

# LECTURE 13

## PSEUDOINVERSE

Recall LSP

$$\text{minimize } \|Ax - b\|_2 \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{where} \\ A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n} \\ b \in \mathbb{C}^m \\ m \geq n \end{array} \right)$$

$$x \in \mathbb{C}^n$$

Optimal  $\hat{x} \in \mathbb{C}$  satisfies

$$\boxed{\text{NORMAL EQUATION}} \quad A^* A \hat{x} = A^* b$$

When  $A$  is full rank,

$$\hat{x} = \underbrace{(A^* A)^{-1}}_{n \times n} \underbrace{A^*}_{n \times m} b$$

We shall see that

$$A^+ = (A^* A)^{-1} A^* \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$$

is a special case of the pseudoinverse.

But pseudoinverse of  $A$  is defined

even when  $A$  is not full rank.

## ONE-SIDED INVERSES

Consider  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

$$\underbrace{\left( \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right)}_{A^L - \text{Left Inverse}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

DEFN (Left Inverse)

Let  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$  with  $m \geq n$ . Then  $X \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$  satisfying

$$XA = I_n$$

is called the left inverse of  $A$ .

DEFN (Right Inverse)

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$$AX = I_m$$

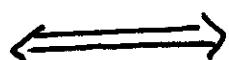
is called the right inverse of  $A$ .

## NOTATION

$A^L$  - Left Inverse

$A^R$  - Right Inverse

$$AX = I_m$$



$$Ax_1 = e_1, \dots, Ax_m = e_m$$

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} x_1, \dots, x_m \text{ are cols of } X \\ e_1, \dots, e_m \text{ are cols of } I_m \end{array} \right)$$



$$\text{Range}(A) = \mathbb{C}^m$$



$$\text{rank}(A) = m$$

THM (Existence of Right Inverse)

Let  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$  with  $m \leq n$ . Then  $A^R$  exists if and only if  $\text{rank}(A) = m$ .

THM (Existence of Left Inverse)

Let  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$  with  $m \geq n$ . Then  $A^L$  exists if and only if  $\text{rank}(A) = n$ .

Suppose  $A^R$  exists. Then it can be written of the form

$$(*) A^R = \underbrace{P}_{n \times n} \begin{bmatrix} B \\ A_1 \\ A_2 \\ C \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \\ n \times n \\ (m-n) \times n \end{matrix}$$

where  $P$  (can be any invertible matrix, but here) is a permutation matrix.

### DEFN (Permutation Matrix)

A matrix  $P \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is called a permutation matrix if along each column it has only one non-zero entry, and that non-zero entry is 1.

### EXAMPLE

$P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is a permutation matrix

Right multiplication permutes columns

$$[a_1 \ a_2] \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = [a_2 \ a_1]$$

Left multiplication permutes rows

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bar{a}_1 \\ \bar{a}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{a}_2 \\ \bar{a}_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since  $A^R$  exists,  $\text{rank}(A) = m$  that is  $A$  has  $m$  linearly independent columns.

Permute columns of  $A$  so that the first  $m$  columns are linearly independent, that is

$$(**) AP = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & A_2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}_{m \times m} \quad \underbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}_{(n-m) \times m}$   
 $\text{rank}(A_1) = m$

Choose  $P$  in (\*) as the permutation matrix above.

Now using (\*)

$$\begin{aligned} I_m &= A A^R \\ &= A P \begin{bmatrix} B \\ C \end{bmatrix} \\ &= [A_1 \ A_2] \begin{bmatrix} B \\ C \end{bmatrix} = A_1 B + A_2 C \end{aligned}$$

$$\implies B = A_1^{-1} - A_1^{-1} A_2 C$$

### THM

Let  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$  with  $m \leq n$ . Then  
(and  $\text{rank}(A) = m$ )  
 $A^R$  is of the form

$$A^R = P \begin{bmatrix} A_1^{-1} - A_1^{-1} A_2 C \\ C \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $P \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is the permutation matrix defined by (\*\*\*) and  $C \in \mathbb{C}^{(n-m) \times m}$  is any matrix.

Similarly suppose  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$  with  $m \geq n$  and  $\text{rank}(A) = n$ . Furthermore let  $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  be the permutation matrix such that

$$(***) \quad QA = \begin{bmatrix} A_3 \\ A_4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \begin{matrix} n \times n, \text{rank}(A_3) = n \\ (m-n) \times n \end{matrix}$$

that is  $Q$  permutes rows of  $A$  so that the first  $n$  rows are linearly independent.

### THM

Let  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$  with  $m \geq n$  and  $\text{rank}(A) = n$ . Then  $A^L \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$  is of the form

$$(*) \quad A^L = \begin{bmatrix} DA_4 A_3^{-1} + A_3^{-1} & D \end{bmatrix} Q$$

where  $Q$  is as defined by (\*\*\*), and  $D \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times (m-n)}$  is any matrix.

# GENERALIZED INVERSE

One sided inverse does not exist,  
if  $A$  is not full rank

e.g.  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  does not have  
any right inverse.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

are inconsistent.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} x = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

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One sided inverse is not unique,  
when it exists

e.g.  $\left( \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{matrix} A_3 \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ A_4 \end{matrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

and

~~$$\begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 5/2 \\ -1/2 & 5/2 \end{bmatrix}$$~~

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & -1/2 \\ -1/2 & -1/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(Use (+)  
with  $D = [1]$ )

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Suppose  $A^R$  exists. Then

$$\underbrace{A}_{m \times m} \underbrace{A^R}_{m \times n} A = I_m \cdot A = A$$

$$\underbrace{A^R}_{n \times m} \underbrace{A}_{m \times m} \underbrace{A^R}_{m \times n} = A^R \cdot I_m = A^R$$

(Similarly  
for left  
inverse)

DEFN (Generalized Inverse)

Let  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ . Then  $X$  satisfying

$$(i) \quad A X A = A, \text{ and}$$

$$(ii) \quad X A X = X$$

is called the generalized inverse of  $A$ .

NOTATION

$A^I$  - Generalized Inverse

Now suppose  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$  with SVD  
of the form

$$A = \underbrace{U}_{m \times m} \underbrace{\Sigma}_{m \times n} \underbrace{V^*}_{n \times n}$$

(++)

$$= U \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} V^*$$

( $\Sigma_r \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times r}$   
consisting of  
non-zero singular  
values)

$$= U_r \Sigma_r V_r^*$$



Let

$$X = V \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_r^{-1} & \sqrt{\Sigma_r^{-1}} B_1 \\ B_2 \sqrt{\Sigma_r^{-1}} & B_2 B_1 \end{bmatrix} U^*$$

where  $B_1 \in \mathbb{C}^{r \times (m-r)}$  and  $B_2 \in \mathbb{C}^{(m-r) \times r}$  are any matrices.

Now

$$AX = U \begin{bmatrix} I_r & \sqrt{\Sigma_r} B_1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} U^*$$

and

$$(i) AXA = U \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_r & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} V^* = A$$

$$(ii) XAX = V \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_r^{-1} & \sqrt{\Sigma_r^{-1}} B_1 \\ B_2 \sqrt{\Sigma_r^{-1}} & B_2 B_1 \end{bmatrix} U^* = X.$$

THM (Existence)

Let  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ . There exists a generalized inverse of  $A$ . In particular any matrix of the form

$$(+++) A^{\#} = V \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_r^{-1} & \sqrt{\Sigma_r^{-1}} B_1 \\ B_2 \sqrt{\Sigma_r^{-1}} & B_2 B_1 \end{bmatrix} U^*$$

for some  $B_1 \in \mathbb{C}^{r \times (m-r)}$  and  $B_2 \in \mathbb{C}^{(m-r) \times r}$  is a generalized inverse. (9)

Now notice that

$$(A A^I) (A A^I) = (A A^I A) A^I = A A^I$$

$$(A^I A) (A^I A) = (A^I A A^I) A = A^I A,$$

that is

(i)  $A A^I$  and (ii)  $A^I A$

are projectors.

### LEMMA

Let  $A, B, C$  be matrices of appropriate sizes, and  $C = AB$ . Then

$$\text{rank}(C) \leq \min(\text{rank}(A), \text{rank}(B))$$

PROOF

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### LEMMA

For any generalized inverse  $A^I$  of  $A$

$$\text{rank}(A^I) = \text{rank}(A).$$

PROOF

Since  $A^I = A^I A A^I$ , by previous lemma

$$\text{rank}(A^I) \leq \min(\text{rank}(A^I), \text{rank}(A A^I))$$

$$\leq \min(\text{rank}(A^T), \text{rank}(A))$$

$$\leq \min(\text{rank}(A)).$$

Similarly since  $A = AA^T A$ ,

$$\text{rank}(A) \leq \min(\text{rank}(A), \text{rank}(A^T A))$$

$$\leq \min(\text{rank}(A), \text{rank}(A^T))$$

$$\leq \text{rank}(A^T)$$

□

### THM

(1)  $AA^T$  is an (in general) oblique projector onto  $\text{Range}(A)$  along  $\text{Null}(A^T)$ .

(2)  $A^T A$  is a projector onto  $\text{Range}(A^T)$  along  $\text{Null}(A)$ .

### PROOF

(1)

$AA^T$  is a projector onto  $\text{Range}(AA^T)$  along  $\text{Null}(AA^T)$ .

(i)  $\text{Range}(A) = \text{Range}(AA^T)$

$$x \in \text{Range}(AA^T) \implies AA^T y = x \quad \exists y$$

$$\boxed{\begin{array}{c} \text{Range}(AA^T) \\ \subseteq \\ \text{Range}(A) \end{array}}$$

$$\implies Az = x \quad \exists z$$

$$\implies x \in \text{Range}(A)$$

$$x \in \text{Range}(A) \implies Az = x \quad \exists z$$

$$\boxed{\begin{array}{c} \text{Range}(A) \\ \subseteq \\ \text{Range}(AA^T) \end{array}}$$

$$\implies AA^T Az = x \quad \exists z$$

$$\implies AA^T y = x \quad \exists y$$

$$(ii) \quad \text{Null}(AA^T) = \text{Null}(A^T)$$

$$x \in \text{Null}(A^T) \implies A^T x = 0$$

$$\boxed{\begin{array}{c} \text{Null}(A^T) \\ \subseteq \\ \text{Null}(AA^T) \end{array}}$$

$$\implies AA^T x = 0$$

$$\implies x \in \text{Null}(AA^T)$$

Furthermore

$$\text{rank}(\underbrace{AA^T}_{m \times m}) = \text{rank}(A) \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{since} \\ \text{Range}(AA^T) = \text{Range}(A) \end{array} \right)$$

$$= \text{rank}(\underbrace{A^T}_{n \times m}) \quad \left( \begin{array}{l} \text{PREVIOUS} \\ \text{LEMMA} \end{array} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \implies \dim(\text{Null}(AA^T)) &= m - \text{rank}(AA^T) \\ &= m - \text{rank}(A^T) \\ &= \dim(\text{Null}(A^T)) \end{aligned}$$

The facts

$$\text{Null}(A^T) \subseteq \text{Null}(AA^T)$$

and

$$\dim(\text{Null}(A^T)) = \dim(\text{Null}(AA^T))$$

imply

$$\text{Null}(A^T) = \text{Null}(AA^T)$$



(2)

Proof is similar by establishing

$$(i) \text{ Range}(A^T) = \text{Range}(A^T A)$$

$$(ii) \text{ Null}(A^T A) = \text{Null}(A) \quad \square$$

### EXAMPLE

$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  does not have

\* regular inverse  $A^{-1}$ , and

\* one-sided inverses  $A^L$  and  $A^R$ .

It has the SVD

$$A = \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

For instance applying  $(+++)$  with  $B_1 = 1/\sqrt{2}$  and  $B_2 = 0$  yields

$$\begin{aligned}
 A^I &= \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & 1/2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

(Verify that  $AA^I A = A$  and  $A^I A A^I = A^I$ )

### Projectors

\*  $AA^I = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  projects onto  $\underbrace{\text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}}_{\text{Range}(A)}$  along  $\underbrace{\text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}}_{\text{Null}(A^I)}$

\*  $A^I A = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  projects onto  $\underbrace{\text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}}_{\text{Range}(A^I)}$  along  $\underbrace{\text{span} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}}_{\text{Null}(A)}$