

Projection matrices

recall \hat{b} = orth. proj. of b onto $\text{col}(A)$
 $= A \hat{x}$ where \hat{x} is least squares solution to $Ax = b$

$\implies A^T A \hat{x} = A^T b$

$\implies \hat{x} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b$
 invertible (\Leftrightarrow) cols of A independent

$\hat{b} = A (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b$
 projection matrix for projecting onto $\text{col}(A)$

EG Matrix for projecting onto $\text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \text{col}(A)$
 $A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$P = A (A^T A)^{-1} A^T$
 $= \begin{bmatrix} 17 & 1 \\ 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{84} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & -1 \\ -1 & 17 \end{bmatrix}$
 $= \frac{1}{21} \begin{bmatrix} 20 & -2 & 4 \\ -2 & 17 & 8 \\ 4 & 8 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$

observations

- orth. proj. of $\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 11 \end{bmatrix}$ is $P \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 11 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 4 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$
- the columns of P are the projections of the standard basis vectors
 first col = $\frac{1}{21} \begin{bmatrix} 20 \\ -2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} = \text{proj. of } \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$
- $P^2 = P$
- the orth. proj. of v onto $w = \frac{w \cdot v}{\|w\|^2} w$
 $\hat{v} = w \underbrace{(w^T w)^{-1}}_{\|w\|^2} \underbrace{w^T v}_{w \cdot v}$