

Underdetermined systems and Adjoints

M = number of equations

N = number of param.

$$\underline{y} = \underline{E} \underline{x} + \underline{n}$$

$$\underline{E} \in M \times N$$

we have seen that using LSQ

$$J = \underline{n}^T \underline{R}_{nn}^{-1} \underline{n} + \underline{x}^T \underline{C}_{xx}^{-1} \underline{x}$$

minimize observation-data misfit within observation error \underline{R}_{nn}

Adjust model parameters with the typical size of \underline{x} given by \underline{C}_{xx}

solutions were found

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \underline{\hat{x}} = \left(\underline{E}^T \underline{R}_{nn}^{-1} \underline{E} + \underline{C}_{xx}^{-1} \right)^{-1} \underline{E}^T \underline{R}_{nn}^{-1} \underline{y} \\ \underline{\hat{C}}_{xx} = \underline{E}^T \underline{R}_{nn} \underline{E} \quad \underline{\hat{E}} = \left(\underline{E}^T \underline{R}_{nn}^{-1} \underline{E} + \underline{C}_{xx}^{-1} \right)^{-1} \underline{E}^T \\ \underline{\hat{n}} = \underline{y} - \underline{E} \underline{\hat{x}} \end{array} \right.$$

this is the general form.

using the matrix inversion lemma

$$\underbrace{\left(\underline{E}^T \underline{R}_{nn}^{-1} \underline{E} + \underline{C}_{xx}^{-1} \right)}_{N \times N} \underline{E}^T \underline{R}_{nn}^{-1} = \underline{C}_{xx} \underline{E}^T \underbrace{\left(\underline{E} \underline{C}_{xx} \underline{E}^T + \underline{R}_{nn} \right)^{-1}}_{M \times M}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \underline{\hat{x}} = \underline{C}_{xx} \underline{E}^T \left(\underline{E} \underline{C}_{xx} \underline{E}^T + \underline{R}_{nn} \right)^{-1} \underline{y} \end{array} \right.$$

Now assume the case $M < N$ the underdetermined ² problem.

Assume you have a linear system that has a linear constraint you want to satisfy exactly

$$\underline{y} = \underline{E} \underline{x}$$

$$\begin{cases} x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 1 \\ x_1 - x_2 + x_3 = 2 \end{cases} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{example} \\ \text{system} \end{array}$$

you want to find a solution so that $x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2$ is small. In other words you know a priori something about the stats. of your unknowns.

We can define

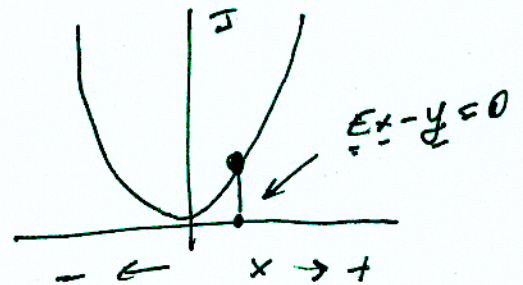
$$J = \frac{1}{2} \underline{x}^T \underline{C}^{-1} \underline{x} + 2 \underline{\mu}^T (\underline{E} \underline{x} - \underline{y})$$

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bound on
 \underline{x}

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enforce the linear constraint exactly by adding a lagrange multiplier $\underline{\mu}$ term.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial J}{\partial \underline{x}} = 0 = \underline{C}^{-1} \underline{x} - \underline{E}^T \underline{\mu} \\ \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial J}{\partial \underline{\mu}} = 0 = \underline{E} \underline{x} - \underline{y} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial J}{\partial \underline{\mu}} = 0 = \underline{E} \underline{x} - \underline{y}$$



$$\textcircled{1} \quad \underline{x} = \underline{C} \underline{E}^T \underline{\mu}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \underline{E} \underline{x} - \underline{y} = \underline{E} \underline{C} \underline{E}^T \underline{\mu} - \underline{y} \Rightarrow \underline{\mu} = (\underline{E} \underline{C} \underline{E}^T)^{-1} \underline{y}$$

$$\underline{\hat{x}} = \underline{C} \underline{E}^T (\underline{E} \underline{C} \underline{E}^T)^{-1} \underline{y}$$

finally

$$\begin{cases} \hat{x} = \underline{C} \underline{E}^T (\underline{E} \underline{C} \underline{E}^T)^{-1} y \\ \hat{n} = 0 \\ \hat{C}_{xx} = \phi \end{cases}$$

← this is equivalent to previous LSP estimate with $\underline{R}_{nn} = 0$ (using inversion lemma)

because it is a function of $\underline{R}_{nn} = 0$

If we had account in J for error \underline{n}

$$J = \underline{x}^T \underline{C}^{-1} \underline{x} + \text{trace} \underline{n}^T \underline{R}_{nn} \underline{n} - 2 \underline{\mu}^T (\underline{E} \underline{x} + \underline{n} - y)$$

we derive LSP fully!

$\begin{cases} \underline{n} = 0 \text{ STRONG CONSTRAINT} \\ \underline{n} \neq 0 \text{ WEAK CONSTRAINT} \end{cases}$

Adjoint: interpretations and uses

often we ~~have~~ have seen the operator \underline{E}^T .
 Such operator is called the "Adjoint" of \underline{E}

Example 1: $y = \underline{E} x = [1 \ \frac{1}{2} \ 1] \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \text{noise} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 3 \text{ scalar}$

$$\underline{r} = \underline{E}^T y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} [3] = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ \frac{3}{2} \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

I can reconstruct the weights

Assume a more interesting example

\underline{E} is the forward ^{integral} model of eq.

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \alpha y$$

centered scheme

$$\frac{y_{n+1} - y_{n-1}}{2\Delta t} = \alpha y_n$$

and assume we run

$$n = 0 \dots 3$$

Euler scheme

$$\frac{y_{n+1} - y_n}{\Delta t} = \alpha y_n$$

$n = 0$ (Euler step)

$$y_{n+1} = y_{n-1} + \alpha 2\Delta t y_n$$

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \alpha \Delta t y_n = (1 + \alpha \Delta t) y_n$$

Using Euler we find that y_{n+1}

$$n=0 \quad \frac{y_1 - y_0}{\Delta t} = \alpha y_0 \quad \rightarrow \quad y_1 = (1 + \alpha \Delta t) y_0$$

$$\frac{y_2 - y_0}{2\Delta t} = \alpha y_1 \quad \rightarrow \quad y_2 = y_0 + \alpha 2\Delta t y_1$$

$$\frac{y_3 - y_1}{2\Delta t} = \alpha y_2 \quad \rightarrow \quad y_3 = y_1 + \alpha 2\Delta t y_2$$

We can write the system in Matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 + \alpha \Delta t & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2\alpha \Delta t & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 + \alpha \Delta t \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_0 \\ y_1 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

y

E

the forward model

$y_0 \rightarrow \hat{y}_3$

now let us $E^T y$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 + \alpha \Delta t & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2\alpha \Delta t & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \alpha \Delta t \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{bmatrix} = ? \begin{bmatrix} \hat{y}_0 \\ y_1 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

E^T

y

x

$$y_0 = y_1 (1 + \alpha \Delta t) + y_2$$

$$y_1 = 2\alpha \Delta t y_2 + y_3$$

$$\leftarrow - \left(\frac{y_3 - y_1}{2\Delta t} \right) = \alpha y_2$$

$$y_2 = y_3 \alpha \Delta t$$

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 $-\frac{dy}{dt} = \alpha y$ backward model.
 (propagation)

How to use this "backward" information? 16

"SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS"

Assume \mathbf{A} our ADV-DIFF problem of our pollutant

$$\underline{y} = \underline{E} \underline{x} + \underline{n}$$

$$\underline{x} = \underline{T}(t=0) \quad \underline{y} = \underline{T}(t=100)$$

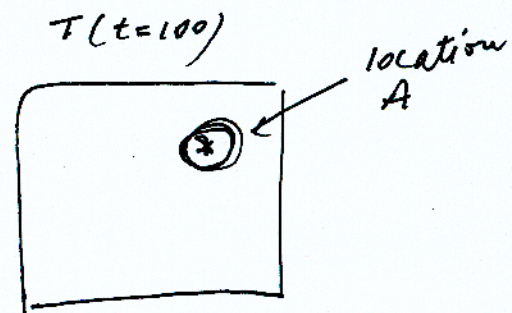
\underline{E} is the integral solution that carries

$$\underline{T}(t=0) \rightarrow \underline{T}(t=100)$$

$$\underline{T}(t_N) = \underline{R}(t_0, t_N) \underline{T}(t_0) \quad \begin{array}{l} t_0 = 0 \\ t_N = 100 \end{array}$$

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forward propagator dynamics $\equiv \underline{E}$ in our case.

Question: What is the variance at location A sensitive to? In other words where do I change my initial conditions to maximize the variance at A?



Let us define a cost function

$$J = \underline{y}^T \underline{W} \underline{y} \quad \text{units of PPM}^2$$

$$\underline{W} = \underline{W} \underline{W}^T$$

so now we want to know how J changes with respect to \underline{x}

$$\underline{W} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{location A}$$

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial \underline{x}} = \left((\underline{E} \underline{x})^T \underline{W} \underline{E} \right)^T = \underline{E}^T \underline{W} (\underline{E} \underline{x}) = \underline{E}^T \underline{W} \underline{y}$$

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adjoint
model

\underline{W}

this is called the gradient vector or adjoint solution.

NOTE: The units are $\frac{\text{PPM}^2}{\text{over } x}$