

Summary – all the way to pseudo-inverse

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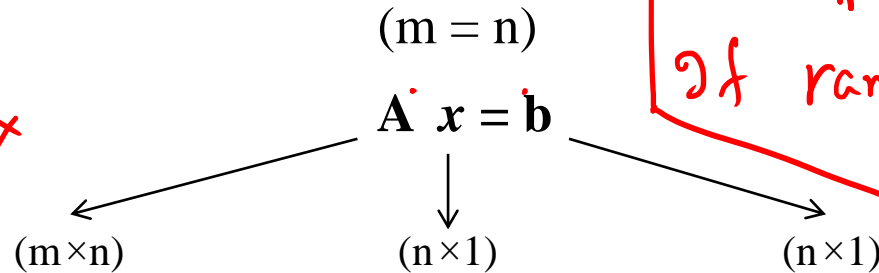
# Linear Equations

- Case 1: No. of equations = No. of variables
- Case 2: No. of equations  $>$  No. of variables
- Case 3: No. of equations  $<$  No. of variables

# Case 1

Case 1: No. of equations = No. of variables

$m = n$   
square matrix



$A \ m \times n$   
 $\text{rank} \leq \min(m, n)$   
 If  $\text{rank}(A) = \min(m, n)$   
 full rank

- $\mathbf{A}$  is full rank, that is  $|\mathbf{A}| \neq 0$ ,  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{b}$ , unique solution

$\text{rank} = (m, n)$

$Ax = b$  Gauss elimination

- The case of  $\mathbf{A}$  not full rank ( $\text{rank} < m$ ).

- Consistent  $\rightarrow$  similar to less equations, more variables  $\infty$  solutions
- Inconsistent  $\rightarrow$  no solution -

# Case 2

Case 2: No. of equations  $>$  No. of variables

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} & (m > n) & & & \\ & \downarrow & & & \\ & \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b} & & & \\ \swarrow & & \downarrow & & \searrow \\ (m \times n) & & (n \times 1) & & (n \times 1) \end{array}$$

$$\begin{cases} x + y = 1 \\ 2x + 3y = 1 \\ x + 2y = 1 \end{cases}$$

- Problem of not enough
- Not all equations can be satisfied
- Can be viewed as a no solution case
- Some form of optimization needed

project  $\mathbf{b}$  on the columns of  $\mathbf{A}$

$$x \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + y \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Linear equations

$$e = b - Ax$$

$$e \text{ is } \perp \text{ to } \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$e \text{ is } \perp \text{ to } \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$e = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \hat{x} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \hat{y} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\hat{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.667 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

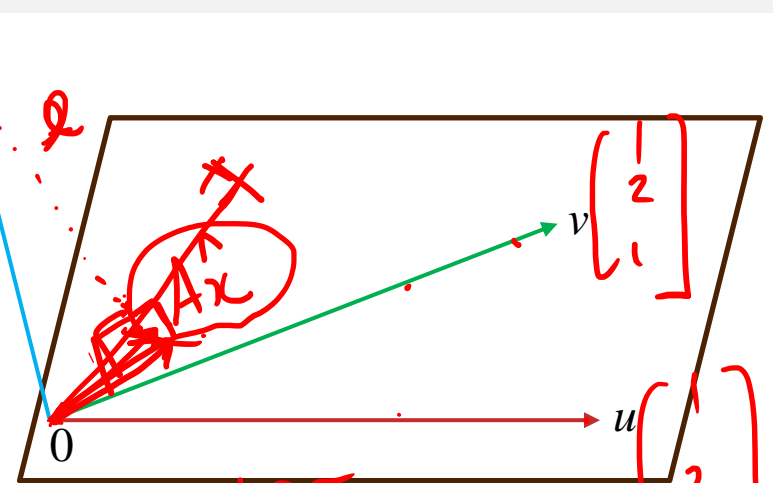
$$\hat{y} = 0$$

linear combination of columns of A.

$$\text{Is } \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \perp \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$e^T \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

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2 equations, 2 unknowns!

error | model

model.

$$e = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}_b \underbrace{\hat{x} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \hat{y} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{model.}}$$

$$e = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - \hat{x} - \hat{y} \\ 1 - 2\hat{x} - 3\hat{y} \\ 1 - \hat{x} - 2\hat{y} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Case 2 continued – Optimization view

square of length of  $e$

$$\text{Min } (\mathbf{Ax}-\mathbf{b})^T (\mathbf{Ax}-\mathbf{b})$$

$$\text{Min } [(\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A}^T - \mathbf{b}^T) (\mathbf{Ax}-\mathbf{b}) = f(\mathbf{b})]$$

$$\text{Min } [(\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{Ax} - 2\mathbf{b}^T \mathbf{Ax} + \mathbf{b}^T \mathbf{b} = f(\mathbf{b})]$$

$$\nabla f = 0$$

$$2(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})\mathbf{x} - 2\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{b} = 0$$

$$(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{b} \text{ (Remember } n \text{ is the smaller number)}$$

$$\mathbf{x} = (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{b}$$

$n \times m$   $m \times n$   $n \times m$   $m \times 1$

$$e = \mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{b}$$

minimize " $e^T$ " (?) why?

Ideal  $\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{b} = 0$

minimize square of length  $|e|^2 = e^T e$

$$\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b} : \quad m > n$$

$m \times n \cdot n \times 1 \quad m \times 1$

why minimize  $e^T e$ ?

Data as close as possible to model

## Case 2 continued – Projection view

- Project  $\mathbf{b}$  onto column space of  $\mathbf{A}$

$$\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}' \quad \mathbf{e} = \mathbf{b} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}' \quad \text{Lar column of } \mathbf{A}$$

- Use orthogonality

$$\mathbf{A}^T(\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}') = 0$$

$$n \times m \quad m \times 1$$

$$\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{b} = (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A}) \mathbf{x}' \quad n \times 1$$

$$\mathbf{x}' = (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{b} \rightarrow \text{same solution}$$

$$\mathbf{A}: m \times n$$

$$\mathbf{b}: m \times 1$$

$$\mathbf{x}: n \times 1$$

$$m > n$$



WARNING! Only use as a mnemonic.

$$\underbrace{A}_{m \times n} \underbrace{x}_{n \times 1} = \underbrace{b}_{m \times 1}$$

$$m > n.$$

multiply by  $A^T$

$$\underbrace{A^T A}_{n \times n} \hat{x} = \underbrace{A^T b}_{n \times 1}$$

$$\hat{x} = \underbrace{(A^T A)^T}_{(A^T A)} A^T b$$

$(A^T A)$  has to be invertible

## Case 2 continued – Linear combination view

$$\mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$$

$$\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{b}$$

$$\mathbf{x} = (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{b}$$

- Here only a limited number of linear combinations (as many as the variables) are retained to solve the problem

# Case 3

Case 3: No. of equations  $<$  No. of variables

$$(m \times n) \quad Ax = b$$

$$m < n$$

$$\# \text{ eqns} < \text{unknowns.}$$

- Problem of plenty
- Infinite solutions
- What is the rationale for choosing a single solution from this infinity of solutions?
  - choose  $x$  which has shortest length!

$x + y = 1$  infinite solutions!

But choose "ONE"

which one? the one which is closest  
to  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ :

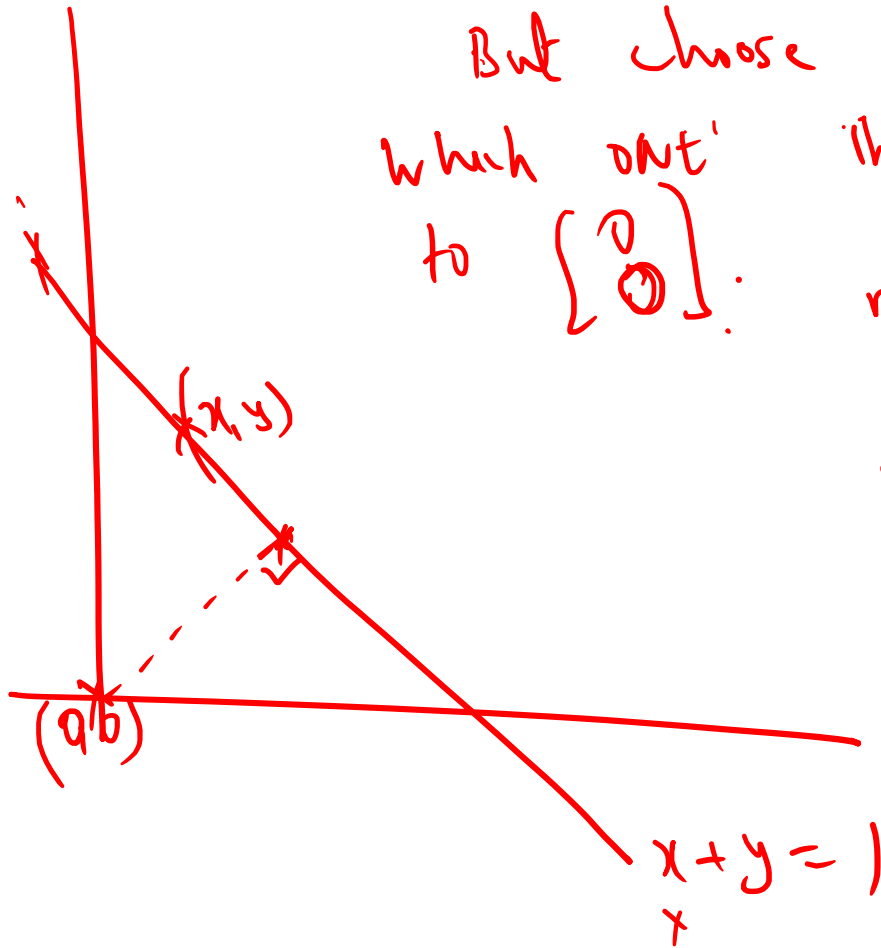
$$\min (x-0)^2 + (y-0)^2.$$

$$\text{s.t. } x + y - 1 = 0$$

$$-\nabla f = \lambda \nabla g$$

$$x = 1/2$$

$$y = 1/2$$



# Case 3 continued – Optimization view

- Pose an optimization problem
- Minimize  $\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x}$  -  $n$  variables  
-such that  $\mathbf{Ax}=\mathbf{b}$   $m$  constraints  
 $m \times n$   $m < n$
- Min [  $f(\mathbf{b}) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x} + \lambda^T (\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{b})$  ]

$$\nabla f = 0$$

$$\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{A}^T \lambda = 0$$

$$\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$$

# Case 3 continued – Optimization view

$$\mathbf{x} = -\mathbf{A}^T \lambda$$

$$-\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^T \lambda = \mathbf{b}$$

$$\lambda = -(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^T)^{-1} \mathbf{b}$$

$$\mathbf{x} = -\mathbf{A}^T \lambda = \mathbf{A}^T (\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^T)^{-1} \mathbf{b}$$

- Again the inverse is of the smaller square matrix

$$\mathbf{x} = \underbrace{\mathbf{A}^T}_{n \times m} \underbrace{(\mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^T)^{-1}}_{m \times m} \mathbf{b}.$$

$m \times 1$

$\mathbf{A}: m \times n$   
 $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^T: m \times m$

## Case 3 continued – Principle of parsimony

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{x} &= \text{Row space} + \text{Null space component} \\ &= \mathbf{x}_r + \mathbf{x}_N\end{aligned}$$

Null space component implies  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}_N = \mathbf{0}$

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$$

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

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}_r = \mathbf{b}$$

# Case 3 continued – Principle of parsimony

$\mathbf{x}_r$  is in row space

$$\mathbf{x}_r = \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{y}$$

$$\mathbf{A} \mathbf{x}_r = \mathbf{b}$$

$$\mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{b}$$

$$\mathbf{y} = (\mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^T)^{-1} \mathbf{b}$$

$$\mathbf{x}_r = \mathbf{A}^T (\mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^T)^{-1} \mathbf{b} \rightarrow \text{same as previous result}$$

$\mathbf{x}_r$  is a unique solution



# Generalization

- Can I combine all these results into one elegant result?
- Yes – notion of pseudo-inverse

- $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b} ; \mathbf{x} = \underline{\mathbf{A}^\dagger} \mathbf{b}$

$\mathbf{A}^\dagger = \text{pseudo-inverse}$

# Pseudo-inverse

$$\mathbf{A} = \underset{(m \times n)}{\mathbf{Q}_1} \underset{(m \times m)}{\Sigma} \underset{(n \times n)}{\mathbf{Q}_2^T}$$

$$\mathbf{A}^\dagger = \underset{(n \times n)}{\mathbf{Q}_2} \underset{(n \times m)}{\Sigma^\dagger} \underset{(m \times m)}{\mathbf{Q}_1^T}$$

SVD of A.  
+ pseudo inverse symbol.  
(degree n)

$m > n$

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Sigma^\dagger = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sigma_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/\sigma_2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/\sigma_3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$m < n$

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma_3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad 3 \times 4$$

$$\Sigma^\dagger = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sigma_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1/\sigma_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1/\sigma_3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad 4 \times 3$$

$$\mathbf{A} \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$$

$(m \times n) \quad (n \times 1) \quad (m \times 1)$

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}^\dagger \mathbf{b}$$

$(n \times m) \quad (m \times 1)$

