

EX.4.1.1.b, Sauer3

Solve the normal equations to find the least squares solution and 2-norm error for the following inconsistent system

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

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Colab: https://colab.research.google.com/drive/1QmlNOuhGT-_UtSpXJJ9VSGUpDS99kDly

First we form

$$A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 14 & 6 \\ 6 & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

and

$$A^T b = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Now we solve $(A^T A)x = (A^T b)$. We get the least squares solution as

$$\begin{bmatrix} 14 & 6 \\ 6 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \iff \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

We can compute the residual

$$r = b - Ax = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} \\ 1 \\ -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}.$$

The 2-norm error is

$$\|r\|_2 = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}.$$

What is below is not needed.

Check:

$$A^T r = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} \\ 1 \\ -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (1)(-\frac{1}{2}) + (2)(1) + (3)(-\frac{1}{2}) \\ (1)(-\frac{1}{2}) + (1)(1) + (1)(-\frac{1}{2}) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Python helper notebook:

In python, we can either use Numpy's `np.linalg.lstsq`:

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import numpy as np
from math import sqrt

A = np.array([[1., 1.], [2., 1.], [3., 1.]])
b = np.array([[1.], [2.], [0.]])
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x = np.linalg.lstsq(A,b,rcond=None)[0]

print("x =\n",x)
print("r =\n",b-A@x)
print("|| b - Ax ||_2 = ", f"{np.linalg.norm( A@x - b, 2 ):.4f}",
      "( check: ", f"{sqrt(3./2.):.4f}", ")" )
print("|| A^T ( b - Ax ) ||_oo =",
      f"{np.linalg.norm( A.T@( A@x - b), np.infty ):.1e}" )

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x =
[[ -0.5]
 [  2. ]]
r =
[[ -0.5]
 [  1. ]
 [ -0.5]]
|| b - Ax ||_2 =  1.2247 ( check:  1.2247 )
|| A^T ( b - Ax ) ||_oo = 8.9e-16

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or we can do it ourselves using the Normal Equation methods `x = np.linalg.solve(A.T@A, A.T@b)`.