

## GPH 503 Homework Assignment 5

### Least Squares Approximation

**Question 1 (10 pts):** For  $\mathbf{b}=\{0,8,8,20\}$  and  $\mathbf{t}=\{0,1,3,4\}$  set up  $A^T A \hat{\mathbf{x}}=A^T \mathbf{b}$  and find the closest line  $C+Dt$  using least squares approximation. Plot the straight line and the data points in matlab (or on a graph paper) and calculate the total error. Check that error is perpendicular to both columns of  $A$ .

**Question 2 (5 pts):** Now change the data points to  $\mathbf{b}=\{1,5,13,17\}$  and solve directly for a straight line (Hint: Use elimination).

**Question 3 (10 pts):** Now write down  $E=\|Ax-b\|^2$  sum of squares for  $\mathbf{t}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  in question 1. For example last term should be  $E=(C+4D-20)^2$ . Sum to obtain the function  $E$ . Then set  $\frac{\partial E}{\partial C}$  and  $\frac{\partial E}{\partial D}$  Divide by 2 to obtain the normal equations  $A^T A \hat{\mathbf{x}}=A^T \mathbf{b}$ .

**Question 4 (15 pts):** This time, solve the question for the closest parabola  $b=C+Dt+Et^2$  for the same points. Write down the unsolvable  $Ax=b$ . Set up the equations  $A^T A \hat{\mathbf{x}}=A^T \mathbf{b}$ . Now instead of 2, you have 3 free variables to fit the data. Solve the equations (in MATLAB, because it would be hard to take the inverse by hand).

### Orthogonal Bases and Gram-Schmidt

**Question 5 (15 pts):** (a) (8 pts) Find orthonormal vectors  $\mathbf{q}_1$  and  $\mathbf{q}_2$  in the plane of  $\mathbf{a}=(1,3,4,5,7)$  and  $\mathbf{b}=(-6,6,8,0,8)$

(b) (7 pts) Which vector in this plane is closest to  $(1,0,0,0,0)$ .

**Question 6 (15 pts)** Find an orthonormal base for the column space of  $A$ , then compute the projection

of  $\mathbf{b}$  onto that column space for  $A=\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{b}=\begin{bmatrix} -4 \\ -3 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

### Determinants

**Question 7 (10 pts)** Compute the determinants of  $A$  and  $B$ . Are their columns independent.

(a)  $A=\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 4 & 6 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 & 1 & 6 \\ 2 & 3 & 5 & 2 \\ 1 & 4 & 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  (b)  $B=\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 8 & 9 \end{bmatrix}$

**Question 8 (15 pts)**

(a) (5 pts) Find the area of the parallelogram with edges  $\mathbf{v}=\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\mathbf{w}=\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$

(b) (5 pts) Find the area of the triangle with sides  $\mathbf{v}$ ,  $\mathbf{w}$  and  $\mathbf{v}+\mathbf{w}$ . Draw it.

(c) (5 pts) Find the area of the triangle with sides  $\mathbf{v}$ ,  $\mathbf{w}$  and  $\mathbf{v}-\mathbf{w}$ . Draw it.

**Question 9 (5 pts)** A box has edges from  $(0,0,0)$  to  $(3,1,1)$  and  $(1,3,1)$  and  $(1,1,3)$ . Find its volume.