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Review  $X$  a random vector with density  $f_X(x_1, \dots, x_n)$

( $n \times 1$ ) Mean  $= \mu =: E\{X\} := \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x f_X(x_1, \dots, x_n) dx_1 \cdots dx_n$

( $n \times n$ ) Covariance  $= \text{Cov}\{X\} := E\{(X-\mu) \cdot (X-\mu)^T\} =: Q \geq 0$

$$Q_{ij} = [Q]_{ij} = E\{(x_i - \mu_i)(x_j - \mu_j)\}$$

Covariance matrix

If  $Q > 0$ ,  $Q^{-1}$  called the information matrix

( $1 \times 1$ ) Variance  $= \text{var}\{X\} := E\{(X-\mu)^T(X-\mu)\}$

Recall:  $A = n \times m$ ,  $B = m \times n$  then

$$\text{tr}(A \cdot B) = \text{tr}(B \cdot A)$$

$$\therefore \underbrace{(X-\mu)^T(X-\mu)}_{1 \times 1} = \text{tr}((X-\mu)^T(X-\mu)) = \text{tr}((X-\mu)(X-\mu)^T)$$

Exercise:  $\text{var}\{X\} = \text{tr } Q$

Idea: trace = a sum. Expectation = an integral

and we know "Integral of sum = sum of Integrals"

Matlab illustration of Q diagonal

vs Q not diagonal  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \mu, Q = \text{cov}(X)$

$$1) Q = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$2) Q = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} = O \begin{bmatrix} (0 & 0) \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} O^T$$

$$O = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$3) Y = OX$$

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Underdetermined:  $y = Cx \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n, y \in \mathbb{R}^m$

$S > 0, \|x\|^2 := x^T S x$ , rows of C linearly indep.

$$\hat{x} := \arg \min \|x\|^2 = S^{-1} C^T (C S^{-1} C^T)^{-1} y$$
$$y \stackrel{def}{=} Cx$$

Overdetermined:  $y = Cx + e, x \in \mathbb{R}^n, y \in \mathbb{R}^m$

$S > 0, \|y\|^2 := y^T S y$ , columns C lin. indep.

$$\hat{x} := \arg \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \|y - Cx\| = \underbrace{(C^T S C)^{-1}}_e C^T S y$$

# BLUE Best Linear Unbiased Estimator

(Goal: Find out how to choose the weight matrix  
 in an overdetermined problem)

$$y = Cx + \varepsilon \quad y \in \mathbb{R}^m, x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \varepsilon \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

Noise model  $\mu = E\{\varepsilon\} = 0, \text{cov}(\varepsilon) = Q > 0.$

$x$  is unknown constant. No noise model for  $x$ .

Vocabulary: One says  $x$  is deterministic while  $\varepsilon$  is stochastic

Seek  $\hat{x} = Ky$ , a linear estimator.

Assume: Columns of  $C$  are linearly independent.

Def.  $\hat{x}$  is an unbiased estimate

if  $E\{\hat{x}\} = x$ , the value of the unknown constant.

$$x = E\{\hat{x}\}$$

$$= E\{Ky\}$$

$$= E\{K(Cx + \varepsilon)\}$$

$$= E\{KCx + K\varepsilon\}$$

$$= E\{KCx\} + E\{K\varepsilon\}$$

$$= KCx + 0$$

$$= KCx$$

Unbiased  $\Leftrightarrow x = KCx$

Fact:  $x = KCx + x_{ER^n} \Leftrightarrow KC = I_{nxn}$

BEST : Minimize variance of  $\hat{x}$

Choose  $K$  such that we minimize variance of  $\hat{x}$  while constraining

$K$  to give us an unbiased estimator.

$$\text{Var}(\hat{x}) = E\{( \hat{x} - x )^T (\hat{x} - x )\}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{x} - x &= Ky - x \\
 &= K(Cx + \varepsilon) - x \\
 &= \underbrace{K(Cx - x)}_0 + K\varepsilon \\
 &= K\varepsilon
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Var}(\hat{x}) &= \text{Var}(K\varepsilon) \\
 &= E\{(K\varepsilon)^T(K\varepsilon)\} \\
 &= E\{\text{tr}[(K\varepsilon)^T K\varepsilon]\} \\
 &= E\{\text{tr}[(K\varepsilon)(K\varepsilon)^T]\} \\
 &= E\{\text{tr}[K\varepsilon \varepsilon^T K^T]\} \\
 &= \text{tr}(K E\{\varepsilon \varepsilon^T\} K^T) \\
 &= \text{tr}[K Q K^T]
 \end{aligned}$$

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Problem  $\hat{x} = Ky$  seek  $K$  satisfying

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{K} &= \arg \min_K \text{tr}(K Q K^T) \\
 K C &= I
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \hat{K}^\top = [\hat{k}_1^\top | \cdots | \hat{k}_n^\top] = Q^{-1}C(C^\top Q^{-1}C)^{-1}.$$

Therefore,

$$\hat{K} = (C^\top Q^{-1}C)^{-1} C^\top Q^{-1}$$

## Know

**Theorem:** Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $y \in \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $y = Cx + \epsilon$ ,  $E\{\epsilon\} = 0$ ,  $E\{\epsilon\epsilon^\top\} = Q > 0$ , and  $\text{rank}(C) = n$ . The Best Linear Unbiased Estimator (BLUE) is  $\hat{x} = \hat{K}y$  where

$$\hat{K} = (C^\top Q^{-1}C)^{-1} C^\top Q^{-1}. \quad \checkmark$$

Moreover, the covariance of the error is

$$E\{(\hat{x} - x)(\hat{x} - x)^\top\} = (C^\top Q^{-1}C)^{-1}. \quad \checkmark$$

## Derive the variance.

**Remark:** Error covariance computation is an exercise. Solution (from previous calculations)

$$\begin{aligned} E\{(\hat{x} - x)(\hat{x} - x)^\top\} &= KQK^\top \\ &= (C^\top Q^{-1}C)^{-1} C^\top Q^{-1} Q Q^{-1} C (C^\top Q^{-1}C)^{-1} \\ &= (C^\top Q^{-1}C)^{-1} [C^\top Q^{-1}C] (C^\top Q^{-1}C)^{-1} \\ &= (C^\top Q^{-1}C)^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

Indeed

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{x} - x &= Ky - x \\ &= KCx + K\epsilon - x \\ &= K\epsilon \text{ (because } KC = I) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore E\{(\hat{x} - x)(\hat{x} - x)^\top\} &= E\{(K\epsilon)(K\epsilon)^\top\} \\ &= E\{K\epsilon\epsilon^\top K^\top\} \\ &= KQK^\top \end{aligned}$$

Key: BLUE = Weighted Least Squares with

weight matrix = Information  
matrix = Inverse of the  
covariance of the noise!

Deriving the answer and  
relating it to under-determined  
equations

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} k_1 \\ k_2 \\ \vdots \\ k_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$K^T = \begin{bmatrix} k_1^T & | & k_2^T & | & \cdots & | & k_n^T \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{tr}(K Q K^T) = \text{tr}\left(\begin{bmatrix} k_1 \\ k_2 \\ \vdots \\ k_n \end{bmatrix} Q \begin{bmatrix} k_1^T & | & k_2^T & | & \cdots & | & k_n^T \end{bmatrix}\right)$$

$$= \text{tr}\left(\begin{bmatrix} k_1 \\ k_2 \\ \vdots \\ k_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} Qk_1^T & | & Qk_2^T & | & \cdots & | & Qk_n^T \end{bmatrix}\right)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n k_i Q k_i^T = \sum_{i=1}^n \|k_i\|_Q^2$$

$$KC = I_{n \times n} \Leftrightarrow C^T K^T = I_{n \times n}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow C^T [k_1^T | k_2^T | \dots | k_n^T] = \\ = [e^1 | e^2 | \dots | e^n]$$

$$e^i = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ i \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow i\text{th row}$$

$$KC = I_{n \times n} \Leftrightarrow \boxed{C^T k_i^T = e^i}_{1 \leq i \leq n}$$

Problem : Decomposes into n separate optimization problems

$$\hat{k}_i^T = \arg \min_{C^T k_i^T = e^i} \|k_i^T\|_Q^2$$

Undetermined Least Squares

$$\hat{k}_i^T = Q^{-1} C (C^T Q^{-1} C)^{-1} e^i$$

$$\hat{K}^T = [\hat{k}_1^T | \dots | \hat{k}_n^T]$$

$$= Q^{-1} C (C^T Q^T C)^{-1}$$

$$I = [c^1 | c^2 | \dots | c^n]$$





