

Assignment 4

1. Assignment 3, Problem 2.

You came up with the expression $|\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{y}|^2 - |\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{a}|^2$. To identify the least squared approximation line (see Assignment 2, item 2) we would need to solve the following problem

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^m |\mathbf{a}_i - \mathbf{y}|^2 - |\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{a}_i|^2 \text{ subject to } \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} = 1, \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y} = 0 \right\} \quad (1)$$

(see Assignment 3, formula 2). The expression involves two unknown \mathbf{x} and \mathbf{y} and they are related ($\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y} = 0$). We assume first that \mathbf{x} with $|\mathbf{x}| = 1$ is known, and will try to identify \mathbf{y} so that

$$\min_{\mathbf{y}} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^m |\mathbf{a}_i - \mathbf{y}|^2 \text{ subject to } \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y} = 0 \right\} \quad (2)$$

(if \mathbf{x} is known, then $\sum_{i=1}^m |\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{a}_i|^2$ is just a constant). This is **Assignment 4, Problem 1**.