

- HW grading
- Examlet 1 grades
- Do NOT use  $10^{(-3)}$  in Py  
Do use  $10^{*-3}$

## LU: Special cases

What happens if we feed a non-invertible matrix to LU?

$$P A = L U$$

inv not inv not

What happens if we feed LU an  $m \times n$  non-square matrices?

$$A = L U$$

$m \times n$  |  $m \times k$   $k \times n$

- short & fat:  $m < n$        $L$        $U$   
 $m \times m$        $m \times n$

- tall & skinny:  $n < m$        $m \times n$        $U$   
 $n \times n$        $L$



"TSQR"

## Round-off Error in LU without Pivoting

Consider factorization of  $\begin{bmatrix} \epsilon & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  where  $\epsilon < \epsilon_{\text{mach}}$ :

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ 1/\epsilon & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad U = \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon & 1 \\ & 1 - 1/\epsilon \end{pmatrix}$$
$$F(U) = \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon & 1 \\ & -1/\epsilon \end{pmatrix}$$
$$A \doteq L \cdot F(U) = \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon & 1 \\ & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \rightsquigarrow \text{bw error} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Round-off Error in LU with Pivoting

Permuting the rows of  $A$  in partial pivoting gives  $PA = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ \epsilon & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ \epsilon & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad U = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & 1-\epsilon \end{pmatrix}$$

$$pl(U) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A \stackrel{!}{=} L \cdot pl(U) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ \epsilon & 1+\epsilon \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow \text{bu error:} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \epsilon \end{pmatrix}$$

## Changing matrices

Seen: LU cheap to re-solve if RHS changes. (Able to keep the expensive bit, the LU factorization) What if the *matrix* changes?

$PA=LU$        $A\vec{x}=\vec{b}$        $Ax=\vec{c}$  ; cheap  
 $(A+?)\vec{x}=\vec{b}$        $\leadsto$  "if you have a 'cheap' solver for  $A$ , can you turn that into a solver for  $A+?$ ?"

$$\hat{A} = A + \vec{u}\vec{v}^T$$

$$\hat{A}^{-1} = A^{-1} \frac{A^{-1} \vec{u} \vec{v}^T A^{-1}}{1 + \vec{v}^T A^{-1} \vec{u}}$$

$$\hat{A}^{-1} \vec{b} = \underbrace{A^{-1} \vec{b}}_{\text{u}^2} - \frac{(A^{-1} \vec{u} (\vec{v}^T (A^{-1} \vec{b})))}{1 + \vec{v}^T (A^{-1} \vec{u})} \Big]_{\text{h}^2}$$

Demo: Sherman-Morrison [cleared]

# Outline

Introduction to Scientific Computing

Systems of Linear Equations

**Linear Least Squares**

Introduction

Sensitivity and Conditioning

Solving Least Squares

Eigenvalue Problems

Nonlinear Equations

Optimization

Interpolation

Numerical Integration and Differentiation

Initial Value Problems for ODEs

Boundary Value Problems for ODEs

Partial Differential Equations and Sparse Linear Algebra

Fast Fourier Transform

Additional Topics

What about non-square systems?

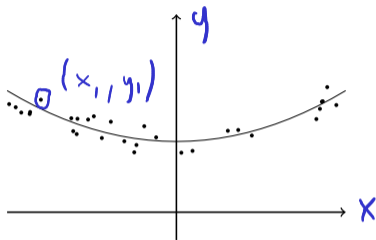
$$A\vec{x} = \vec{b}$$

Specifically, what about linear systems with 'tall and skinny' matrices? ( $A$ :  $m \times n$  with  $m > n$ ) (aka *overdetermined* linear systems)

Specifically, any hope that we will solve those exactly?

more equations than unknowns: overdet.

## Example: Data Fitting



Have data:  $(x_i, y_i)$  and model:

$$y(x) = \alpha + \beta x + \gamma x^2$$

Find data that (best) fit model!



## Data Fitting Continued

$$\alpha + \beta x_1 + \gamma x_1^2 = y_1$$

⋮

$$\alpha + \beta x_n + \gamma x_n^2 = y_n$$

$$\left\| \begin{array}{l} \alpha + \beta x_1 + \gamma x_1^2 - y_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha + \beta x_n + \gamma x_n^2 - y_n \end{array} \right\|_2 \rightarrow \min!$$

# Rewriting Data Fitting

Rewrite in matrix form.

$$\|A\vec{x} - \vec{b}\|_2 \rightarrow \min$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} | & x_1 & x_1^2 \\ | & x_2 & x_2^2 \\ | & \vdots & \vdots \\ | & x_n & x_n^2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ p \\ q \end{pmatrix} \quad \vec{b} = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$x_1^0$  Van der monde

## Least Squares: The Problem In Matrix Form

$$\|A\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|_2^2 \rightarrow \min!$$

is cumbersome to write.

Invent new notation, defined to be equivalent:


$$A\mathbf{x} \cong \mathbf{b}$$

### NOTE:

- ▶ Data Fitting is *one example* where LSQ problems arise.
- ▶ Many other application lead to  $A\mathbf{x} \cong \mathbf{b}$ , with different matrices.

## Data Fitting: Nonlinearity

Give an example of a nonlinear data fitting problem.

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \underbrace{\exp(\alpha)} + \beta x_1 + \gamma x_1^2 - y_1 \right|^2 \\ & \quad + \dots + \\ & \left| \exp(\alpha) + \beta x_n + \gamma x_n^2 - y_n \right|^2 \rightarrow \min! \end{aligned}$$

But that would be easy to remedy: Do linear least squares with  $\exp(\alpha)$  as the unknown. More difficult:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \alpha + \exp(\beta x_1 + \gamma x_1^2) - y_1 \right|^2 \\ & \quad + \dots + \\ & \left| \alpha + \exp(\beta x_n + \gamma x_n^2) - y_n \right|^2 \rightarrow \min! \end{aligned}$$

[Demo: Interactive Polynomial Fit \[cleared\]](#)

## Properties of Least-Squares

Consider LSQ problem  $Ax \cong b$  and its associated *objective function*  $\varphi(x) = \|b - Ax\|_2^2$ . Assume  $A$  has full rank. Does this always have a solution?

$\varphi \geq 0$ ,  $\varphi \rightarrow \infty$  as  $\|x\| \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\varphi$  continuous

Is it always unique?

$\rightarrow \varphi$  has a minimum

No! if  $A$  has a null space

If it doesn't, then yes.

## Least-Squares: Finding a Solution by Minimization

$$\|\vec{v}\|_2^2 = v_1^2 + \dots + v_n^2 = \vec{v}^T \vec{v}$$

Examine the objective function, find its minimum.

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi(\vec{x}) &= \|A\vec{x} - \vec{b}\|_2^2 \quad \downarrow \\ &= (\vec{b} - A\vec{x})^T (\vec{b} - A\vec{x}) \\ &= \vec{b}^T \vec{b} - 2\vec{x}^T A^T \vec{b} + \vec{x}^T A^T A \vec{x} \\ 0 &\stackrel{!}{=} \nabla_{\vec{x}} \varphi(\vec{x}) = -2A^T \vec{b} - 2A^T A \vec{x}\end{aligned}$$

$$A^T A \vec{x} = A^T \vec{b}$$

↑ normal eqns.

## Least squares: Demos

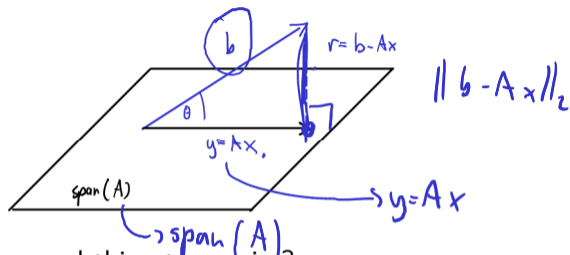
Demo: Polynomial fitting with the normal equations [cleared]

What's the shape of  $A^T A$ ?

Square

Demo: Issues with the normal equations [cleared]

## Least Squares, Viewed Geometrically

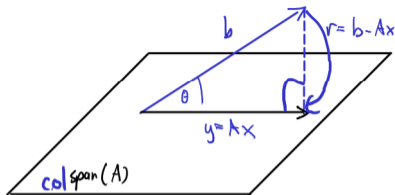


Why is  $r \perp \text{span}(A)$  a good thing to require?

Pythagoras: any other  $y$  would increase  
 $\|Ax - b\|_2$



## Least Squares, Viewed Geometrically (II)



Phrase the Pythagoras observation as an equation.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{span}(A) \perp b - Ax \\ \Leftrightarrow A^T(b - Ax) = A^T b - A^T A x \end{aligned}$$

↑ normal eqns again!

Write that with an orthogonal projection matrix  $P$ .

$$A \vec{x} = P \vec{b}$$

where  $P$  is the orth.  
projector onto  $\text{colspan}(A)$

# About Orthogonal Projectors



What is a *projector*?

$$P^2 = P$$

What is an *orthogonal projector*?

$\Leftrightarrow$   $P$  symmetric (try proving)

How do I make one projecting onto  $\text{span}\{\mathbf{q}_1, \mathbf{q}_2, \dots, \mathbf{q}_l\}$  for orthogonal  $\mathbf{q}_i$ ?

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_1 & \mathbf{q}_2 & \mathbf{q}_3 & \dots & \mathbf{q}_l \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Q Q^T$$

normal  
 $\| \mathbf{q}_i \|_2 = 1$

## Least Squares and Orthogonal Projection

Check that  $P = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T$  is an orthogonal projector onto  $\text{colspan}(A)$ .

$$A^T A x = A^T b$$

$$x = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b$$

$$y = Ax = Pb$$

$$P^2 = P \quad ; \quad \checkmark$$

$$P \text{ symmetric } \checkmark \quad P = P^T$$

$$A \begin{pmatrix} \vdots \\ Pb \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \in \text{colspan}(A)$$

What assumptions do we need to define the  $P$  from the last question?

$$A^T A \text{ has full rank } (\Leftrightarrow \text{invertible})$$

## Pseudoinverse

What is the **pseudoinverse** of  $A$ ?

What can we say about the condition number in the case of a tall-and-skinny, full-rank matrix?

What does all this have to do with solving least squares problems?