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Suppose the  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$  has the form

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 \\ A_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $A_1$  is a nonsingular matrix of dimension  $n \times n$  and  $A_2$  is an arbitrary matrix of dimension  $(m-n) \times n$ . Prove that  $\|A^+\|_2 \leq \|A_1^{-1}\|_2$ .

Proof: By definition,  $A^+ = (A^*A)^{-1}A^*$ . The matrix  $A$  has SVD  $A = U\Sigma V^*$ . Thus we may write

$$A^+ = [(U\Sigma V^*)^*(U\Sigma V^*)]^{-1}A^*$$

$$= [V\Sigma\Sigma V^*]^{-1}(V\Sigma U^*)$$

$$= V^{-*}\Sigma^{-1}\Sigma^{-1}V^{-1}V\Sigma U^* \leftarrow \text{since } V \text{ \& } \Sigma \text{ are invertible, and the product } V\Sigma\Sigma^+ \text{ is invertible.}$$

$$= V^{-*}\Sigma^{-1}U^*$$

$$= V\Sigma^{-1}U^{-1}$$

$$= (U\Sigma V^*)^{-1}$$

$$\leq A_1^{-1}$$

$\leftarrow$  since  $V$  &  $U$  are unitary

Thus, we have  $\|A^+\|_2 \leq \|A_1^{-1}\|_2$ . Since  $A$  is  $m \times n$  with  $A_1$  full rank,  $(U\Sigma V^*)^{-1}$  not only constructs  $A_1^{-1}$ , otherwise it would not be invertible.