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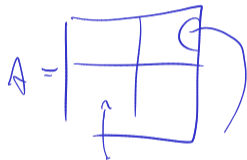
Announcements

Exam 2: make res!
HW4

Goals

LSQ

Review



$$B = n \begin{bmatrix} k & h \end{bmatrix} = U V^T$$

low rank, $n \times n$
 $\hookrightarrow k$

What about non-square systems?

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

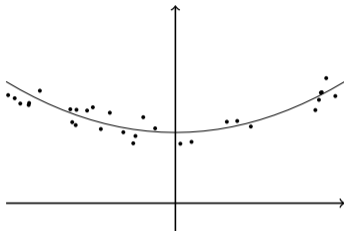
Specifically, any hope that we will solve those exactly?

only "as good as possible"

$\|b - Ax\|_2$

$$A x = b$$

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

$(x_1, y_1) \dots$

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

\vdots

$$|\alpha + \beta x_1 + \gamma x_1^2 - y_1|^2$$

$$+ |\alpha + \beta x_2 + \gamma x_2^2 - y_2|^2 \rightarrow \min!$$

Rewriting Data Fitting

Rewrite in matrix form.

Vandermonde matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_1 & x_1^2 \\ 1 & x_2 & x_2^2 \\ 1 & x_3 & x_3^2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}$$

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.

Linear LSQ

Data Fitting: Nonlinearity

Give an example of a nonlinear data fitting problem.

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

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

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

NLSQ

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

Properties of Least-Squares

$$Ax = b$$

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?

$\varphi \rightarrow \infty$ as $\|x\| \rightarrow \infty$ ^{calc} $\Rightarrow \varphi$ has a minimum

Is it always unique?

$$\varphi(x) = (b - Ax)^T (b - Ax)$$

Yes.

What happens if A does not have full rank?

$$x + \alpha z$$

Suppos $\|b - Ax\| = \min$

Suppose $z \in N(A)$ ⁽⁰⁾ $\Rightarrow Az = 0$

$$\|b - A(x + \alpha z)\|_2 = \|b - Ax\|_2$$

Least-Squares: Finding a Solution by Minimization



$$B \text{ spd} \Leftrightarrow \vec{x}^T B \vec{x} > 0 \text{ if } \vec{x} \neq 0$$

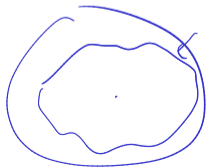
Examine the objective function, find its minimum.

$$\varphi(\vec{x}) = (\vec{b} - A\vec{x})^T (\vec{b} - A\vec{x}) = \vec{b}^T \vec{b} - \underbrace{\vec{b}^T A \vec{x}}_{\text{SPO}} - \underbrace{\vec{x}^T A^T \vec{b}}_{\text{SPO}} + \underbrace{\vec{x}^T A^T A \vec{x}}_{\text{SPO}}$$

$$\nabla \varphi(\vec{x}) = 2A^T \vec{b} - 2A^T A \vec{x}$$

To find **crit. points**: $\nabla \varphi(\vec{x}) = 0 \Leftrightarrow A^T A \vec{x} = A^T \vec{b}$

Hessian spd
 \Rightarrow min.



$\{ \varphi \leq c \}$

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 normal equations

Least squares: Demos

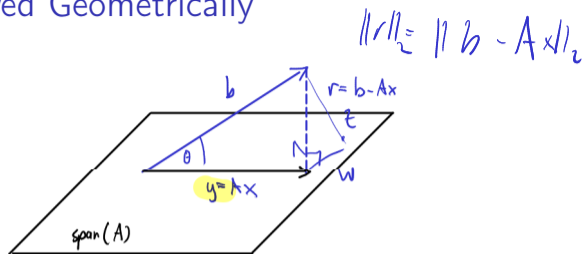
Demo: Polynomial fitting with the normal equations [cleared]

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

$k \times k$

Demo: Issues with the normal equations [cleared]

Least Squares, Viewed Geometrically

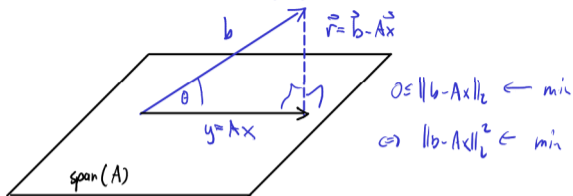


Why is $r \perp \text{span}(A)$ a good thing to require?

$$\|z\|_2^2 = \|r\|_2^2 + \|w\|_2^2 > \|r\|_2^2$$

> 0

Least Squares, Viewed Geometrically (II)



Phrase the Pythagoras observation as an equation.

$$\text{span}(A) \perp b - A\vec{x}$$
$$A^T(b - A\vec{x}) = 0 \Leftrightarrow A^T b = A^T A \vec{x}$$

Write that with an orthogonal projection matrix P . (onto $\text{span}(A)$)

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

About Orthogonal Projectors

What is a *projector*?

$$P^2 = P$$

What is an *orthogonal projector*?

P symmetric

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

$$Q = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{q}_1 & \vec{q}_2 & \dots & \vec{q}_\ell \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P = QQ^T$$

$(Q^T x)$ basis coeffs
 $Q(Q^T x)$

Least Squares and Orthogonal Projection

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



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

