

# MSSC 5931 - Homework 1

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## 1. Iteratively reweighted least squares for 1-norm approximation.

**Solution 1.**

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} x_{ls} &= (A^T A)^{-1} A y \\ x_{wls} &= \sum_{i=1}^m w_i (a_i^T x - y_i)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^m (\sqrt{w_i} a_i^T x - \sqrt{w_i} y_i)^2 \Rightarrow \\ &\left\| \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{w_1} a_1^T x - \sqrt{w_1} y_1 \\ \sqrt{w_2} a_2^T x - \sqrt{w_2} y_2 \\ \vdots \\ \sqrt{w_m} a_m^T x - \sqrt{w_m} y_m \end{bmatrix} \right\|^2 = \left\| \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{w_1} a_1^T \\ \sqrt{w_2} a_2^T \\ \vdots \\ \sqrt{w_m} a_m^T \end{bmatrix} x - \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{w_1} y_1 \\ \sqrt{w_2} y_2 \\ \vdots \\ \sqrt{w_m} y_m \end{bmatrix} \right\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

Let  $W$  and  $\tilde{W}$  be diagonal matrices such that

$$W = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & w_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & w_m \end{bmatrix}, \tilde{W} = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{w_1} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{w_2} & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \sqrt{w_m} \end{bmatrix}$$

Then  $\|\tilde{W}Ax - \tilde{W}y\|^2$  and let  $\tilde{A}$  be  $\tilde{W}A$ , hence

$$\begin{aligned} x_{wls} &= \|\tilde{A} - \tilde{y}\|^2 = (\tilde{A}^T \tilde{A})^{-1} \tilde{A}^T \tilde{y} = [(\tilde{W}A)^T (\tilde{W}A)]^{-1} (\tilde{W}A)^T \tilde{W}y \Rightarrow \\ &[A^T W^T \tilde{W}A]^{-1} A^T \tilde{W}^T \tilde{W}y, \text{ Since } \tilde{W}^T \tilde{W} = W \text{ then} \\ x_{wls} &= (A^T W A)^{-1} A^T W y \end{aligned}$$

(b) For the cost function in (3) to be equal to the  $l_1$ -norm approximation error, then we need to set them equal to each other and solve for the weights.

$$\sum_{i=1}^m w_i(x) (\tilde{a}_i^T x - y_i)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^m |\tilde{a}_i^T x - y_i|$$

Then solve for  $w_i(x)$ , looking at each iteration

$$w_i(x) = \left| \frac{a_i^T x - y_i}{(a_i^T x - y_i)^2} \right| = \left| \frac{1}{a_i^T x - y_i} \right|$$

Therefore, to minimize the cost function we use the weights by using  $w_i(x) = \left| \frac{1}{a_i^T x - y_i} \right|$

## 2. Estimating a signal with interference.

**Solution 2.**

## 3. Identifying a system from input/output data.

**Solution 3. .**

(a) Let  $a_i$  be the  $i^{th}$  row of A, so that we can express this as a double sum.

$$J = \sum_{k=1}^N \sum_{i=1}^m (a_i^T x^{(k)} - y^{(k)})^2$$

Then we need to minimize the inner sum, which is only dependent on  $a_i$ . Let's look at only that sum. And call that  $J_i$

$$J_i = \sum_{i=1}^m (a_i^T x^{(k)} - y^{(k)}) = \sum_{i=1}^m (x_i^{(k)T} a_i - y^{(k)}) \Rightarrow$$

$$J_i = \left\| \begin{bmatrix} x^{(1)T} \\ x^{(2)T} \\ \vdots \\ x^{(k)T} \end{bmatrix} a_i - \begin{bmatrix} y_i^{(1)T} \\ y_i^{(2)T} \\ \vdots \\ y_i^{(k)T} \end{bmatrix} \right\| = \|X^T a_i - y_i\|$$

Which has the same form of least squares estimation. Where we want to chose an estimate of  $\hat{a}_i$  that minimizes  $J_i$ , therefore

$$\hat{a}_i = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y_i, \text{ where } y_i = \begin{bmatrix} y_i^{(1)T} \\ y_i^{(2)T} \\ \vdots \\ y_i^{(k)T} \end{bmatrix}$$

Now using  $\hat{a}_i$  and Y, we can estimate  $\hat{A}$ . Since  $Y = [Y^{(1)} \quad Y^{(2)} \quad \dots \quad Y^{(N)}]$ , and we are using  $y_i$  as a column vector, plugging back to our previous equation will give us  $\hat{A}^T$

$\hat{A}^T = (X^T X)^{-1} X Y^T$ , then we take the transpose:

$$\hat{A} = ((X^T X)^{-1} X Y^T)^T = (Y^T)^T X^T ((X^T X)^{-1})^T = Y X^T (X X^T)^{-1}$$

(b)

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# Compute the inverse of XX^T and the A_hat matrix
invXXT = solve(X%*%t(X))
A_hat = Y%*%t(X)%*%invXXT

N <- ncol(X)

# Set up the needed variables
norm(A_hat%*%X[,1]-Y[,1], 2) #top
norm(Y[,1], 2) #bottom
sum<-0

# Take the sum and divide by N
for (i in c(1:N))
{
  top<-norm(A_hat%*%X[,i]-Y[,i], 2) #top
  bot<-norm(Y[,i], 2) #bottom
  sum<-sum+ (top/bot)
}
(result <- sum/N)

#-----Output-----
#0.05814324
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#### 4. Robust input design.

**Solution 4.** .

a-) Since  $x^{ln}$  is going to have form of least squares. We can use the average, because it is a good estimation, and  $y = Ax$ , then we can switch the variables such that  $y^{des} = \bar{A}x$ . Where  $\bar{A} = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=1}^K A^{(i)}$ .

$$x^{ln} = \bar{A}^T (\bar{A} \bar{A}^T)^{-1} y^{des} = \left( \frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=1}^K A^{(i)T} \right) \left[ \frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=1}^K A^{(i)} \frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=1}^K A^{(i)T} \right]^{-1} y^{des}$$

And for the mean square error minimization

$$\frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=1}^K \|y^{(i)} - y^{des}\|^2 = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=1}^K \|A^{(i)}x - y^{des}\|^2$$

Then, when we expand the sum

$$\frac{1}{K} (\|A^{(1)}x - y^{des}\|^2 + \|A^{(2)}x - y^{des}\|^2 \cdots \|A^{(K)}x - y^{des}\|^2)$$

Which has the same form as minimizing weighted sum objective. Therefore we can write this as

$$\left\| \frac{1}{\sqrt{K}} \begin{bmatrix} A^{(1)} \\ A^{(2)} \\ \vdots \\ A^{(K)} \end{bmatrix} x - \frac{1}{\sqrt{K}} \begin{bmatrix} y^{des} \\ y^{des} \\ \vdots \\ y^{des} \end{bmatrix} \right\| = \left\| \frac{1}{\sqrt{K}} \tilde{A}x - \frac{1}{\sqrt{K}} \tilde{y}^{des} \right\|$$

Where  $\tilde{A} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{K}} \begin{bmatrix} A^{(1)} \\ A^{(2)} \\ \vdots \\ A^{(K)} \end{bmatrix}$  and  $y^{des} = \begin{bmatrix} y^{des} \\ y^{des} \\ \vdots \\ y^{des} \end{bmatrix}$  and let  $\tilde{A}$  be full rank.

$$\begin{aligned} x^{mmse} &= \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{K}} \tilde{A}^T \frac{1}{\sqrt{K}} \tilde{A} \right)^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{K}} \tilde{A} \frac{1}{\sqrt{K}} \tilde{y}^{des} \right) = \left( \frac{1}{K} \tilde{A}^T \tilde{A} \right)^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{K} \tilde{A} \tilde{y}^{des} \right) \Rightarrow \\ &\quad \left( \tilde{A}^T \tilde{A} \right)^{-1} \left( \tilde{A} \tilde{y}^{des} \right) \Rightarrow \\ &= \left[ (A^{(1)T} A^{(1)} + A^{(2)T} A^{(2)} + \dots + A^{(K)T} A^{(K)})^{-1} (A^{(1)} y^{des} + A^{(2)} y^{des} + \dots + A^{(K)} y^{des}) \right] \Rightarrow \\ &\quad x^{mmse} = \left( \sum_{i=1}^K (A^{(i)T} A^{(i)})^{-1} \right) \left( \sum_{i=1}^K (A^{(i)} y^{des}) \right) \end{aligned}$$

b-)

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A_bar <- 1/K*rowSums(A, dim=2)
x_ln <- t(A_bar)%*%solve((A_bar%*%t(A_bar)))*%y_des

total_left <- 0
total_right <- 0
for (i in 1:K)
{
  total_left <- total_left+ (t(A[, ,i])%*%A[, ,i])
  total_right <- total_right+(t(A[, ,i])%*%y_des)
}
total_left <- solve(total_left)
x_mmse <- total_left%*%total_right

#residual least norm
norm(A_bar%*%x_ln -y_des, 2)

#residual mean squared
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y_tilde_des <- rep(y_des, K)
A_tilde <- A[,i]
for(i in 2:K)
{
  A_tilde <- rbind(A_tilde, A[,i])
}
1/sqrt(K)*norm(y_tilde_des - A_tilde*%x_mmse, 2)

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## 5. Householder reflections.

**Solution 5. .**

a-) For Q to be orthogonal  $Q^T Q = I$

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q^T Q &= (I - 2uu^T)^T (I - 2uu^T) \Rightarrow \\
 (I - 2(u^T)^T u^T) (I - 2uu^T) &= (I - 2uu^T) (I - 2uu^T) \Rightarrow \\
 I - 4uu^T + 4(uu^T)(uu^T) &= I - 4uu^T + 4u(u^T u)u^T, \text{ and since } u^T u = 1 \\
 I - 4uu^T + 4uu^T &= I
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore Q is orthogonal.

b-) First, let's show  $Qu = -u$ :

$$-u = (I - 2uu^T)u = u - 2uu^T u = u - 2u(u^T u) = u - 2u = -u \text{ since } u^T u = 1$$

Second,  $Qv = v$  where  $u^T v = 0$ :

$$Qv = (I - 2uu^T)v = v - 2u(u^T v) = v - 2u(0) = v$$

c-) Let's start by multiplying  $Qx$ , then substituting  $u$  with  $\frac{v}{\|v\|}$  and  $v$  with  $(x + \alpha e_1)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 Qx &= (I - 2uu^T)x = x - 2uu^T x = x - 2\left(\frac{v}{\|v\|}\right)\left(\frac{v}{\|v\|}\right)^T x \Rightarrow \\
 x - 2\left(\frac{x + \alpha e_1}{\|x + \alpha e_1\|}\right)\left(\frac{x + \alpha e_1}{\|x + \alpha e_1\|}\right)^T x &= x - 2\left(\frac{x + \alpha e_1}{\|x + \alpha e_1\|}\right)\left(\frac{x^T x + \alpha e_1^T x}{\|x + \alpha e_1\|}\right) \Rightarrow \\
 x - 2\left(\frac{x + \alpha e_1}{\|x + \alpha e_1\|}\right)\left(\frac{\|x\|^2 + \alpha x_1}{\|x + \alpha e_1\|}\right) &= x - 2\frac{x\|x\|^2 + \alpha e_1\|x\|^2 + \alpha x_1 x + \alpha^2 e_1 x_1}{\|x + \alpha e_1\|} \Rightarrow \\
 x - 2\frac{x\|x\|^2 + \alpha e_1\|x\|^2 + \alpha x_1 x + \alpha^2 e_1 x_1}{(x + \alpha e_1)^T (x + \alpha e_1)} &= x - 2\frac{x\|x\|^2 + \alpha e_1\|x\|^2 + \alpha x_1 x + \alpha^2 e_1 x_1}{\|x\|^2 + x^T \alpha e_1 + \alpha e_1^T x + \alpha e_1^T \alpha e_1} \Rightarrow \\
 \frac{x\|x\|^2 + x x_1 \alpha + x \alpha x_1 + x \alpha e_1^T \alpha e_1}{\|x\|^2 + x^T \alpha e_1 + \alpha e_1^T x + \alpha e_1^T \alpha e_1} - 2\frac{x\|x\|^2 + \alpha e_1\|x\|^2 + \alpha x_1 x + \alpha^2 e_1 x_1}{\|x\|^2 + x^T \alpha e_1 + \alpha e_1^T x + \alpha e_1^T \alpha e_1} &\Rightarrow
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{-x||x||^2 + x\alpha x_1 + x\alpha x_1 + x\alpha^2 - 2x||x||^2 - 2\alpha x_1 x - 2\alpha^2 e_1 x_1}{||x||^2 + 2\alpha x_1 + \alpha^2} \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{-x||x||^2 + x\alpha^2 - 2\alpha e_1 ||x||^2 - 2\alpha^2 e_1 x_1}{||x||^2 + 2\alpha x_1 + \alpha^2}$$

The only terms that do not have  $e_1$  on the numerator are  $-x||x||^2 + x\alpha^2$ , so let's take those and set them equal to zero. So that we only have terms that depend on  $e_1$ . Which will make this whole equation lie on the line through  $e_1$ .

$$-x||x||^2 + x\alpha^2 = 0 \Rightarrow x\alpha^2 = x||x||^2 \Rightarrow \alpha^2 = ||x||^2 \Rightarrow \alpha = ||x||$$

Now substituting  $\alpha = ||x||$  in the equation:

$$\frac{-x||x||^2 + x||x||^2 - 2e_1 ||x|| ||x||^2 - 2e_1 ||x||^2 x_1}{||x||^2 + 2||x||x_1 + ||x||^2} \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{-2e_1 ||x|| ||x||^2 - 2e_1 ||x||^2 x_1}{||x||^2 + 2||x||x_1 + ||x||^2} = \frac{-2||x||^2 e_1 (||x|| + x_1)}{2||x||^2 + 2||x||x_1} \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{-2||x||^2 e_1 (||x|| + x_1)}{2||x|| (||x|| + x_1)} = \frac{-e_1 ||x||^2}{||x||} = -||x||e_1$$

Now let's use the formulas we just solved in R so that we can compute the results for  $x = (3, 2, 4, 1, 5)$ . Then plug that Householder reflection to  $x$  to find  $Qx$

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X<-as.matrix(c(3,2,4,1,5),ncol=1)
alpha <- norm(X,2)
e_1<- as.matrix(c(1,0,0,0,0),ncol=1)
v <- X+alpha*e_1
u <- v/norm(v, 2)

#normal method
cat(Qx = ,Qx <- (diag(length(u)) - 2*(u%*%t(u)))*%X)
#created method
cat(Qx_alt = ,Qx_alt <- -e_1%*%norm(X, 2))

#-----Output-----
#Qx =    -7.416198  4.440892e-16  8.881784e-16  2.220446e-16
        4.440892e-16
#Qx_alt =   -7.416198  0  0  0  0
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## 6. True/false questions about linear algebra.

**Solution 6.** .

a-) True

Since  $Q$  has orthonormal columns, we can separate it in 2 block matrices.

$R = [Q \quad \tilde{Q}]$  Then

$$\|R^T w\|^2 = (R^T w)^T (R^T w) = w^T R R^T w = w^T w = \|w\|^2$$

And we can also write this as

$$\|R^T w\|^2 = \left\| \begin{bmatrix} Q^T w \\ \tilde{Q}^T w \end{bmatrix} \right\|^2 = \|Q^T w\|^2 + \|\tilde{Q}^T w\|^2$$

Finally, by combining these two equations, we have

$$\|w\|^2 = \|Q^T w\|^2 + \|\tilde{Q}^T w\|^2 \Rightarrow \|w\|^2 - \|\tilde{Q}^T w\|^2 = \|Q^T w\|^2$$

Therefore  $\|w\| \geq \|Q^T w\|$ .

b-) True

Since  $\dim(\text{range}(A)) + \dim(\text{null}(A)) = p$ ,  $\text{null}(A) = \{0\}$  and  $\dim(\text{range}(B)) + \dim(\text{null}(B)) = q$ , then

$$\dim(\text{range}(A)) = p, \text{ and } \dim(\text{range}(A)) \leq \dim(\text{range}(B))$$

Therefore,  $\dim(\text{range}(A)) \leq \dim(\text{range}(B)) + \dim(\text{null}(B))$ , which implies  $p \leq q$ .

c-) True

Since  $V = [V_1 \ V_2]$  and  $V$  is full rank, then  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  are linearly independent. Then  $V_2 x \notin \text{range}(V_1)$ . Then  $AV_2 x = 0$  if either  $V_2 x \in \text{null}(A)$  or  $x \in \text{null}(A)$ .

By using rank-nullity theorem.

$$\dim(\text{range}(V_2)) + \dim(\text{null}(V_2)) = n$$

Where  $\dim(\text{null}(V_2))$  has to be 0, therefore  $\dim(\text{null}(V_2)) = 0$ . Finally, if  $V$  is invertible, and  $\text{range}(V_1) = \text{null}(A)$  then  $\text{null}(AV_2) = \{0\}$ .

d-) True

Since  $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(B) = \text{rank}([A \ B])$ , then they have to lie in the same dimension of vectors spanned by their columns.

Which means that  $\text{range}(A) \leq \text{range}(B)$ , also,  $\text{range}(B) \leq \text{range}(A)$ .

Therefore  $\text{range}(A) = \text{range}(B)$ .

e-) False

Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$   $\text{null}(A)$  is the y-axis, the range of  $A$  is the x-axis.

If we let  $x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , then  $x$  is not in the range of  $A$ , and it is not in the null space of  $A^T$ .

f-) True

Since A is invertible, then

$$\text{rank}(B) = \text{rank}(AA^{-1}B) \leq \text{rank}(AB) \leq \text{rank}(B)$$

Therefore AB is not full rank if and only if B is not full rank.

g-) True

$\dim(\text{range}(A)) + \dim(\text{null}(A)) = n$ , since we know that  $\dim(\text{range}(A)) \leq n$  because A is not full rank. Then  $\dim(\text{null}(A)) \geq 0$  which shows that there is a set of all  $n$ -dimensional vectors  $x$  such that  $Ax = 0$

## 7. Least-squares residuals.

**Solution 7.** First, we need the residual vector to be perpendicular to  $Ax_{ls}$ .

$$Ax_{ls} = AA^T y = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T y = y_{ls}$$

Then:

$$\begin{aligned} r &= y - y_{ls} \Rightarrow \\ y_{ls}^T r &= y_{ls}^T (y - y_{ls}) = y_{ls}^T y - y_{ls}^T y_{ls} \Rightarrow \\ &= y^T (A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T)^T y - y^T (A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T y)^T (A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T) y \Rightarrow \\ &= y^T (A^T)^T (A^T A)^{-1} A^T y - y^T (A^T)^T (A^T A)^{-1} A^T A (A^T A)^{-1} A^T y \Rightarrow \\ &= y^T A (A^T A)^{-1} A^T y - y^T A [(A^T A)^{-1} A^T A] (A^T A)^{-1} A^T y \end{aligned}$$

And since  $(A^T A)^{-1} A^T A = I$ , then

$$y^T A (A^T A)^{-1} A^T y - y^T A (A^T A)^{-1} A^T y = 0 = y_{ls}^T r$$

Therefore they are perpendicular. Which finally leads us to show that

$$\|y\|^2 = \|y_{ls}\|^2 + \|r\|^2 \Rightarrow \|r\|^2 = \|y\|^2 - \|y_{ls}\|^2$$

The geometric explanation to this is just the Pythagorean theorem. Where we just solved for  $r$ . And since we are using norms, it can be expanded to higher dimensions.



