

## Lecture 11. Square root SAM ( $\sqrt{\text{SAM}}$ )

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### 1 Chi squared error

$$\chi^2 = \sum \|\cdot\|_{\Sigma_i}^2 + \|\cdot\|_{\Sigma_k}^2 = \|A\delta - b\|_2^2$$

If  $\chi^2$  has converged ( $\delta = 0$ ), then

$$\chi^2|_{\delta=0} = b^T b$$

#### 1.1 Information matrix ( $A^T A = \Lambda$ )

SAM is a MAP estimator of  $x_{0:t_i}$

$$\arg \max_{\theta} P(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{M}, \mathcal{Z}, \mathcal{U}) \xrightarrow{(-\log, \text{linearisation})} \arg \min_{\delta} \|A\delta - b\|_2^2$$

In fact, all these factors express a distribution as well.

$$\begin{aligned} \|A\delta - b\|_2^2 &= (A\delta - b)^T (A\delta - b) = \delta^T A^T A \delta - \delta^T A^T b - b^T A \delta + b^T b \stackrel{\text{if } b=A\mu}{=} \\ &\quad \delta^T A^T A \delta - 2\delta^T A^T A \mu + \mu^T A^T A \mu = \\ &\quad (\delta - \mu)^T \underbrace{A^T A}_{\Lambda} (\delta - \mu) \end{aligned}$$

#### 1.2 Normal equation

$$\begin{aligned} A\delta &= b \Rightarrow (\delta = A^{-1} \cdot b) \\ A^T A \delta &= A^T b \\ \delta &= (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b. \quad \text{complexity of this: } \mathcal{O}(n^3) \end{aligned}$$

$A$  is sparse  $\rightarrow$  exploit by SOTA Linear algebra.

#### 1.3 Cholesky factorisation

$\Lambda = A^T A = L \cdot L^T = R^T R$ , where  $R$  is an upper-triangular matrix (can be a lower-triang.)

$$\begin{aligned} A^T A \delta &= A^T b \\ \Downarrow (\text{cholesky}) \\ R^T R \delta &= A^T b \quad (\text{Squared root method}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} R^T \cdot y = A^T b \\ R \cdot \delta = y \end{bmatrix}$$

Equations above solved efficiently by back-substitution

Example:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & 7 & 0 \\ 6 & -7 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Solving:**

1.  $y_1 = 2$
2.  $5 \cdot 2 + 7y_2 = 5 \Rightarrow y_2 = -\frac{5}{7}$
3.  $6y_1 - 7y_2 + 3y_3 = 5$   
 $6 \cdot 2 - 7(-\frac{5}{7}) + 3y_3 \Rightarrow y_3 = \frac{5 - 12 - 5}{3} = 4$

Cholesky factorisation regiven to solve 2 systems by back-substitution

## 1.4 QR factorisation

$$\begin{aligned} Q^T A &= \begin{bmatrix} R \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ Q^T b &= \begin{bmatrix} d \\ e \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$Q$  is orthonormal matrix (square)

$R$  is upper triangular matrix.

$$\begin{aligned} \|A\delta - b\|_2^2 &= \|Q^T A\delta - Q^T b\|_2^2 = \left\| \begin{bmatrix} R \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \delta - \begin{bmatrix} d \\ e \end{bmatrix} \right\|_2^2 = \\ &= \|R\delta - d\|_2^2 + \|e\|_2^2 \end{aligned}$$

$\boxed{R\delta = d}$  solved by 1 back-substitution

**Note:** no need to calculate  $\Lambda = A^T A$

**Is  $R$  the same as for Cholesky?**

$$\Lambda = A^T A = (QR)^T QR = R^T \underbrace{Q^T Q}_I R = R^T R$$

## 1.5 Schur-complement for factorisation (g2o, Kumarle'2011)

$$\Lambda = A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} \Lambda_x & \Lambda_{xm} \\ \Lambda_{mx} & \Lambda_m \end{bmatrix}, \delta = \begin{bmatrix} \delta_x \\ \delta_m \end{bmatrix}, A^T b = \begin{bmatrix} b_x \\ b_m \end{bmatrix}$$

$\Lambda_m$  is diagonal.

$$\text{from } A^T A \delta = A^T b$$

$$\begin{cases} \Lambda_x \delta_x + \Lambda_{xm} \delta_m = b_x \\ \Lambda_{mx} \delta_x + \Lambda_m \delta_m = b_m \end{cases} \quad (\times \Lambda_{xm} \Lambda_m^{-1})$$

$$- \begin{cases} \Lambda_x \delta_x + \Lambda_{xm} \delta_m = b_x \\ \Lambda_{xm} \Lambda_m^{-1} \Lambda_{mx} \delta_x + \cancel{\Lambda_{xm} \Lambda_m^{-1} \Lambda_m} \delta_m = \Lambda_{xm} \Lambda_m^{-1} b_m \end{cases}$$

$$\underbrace{(\Lambda_x - \Lambda_{xm} \Lambda_m^{-1} \Lambda_{mx})}_{\text{S, Schur complement}} \delta_x + 0 = \underbrace{b_x - \Lambda_{xm} \Lambda_m^{-1} b_m}_{b_s}$$

1. Solve  $S\delta_x = b_s$  using Cholesky for instance;
2.  $\Lambda_{mx}\delta_x + \Lambda_m\delta_m = b_m$   
 $\delta_m = \Lambda_m^{-1}(b_m - \Lambda_{mx}\delta_x).$

## 2 Ordering of nodes

Every graph has an optimal ordering of nodes.

- fewer edges when eliminating nodes (equivalent to back-substitution in linear algebra);
- fewer fill-ins in the square root factorisation.

Example:

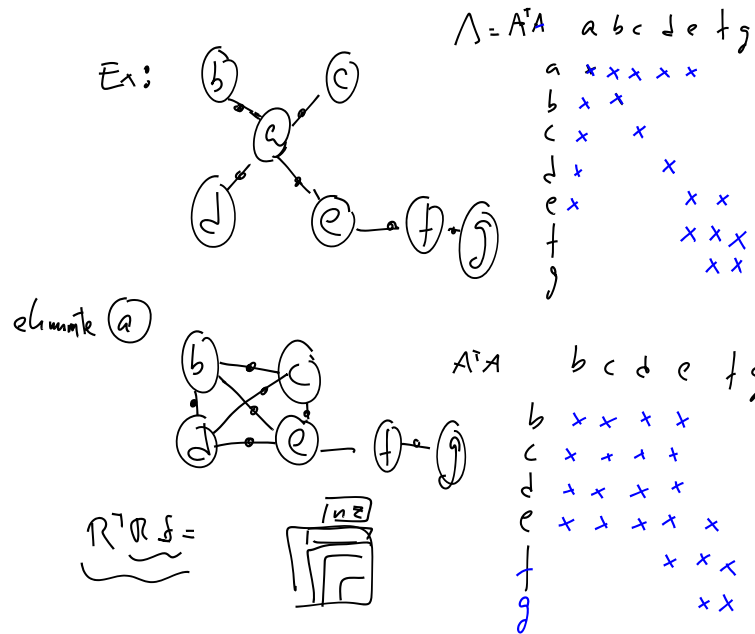


Figure 1: Ordering of nodes example

New information matrix is denser than expected. Adjacency matrix has more (factors) rows  $A'_{8 \times 6}$  while before  $A_{6 \times 7}$

## 3 Minimum order degree

Intuition: nodes with fewer edges.

Permute nodes: in order of number of edges.

Column permutation ( $A^T A$ ) Cholesky

Column permutation ( $A$ ) QR

COLAMD heuristic for ordering nodes (Davis' 2001).

As reported in Dellaert'2006 the performed better using Cholesky and COLAMD. But it is problem dependent.