

# Numerical methods for Regression

# Concept for Least-Square

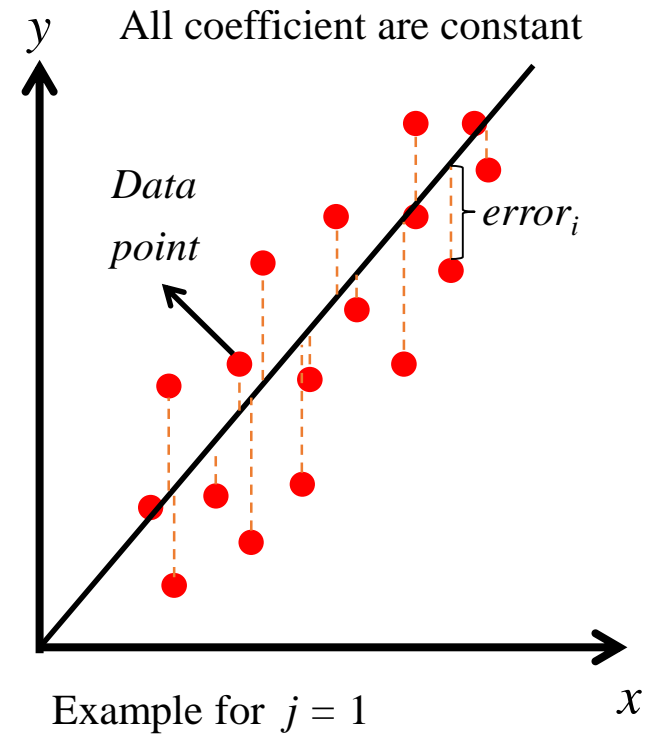
$$y = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j x^j \quad n = 2, 4$$

Fitting curve:  $y = a_1 x + a_0$

All coefficient are constant

- **Concept:** There are many data  $(x_i, y_i)$ , after setting on the  $x$ - $y$  plane, the distribution may be fitted by some curve  $y = f(x)$  or  $f(x, y) = k$ ,  $k$  is some constant,  $\forall x, y, k \in \mathbb{R}$ .

- Define  $error_i = y_i - y$
- Total error  $E = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - y)^2$
- **Want:**  $E$  is minimum value.



# Derive the Mathematical Eq.

## Existence and Uniqueness

- For linear regression, we use  $y = bx + a$  to fit our data. If there are  $n$  group of data  $(x_i, y_i)$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , then, we have  $n$  group of linear equations system

$$\begin{cases} y_1 = bx_1 + a \\ \vdots \\ y_n = bx_n + a \end{cases} \xrightarrow[\text{matrix representation}]{\text{Matrix}} \begin{matrix} \mathbf{Y} \\ \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} \\ n \times 1 \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} \mathbf{A} \\ \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ x_n & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ n \times 2 \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \begin{bmatrix} b \\ a \end{bmatrix} \\ 2 \times 1 \end{matrix} \rightarrow \mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}$$

- In this case, there are 2 unknown parameters, so  $n$  must be bigger than 2 so that there **may exist**  $a$  and  $b$  **uniquely**.
- Lemma 1: Let  $\mathbf{A} \in M_{m \times n}(F)$ ,  $\mathbf{x} \in F^n$ ,  $\mathbf{y} \in F^m$ ,  $m \geq n$  then  
 $\langle \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle_m = \langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{y} \rangle_n$ ,  $\langle, \rangle$ : inner product
- Lemma 2: Let  $\mathbf{A} \in M_{m \times n}(F)$ ,  $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) = \text{rank}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})$
- Corollary: Let  $\mathbf{A} \in M_{m \times n}(F)$  and  $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) = n$ , then  $\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}$  is invertible

# Derive the Mathematical Eq.

## Existence and Uniqueness

Theorem of Least-square approximation:

Let  $A \in M_{m \times n}(F)$ ,  $m \geq n$ ,  $y \in F^m$ , then  $\exists x_0 \in F^n$  s.t.

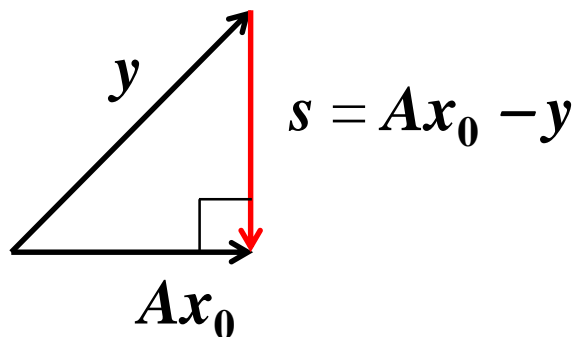
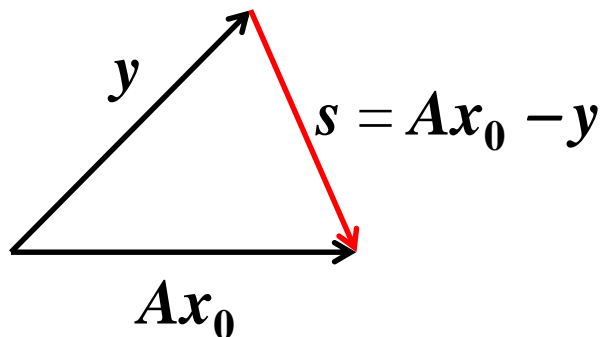
$$(A^T A) x_0 = A^T y \text{ and } \|Ax_0 - y\| \leq \|Ax - y\|, \forall x \in F^n$$

Furthermore, if  $\text{rank}(A) = n$  (full rank), then  $x_0 = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T y$

If  $Ax = y$  is consistent, then  $\exists!$  solution  $s$

*pf*: In the view point of geometry, if there exists 2 vectors  $y$  and  $Ax_0$ ,  $s = Ax_0 - y$ , when  $s \perp Ax_0$ , then  $\|s\|$  is minimum and exactly one

$$\rightarrow \langle Ax, s \rangle = \langle x, A^T s \rangle = \langle x, A^T (Ax_0 - y) \rangle = 0 \rightarrow$$



For  $x \neq 0$ ,  $A^T A x_0 = A^T y$

$$x_0 = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T y$$

# Derive the Mathematical Eq. Extend to monomial Regression

- Total error  $E = \sum_{i=1}^n (y - y_i)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (y - bx_i - a)^2$ , just a **parabolic eq.** with concave up, so there exists a minimum value. By calculus,

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial E}{\partial b} = 0 = \sum_{i=1}^n -2(x_i)(y_i - bx_i - a) \\ \frac{\partial E}{\partial a} = 0 = \sum_{i=1}^n -2(y_i - bx_i - a) \end{cases} \rightarrow \begin{cases} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i = \sum_{i=1}^n (bx_i^2 + ax_i) \\ \sum_{i=1}^n y_i = \sum_{i=1}^n (bx_i + ax_i) \end{cases}$$



$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_1 & \cdots & x_n \\ 1 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix}^T}_{A^T} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix}}_{Y} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_1 & \cdots & x_n \\ 1 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix}^T}_{A^T} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_A \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} b \\ a \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{x}_0} \leftarrow \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i \\ \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 & \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \\ \sum_{i=1}^n x_i & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b \\ a \end{bmatrix}$$

- Here we take the **derivative on the coefficient**, not  $x$  and  $y$ , so we can apply this method to our regression.

# Derive the Mathematical Eq. Extend to monomial Regression

$$f(x, y) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2y + a_3x^2 + a_4xy + a_5y^2 + a_6x^3 + a_7x^2y + a_8xy^2 + a_9y^3 \\ + a_{10}x^4 + a_{11}x^3y + a_{12}x^2y^2 + a_{13}xy^3 + a_{14}y^4$$

Here  $x, y$  are independent. By previous derivation, our total error is

$$E = E(a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{14})$$

so that we can apply our concept to find the minimum error for surface regression.

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \begin{bmatrix} f_1 \\ \vdots \\ f_n \end{bmatrix} & = & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 & \cdots & y_1^4 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_n & \cdots & y_n^4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_0 \\ \vdots \\ a_{14} \end{bmatrix} \\ n \times 1 & & n \times 15 \quad 15 \times 1 \end{array}$$

So we complete the derivation.

# Algorithm Selecting

- Solve  $(A^T A) \mathbf{x}_0 = A^T \mathbf{y} \rightarrow$  The worst method
- Solve  $\mathbf{x}_0 = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T \mathbf{y}$  by getting  $(A^T A)^{-1}$ 
  1. Gaussian elimination  $\rightarrow$  Backward unstable
  2. LU decomposition (LUD)  $\rightarrow$  More stable than the former

Easy to write

Less stable

- QR Decompose  $A = QR = [Q_1 \ Q_2] \begin{bmatrix} R_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = Q_1 R_1 \rightarrow R_1 \mathbf{x} = Q_1^T \mathbf{y}$   
(QRD)

1. Modified Gram-schmidt process

2. Givens Rotation

3. Householder transform  $\rightarrow$  **Candidate**

**Highest CP value**

**Matlab algorithm**

**for this problem**

**$\mathbf{x} = A \backslash \mathbf{Y}$**

- **SV Decomposition (SVD)  $A = U \Sigma V^T \rightarrow$  **Candidate****

Most stable

Most expensive

# Algorithm Selecting

Criterion for selecting an algorithm

- Stability
- Time and memory cost
- Speed of convergence

In general, these 2 relation are in direct proportion.

Now I use LU Decomposition since it is easy to write.

1. Loading data and getting  $A$  and  $A^T$
2.  $B = A^T A \rightarrow$  This step produces more error.
3. Get  $B^{-1}$  by **LU decomposition with pivoting (PLUD)**
4. Get  $x_0 = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T y$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 10^{-20} & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{Pivoting}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 10^{-20} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
& \begin{bmatrix} b_{1,1} & b_{1,2} & b_{1,3} & b_{1,4} \\ b_{2,1} & b_{2,2} & b_{2,3} & b_{2,4} \\ b_{3,1} & b_{3,2} & b_{3,3} & b_{3,4} \\ b_{4,1} & b_{4,2} & b_{4,3} & b_{4,4} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{b_{2,1}}{b_{1,1}} & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{b_{3,1}}{b_{1,1}} & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{b_{4,1}}{b_{1,1}} & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_{1,1} & b_{1,2} & b_{1,3} & b_{1,4} \\ 0 & b_{2,2} - \frac{b_{1,2} \times b_{2,1}}{b_{1,1}} & b_{2,3} - \frac{b_{1,3} \times b_{2,1}}{b_{1,1}} & b_{2,4} - \frac{b_{1,4} \times b_{2,1}}{b_{1,1}} \\ 0 & b_{3,2} - \frac{b_{1,2} \times b_{3,1}}{b_{1,1}} & b_{3,3} - \frac{b_{1,3} \times b_{3,1}}{b_{1,1}} & b_{3,4} - \frac{b_{1,4} \times b_{3,1}}{b_{1,1}} \\ 0 & b_{4,2} - \frac{b_{1,2} \times b_{4,1}}{b_{1,1}} & b_{4,3} - \frac{b_{1,3} \times b_{4,1}}{b_{1,1}} & b_{4,4} - \frac{b_{1,4} \times b_{4,1}}{b_{1,1}} \end{bmatrix} \\
& \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \ell_{2,1} & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \ell_{3,1} & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ \ell_{4,1} & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_{1,1} & b_{1,2} & b_{1,3} & b_{1,4} \\ 0 & b_{2,2}^{(1)} & b_{2,3}^{(1)} & b_{2,4}^{(1)} \\ 0 & b_{3,2}^{(1)} & b_{3,3}^{(1)} & b_{3,4}^{(1)} \\ 0 & b_{4,2}^{(1)} & b_{4,3}^{(1)} & b_{4,4}^{(1)} \end{bmatrix} \\
& \begin{matrix} \text{Do} \\ \text{3 times} \end{matrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \ell_{2,1} & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \ell_{3,1} & \ell_{3,2} & 1 & 0 \\ \ell_{4,1} & \ell_{4,2} & \ell_{4,3} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{1,1} & u_{1,2} & u_{1,3} & u_{1,4} \\ 0 & u_{2,2} & u_{2,3} & u_{2,4} \\ 0 & 0 & u_{3,3} & u_{3,4} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & u_{4,4} \end{bmatrix} \\
& \qquad \qquad \qquad \mathbf{L} \qquad \qquad \qquad \mathbf{U}
\end{aligned}$$

# Algorithm

## Matrix decomposition (LUD)

$$\bullet Bx_0 = A^T y \rightarrow LUx_0 = A^T y \rightarrow L(Ux_0) = L(c) = b, Ux_0 = c, A^T y = b$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \ell_{2,1} & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \ell_{15,1} & \ell_{15,2} & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_{1,1} & u_{1,2} & \cdots & u_{1,15} \\ 0 & u_{2,2} & \cdots & u_{2,15} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & u_{15,15} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_{15} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \ell_{2,1} & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \ell_{15,1} & \ell_{15,2} & \ell_{15,3} & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_{15} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_{15} \end{bmatrix}$$

L : Lower triangular    U : Upper triangular

L and U matrix can be  
store in one matrix to  
reduce the memory usage.

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_{1,1} & u_{1,2} & \cdots & u_{1,15} \\ \ell_{2,1} & u_{2,2} & \cdots & u_{2,15} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \ell_{15,1} & \ell_{15,2} & \cdots & u_{15,15} \end{bmatrix}$$


Solving the linear eq.

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_{1,1} & u_{1,2} & \cdots & u_{1,15} \\ 0 & u_{2,2} & \cdots & u_{2,15} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & u_{15,15} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_{15} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ \vdots \\ c_{15} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Ill-condition

Numerical error  
may cause

Mathematical  
problem


$$\begin{bmatrix} 400 & -201 \\ -800 & 401 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 200 \\ -200 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -100 \\ -200 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\begin{bmatrix} 401 & -201 \\ -800 & 401 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 200 \\ -200 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 40000 \\ 79800 \end{bmatrix}$$

- This issue can be by using QRD or SVD.

# Algorithm Matrix decomposition (QRD(Householder))

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
 A \in M_{m \times n}(F) & R_1 \in M_{m \times n}(F) & R_2 \in M_{m \times n}(F) \\
 \begin{array}{c} \xrightarrow{\text{column}} \\ \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} a_{1,1} & a_{1,2} & \cdots & a_{1,15} \\ a_{2,1} & a_{2,2} & \cdots & a_{2,15} \\ a_{3,1} & a_{3,2} & \cdots & a_{2,15} \\ a_{4,1} & a_{4,2} & \cdots & a_{2,15} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m,1} & a_{m,2} & \cdots & a_{m,15} \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{H_1 A} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} r_{1,1} & r_{1,2} & \cdots & r_{1,15} \\ 0 & r_{2,2} & \cdots & r_{2,15} \\ 0 & r_{3,2} & \cdots & r_{2,15} \\ 0 & r_{4,2} & \cdots & r_{2,15} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & r_{m,2} & \cdots & r_{m,15} \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{H_2 R_1} \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} r_{1,1} & r_{1,2} & \cdots & r_{1,15} \\ 0 & r_{2,2}' & \cdots & r_{2,15}' \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & r_{2,15}' \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & r_{2,15}' \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & r_{m,15}' \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{H_3 R_2} \end{array} \\
 \begin{array}{c} u_1 \\ \uparrow \\ \text{Row} \end{array} & u_2 & 
 \end{array}$$

$$\|u_1\| = k_1$$

$$v_1 = \frac{u_1 - ke_1}{\|u_1 - ke_1\|}$$

$$H_1 = I_m - 2v_1v_1^T$$

$$\|u_2\| = k_2$$

$$v_2 = \frac{u_2 - ke_2}{\|u_2 - ke_2\|}$$

$$H_2 = I_{m-1} - 2v_2v_2^T$$

End the process until  
to the last row

# Algorithm Matrix decomposition (QRD(Householder))

$Q$  is orthogonal matrix  $= (H_n \dots H_2 H_1)^T$

$$QQ^T = Q^T Q = I \rightarrow Q^T = Q^{-1}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{\textit{m}} \end{array} \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \text{\textit{n}} \\ A \in M_{m \times n}(F) \end{array} \right\} = \begin{array}{cc} \begin{array}{c} Q_1 \in \\ M_{m \times n}(F) \\ \text{Only needs} \\ \text{this matrix} \end{array} & \begin{array}{c} Q_2 \in \\ M_{m \times (m-n)}(F) \end{array} \end{array} \times \begin{array}{c} R_1 \in \\ M_{n \times n}(F) \\ R_2 = \mathbf{0} \in \\ M_{(m-n) \times m}(F) \end{array}$$

$$A = QR =$$

$$[Q_1 \ Q_2]$$

$$= Q_1 R_1 \rightarrow R_1 x = Q_1^T y$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} R_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Solving the linear eq.

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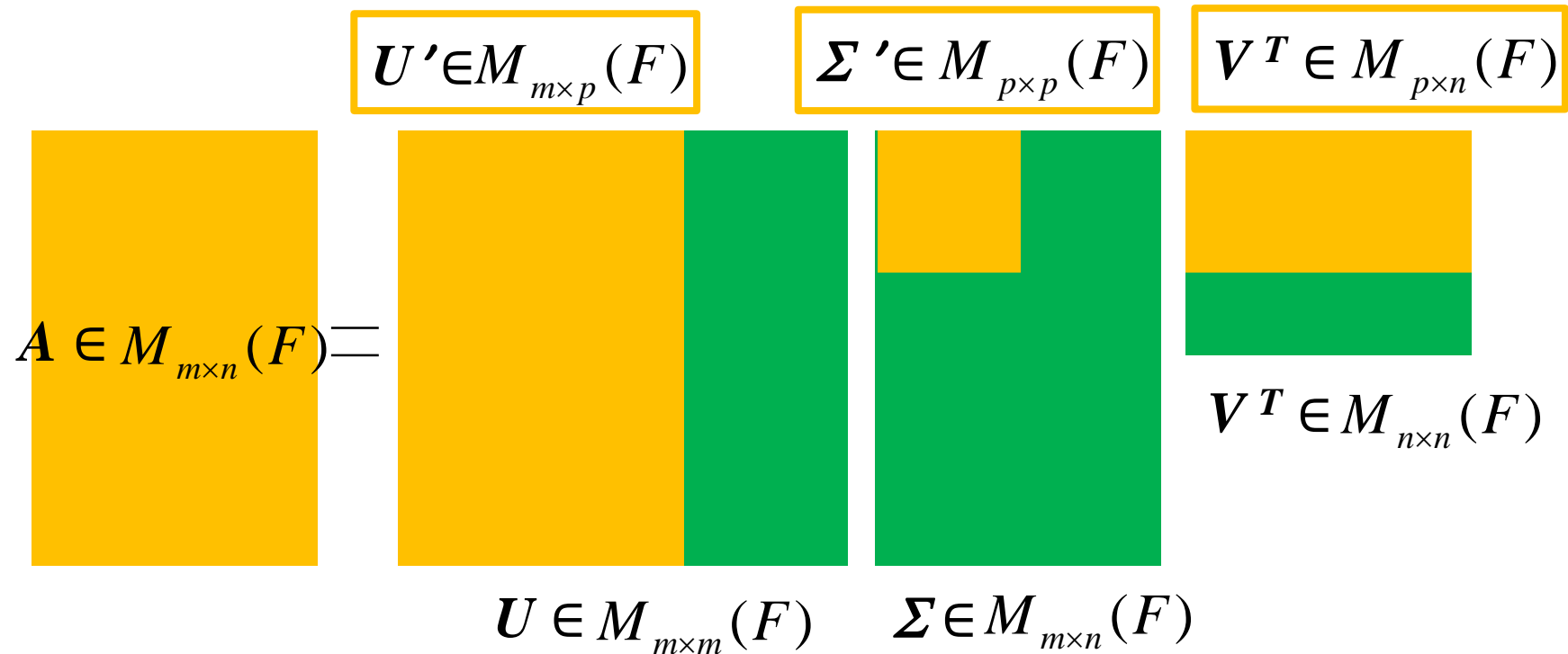
## Matrix decomposition (SVD)

- $A \in M_{m \times n}(F)$  ,  $m \geq n$  and  $\text{rank}(A) = n \rightarrow$  full rank.  
 $\text{rank}(A) < n \rightarrow$  rank-deficient
- This method is not appropriate in our situation, but it's a strong method for much more application.
- So we decompose  $A = U \Sigma V^T$  into 3 matrix as below.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 \boxed{A \in M_{m \times n}(F)} & = & \boxed{U \in M_{m \times m}(F)} & \boxed{\Sigma \in M_{m \times n}(F)} & \boxed{V^T \in M_{n \times n}(F)} \\
 & & \text{Orthogonal} & \text{Diagonal} & \text{Orthogonal}
 \end{array}$$

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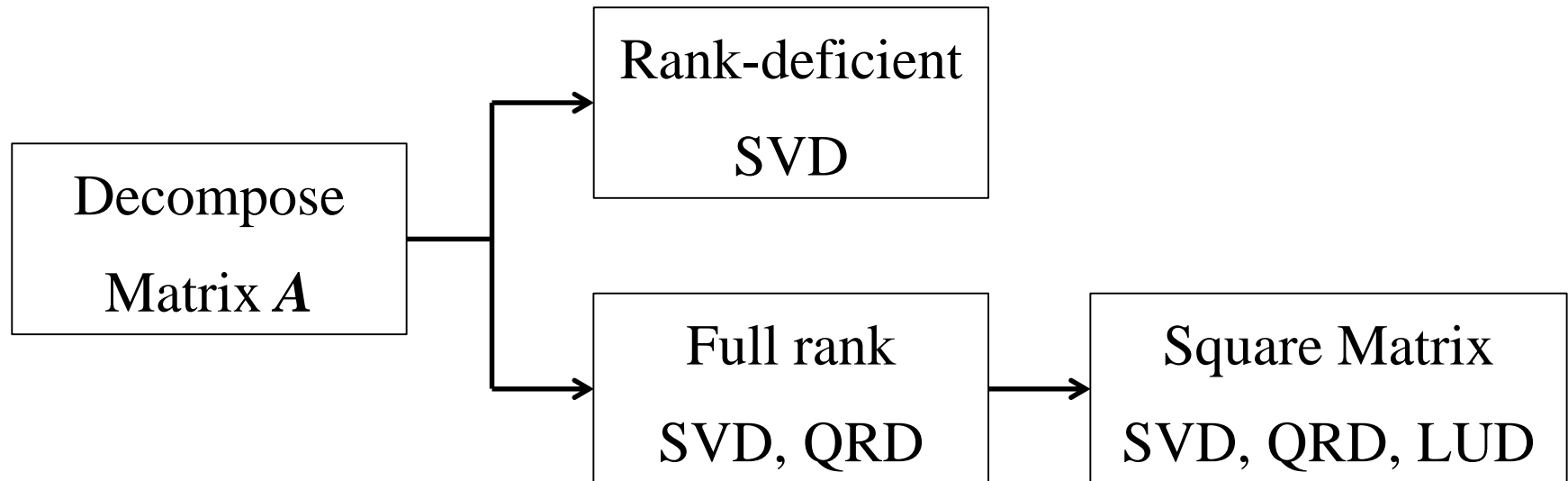


Only needs orange parts, it can reduce memory and time cost, but still costs much memory and time.

$$\forall A \in M_{m \times n}(F), \exists! U, S \text{ and } V \text{ s.t. } U \Sigma V^T$$

# Algorithm

## Matrix decomposition



If matrix  $A$  is always full rank(should be check **mathematically**), then **QRD** is the most appropriate algorithm for this problem.