

1. Computing the least square estimate of SVD.

Since $X = U\Lambda V^T$

$$\Rightarrow X^T X = (U\Lambda V^T)^T (U\Lambda V^T) = V\Lambda^T U^T U \Lambda V^T \\ = V\Lambda^T \Lambda V^T$$

$$(X^T X)^{-1} = (V\Lambda^T \Lambda V^T)^{-1} = (V^T)^{-1} (\Lambda^T \Lambda)^{-1} V^{-1}$$

$$= V \underbrace{(\Lambda^T \Lambda)^{-1}}_{=D} V^T \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} V \text{ is orthogonal matrix} \\ V^T = V^{-1} \end{array} \right)$$

Therefore, b is correct.

2. The ridge regression estimate

reformulate the given problem to a simple regression problem.

Let's consider $\|\vec{y} - X\beta\|^2 + \lambda \|W\beta\|^2$ first,

$$\begin{aligned} \|\vec{y} - X\beta\|^2 + \lambda \|W\beta\|^2 &= \vec{y}^T \vec{y} - 2\beta^T X^T \vec{y} + \beta^T X^T X \beta \\ &\quad + \lambda \beta^T W^T W \beta \end{aligned}$$

combine

$$= \vec{y}^T \vec{y} - 2\beta^T X^T \vec{y} + \beta^T [X^T, -\sqrt{\lambda} W^T] \begin{bmatrix} X \\ -\sqrt{\lambda} W \end{bmatrix} \beta$$

$$= \vec{y}^T \vec{y} - 2\beta^T [X^T, -\sqrt{\lambda} W^T] \begin{bmatrix} \vec{y}_{n \times 1} \\ \vec{0}_{p \times 1} \end{bmatrix} + \beta^T [X^T, -\sqrt{\lambda} W^T] \begin{bmatrix} X \\ -\sqrt{\lambda} W \end{bmatrix} \beta$$

$$= \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \vec{y} \\ \vec{0} \end{bmatrix}}_{\vec{v}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \vec{y}_{n \times 1} \\ \vec{0}_{p \times 1} \end{bmatrix}}_{\vec{v}} - 2\beta^T [X^T, -\sqrt{\lambda} W^T] \begin{bmatrix} \vec{y}_{n \times 1} \\ \vec{0}_{p \times 1} \end{bmatrix} + \beta^T [X^T, -\sqrt{\lambda} W^T] \begin{bmatrix} X \\ -\sqrt{\lambda} W \end{bmatrix} \beta$$

Let $\vec{v}_{(n+p) \times 1}$

Let $M_{(n+p) \times p}$

$$= \vec{v}^T \vec{v} - 2\beta^T M^T \vec{v} + \beta^T M^T M \beta = \|\vec{v} - M\beta\|^2$$

Therefore, we can simplify the given problem to:

$$\hat{\beta}^{\text{ridge}} = \arg \min_{\beta} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \|\vec{v} - M\beta\|_2^2 \right\}$$

$$\text{with } \vec{v}_{(n+p) \times 1} = \begin{bmatrix} \vec{y}_{n \times 1} \\ \vec{0}_{p \times 1} \end{bmatrix} \text{ \& } M_{(n+p) \times p} = \begin{bmatrix} X_{n \times p} \\ -\sqrt{\lambda} W_{p \times p} \end{bmatrix}$$