# STAT 309: MATHEMATICAL COMPUTATIONS I FALL 2023 LECTURE 14

#### 1. MULTIPLE RIGHT-HAND SIDES AND INVERSE

- let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and  $\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_p \in \mathbb{R}^m$
- ullet suppose we need to solve p linear systems with the same coefficient matrix but different right-hand sides

$$A\mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{b}_1, \quad A\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{b}_2, \quad \dots, \quad A\mathbf{x}_p = \mathbf{b}_p$$
 (1.1)

• this is equivalent to solving the matrix equation

$$AX = B$$

where  $X = [\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_p] \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$  and  $B = [\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_p] \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times p}$ 

• for example, this is what we do when we need to compute the inverse of an  $n \times n$  nonsingular matrix A:

$$AX = I$$
,

which is equivalent to the systems of equations

$$A\mathbf{x}_j = \mathbf{e}_j, \quad j = 1, \dots, n$$

- since only the right-hand side is different in each of these systems, we need only compute the LU factorization (or QR or Cholesky, etc) of A once
- more generally, this is how we should compute  $A^{-1}B$  for matrices A and B, we should solve (1.1) instead of finding the explicit inverse  $A^{-1}$  and then multiplying it to B (exercise: what if you need  $AB^{-1}$ ?)

### 2. BLOCK FACTORIZATIONS AND SCHUR COMPLEMENT

- a surprisingly simple and powerful idea that appeared implicitly several times in our earlier discussions is that of *block elimination* and *block factorization*
- all it involves is to consider a matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  as a  $2 \times 2$  block matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $A_{11} \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times p}$ ,  $A_{22} \in \mathbb{R}^{q \times q}$ ,  $A_{12} \in \mathbb{R}^{q \times p}$ ,  $A_{21} \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times q}$  for some p and q where p + q = n

- this works for rectangular matrices too but we keep our discussion to square matrices for simplicity
- many of the stuff that we discussed can be carried over to block matrices
- for example, if  $A_{11}$  is nonsingular, we could define an  $n \times n$  block elimination matrix

$$M_1 = I - U_1 V_1^\mathsf{T}$$

where  $U_1, V_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$  are

$$U_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ A_{21}A_{11}^{-1} \end{bmatrix}, \quad V_1 = \begin{bmatrix} I_p \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

• in other words

$$M_{1} = \begin{bmatrix} I_{p} & 0 \\ 0 & I_{q} \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ A_{21}A_{11}^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I_{p} & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I_{p} & 0 \\ -A_{21}A_{11}^{-1} & I_{q} \end{bmatrix}$$

• applying this to A gives

$$M_1 A = \begin{bmatrix} I_p & 0 \\ -A_{21} A_{11}^{-1} & I_q \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ 0 & S \end{bmatrix}$$

where

$$S = A_{22} - A_{21}A_{11}^{-1}A_{12}$$

is called the Schur complement of  $A_{11}$  in A

• we can easy verify that

$$L_1 := M_1^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} I_p & 0 \\ A_{21}A_{11}^{-1} & I_q \end{bmatrix}$$

• the analogue of LU factorization of A as a  $2 \times 2$  block matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} L_{11} & 0 \\ L_{21} & L_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_{11} & U_{12} \\ 0 & U_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

is called a block LU factorization

- note that  $L_{11}$  and  $L_{22}$  can be any matrices, not necessarily lower triangular, ditto for  $U_{11}$  and  $U_{22}$
- multiplying out the RHS, we see that

$$A_{11} = L_{11}U_{11}$$

• it is also easy to see that

$$L_{22}U_{22} = S = A_{22} - A_{21}A_{11}^{-1}A_{12}$$

• we omitted permutation matrices but they can be easily incorporated: for example, if

$$A_{11} = \Pi_1^{\mathsf{T}} L_1 U_1 \Pi_2^{\mathsf{T}}, \quad S = \Pi_3^{\mathsf{T}} L_2 U_2$$

then we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \Pi_1^\mathsf{T} & 0 \\ 0 & \Pi_3^\mathsf{T} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} L_1 & 0 \\ \Pi_3 A_{21} \Pi_2 U_1^{-1} & L_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_1 & L_1^{-1} \Pi_1 A_{12} \\ 0 & U_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \Pi_2^\mathsf{T} & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix}$$

- what we discuss here also apply to LDU,  $LDL^{\mathsf{T}}$ , and Cholesky factorizations
- for example if A is symmetric positive definite, then its Cholesky factorization written in  $2 \times 2$  block form

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{21}^\mathsf{T} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix} = A = R^\mathsf{T} R = \begin{bmatrix} R_{11}^\mathsf{T} & 0 \\ R_{12}^\mathsf{T} & R_{22}^\mathsf{T} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} R_{11} & R_{12} \\ 0 & R_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} R_{11}^\mathsf{T} R_{11} & R_{12}^\mathsf{T} R_{12} \\ R_{12}^\mathsf{T} R_{11} & R_{12}^\mathsf{T} R_{12} + R_{22}^\mathsf{T} R_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

is called block Cholesky factorization

- again  $R_{11}$  and  $R_{22}$  need not be upper triangular
- note that since A is symmetric positive definite, so is  $A_{11}$  (why?)
- multiplying out the RHS, we see that

$$A_{11} = R_{11}^{\mathsf{T}} R_{11}$$

• it is also easy to see that

$$R_{22}^{\mathsf{T}} R_{22} = A_{22} - A_{21} A_{11}^{-1} A_{21}^{\mathsf{T}}$$

### 3. SOLVING BLOCK LINEAR SYSTEM WITH SCHUR COMPLEMENT

- Schur complement is a very useful notion
- in the following we will assume that A is partitioned as in the previous section with  $A_{11}$  nonsingular
- first observe that A is nonsingular if and only if S is nonsingular
- a very useful application is in solving linear equations by block elimination, i.e., solving  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  by partitioning it into

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1 \\ \mathbf{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{b}_1 \\ \mathbf{b}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$
 (3.1)

where  $\mathbf{b}_1 \in \mathbb{R}^p, \mathbf{b}_2 \in \mathbb{R}^q$ 

• plugging the first equation

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = A_{11}^{-1}(\mathbf{b}_1 - A_{12}\mathbf{x}_2) \tag{3.2}$$

into the second equation yields

$$(A_{22} - A_{21}A_{11}^{-1}A_{12})\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{b}_2 - A_{21}A_{11}^{-1}\mathbf{b}_1 \tag{3.3}$$

- this allows us to solve  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  as follows
  - form  $A_{11}^{-1}A_{12}$  and  $A_{11}^{-1}\mathbf{b}$  by solving a system with multiple right hand sides
  - form  $S = A_{22} A_{21}A_{11}^{-1}A_{12}$  and  $\widetilde{\mathbf{b}} = \mathbf{b}_2 A_{21}A_{11}^{-1}\mathbf{b}_1$
  - solve  $S\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{b}$  for  $\mathbf{x}_2$
  - solve  $A_{11}\mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{b}_1 A_{12}\mathbf{x}_2$  for  $\mathbf{x}_1$
- this would be very useful if  $A_{11}$  is an 'easy to invert' matrix, e.g.,  $A_{11}$  is diagonal, banded, orthogonal, Toeplitz, sparse, etc
- such situations where the 'top left corner' of a matrix A has special structure arise more often than you think, especially in
  - numerical optimization (KKT matrix  $A_{11}$  corresponds to the Hessian, the other blocks correspond to the constraints)
  - numerical PDE (discretized version of differential operator with boundary conditions  $A_{11}$  corresponds to the operator, the other blocks to the boundary conditions)
- another way to view the above method is via the factorization

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & 0 \\ A_{21} & S \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I & A_{11}^{-1} A_{12} \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix}$$
(3.4)

• so solving  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  can be broken up into two steps

$$\begin{cases} \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & 0 \\ A_{21} & S \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{y}_1 \\ \mathbf{y}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{b}_1 \\ \mathbf{b}_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} I & A_{11}^{-1} A_{12} \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1 \\ \mathbf{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{y}_1 \\ \mathbf{y}_2 \end{bmatrix} \end{cases}$$

• or equivalently

$$\begin{cases} A_{11}\mathbf{y}_1 = \mathbf{b}_1 \\ S\mathbf{y}_2 = \mathbf{b}_2 - A_{21}\mathbf{y}_1 \\ \mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{y}_2 \\ \mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{y}_1 - A_{11}^{-1}A_{12}\mathbf{y}_2 \end{cases}$$

### 4. DETERMINANTS AND INVERSES WITH SCHUR COMPLEMENT

• recall the block LU decomposition

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & 0 \\ A_{21} & S \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I & A_{11}^{-1} A_{12} \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix}$$

where

$$S = A_{22} - A_{21}A_{11}^{-1}A_{12}$$

is the Schur complement

• this gives us a nice way to evaluate determinant of block matrix

$$\det(A) = \det(A_{11}) \det(S)$$

• it also gives us a formula for the inverse of block matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11}^{-1} + A_{11}^{-1} A_{12} S^{-1} A_{21} A_{11}^{-1} & -A_{11}^{-1} A_{12} S^{-1} \\ -S^{-1} A_{21} A_{11}^{-1} & S^{-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

• the trick to derive this expression is to consider

$$\begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1 \\ \mathbf{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{b}_1 \\ \mathbf{b}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

and try to express

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1 \\ \mathbf{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} B_{11} & B_{12} \\ B_{21} & B_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{b}_1 \\ \mathbf{b}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

and in which case  $B = A^{-1}$ 

• we already have

$$(A_{22} - A_{21}A_{11}^{-1}A_{12})\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{b}_2 - A_{21}A_{11}^{-1}\mathbf{b}_1$$
(4.1)

from the last lecture which expresses  $\mathbf{x}_2$  in terms of  $\mathbf{b}_1$  and  $\mathbf{b}_2$ 

• we need something similar for  $\mathbf{x}_1$  and so we plug (4.1) back into

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = A_{11}^{-1}(\mathbf{b}_1 - A_{12}\mathbf{x}_2)$$

from our last lecture, which gives us

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = (A_{11}^{-1} + A_{11}^{-1} A_{12} S^{-1} A_{21} A_{11}^{-1}) \mathbf{b}_1 - A_{11}^{-1} A_{12} S^{-1} \mathbf{b}_2 \tag{4.2}$$

 $\bullet$  now we just write (4.1) and (4.2) in block form

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1 \\ \mathbf{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11}^{-1} + A_{11}^{-1} A_{12} S^{-1} A_{21} A_{11}^{-1} & -A_{11}^{-1} A_{12} S^{-1} \\ -S^{-1} A_{21} A_{11}^{-1} & S^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{b}_1 \\ \mathbf{b}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

which yields the required formula

# 5. Rank-1 updating

• suppose that we have solved the problem  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  and we wish to solve the perturbed problem

$$(A + \mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}})\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{b}$$

- such a perturbation is called a *rank-one update* of A, since the matrix  $\mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}}$  has rank 1 (unless  $\mathbf{u}$  or  $\mathbf{v}$  is zero)
- as an example, we might find that there was an error in the element  $a_{11}$  and we update it with the value  $\bar{a}_{11}$

• we can accomplish this update by setting

$$ar{A} = A + (ar{a}_{11} - a_{11})\mathbf{e}_1\mathbf{e}_1^\mathsf{T}, \quad \mathbf{e}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\0\\\vdots\\0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- for a general rank-one update, we can use the *Sherman–Morrison formula*, which we will derive here
- multiplying through the equation  $(A + \mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}})\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{b}$  by  $A^{-1}$  yields

$$(I + A^{-1}\mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}})\mathbf{y} = A^{-1}\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{x}$$

- we therefore need to find  $(I + \mathbf{w}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}})^{-1}$  where  $\mathbf{w} = A^{-1}\mathbf{u}$
- we assume that  $(I + \mathbf{w}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}})^{-1}$  is a matrix of the form  $(I + \sigma\mathbf{w}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}})$  where  $\sigma$  is some constant
- from the relationship

$$(I + \mathbf{w}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}})(I + \sigma\mathbf{w}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}}) = I$$

we obtain

$$\sigma \mathbf{w} \mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}} + \mathbf{w} \mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}} + \sigma \mathbf{w} \mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{w} \mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}} = 0$$

• however, the quantity  $\mathbf{v}^\mathsf{T}\mathbf{w}$  is a scalar, so this simplifies to

$$(\sigma + 1 + \sigma \mathbf{v}^\mathsf{T} \mathbf{w}) \mathbf{w} \mathbf{v}^\mathsf{T} = 0$$

which yields

$$\sigma = -\frac{1}{1 + \mathbf{v}^\mathsf{T} \mathbf{w}}$$

• it follows that the solution y to the perturbed problem is given by

$$\mathbf{y} = (I + \sigma \mathbf{w} \mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}}) \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x} + \sigma (\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{x}) \mathbf{w}$$

and the perturbed inverse is given by

$$(A + \mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}})^{-1} = (I + A^{-1}\mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}})^{-1}A^{-1}$$

$$= \left(I - \frac{1}{1 + \mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{w}}\mathbf{w}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}}\right)A^{-1}$$

$$= A^{-1} - \frac{1}{1 + \mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}}A^{-1}\mathbf{u}}A^{-1}\mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}}A^{-1}$$
(5.1)

which is the Sherman–Morrison formula

- an efficient algorithm for solving the perturbed problem  $(A + \mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}})\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{b}$  can therefore proceed as follows:
  - solve  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$
  - solve  $A\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{u}$
  - compute  $\sigma = -1/(1 + \mathbf{v}^\mathsf{T}\mathbf{w})$
  - compute  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{x} + \sigma(\mathbf{v}^\mathsf{T}\mathbf{x})\mathbf{w}$
- note that we already have the solution to  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  but we have to solve another system  $A\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{u}$
- so how is this better than simply solving  $(A + \mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}})\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{b}$ ?
- the answer is that if we have LU factorization of A, then solving  $A\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{u}$  requires two back solves, which takes  $O(n^2)$  operations whereas solving  $(A + \mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}})\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{b}$  from scratch would require  $O(n^3)$  operations
- note that this also works if we have the QR or any other factorizations of A that facilitate solving linear equations involving A

• an alternative approach is to note that

$$(A + \mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}})^{-1} = [A(I + A^{-1}\mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}})]^{-1}$$
$$= (I + \sigma A^{-1}\mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}})A^{-1}$$
$$= A^{-1} + \sigma A^{-1}\mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}}A^{-1}$$

which yields

$$(A + \mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}})^{-1}\mathbf{b} = A^{-1}(I + \sigma\mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}}A^{-1})\mathbf{b}$$
$$= A^{-1}(\mathbf{b} + \sigma(\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}}A^{-1}\mathbf{b})\mathbf{u})$$

and therefore we can solve  $(A + \mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}})\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{b}$  by solving a problem of the form  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  where the right-hand side **b** is perturbed

## 6. Rank-r update

• what we have in the previous section can be generalized by repeated application of the same technique

$$A + \mathbf{u}_1 \mathbf{v}_1^\mathsf{T} + \dots + \mathbf{u}_r \mathbf{v}_r^\mathsf{T} = A + UV^\mathsf{T}$$

$$\tag{6.1}$$

where  $U = [\mathbf{u}_1, \dots, \mathbf{u}_r], V = [\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_r] \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times r}$ 

- (6.1) is called a rank-r update of A
- this is useful if, for example, r entries of A are modified, requiring us to obtain the solution of  $(A + UV^{\mathsf{T}})\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$  from the original solution  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$
- as we will see this method works best when  $r \ll n$
- the notion of rank-r update is very much related to that of Schur complement
- if we introduce new variables y = Cx, then

$$(A + BC)\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$$

can be written as

$$\begin{cases} A\mathbf{x} + B\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{y} = C\mathbf{x} \end{cases}$$
 (6.2)

or equivalently

$$\begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & -I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix}$$

- in other words A + BC is the Schur complement of -I in  $\begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & -I \end{bmatrix}$
- we now derive a generalization of the Sherman–Morrison formula (5.1) by solving (6.2)
- plug  $\mathbf{x} = A^{-1}(\mathbf{b} B\mathbf{y})$  into  $\mathbf{y} = C\mathbf{x}$  to get

$$(I + CA^{-1}B)\mathbf{y} = CA^{-1}\mathbf{b}$$

and plug the expression  $\mathbf{y} = (I + CA^{-1}B)^{-1}CA^{-1}\mathbf{b}$  back into  $\mathbf{x} = A^{-1}(\mathbf{b} - B\mathbf{y})$  to get

$$\mathbf{x} = [A^{-1} - A^{-1}B(I + CA^{-1}B)^{-1}CA^{-1}]\mathbf{b}$$

• note that it is inevitable that we will have to solve a linear system involving the coefficient matrix

$$I + CA^{-1}B \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times r}$$

but when r is small, which is usually the case, this is much easier than solving a linear system with coefficient matrix

$$A + BC \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

• since **b** is arbitrary, this must mean that

$$(A+BC)^{-1} = A^{-1} - A^{-1}B(I+CA^{-1}B)^{-1}CA^{-1}$$
(6.3)

• this is called the Sherman–Woodbury–Morrison formula and is useful for find rank-r updates of solutions to  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ 

#### 7. WORD OF CAUTION

- $\bullet$  both (5.1) and (6.3) can be numerically unstable
- this is yet another reason why you should not compute explicit inverse
- for instance suppose

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -2.000 & 1.000 \\ 1.500 & -0.500 \end{bmatrix}$$

and if

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.499 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad \mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

then

$$(A + \mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}})^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.499 & 2.000 \\ 3.000 & 4.000 \end{bmatrix}$$

and note that chaning 0.499 to 0.500 makes  $A + \mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}}$  singular

• applying (5.1) gives us

$$(A + \mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}})^{-1} = A^{-1} - \frac{1}{1 + \mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}}A^{-1}\mathbf{u}}A^{-1}\mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}}A^{-1} \approx \begin{bmatrix} 1000.0 & 500.0 \\ 750.0 & -374.7 \end{bmatrix} =: B$$

to four decimal places

• if we apply (5.1) again to compute  $(B^{-1} - \mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}})^{-1}$ ,

$$(B^{-1} - \mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}})^{-1} = B + \frac{1}{1 - \mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}}B\mathbf{u}}B\mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}}B \approx \begin{bmatrix} -2.000 & 1.000\\ 1.5000 & -0.450 \end{bmatrix} =: C$$

to four decimal places

• note that in exact arithmetic we should have obtained  $A^{-1}$  because

$$([(A + \mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}})^{-1}]^{-1} - \mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^{\mathsf{T}})^{-1} = A^{-1}$$

but instead the (2,2)-entry of  $A^{-1}$  and C are different

- this may not seem very serious but that's because we are working with  $2 \times 2$  matrices, for larger matrices the effect can be much more pronounced
- in practice, (5.1) and (6.3) are used to update matrix decomposition (like LU and QR) and not matrix inverse, but we will not go into this