-1} \cdot A^T \cdot \vec{b}$

$$A \hat{\vec{x}} = A(A^T A)^{-1} \cdot A^T \cdot \vec{b} \approx \vec{b}$$

ex. $A = \begin{bmatrix} ? \\ ? \end{bmatrix}$ $\vec{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ $\begin{bmatrix} ? \\ ? \end{bmatrix} \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Gaussian Elimination yields no solution

$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^T A = 5$$

$$(A^T A)^{-1} = 1/5$$

$$\hat{\vec{x}} = 1/5 \cdot 3 = 3/5$$

LINEAR REGRESSION



$$y = mx + c$$

we have many x, y

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 & 1 \\ x_2 & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ x_n & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} m \\ c \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix}$$

We can use least squares to find the line of best fit.

Least Squares can fail if $A^T A$ is non-invertible.

THM $\text{Null}(A^T A) = \text{Null}(A) \rightarrow$ nontrivial, and cols of A are lin dependent

1. If $\vec{u} \in N(A)$, then $\vec{u} \in N(A^T A)$

2. If $\vec{w} \in N(A^T A)$, then $\vec{w} \in N(A)$

PROOF 1. $A\vec{u} = 0 \quad (A^T A)\vec{u} = A^T(A\vec{u}) = A^T \cdot 0 = 0 \implies \vec{u} \in N(A^T A)$

2. $A^T A \vec{w} = 0 \quad A\vec{w} = \vec{q}$

$$\hookrightarrow 0 \rightarrow \langle \vec{q}, \vec{q} \rangle = (A\vec{w})^T (A\vec{w}) = \vec{w}^T A^T A \vec{w} = \vec{w}^T \cdot 0$$

$$= 0 \rightarrow \|\vec{q}\| = 0 \rightarrow \vec{q} = 0$$

$$\implies \vec{w} \in N(A)$$