

## 9. Positive definite mappings

First, we'll introduce the tensor product, which we'll use later in this section.

Given two vector spaces  $U, V$  over  $K$ , their tensor product, denoted  $U \otimes V$ , is a related vector space of dimension  $(\dim U)(\dim V)$ .

Def 1: If  $\{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$  is a basis of  $U$  and  $\{v_1, \dots, v_m\}$  a basis of  $V$ , then  $\{u_i \otimes v_j : 1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq m\}$  is a basis of  $U \otimes V$ .

Analogy:  $U \cong \text{Span}\{1, x, \dots, x^{n-1}\}$ ,  $V \cong \text{Span}\{1, y, \dots, y^{m-1}\}$ ,  
 $U \otimes V \cong \text{Span}\{x^i y^j : 0 \leq i \leq n, 0 \leq j \leq m\}$ .

Compare to  $U \times V$ , which has dimension  $\dim U + \dim V$ , with basis  $\{(x_i, 0)\} \cup \{(0, y_j)\}$ .

There's a better, basis-free way to construct  $U \otimes V$ .

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$$\text{Def 2: } U \otimes V = \left\{ \sum u_i \otimes v_i : u_i \in U, v_i \in V \right\} / N$$

$$\text{where } N = \text{Span} \left\{ (u_1 + u_2) \otimes v - u_1 \otimes v - u_2 \otimes v, \right. \\ \left. u \otimes (v_1 + v_2) - u \otimes v_1 - u \otimes v_2 \right\}$$

Basically, we are forcing the distributive law, i.e.,

$$(u_1 + u_2) \otimes v = u_1 \otimes v + u_2 \otimes v, \text{ etc.}$$

Let  $\text{Hom}(X, Y)$  be the set of linear maps from  $X$  to  $Y$ .

Theorem 9.1: There is a natural isomorphism  $U \otimes V \rightarrow \text{Hom}(U', V)$ .

Proof (sketch). Define the map as follows:

$$U \otimes V \rightarrow \text{Hom}(U', V)$$

$$u \otimes v \mapsto \{ l \mapsto (l, u) v \} \text{ and extend linearly}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{bmatrix} \otimes \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_m \end{bmatrix} \mapsto \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ \vdots \\ v_m \end{bmatrix} [u_1, \dots, u_n] = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 u_1 & v_1 u_2 \dots & v_1 u_n \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ v_m u_1 & v_m u_2 \dots & v_m u_n \end{bmatrix}_{m \times n}$$

Remark: We could similarly define an isomorphism  $U \otimes V \rightarrow \text{Hom}(V', U)$ .

Also,  $e_i \otimes e_j$  under this isomorphism is the matrix  $E_{ij}$  (i.e., the  $ij$ -entry is 1, all others 0.)

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If  $U, V$  are Euclidean spaces (so  $U' = U$ ), there is a natural way to endow  $U \otimes V$  with a Euclidean structure.

For  $M, L \in \mathcal{L}(U, V)$ , define  $(M, L) = \text{tr}(L^* M) = \sum_{i,j} \bar{l}_{ji} m_{ji}$ .

Note that  $\|M\|^2 = (M, M) = \sum_{i,j} |m_{ji}|^2$ .

Clearly,  $\{E_{ij} : 1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq m\}$  is an orthonormal basis.

Ex:  $M = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}, \quad L = \begin{bmatrix} a' & b' \\ c' & d' \end{bmatrix}, \quad \text{all real.}$

$$\begin{aligned} (M, L) &= \text{tr } L^* M = \text{tr} \begin{bmatrix} a' & c' \\ b' & d' \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \text{tr} \begin{bmatrix} aa' + cc' & a'b + c'd \\ ab' + cd' & bb' + dd' \end{bmatrix} \\ &= aa' + bb' + cc' + dd'. \end{aligned}$$

Another way to view tensor products.

Let  $X$  be an  $n$ -dimensional real vector space.

Note that  $\mathbb{C}$  is a 2-dim'l  $\mathbb{R}$ -vector space (basis:  $\{1, i\}$ ).

Suppose  $A: X \rightarrow X$  is a linear map with min'l poly  $x^2 + 1$ .

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Then  $i$  and  $-i$  are eigenvalues of  $A$ , but  $i \notin \mathbb{R}$ .

So if  $v$  is an eigenvector for  $\lambda = i$ ,  $v \notin X$ .

However,  $v$  should live in some "extension" of  $X$ .

In this bigger vector space, we want to have vectors like  $zv$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $v \in X$ .

What we really want is  $\mathbb{C} \otimes X$ .

This has basis  $\{x_1, \dots, x_n, ix_1, \dots, ix_n\}$ , where

$x_1, \dots, x_n$  is a basis of  $X$  [and here,  $ix_j \leftrightarrow i \otimes x_j$ ]

Note that we need certain associativity and distributivity,

$$\text{like } (\beta i)v = (i\beta)v = i(\beta v)$$

$$\text{i.e., } \beta i \otimes v = i\beta \otimes v = i \otimes \beta v.$$

But this comes for free with the construction!

Similarly, compare this to polynomials in matrices:

$$(\beta x^i)y^j = x^i(\beta y^j) \quad \text{and} \quad (\beta u)v^T = u(\beta v^T)$$

$$\beta x^i \otimes y^j = x^i \otimes \beta y^j \quad \beta u \otimes v = u \otimes \beta v.$$

Def: A self-adjoint map  $H: X \rightarrow X$  is positive (or positive definite) if  $(x, Hx) > 0$  for all  $x \neq 0$ . It is nonnegative (or positive semidefinite) if  $(x, Hx) \geq 0$ .

We denote these as e.g.,  $H > 0$  and  $H \geq 0$ , resp.

Theorem 9.2: Let  $X$  be a Euclidean space.

- (i) The identity map  $I$  is positive.
- (ii) If  $M, N > 0$  then  $M+N > 0$  and  $aM > 0$  for  $a > 0$ .
- (iii) If  $H > 0$  and  $Q$  invertible, then  $Q^*HQ > 0$ .
- (iv)  $H > 0$  iff all eigenvalues are positive.
- (v) If  $H > 0$  then  $H$  is invertible.
- (vi) Every positive map has a unique positive square root.
- (vii) The set of positive maps is an open subset of the space of self-adjoint maps.
- (viii) The boundary points of the set of positive maps are the nonnegative maps that are not positive.

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Proof: (i)  $(x, Ix) = (x, x) > 0$  if  $x \neq 0$ . ✓

(ii)  $(x, (M+N)x) = (x, Mx) + (x, Nx) > 0$  if  $x \neq 0$ . ✓

and  $(x, aMx) = a(x, Mx) > 0$  ✓

(iii)  $(x, Q^*HQx) = (Qx, HQx)$ .  
 $= (y, Hy) > 0$  where  $y = Qx$  ✓

(iv)  $\Rightarrow (x, Hx) = (x, \lambda x) = \lambda(x, x) = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda > 0$

$\Leftarrow \frac{(x, Hx)}{(x, x)} \geq \lambda_{\min} > 0 \Rightarrow (x, Hx) \geq \lambda_{\min} \|x\| > 0$ . ✓

(v) If  $H$  is singular, then  $Hx = 0$  for some  $x \neq 0 \Rightarrow \lambda = 0$ . ↴

(vi) Write  $\sqrt{H}x = \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i \sqrt{\lambda_i} x_i$  ( $x_i$ 's e-vectors).

(vii) Fix  $H > 0$ , let  $N$  be any self-adjoint map such that  $\|N-H\| < \lambda_{\min}$ .

Claim:  $N > 0$ .

Put  $M = N - H$ . Since  $\|M\| < \lambda_{\min}$ ,  $\|Mx\| < \lambda_{\min} \|x\|$  for all  $x \neq 0$ .

Cauchy-Schwarz  $\Rightarrow |(x, Mx)| \leq \|x\| \cdot \|Mx\| < \lambda_{\min} \|x\|^2$ .

Together we get for  $x \neq 0$ :

$$(x, Nx) = (x, (H+M)x) = \underbrace{(x, Hx)}_{\geq \lambda_{\min} \|x\|^2} + \underbrace{(x, Mx)}_{> -\lambda_{\min} \|x\|^2} > \lambda_{\min} \|x\|^2 - \lambda_{\min} \|x\|^2 = 0.$$

Thus  $N > 0$ . ✓

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(viii) By definition, if  $K$  is on the boundary of positive maps, then  $\exists$  sequence  $H_n \rightarrow K$  of positive maps i.e.,  $\|H_n - K\| \rightarrow 0$ .

By Cauchy-Schwarz,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x, H_n x) = (x, Kx)$ , so  $(x, Kx) \geq 0$ .

Since  $K \neq 0$ , then  $K \geq 0$ .  $\square$

Put a partial order onto the set of self-adjoint maps:

Say  $M < N$  iff  $N - M > 0$

$M \leq N$  iff  $N - M \geq 0$ .

We get the following properties (almost) for free:

Additive:  $M_1 < N_1$  and  $M_2 < N_2 \Rightarrow M_1 + M_2 < N_1 + N_2$

Transitive:  $L < M < N \Rightarrow L < N$

Multiplicative:  $M < N$ ,  $Q$  invertible  $\Rightarrow Q^* M Q < Q^* N Q$ .

Theorem 9.3: Suppose  $0 < M < N$ . Then  $M^{-1} > N^{-1} > 0$ .

Proof: First, suppose  $N = I$ .

Then  $M < I \Rightarrow I - M > 0 \Rightarrow$  Eigenvalues of  $I - M$  are positive.

Say  $(I - M)x = \lambda x$  for  $x \neq 0$ .

Then  $Mx = x - \lambda x = (1 - \lambda)x$ . Since  $1 - \lambda > 0$ ,  $0 < \lambda < 1$ .

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In summary:  $\lambda$  eigenvalue of  $I - M \Rightarrow 0 < d < 1$

$\Rightarrow 1 - \lambda$  eigenvalue of  $M$ , and  $0 < 1 - d < 1$

$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{1-d}$  eigenvalue of  $M^{-1}$ , and  $\frac{1}{1-d} > 1$

$\Rightarrow$  Eigenvalues of  $M^{-1} - I > 0$

$\Rightarrow M^{-1} - I > 0 \Rightarrow M^{-1} > I.$  ✓

Now, consider arbitrary  $N > M > 0$ .

Factor  $N = R^2$ ,  $R > 0$  and invertible.

Put  $Q = R^{-1}$ : (so  $Q^* = R^{-1}$ )

$$0 < M < N \Rightarrow 0 < R^{-1}MR^{-1} < R^{-1}NR^{-1} = I$$

Take inverses:  $0 > R^{-1}M^{-1}R > I$

$$\Rightarrow 0 > R^{-1}(RM^{-1}R)R^{-1} > R^{-1}I R^{-1} = R^{-2} = N^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 > M^{-1} > N^{-1}$$

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Caveat: The product of self-adjoint maps is in general, not self-adjoint.

Example: Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 \\ -2 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $x = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .

$$Ax = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad Bx = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (x, ABx) = (Ax, Bx) = -3.$$

Def: If  $A, B$  are self-adjoint, define their symmetrized product as  $S = AB + BA$ .

Note that  $(x, Sx) = (x, ABx) + (x, BAx) = (Ax, Bx) + (Bx, Ax)$ .

In the real case,  $(x, Sx) = 2(Ax, Bx)$ .

In the example above,  $AB + BA = \begin{pmatrix} -6 & 0 \\ 0 & 42 \end{pmatrix}$ .

That is, it's false that  $A > 0, B > 0 \Rightarrow AB + BA > 0$ .

But a similar statement is true:

Theorem 9.4: Let  $A, B$  be self-adjoint. If  $A > 0$  and  $AB + BA > 0$ , then  $B > 0$ .

Proof: Define  $B(t) = B + tA$ . (Note: We must show  $B(0) > 0$ .)

Claim 1: The symmetrized product of  $A \in B(t)$  is positive for  $t \geq 0$ .

$$S(t) = A B(t) + B(t) A = A(B + tA) + (B + tA) A = \underbrace{AB + BA}_{=S>0} + \underbrace{2tA^2}_{>0} = S + 2tA^2 > 0$$

Claim 2:  $\exists T$  s.t. if  $t > T$ , then  $B(t) > 0$ .

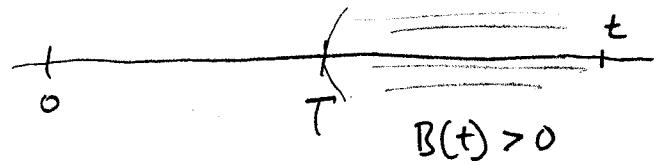
$$(x, B(t)x) = (x, (B + tA)x) = (x, Bx) + t(x, Ax) \quad [\text{assume } \|x\| = 1]$$

Recall: •  $(x, Ax) \geq \lambda_{\min} \|x\|^2 = \lambda_{\min}$

$$\bullet |(x, Bx)| \leq \|x\| \cdot \|Bx\| \leq \|B\| \cdot \|x\|^2 = \|B\|$$

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together, if  $\|x\|=1$ , then



$$(x, B(t)x) = t(x, Ax) + (x, Bx)$$

$$\geq t \lambda_{\min} - \|B\| > 0 \text{ if } t > \|B\|/\lambda_{\min} := T$$

Claim 3:  $B = B(0) > 0$ .

If not, then for some  $t_0$ ,  $0 \leq t_0 \leq \|B\|/\lambda_{\min}$  such that

$B(t_0)$  is on the boundary of the set of positive maps,  
i.e.,  $B(t_0) \geq 0$  but  $B(t_0) \not\succeq 0$ .

Such a  $B(t_0)$  has a  $\lambda=0$ , so  $B(t_0)y=0$  for some  $y \neq 0$ .

However,  $(y, S(t_0)y) = (Ay, B(t_0)y) + (B(t_0)y, Ay) = 0$ .  $\square$

Thus  $B > 0$ .  $\square$

Corollary 9.5: If  $0 < M < N$ , then  $0 < \sqrt{M} < \sqrt{N}$ .

Proof: Put  $A(t) = M + t(N-M)$ .

For  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ ,  $A(t) = (1-t)M + tN \succ 0$ ,  $A'(t) = N-M > 0$ .

Thus, we can define  $R(t) = \sqrt{A(t)}$  for  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ .

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Since  $A = R^2$ ,  $\dot{A} = \dot{R}R + R\dot{R}$  (symmetrized product of  $R \in \mathbb{R}$ )  
 [See Lax Ch. 9 for the "product rule" of linear map derivative]

We know  $\dot{A} = N - M > 0 \Rightarrow R > 0$  on  $[0, 1]$ .

Claim:  $R(t)$  is an increasing function on  $[0, 1]$ .

For any  $x \neq 0$ ,  $\frac{d}{dt}(x, Rx) = (x, \dot{R}x) > 0$ .

By calculus (see Lax Ch. 9),  $(x, R(t)x)$  is increasing.

$$\Rightarrow (x, R(s)x) < (x, R(t)x) \quad \text{for } s < t$$

$$\Rightarrow R(t) - R(s) > 0 \Rightarrow R(t) > R(s).$$

In particular  $R(0) < R(1)$

$$\text{and } R(0) = \sqrt{A(0)} = \sqrt{M}, \quad R(1) = \sqrt{A(1)} = \sqrt{N} \Rightarrow \sqrt{M} < \sqrt{N}. \quad \square$$

Def: A real-valued function  $f(s)$ ,  $s > 0$  is a monotone matrix function (mmf) if for all self-adjoint mappings,  $0 < M < N \Rightarrow f(M) < f(N)$ .

Recall that  $f(H) = \sum_{i=1}^n f(\lambda_i)P_i$  where  $H = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i P_i$ .

Example:

(i)  $f(s) = -\frac{1}{s}$  is a mmf (immediate from Theorem 9.3;

$$0 < M < N \Rightarrow M^{-1} > N^{-1} > 0 \Rightarrow -M^{-1} < -N^{-1} < 0.)$$

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(ii)  $f(s) = s^{1/2}$  is a mmf (by Corollary 10.5).

(iii)  $f(s) = s^2$  is not a mmf.

Take any  $A, B > 0$  with  $S = AB + BA \neq 0$ .

Claim: For small  $t$ , if  $M = A$ ,  $N = A + tB$ , then

$0 < M < N$  but  $M^2 \neq N^2$ .

Why:  $N^2 = A^2 + t(\underbrace{AB + BA}_{\text{not negligible}}) + \underbrace{t^2 B^2}_{\text{negligible for } t \approx 0}$

So  $N^2 = M^2 + [\text{something non-positive}] \neq M^2$

(iv)  $f(s) = s^{(-2^k)}$  and  $f(s) = \log s$  are mmf. (Hw).

Additionally, positive multiples, sums, and limits of mmf's are mmf's.

For example,  $-\sum \frac{m_j}{s+t_j}$   $m_j > 0$ ,  $t_j > 0$  is an mmf, and

so is  $f(s) = as + b - \int_0^\infty \frac{dm(t)}{s+t}$   $a > 0$ ,  $b \in \mathbb{R}$ , ( $\star$ )

and  $m(t)$  non-negative measure for which integral converges.

In fact, every mmf has the form of (\*\*).

(Theorem of C. Loewner — very non-trivial!).

Surprisingly, functions of the form (\*) are easy to characterize:

Theorem (Herglotz, Riesz): Every function  $f$  which is analytic on the upper half-plane with  $\operatorname{Im}(f) > 0$  there, and  $\operatorname{Im}(f) = 0$  on the positive real axis, has the form (\*).

Conversely, every function of the form (\*) can be extended to be analytic on the upper half-plane, with  $\operatorname{Im}(f) > 0$  there.

Proof. See Lax's book "Functional analysis."

How to construct (all) positive matrices:

Def. Let  $f_1, \dots, f_m$  be a sequence of vectors in a Euclidean space  $X$ . Define the  $m \times m$  matrix  $G$ , where  $G_{ij} = (f_i, f_j)$ . This is called the Gram matrix of  $f_1, \dots, f_m$ .

Theorem 9.6:

- (i) Every Gram matrix is nonnegative.
- (ii) The Gram matrix of a set of linearly independent vectors is positive.
- (iii) Every positive matrix is a Gram matrix!

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Proof: (i), (ii):  $(x, Gx) = \sum_{i,j} x_i \overline{G_{ij}} x_j = \sum_{i,j} (f_i, f_j) x_i x_j$

$$= \left( \sum_{i=1}^m x_i f_i, \sum_{j=1}^m x_j f_j \right) = \|\sum x_i f_i\|^2$$

(iii) Let  $H = (h_{ij})$  be positive, and define the nonstandard inner product by  $(x, y)_H := (x, Hy)$ .

Note that the Gram matrix of  $e_1, \dots, e_m$  has ij-entry

$$(e_i, e_j)_H = (e_i, He_j) = h_{ij}. \quad \square$$

Example:

(i) Let  $X = \{f: [0,1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\}$ ,  $(f, g) := \int_0^1 f(t) g(t) dt$ .

If  $f_1 = 0, f_2 = t, \dots, f_i = t^{i-1}$ , then

$$G = (G_{ij}) \text{ where } G_{ij} = \frac{1}{i+j-1}.$$

(ii) Define  $(f, g) = \int_0^{2\pi} f(\theta) \overline{g(\theta)} w(\theta) d\theta$ ,  $w: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ .

If  $f_j = e^{ij\theta}, j = -n, \dots, n$ , then the  $(2n+1) \times (2n+1)$

corresponding Gram matrix is  $G_{kj} = c_{k-j}$ , where

$$c_p = \int w(\theta) e^{-ip\theta} d\theta.$$

Theorem 9.7 (Schur): Let  $A = (A_{ij})$  and  $B = (B_{ij})$  be positive matrices. Then  $M = (M_{ij}) := (A_{ij} B_{ij})$  is positive.

Proof: Since  $A$  &  $B$  are Gram matrices (Thm 9.6)

write  $A_{ij} = (u_i, u_j)$ ,  $B_{ij} = (v_i, v_j)$  where

$u_1, \dots, u_n$  and  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  are linearly independent.

Define  $g_i \in U \otimes V$  as  $g_i := u_i \otimes v_i$ .

Note that  $(g_i, g_j) = (u_i, u_j)(v_i, v_j) = A_{ij} B_{ij}$  (Exercise)

Thus  $M$  is a Gram matrix, and so  $M > 0$  by Thm 9.6.  $\square$

Singular value decomposition (SVD)

Big idea: If  $A: X \rightarrow Y$  is linear, write  $A = U \Sigma V^*$ ,

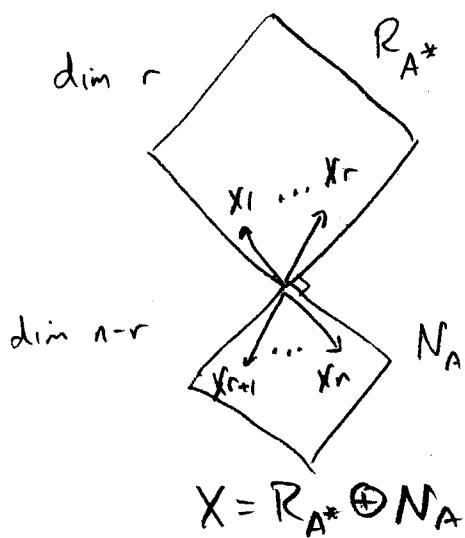
where  $U, V$  are orthogonal,  $\Sigma$  diagonal

Special case:  $A = Q^* D Q$  if  $A$  is self-adjoint

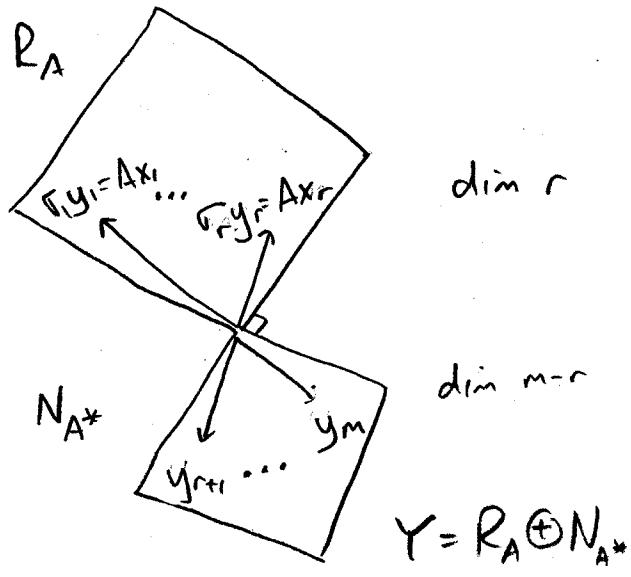
No good:  $A = P^* D P$  (e-vectors might not be orthog.)

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"Cartoon" of this:



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Goal: Find orthonormal bases of  $R_{A^*}$  and  $R_A$  so

$$A \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & \dots & x_r \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 & y_2 & \dots & y_r \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 \\ \sigma_2 \\ \vdots \\ \sigma_r \end{bmatrix}$$

Once we have this, we can extend these bases to bases of all of  $X \notin Y$ .

$$A \begin{bmatrix} \underbrace{x_1 \dots x_r}_{\text{basis of } R_{A^*}} & \underbrace{x_{r+1} \dots x_n}_{\text{basis of } N_A} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \underbrace{y_1 \dots y_r}_{\text{basis of } R_A} & \underbrace{y_{r+1} \dots y_m}_{\text{basis of } N_{A^*}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & \dots & \sigma_r & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Question: How to find  $U, V, \Sigma$ ?

(It's not even clear why there should exist!)

Recall that  $A^*A$  and  $AA^*$  are self-adjoint (real e-values) and nonnegative (all e-values  $\geq 0$ ). □

$$A^*A = (V\Sigma^*U^*)(U\Sigma V^*) = V \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & & \\ & \sigma_2^2 & \\ & & \ddots \end{bmatrix} V^*.$$

$$AA^* = (U\Sigma V^*)(V\Sigma^*U^*) = U \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & & \\ & \sigma_2^2 & \\ & & \ddots \end{bmatrix} U^*.$$

So:  $V$  = matrix of eigenvectors of  $A^*A$

$U$  = matrix of eigenvectors of  $AA^*$

$\Sigma$  = matrix of square roots of eigenvalues of  $A^*A$  (or  $AA^*$ ).

### Pseudoinverses

Let  $A: X \rightarrow Y$  be linear.

Recall:  $X = R_A^* \oplus N_A \xrightarrow{A} R_A \oplus N_{A^*} = Y$

and the restriction  $R_{A^*} \xrightarrow{A} R_A$  is a bijection.

Bog idea: Even if  $A$  is noninvertible, it may have a left, right, or pseudoinverse.

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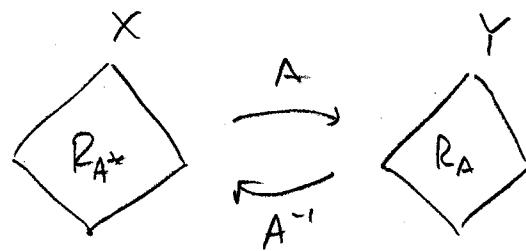
Case 1:  $A$  has a 2-sided inverse:

$$AA^{-1} = I = A^{-1}A$$

full rank  $r=n=m$

$$N_A = N_{A^*} = \{0\}$$

$Ax=b$  has  $\perp$  solution



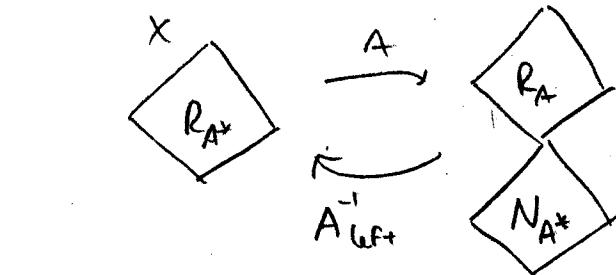
Case 2:  $A$  has a left-inverse.

$$N_A = \{0\} \quad \text{"full column rank"}$$

$Ax=b$  has 0 or 1 solution.

$A^*A$  is invertible:

$$\underbrace{(A^*A)^{-1}}_{A_{\text{left}}^{-1}} A^* A = I_{n \times n}$$



Reverse order:

$$AA_{\text{left}}^{-1} = A[(A^*A)^{-1}A^*]$$

projection onto  $R_A$

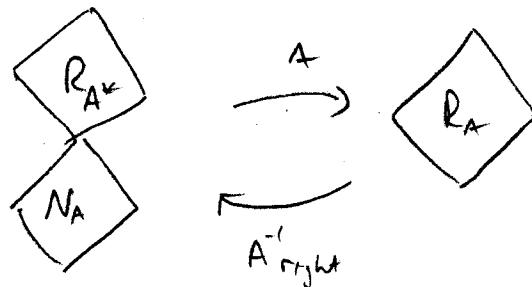
Case 3:  $A$  has a right-inverse.

$$N_{A^*} = \{0\} \quad \text{"full row rank"}$$

$Ax=b$  has no solutions.

$AA^*$  is invertible

$$\underbrace{AA^*(AA^*)^{-1}}_{A_{\text{right}}^{-1}} = I_{m \times m}$$



Reverse order:

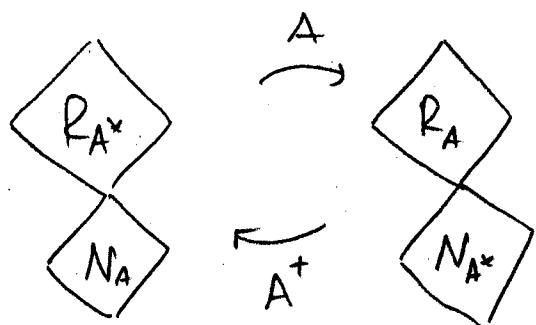
$$A_{\text{right}}^{-1} A = [A^*(AA^*)^{-1}] A$$

projection onto  $R_{A^*}$

### Case 4 The "general case" (any $A$ !)

Want: Matrix  $A^+$  "the pseudoinverse"

such that



$$AA^+ = \begin{bmatrix} I_{r \times r} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{n \times n} \quad \text{and} \quad A^+A = \begin{bmatrix} I_{r \times r} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{m \times m}$$

How to find  $A^+$ :

Write  $A = U\Sigma V^*$  (the SVD).

Then  $\boxed{A^+ = V\Sigma^+U^*}$  where  $\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^{-1} & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & \sigma_r^{-1} & \\ 0 & & & \ddots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

Note that

$$AA^+ = (U\Sigma V^*)(V\Sigma^+U^*) = U\Sigma\Sigma^+U = \begin{bmatrix} I_{r \times r} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{m \times m}$$

$$A^+A = (V\Sigma^+U^*)(U\Sigma V^*) = V\Sigma^+\Sigma V^* = \begin{bmatrix} I_{r \times r} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{n \times n}$$