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↳ As we have previously seen, the $A^T A$'s return will be always square matrix.

↳ Let's review again with an example.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 1}, \quad A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{1 \times 3}$$

$$A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}_{1 \times 3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 1} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 + 9 + 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 14 \end{bmatrix}_{1 \times 1}$$

"Square"

↳ Let's say " $Ax \approx b$ "

$$A^T A x \approx A^T b$$

If an Inverse Matrix exists for $A^T A$,

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

$$\boxed{x \approx (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b}$$

↳ $(A^T A)^{-1} A^T \Rightarrow$ we call it as "pseudo inverse" and symbolized as " A^+ "

$$\boxed{A^+ = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T}$$
$$\boxed{x \approx A^+ b}$$