

## 2. Error propagation

If the variance-covariance matrix (VCM) of  $n$  measurements is known,  
how can we calculate the VCM  
for a set of functions of these  $n$  measurements ?

- one linear function of  $n$  measurements  
–  $n$  uncorrelated (independent) measurements
- a vector of  $m$  linear functions
- one non-linear function  
–  $n$  uncorrelated (independent) measurements
- **one vector of  $m$  non-linear functions**
- Propagation of co-factor matrices

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## Notations

- $n$  measurements (observed values):  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$
- their true errors:  $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \dots, \varepsilon_n$
- ... observed values – true values  $\varepsilon_i = x_i - \tilde{x}_i \quad (1 \leq i \leq n)$

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon_{n \times 1} &= x_{n \times 1} - \tilde{x}_{n \times 1} \\ \varepsilon_{n \times 1} &= \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \varepsilon_2 \\ \vdots \\ \varepsilon_n \end{bmatrix}, \quad x_{n \times 1} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}, \quad \tilde{x}_{n \times 1} = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{x}_1 \\ \tilde{x}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \tilde{x}_n \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

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## Error properties of $n$ measurements

$$E(\varepsilon) = E \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \varepsilon_2 \\ \vdots \\ \varepsilon_n \end{bmatrix} \right\} = \begin{bmatrix} E(\varepsilon_1) \\ E(\varepsilon_2) \\ \vdots \\ E(\varepsilon_n) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{0}_{n \cdot 1}$$

$$C_{\varepsilon\varepsilon} = E \left\{ [\varepsilon - E(\varepsilon)] [\varepsilon - E(\varepsilon)]^\top \right\} = E \{ \varepsilon \varepsilon^\top \} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & \sigma_{12} & \cdots & \sigma_{1n} \\ \sigma_{21} & \sigma_2^2 & \cdots & \sigma_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sigma_{n1} & \sigma_{n2} & \cdots & \sigma_n^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E\{x\} = E\{\tilde{x} + \varepsilon\} = E\{\tilde{x}\} = \tilde{x}$$

$$C_{xx} = E\{[x - E(x)][x - E(x)]^\top\} = E[\varepsilon \varepsilon^\top] = C_{\varepsilon\varepsilon}$$

$$C_{xx} = C_{\varepsilon\varepsilon} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & \sigma_{12} & \cdots & \sigma_{1n} \\ \sigma_{21} & \sigma_2^2 & \cdots & \sigma_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sigma_{n1} & \sigma_{n2} & \cdots & \sigma_n^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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## Error propagation for one linear function

$$y = a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2 + \cdots + a_n x_n = a \cdot x$$

$$a = \begin{pmatrix} a_1, a_2, \cdots, a_n \end{pmatrix}_{1 \cdot n}$$

$$\tilde{y} = a_1 \tilde{x}_1 + a_2 \tilde{x}_2 + \cdots + a_n \tilde{x}_n = a \cdot \tilde{x}$$

$$\varepsilon_y = y - \tilde{y} = ax - a\tilde{x} = a \cdot \varepsilon$$

$$\varepsilon_{n \cdot 1} = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \varepsilon_2 \\ \vdots \\ \varepsilon_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sigma_y^2 = E[\varepsilon_y^2] = E[a\varepsilon \cdot (a\varepsilon)^\top] = a \cdot E[\varepsilon \varepsilon^\top] \cdot a^\top = a C_{xx} a^\top$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} a_1, a_2, \cdots, a_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & \sigma_{12} & \cdots & \sigma_{1n} \\ \sigma_{21} & \sigma_2^2 & \cdots & \sigma_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sigma_{n1} & \sigma_{n2} & \cdots & \sigma_n^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{bmatrix}$$

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## Error propagation law for uncorrelated observations

$\sigma_{ij} = 0$  for  $i \neq j$ ;  $C_{xx}$  becomes a diagonal matrix

$$y = a_1 x_1 + a_2 x_2 + \dots + a_n x_n = a \cdot x$$

$$\sigma_y^2 = a_1^2 \cdot \sigma_1^2 + a_2^2 \cdot \sigma_2^2 + \dots + a_n^2 \cdot \sigma_n^2$$

### Example 1.2

Given:  $y = 2x_1 - 3x_2 - x_3$  and  $\sigma_1 = 1 \text{ mm}$ ,  $\sigma_2 = 2 \text{ mm}$ ,  $\sigma_3 = 3 \text{ mm}$ ;  $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \varepsilon_3$  are independent of each other.

Sought:  $\sigma_y = ?$

$$\sigma_y^2 = (+2)^2 1^2 + (-3)^2 2^2 + (-1)^2 3^2 = 4 + 36 + 9 = 49 \text{ mm}^2, \text{ or } \sigma_y = \sqrt{49} = 7 \text{ mm}$$

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## Error propagation for a vector

$$\underset{m \cdot 1}{y} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \underset{m \cdot n}{A} \underset{n \cdot 1}{x}$$

$$\underset{m \cdot n}{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

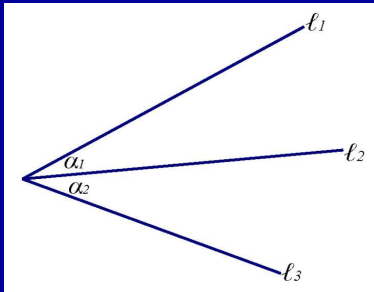
$$\underset{m \cdot m}{C_{yy}} = E \{ [y - E(y)][y - E(y)]^\top \} = \underset{m \cdot n}{A} E \{ [x - E(x)][x - E(x)]^\top \} \underset{n \cdot 1}{A}^\top =$$

$$= \underset{m \cdot m}{A} \underset{n \cdot n}{C_{xx}} \underset{n \cdot 1}{A}^\top$$

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## Example: Error propagation



$$\alpha = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & +1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & +1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ell_1 \\ \ell_2 \\ \ell_3 \end{bmatrix} = A \cdot L$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & +1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & +1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad L = \begin{bmatrix} \ell_1 \\ \ell_2 \\ \ell_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C_{\alpha\alpha} = AC_{LL}A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = \sigma_3 = \pm 1.41''$$

$$C_{LL} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & & \\ & \sigma_2^2 & \\ & & \sigma_3^2 \end{bmatrix} \approx \begin{bmatrix} 2 & & \\ & 2 & \\ & & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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## Error propagation for two vectors: covariance matrix

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = A \cdot x$$

$$z = \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \\ \vdots \\ z_p \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & \cdots & b_{1n} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & \cdots & b_{2n} \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ b_{p1} & b_{p2} & \cdots & b_{pn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = B \cdot x$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} & \cdots & b_{1n} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} & \cdots & b_{2n} \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ b_{p1} & b_{p2} & \cdots & b_{pn} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C_{yz} = E \{ [y - E(y)][z - E(z)]^T \} = A E \{ [x - E(x)][x - E(x)]^T \} B^T = AC_{xx}B^T$$

$$= AC_{xx}B^T$$

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## Taylor series expansion of a non-linear function

$$y = f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

$$y^0 = f(x_1^0, x_2^0, \dots, x_n^0)$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x_i &= x_i^0 + \delta x_i \quad (1 \leq i \leq n) \\ y &= y^0 + \delta y \end{aligned} \right\}$$

Taylor  
series  
expansion

$$\begin{aligned} y &= f(x_1^0 + \delta x_1, x_2^0 + \delta x_2, \dots, x_n^0 + \delta x_n) = \\ &= f(x_1^0, x_2^0, \dots, x_n^0) + \frac{1}{1!} \left[ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} \delta x_1 + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} \delta x_2 + \dots + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n} \delta x_n \right] \\ &\quad \text{på grund av små värden används enbart första graden (strunta i raden nedan)} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2!} \left[ \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1^2} \delta x_1^2 + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2} \delta x_1 \delta x_2 + \dots + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_1 \partial x_n} \delta x_1 \delta x_n \right] + \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$\delta y \approx \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} \delta x_1 + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} \delta x_2 + \dots + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n} \delta x_n$$

Linearization ! 9

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## Error propagation for a non-linear function

$$\varepsilon_y \approx \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} \varepsilon_1 + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} \varepsilon_2 + \dots + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n} \varepsilon_n = a_1 \varepsilon_1 + a_2 \varepsilon_2 + \dots + a_n \varepsilon_n = a \cdot \varepsilon$$

$$\varepsilon = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \varepsilon_2 \\ \vdots \\ \varepsilon_n \end{bmatrix}, \quad a = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n), \quad a_i = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$\sigma_y^2 = E \{ [y - E(y)]^2 \} = a C_{xx} a^\top$$

$$C_{xx} = C_{\varepsilon \varepsilon} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & \sigma_{12} & \dots & \sigma_{1n} \\ \sigma_{21} & \sigma_2^2 & \dots & \sigma_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sigma_{n1} & \sigma_{n2} & \dots & \sigma_n^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

For uncorrelated observations ( $\sigma_{ij} = 0, i \neq j$ ):

$$\sigma_y^2 = \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1} \right)^2 \sigma_1^2 + \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_2} \right)^2 \sigma_2^2 + \dots + \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_n} \right)^2 \sigma_n^2$$

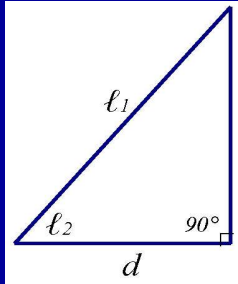
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## Error propagation for a non-linear function

### Example 1.3

A slope distance has been measured to  $\ell_1 = 103.132$  metres with standard error  $\sigma_1 = \pm 3$  mm. The corresponding vertical angle has been measured to  $\ell_2 = 45^\circ$  with standard error  $\sigma_2 = \pm 6''$  (Cf Figure 1.1). What is the standard error ( $\sigma_d$ ) of horizontal distance  $d = \ell_1 \cos \ell_2$ ?



$$\ell_1 = 103.132 \text{ metres}$$

$$\sigma_1 = \pm 3 \text{ mm}$$

$$\ell_2 = 45^\circ$$

$$\sigma_2 = \pm 6''$$

$$d = \ell_1 \cos \ell_2$$

$$\sigma_d = ?$$

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## Error propagation for a non-linear function

$$d = \ell_1 \cos \ell_2$$

$$\varepsilon_d = \frac{\partial f}{\partial \ell_1} \varepsilon_1 + \frac{\partial f}{\partial \ell_2} \varepsilon_2$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial \ell_1} = \cos \ell_2 = \cos 45^\circ = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \text{ (no unit)}$$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial \ell_2} = -\ell_1 \sin \ell_2 = 103.132 \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \text{ (metres)}$$

$$\sigma_d^2 = \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial \ell_1} \right)^2 \sigma_1^2 + \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial \ell_2} \right)^2 \sigma_2^2 = \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right)^2 \sigma_1^2 + \left( 103.132^m \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right)^2 \sigma_2^2$$

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## Error propagation for a non-linear function

$$\sigma_d^2 = \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial \ell_1} \right)^2 \sigma_1^2 + \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial \ell_2} \right)^2 \sigma_2^2 = \left( \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right)^2 \sigma_1^2 + \left( 103.132^m \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right)^2 \sigma_2^2$$

$$1 \text{ radian} = \rho'' = \frac{360 \cdot 3600''}{2\pi} \approx 206\,265''$$

$$\sigma_d^2 = \frac{1}{2} (3^{mm})^2 + \left( 103\,132^{mm} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \right)^2 \left( \frac{6''}{\rho''} \right)^2 \approx \frac{9}{2} + \left( \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 \frac{1}{2} \cdot 36 = 9 \text{ mm}^2$$

$$\sigma_d = \sqrt{9} = 3 \text{ mm}$$

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## Error propagation for $m$ non-linear functions

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \\ f_2(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \\ \vdots \\ f_m(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\varepsilon_y = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_{y_1} \\ \varepsilon_{y_2} \\ \vdots \\ \varepsilon_{y_m} \end{bmatrix} = A_{m \cdot n} \varepsilon_{n \cdot 1}$$

$$\varepsilon = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \varepsilon_2 \\ \vdots \\ \varepsilon_n \end{bmatrix},$$

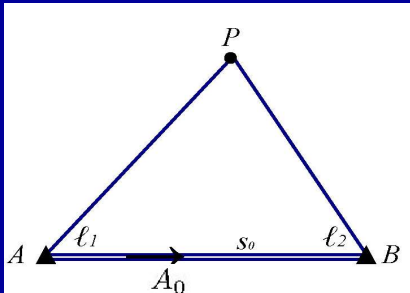
$$A_{m \cdot n} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a_{ij} = \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j} \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, m; j = 1, 2, \dots, n)$$

$$C_{yy} = E \{ [y - E(y)][y - E(y)]^\top \} = A C_{xx} A^\top$$

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## Example: Error propagation for 2 non-linear functions



Relations between the two measurements and the derived coordinates:

$$A_0 = 120^\circ$$

$$s_0 = 750.000 \text{ metres}$$

$$\ell_1 = \ell_2 = 60^\circ$$

$$\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = \sigma = 2''$$

$$x = x_a + s_0 \frac{\sin \ell_2 \cos(A_0 - \ell_1)}{\sin(\ell_1 + \ell_2)}$$

$$y = y_a + s_0 \frac{\sin \ell_2 \sin(A_0 - \ell_1)}{\sin(\ell_1 + \ell_2)}$$

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## Example: Error propagation for 2 non-linear functions

Relations between true errors of derived coordinates and true errors of the measurements

$$x = x_a + s_0 \frac{\sin \ell_2 \cos(A_0 - \ell_1)}{\sin(\ell_1 + \ell_2)}$$

$$y = y_a + s_0 \frac{\sin \ell_2 \sin(A_0 - \ell_1)}{\sin(\ell_1 + \ell_2)}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_x \\ \varepsilon_y \end{bmatrix} = A \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \varepsilon_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

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

$$a_{11} = \frac{\partial x}{\partial \ell_1} = -\frac{s_0 \sin \ell_2 \cos(A_0 + \ell_2)}{\rho'' \sin^2(\ell_1 + \ell_2)}$$

$$a_{12} = \frac{\partial x}{\partial \ell_2} = +\frac{s_0 \sin \ell_1 \cos(A_0 - \ell_1)}{\rho'' \sin^2(\ell_1 + \ell_2)}$$

$$a_{21} = \frac{\partial y}{\partial \ell_1} = -\frac{s_0 \sin \ell_2 \sin(A_0 + \ell_2)}{\rho'' \sin^2(\ell_1 + \ell_2)}$$

$$a_{22} = \frac{\partial y}{\partial \ell_2} = +\frac{s_0 \sin \ell_1 \sin(A_0 - \ell_1)}{\rho'' \sin^2(\ell_1 + \ell_2)}$$

$$A = \frac{s_0}{0.75 \cdot \rho''} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \\ 0 & \frac{3}{4} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\ell_1 = \ell_2 = 60^\circ$$

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## Example: Error propagation for 2 non-linear functions

### Relation between variance-covariance matrices

$$\begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_x \\ \varepsilon_y \end{bmatrix} = A \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \varepsilon_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \frac{s_0}{0.75 \cdot \rho''} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4} \\ 0 & \frac{3}{4} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\ell_1 = \ell_2 = 60^\circ$$

$$C_{\varepsilon\varepsilon} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2^2 \end{bmatrix} = \sigma^2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\sigma^2 = 4''^2)$$

$$C_p = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_x^2 & \sigma_{xy} \\ \sigma_{yx} & \sigma_y^2 \end{bmatrix} = A C_{\varepsilon\varepsilon} A^\top = \sigma^2 A A^\top = \left( \frac{\sigma s_0}{0.75 \cdot \rho''} \right)^2 \frac{3}{16} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & \sqrt{3} \\ \sqrt{3} & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

For  $s_0=750$  m,  $\sigma=2''$

$$C_p = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_x^2 & \sigma_{xy} \\ \sigma_{yx} & \sigma_y^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 88.14 & 30.53 \\ 30.53 & 52.88 \end{bmatrix} \quad (mm^2)$$

$$\sigma_x = \sqrt{88.14} = \pm 9.4 \text{ mm}, \quad \sigma_y = \sqrt{52.88} = \pm 7.3 \text{ mm}.$$

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## Propagation of the co-factor matrix

$$C_{xx} = \sigma_0^2 \cdot Q_{xx} = \sigma_0^2 \cdot P_{xx}^{-1}$$

### Linear functions

$$\begin{matrix} y \\ m \cdot 1 \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} A \\ m \cdot n \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} x \\ n \cdot 1 \end{matrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C_{yy} = A C_{xx} A^\top = A [\sigma_0^2 \cdot Q_{xx}] A^\top$$

### Non-linear functions

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \dots \\ y_m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} f_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \\ f_2(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \\ \dots \\ f_m(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a_{ij} = \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x_j} \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, m; j = 1, 2, \dots, n)$$

$$C_{yy} = \sigma_0^2 \cdot Q_{yy} = \sigma_0^2 \cdot P_{yy}^{-1}$$

$$Q_{yy} = P_{yy}^{-1} = A Q_{xx} A^\top$$

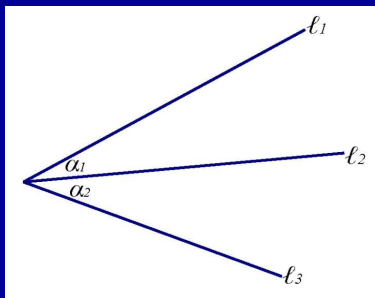


Propagation law for co-factor matrices (weight matrices)

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## Example: Error propagation



$$\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = \sigma_3 = \pm 1.41''$$

$$C_{LL} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & & \\ & \sigma_2^2 & \\ & & \sigma_3^2 \end{bmatrix} \approx \begin{bmatrix} 2 & & \\ & 2 & \\ & & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sigma_0 = 2''$$

$$Q_{LL} = \frac{C_{LL}}{\sigma_0^2} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & & \\ & \frac{1}{2} & \\ & & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P_{LL} = (Q_{LL})^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & & \\ & 2 & \\ & & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\alpha = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & +1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & +1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ell_1 \\ \ell_2 \\ \ell_3 \end{bmatrix} = A \cdot L$$

$$C_{\alpha\alpha} = A C_{LL} A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & -2 \\ -2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\alpha$  is correlated !

$$Q_{\alpha\alpha} = \frac{C_{\alpha\alpha}}{\sigma_0^2} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sigma_0 = 2''$$

$$Q_{aa} = A Q_{LL} A^T = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P_{\alpha\alpha} = Q_{\alpha\alpha}^{-1} = \frac{2}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$p_{\alpha_1} = 1$$

Weight matrix does not contain weights when components are correlated !

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## Summary: Errors and Error Propagation

- Error propagation for one linear function
- Error propagation for one non-linear function
- Error propagation for m linear/non-linear functions
- Error propagation for co-factor matrices

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