

# Welcome to Module 3!

- MT2 scores released soon
  - Course Notes, same as module 1: I'll update
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Module 1: Focus on modeling, using tools from linear algebra.

Module 2: Analysis & Design of physical systems.

Module 3: On "optimization" and "machine learning".

{ Module 1: How to solve consistent systems of LEQs  
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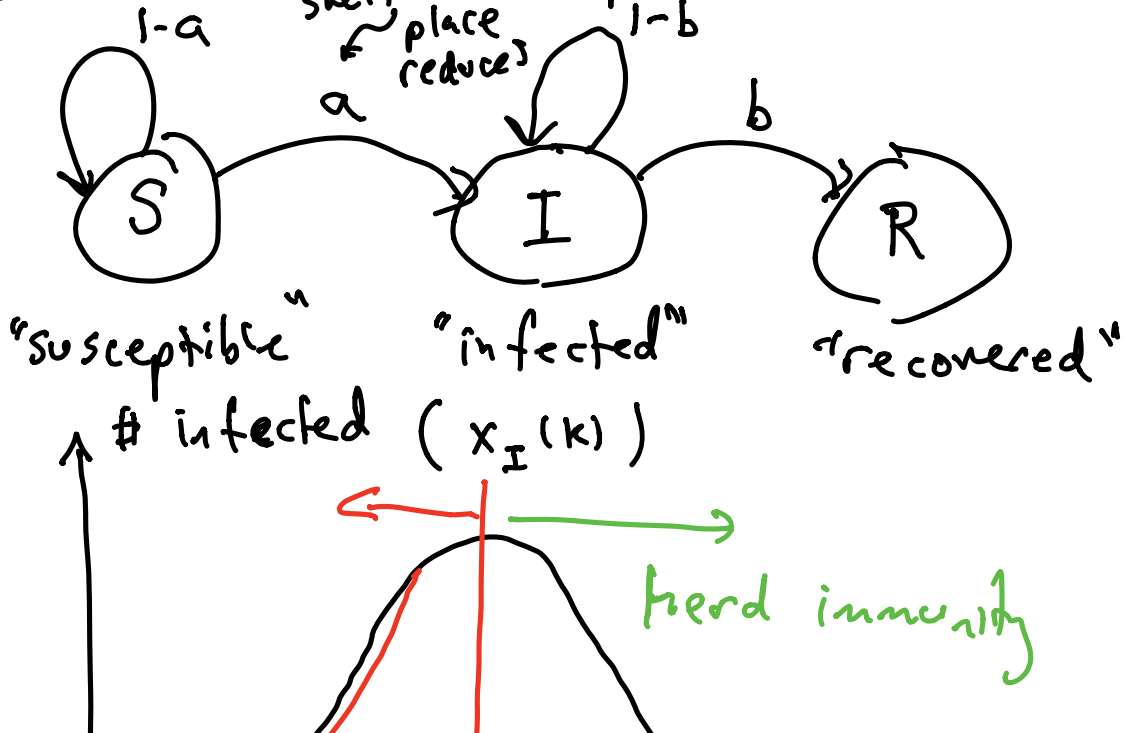
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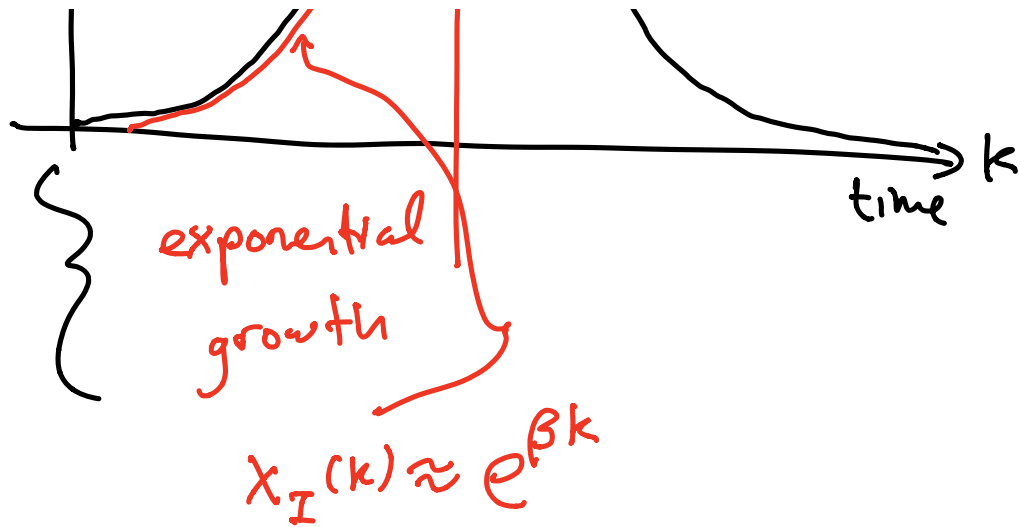
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Unknowns

Module 3: Approximately solving  
inconsistent systems of LEQs  
of form  $A \vec{x} \approx \vec{b}$ .

inconsistent  $\Rightarrow$  no choice of  $\vec{x}$   
which gives equality.

Ex: COVID-19 epidemic





Growth rate  $\beta$  is a function of the model parameters  $a, b$ .

we don't know these in real-life.

What do we know?

Observe # deaths

Observe # infected individuals

(assuming widespread testing)

Say, we observe  $\underline{\underline{z_k}}$  infected individuals on day  $\underline{\underline{k}} \geq 0$ .  $k=0 \equiv$  date of first infection

infection

Model predicts:

$$i_k \approx e^{\beta k} \quad 0 \leq k \leq T$$

unknown rate  
of epidemic growth.

$$0 \cdot \beta \approx \log i_0$$

$$1 \cdot \beta \approx \log i_1$$

⋮

$$T \cdot \beta \approx \log i_T$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ \vdots \\ T \end{bmatrix} \beta = \begin{bmatrix} \log i_0 \\ \vdots \\ \log i_T \end{bmatrix} \left. \vphantom{\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ \vdots \\ T \end{bmatrix}} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{generally} \\ \text{inconsistent} \\ \text{system of} \\ \text{LEQs.} \end{array}$$

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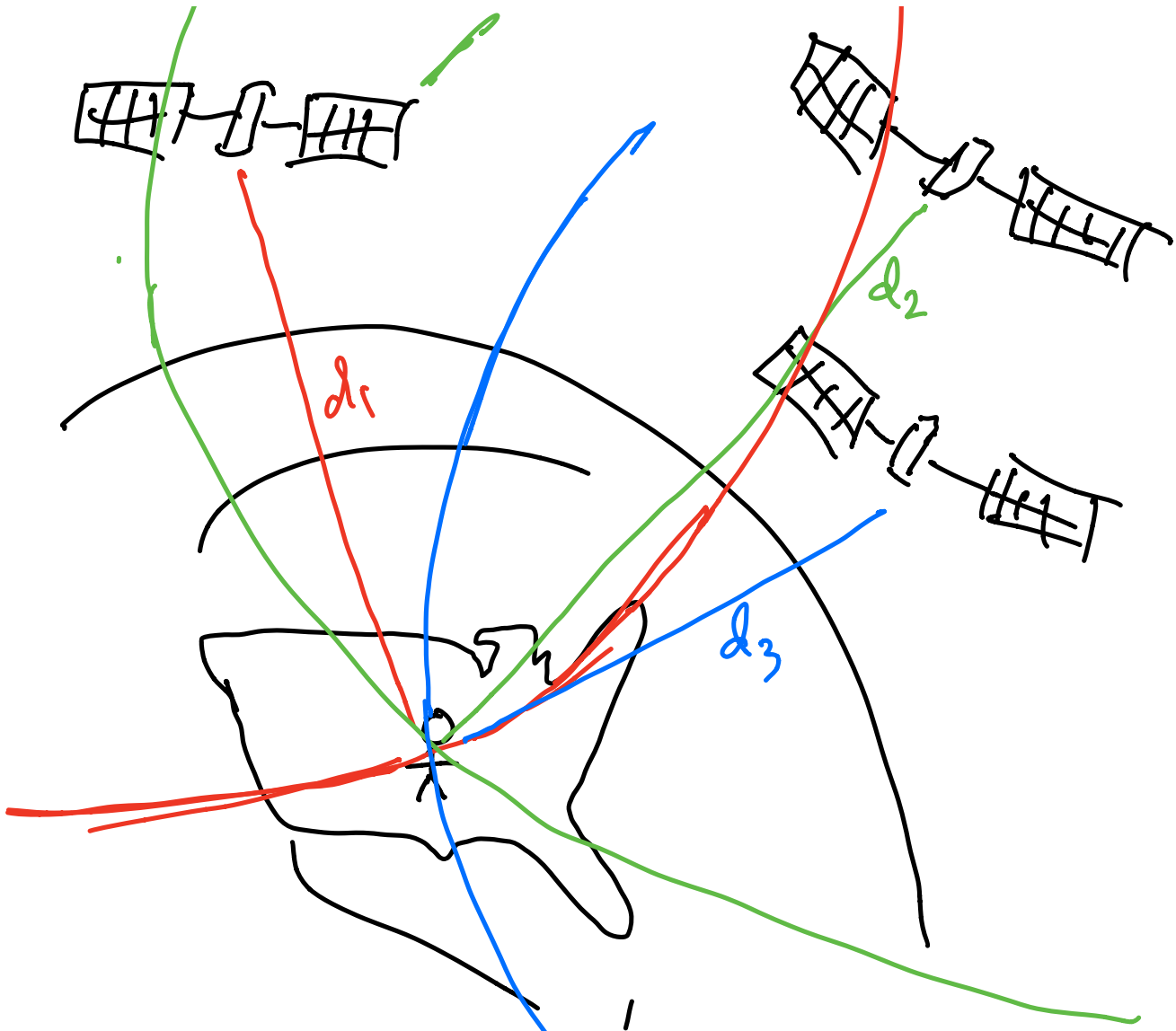
ML Problems : ~~Basically~~ Often boil down to inferring model parameters from observed data,

some flavors in this module:

- Classification { Q: How to tell whether picture is dog or cat?
  - Estimation { Q: How to estimate model parameters from data.
  - Prediction { Q: How to predict stocks tomorrow based on past performance.
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Today: Introduce localization problem (GPS), which will be running example in this module.

Design Problem : GPS



24 satellites, ensures 8 satellites visible from any point.

- Q:
- ① How do we estimate distance?  
     ↳ estimation.
  - ② Which satellite am I hearing?

## ↑ Classification

③ How to synthesize imperfect estimates?

Note: All of these problems can be solved by clever applications of L.A.

Note: These same techniques underly all communication systems.

### Inner Products:

For a real vector space  $\mathcal{V}$ ,  
a mapping  $\underline{\vec{u}, \vec{v} \in \mathcal{V} \longrightarrow \langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle \in \mathbb{R}}$   
is called an inner product if it satisfies:

1) Symmetry:  $\langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle = \langle \vec{v}, \vec{u} \rangle$  ✓

2) Linearity in first argument: ✓

$$\langle \alpha \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle = \alpha \langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle \quad \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\langle \vec{u} + \vec{w}, \vec{v} \rangle = \langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle + \langle \vec{w}, \vec{v} \rangle$$

3) Positive-definiteness: ✓

$$\langle \vec{v}, \vec{v} \rangle \geq 0, \text{ with equality iff } \vec{v} = \vec{0}.$$

Big Idea: Why care about inner products?

They allow us to measure "similarity" between vectors.

Ex: "Euclidean" inner product on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ :

$$\vec{x}, \vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad \langle \vec{x}, \vec{y} \rangle = \vec{x}^T \vec{y} = \sum x_i y_i. \quad \checkmark$$

(dot product)

Other examples of inner products:

Ex:  $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is symmetric matrix with positive eigenvalues.  $\hookrightarrow$  satisfies (1)

$$\langle \vec{x}, \vec{y} \rangle = \vec{x}^T Q \vec{y} \quad \hookrightarrow \text{satisfies (3).}$$

is an



$\checkmark$   $\checkmark$  inner product on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .  
Ex:  $Q = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $V = \mathbb{R}^2$

$$\langle \vec{x}, \vec{y} \rangle = \vec{x}^T Q \vec{y} = x_1 y_1 + 3 x_2 y_2$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Ex:  $V =$  set of functions  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$   
 such that  $\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} |f(x)|^2 dx < \infty$ .

$$\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(x) g(x) dx$$

This plays a huge role in EE120.

Norms: Any inner product induces a corresponding "norm":

$$\|\vec{v}\| \rightarrow \sqrt{\langle \vec{v}, \vec{v} \rangle}$$

$$\|\vec{v}\| = \sqrt{v \cdot v}, \quad v \cdot v \geq 0.$$

In general, norm  $\|\cdot\|$  satisfies 3 properties

1) Homogeneity:  $\|\alpha \vec{v}\| = |\alpha| \|\vec{v}\|$   
 $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}.$

2) Non-negative:  $\|\vec{v}\| \geq 0$ , with equality  
only if  $\vec{v} = \vec{0}.$

3) Triangle inequality:

$$\|\vec{u} + \vec{v}\| \leq \|\vec{u}\| + \|\vec{v}\|$$

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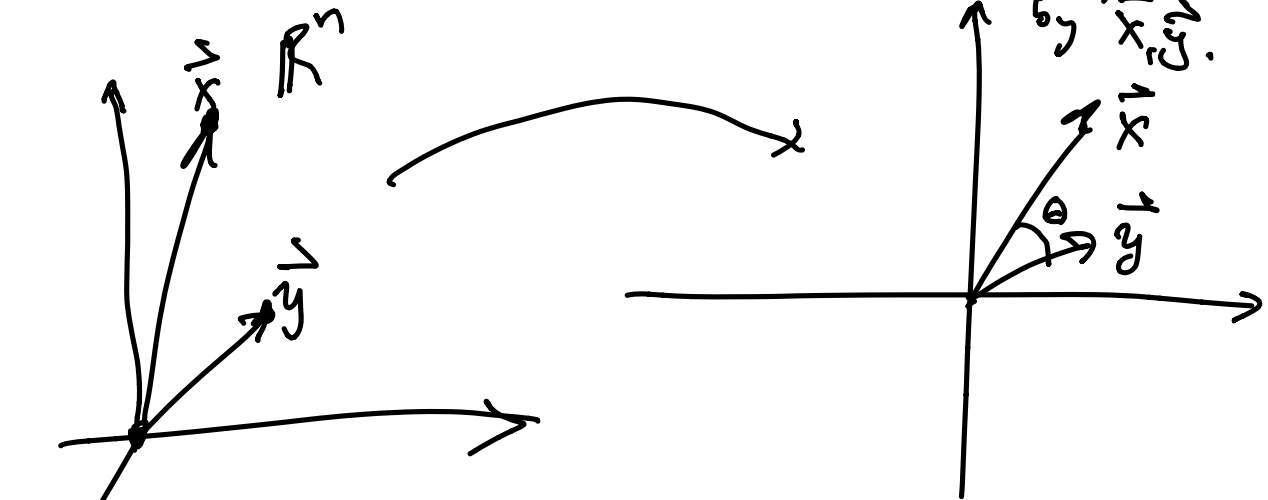
Note: Euclidean inner product induces norm:

$$\|\vec{x}\| = \sqrt{\langle \vec{x}, \vec{x} \rangle} = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_n^2}$$

Euclidean length.

Geometric Interpretation of  
Inner Product

Lets stick with Euclidean Inner Product  
for now:



Fact: For Euclidean Inner Product

$$\langle \vec{x}, \vec{y} \rangle = \|\vec{x}\| \|\vec{y}\| \cos \theta$$

$\theta$  = angle between  
vectors  $\vec{x}, \vec{y}$ .

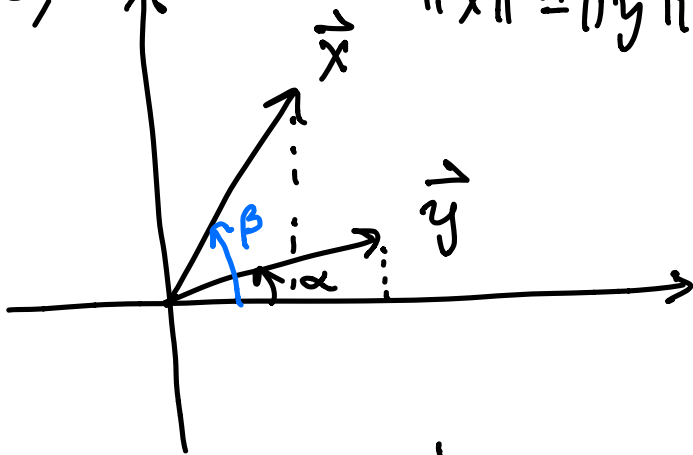
Why? Can assume  $\vec{x}, \vec{y} \neq \vec{0}$

$$\left\langle \frac{\vec{x}}{\|\vec{x}\|}, \frac{\vec{y}}{\|\vec{y}\|} \right\rangle = \cos \theta$$

unit vectors in direction of  $\vec{x}, \vec{y}$  resp.

$$\text{E.g. } \left\| \frac{\vec{x}}{\|\vec{x}\|} \right\| = \frac{1}{\|\vec{x}\|} \|\vec{x}\| = 1.$$

So, can assume  $\|\vec{x}\| = \|\vec{y}\| = 1.$



$$\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \beta \\ \sin \beta \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{y} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \alpha \\ \sin \alpha \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\langle \vec{x}, \vec{y} \rangle = \cos \beta \cos \alpha + \sin \beta \sin \alpha$$

$$\stackrel{=}{=} \cos(\beta - \alpha)$$

trig  
identity

angle between  $\vec{x}$  and  $\vec{y}$ .

For general inner products, we can define a notion of angle between vectors using the same identity.

Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality

$$|\langle \vec{u}, \vec{v} \rangle| \leq \|\vec{u}\| \|\vec{v}\|.$$

(For any inner product)