

# VALUE ENGINEERING PART 2

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- Probability Theory is a mathematical framework for uncertain phenomena.
- Long-term stability is obtained if experiments are repeated several times.
- von Mises definition of probability

→ Suppose we have an event A that occurs  $n_A$  times when executing an experiment m times

then  $P(A) = \frac{n_A}{m}$

For stability

$$P(A) = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n_A}{m}$$

In practice, there is a trade-off for this limit.

Relative frequency

## Computational Rules

3 main axioms: ①  $P(A) \geq 0$

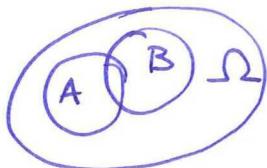
②  $P(\Omega) = 1$

③  $P(A+B) = P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B)$

$\Omega$  = Full probability space: All events.

If A and B are independent

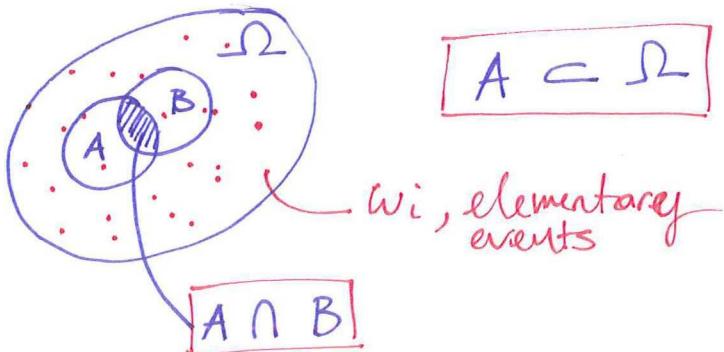
If A and B intersect  $P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B) - P(A \cap B)$



$$P(A^c) = 1 - P(A)$$

• Impossible event  $\phi$   $\rightarrow P(\phi) = 0$

• Probability Space  $\Omega = \{\omega_1, \dots, \omega_n\}$   $\omega_i$  = outcomes of the experiments

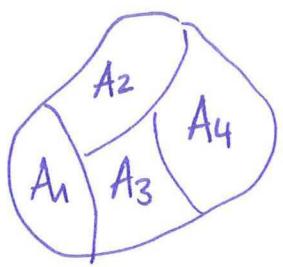


$A \subset \Omega$  A "is a part of"  $\Omega$

$w_i$ , elementary events

$A \cap B$

Partitions of  $\Omega$ : a collection of subsets (events)  $A_i$  in such a way that the whole of  $\Omega$  is covered.



$$\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i = \Omega$$

All events form the total  $\Omega$

$$A_i \cap A_j = \emptyset \quad (i \neq j)$$

Independent events!

Events are subsets of  $\Omega$

(The simplest form of this?  $\{A, A^c\} = \Omega$ )

**THEOREM:** If  $\Omega$  contains  $N$  outcomes, then there exist  $2^N$  possible events.  
(This includes  $\Omega$  and  $\emptyset$ )

Example: Throwing a coin twice

$$\Omega = \{hh, ht, th, tt\}$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{2cm}}_{2^2 \text{ events!}}$

$A = h \text{ on first toss}$

$$P(A) = \frac{1}{2}$$

Homework 1

Exp: Throw a die twice

$A = \text{Total outcome sum is } 4$

$P(A)?$  2 independent events

$36 = 6 \cdot 6$  possible outcomes

$$P(A) = \frac{3}{36} = \frac{1}{12}$$

## • Countable Outcomes

Non-countable  $\Omega = \{-\infty < x < +\infty\}$

Elementary events  $\{x_i\}$ . This # is not countable

$$P(\{x_i\}) = 0 \text{ for all } x_i$$

The probability of getting an exact value is 0.

E.g. for Ohm's law, the probability of getting exactly  $V=2.3$  is 0.

## • Conditional Probability

$P(A|B)$ : The probability of A given that B has happened.

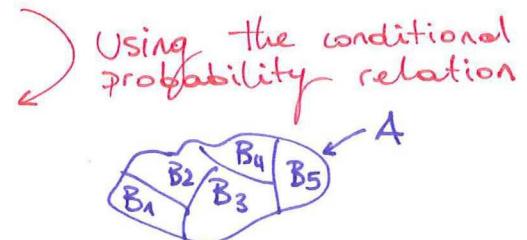
$$\text{"given"} \quad P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)}$$

You basically normalize the intersection w.r.t. B.

## • Total Probability Rule

It expresses the total probability of an outcome (A) which can be realized via several distinct outcomes ( $B_i$ )

$$\begin{aligned} P(A) &= \sum_{i=1}^n P(A \cap B_i) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n P(B_i) P(A|B_i) \end{aligned}$$



## • Bayes Rule

It makes a relationship between  $P(A|B)$  and  $P(B|A)$

$$\rightarrow (A \cap B) = (B \cap A)$$

$$\therefore P(B|A) P(A) = P(A|B) P(B)$$

$$\therefore P(B|A) = P(A|B) \frac{P(B)}{P(A)}$$

Also a result of the conditional probability relation

### Example

Exam with 20 Y/N questions.

A student who studies for a 6 has 0.6 probability of getting a question correct.

$$A = \{\text{answer correct}\}$$

$$B_1 = \{\text{The student knows}\}$$

$$B_2 = \{\text{The student does not know}\}$$

$B_1$  and  $B_2$  make up A

$$\therefore P(A|B_1) = 1 \quad P(A|B_2) = \frac{1}{2}$$

Total probability rule  $\rightarrow P(A) = P(A|B_1)P(B_1) + P(A|B_2)P(B_2)$

$$P(B_1) = 0.6 = \frac{3}{5} \quad P(B_2) = P(B_1^c) = 1 - \frac{3}{5} = \frac{2}{5}$$

If you study for a 6 you will get an 8  $\rightarrow P(A) = 1 \cdot \frac{3}{5} + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{5} = \frac{4}{5}$

The probability the student knows the answer given that it's correct  $\rightarrow P(B_1|A) = \frac{P(A|B_1)P(B_1)}{P(A)} = \frac{1 \cdot \frac{3}{5}}{\frac{4}{5}} = \frac{3}{4}$   
is 75%

### Independence

Two events are independent if  $P(A|B) = P(A|B)$

$$\therefore P(A|B) = P(A)$$

$$P(B|A) = P(B)$$

We then see that  $P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot P(B)$

# RANDOM VARIABLES

- Random variable: A variable whose value is subject to variation due to chance.

A random variable has a value which is dependent upon the outcome of a random process.

Denoted with a bar below the variable  $\rightarrow \underline{x}$

In this case  
A is the event  
that the outcome  
is less than a  $\rightarrow$   
number  $x$ .

$$P(\underline{x} \leq x) = P(A) = F_{\underline{x}}(x) \leftarrow \text{Distribution function of } \underline{x}$$

$$\therefore F_{\underline{x}}(-\infty) = 0 \quad F_{\underline{x}}(+\infty) = 1$$

$$P(x_1 \leq \underline{x} \leq x_2) = F_{\underline{x}}(x_2) - F_{\underline{x}}(x_1)$$

## Discrete Random Variable

- A random variable as above can have any value.
- A discrete random variable, however, can only have specific values (such as the outcome of throwing dice)

!  $0 \neq P_{\underline{x}}(x=a)$  Probability Mass Function.  
 $\rightarrow a$  is a value out of a discrete set.

For least squares, as we are mostly dealing with measurements, we will use mostly continuous random variables.

Homework 2: Toss a coin 3 times  $\rightarrow 2^3$  possible outcomes

Random variable  $\underline{x} = \# \text{ of heads}$

a. Domain and range of  $\underline{x}$

b. PMF of  $\underline{x}$

c. Cumulative Distribution function (CDF) of  $\underline{x}$

a. Range  $0 \leq \underline{x} \leq 3$ , Domain  $[0, 3]$

b. PMF, Binomial:  $P_{\underline{x}}(k) = \frac{n!}{(n-k)! k!} p^k (1-p)^{n-k}$ ,  $p = \frac{1}{2}$   $n=3$   $k=0, 1, 2, 3$

c. CDF  $P_{\underline{x}}(x) = P(\underline{x} \leq 3)$

## Continuous Random Variable

$F_x(x)$  is a continuous function, not a piecewise function, in this case.

Going back to countable outcomes, it is thus impossible to get an exact value  $P(\underline{x}=x)=0$

Probability Density Function

$$F_x(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f_x(x') dx'$$

case  $x \leq x$

Cumulative Density Function

$$f_x(x) = \frac{d}{dx} F_x(x)$$

$$\therefore P(x_1 \leq \underline{x} \leq x_2) = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} f_x(x') dx'$$

## Properties of PDF

$$f_x(x) \geq 0 \quad \leftarrow \text{There is always some probability}$$

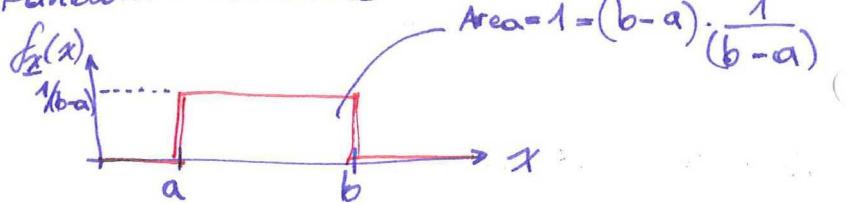
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\text{too}} f_x(x) dx = 1 \quad \leftarrow \text{Total probability for all events is 1}$$

↑ These are really similar to the initial probabilities.

## Examples of continuous

Uniformly Distributed Random Variable

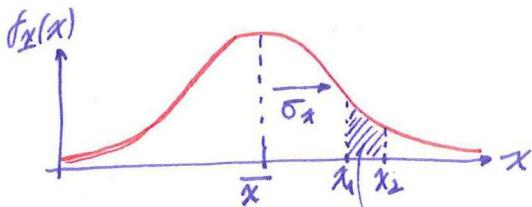
Random variables



Gaussian/Normal Distributed Random Function.

$$f_x(x) = e^{-\frac{(x-\bar{x})^2}{2\sigma_x^2}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sigma_x \sqrt{2\pi}}$$

The distribution is dependent on  $\bar{x}$  and  $\sigma_x$



Probability that the random variable lies between  $x_1$  and  $x_2$

There is a trick to remove the dependency on  $\underline{x}$  and  $\sigma_x$

↪ The Standard Normal Distribution!

$$\underline{z} = \frac{\underline{x} - \bar{x}}{\sigma_x}$$

$$F_{\underline{z}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{z^2}{2}}$$

$\underline{z}$  is a transformation random variable.

In the exam, the table gives the CDF of  $\underline{z}$ ,

denoted  $\phi(z) = \int_{-\infty}^z \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{u^2}{2}} du$

### • Expected Value

$$\bar{x} = E(\underline{x}) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} x f_{\underline{x}}(x) dx$$

↑  
Expectation Operator

**THEOREM :**  $y = g(\underline{x})$  A function of a random variable is a random variable.

Examples

$$\therefore \bar{y} = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} y f_y(y) dy = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} g(x) f_{\underline{x}}(x) dx$$

### • Standard Deviation

$$P(|\underline{x} - \bar{x}| \leq 1.96\sigma_x) = 0.95$$

### • Random Vector

$$\underline{\vec{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{x}_1 \\ \underline{x}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \underline{x}_n \end{bmatrix} \quad \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$$

Domain → Range

All probabilities must be defined in the same probability space, they must relate to the same thing.

∴ Joint CDF

$$P(\underline{x}_1 \leq x_1, \underline{x}_2 \leq x_2, \dots, \underline{x}_n \leq x_n) = P(\underline{x}_i \leq x_i) = F_{\underline{x}}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$$

Properties from the single case are retained!

- $F_{\underline{x}}(\infty, \infty, \dots, \infty) = 1$
- $f_{\underline{x}} \geq 0$

It is possible to form a joint CDF to a marginal CDF (the CDF for one vector item), but not the other way around.

## Marginal CDF

$$F_{\underline{x}_i}(x_i) = F_{\underline{x}}(\infty, \infty, \dots, x_i, \dots, \infty)$$

Marginal Point

This is a way of isolating the effects of only one variable (or more!)

$$F_{\underline{x}}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \int_{-\infty}^{x_1} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{x_n} \underbrace{f_{\underline{x}}(u_1, \dots, u_n)}_{\text{Joint Probability Density Function}} du_1 \dots du_n$$

Joint Probability Density Function

$$f_{\underline{x}}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \frac{\partial^n}{\partial x_1 \dots \partial x_n} F_{\underline{x}}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

Getting the marginal PDF out of  $f(x_1, \dots, x_n)$

$$f_{\underline{x}_2}(x_2) = \iiint_{-\infty \dots -\infty}^{+\infty \dots +\infty} f(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) dx_1 dx_3 dx_4$$

Marginal

Point

You integrate the variables you are not interested in.

If the random variables are independent

$$f_{\underline{x}}(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n) = f_{\underline{x}_1}(x_1) \cdot f_{\underline{x}_2}(x_2) \cdot f_{\underline{x}_3}(x_3) \dots f_{\underline{x}_n}(x_n)$$

It is then possible to go from marginal to joint, only in this special case.

## Covariance

Covariance is a measure of dependence of 2 random variables

$$C(x_1, x_2) = E[(\underline{x}_1 - \bar{x}_1)(\underline{x}_2 - \bar{x}_2)] = (\underline{x}_1 - \bar{x}_1)(\underline{x}_2 - \bar{x}_2) f(x_1, x_2)$$

$$\therefore \boxed{C(x_1, x_2) = \iint_{-\infty \dots -\infty}^{+\infty \dots +\infty} (\underline{x}_1 - \bar{x}_1)(\underline{x}_2 - \bar{x}_2) f(x_1, x_2) dx_1 dx_2}$$

For 2 independent random variables  $C(x_i, x_j) = 0$

$$C(x_1, x_2) = E[(\underline{x}_1 - \bar{x}_1)(\underline{x}_2 - \bar{x}_2)] = E(\underline{x}_1 \underline{x}_2) - \bar{x}_1 \bar{x}_2$$

$$\text{If independent } f(x_1, x_2) = f(x_1) f(x_2) \rightarrow E(\underline{x}_1 \underline{x}_2) = \bar{x}_1 \bar{x}_2$$

$$C(\underline{x}_1, \underline{x}_2) = \iint_{-\infty, \infty}^{+\infty, +\infty} (\underline{x}_1 - \bar{x}_1)(\underline{x}_2 - \bar{x}_2) f_{\underline{x}}(\underline{x}_1, \underline{x}_2) d\underline{x}_1 d\underline{x}_2$$

If  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are independent

$$\begin{aligned} C(\underline{x}_1, \underline{x}_2) &= \iint_{-\infty, -\infty}^{+\infty, +\infty} (\underline{x}_1 - \bar{x}_1)(\underline{x}_2 - \bar{x}_2) f_{x_1}(x_1) f_{x_2}(x_2) dx_1 dx_2 \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (\underline{x}_1 - \bar{x}_1) f_{x_1}(x_1) dx_1 \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} (\underline{x}_2 - \bar{x}_2) f_{x_2}(x_2) dx_2 \\ &= (\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_1) \cdot (\bar{x}_2 - \bar{x}_2) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\left( \rightarrow \int x_1 f_{x_1}(x_1) dx_1 = \bar{x}_1 \right)$$

For a set of variables  $\underline{u} = \underline{x}_1 + \dots + \underline{x}_n$

Relation to standard deviation for the joint set.

$$\sigma_u^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i^2 + \sum_{i < j} \sum_{j \neq n} C(x_i, x_j)$$

### Homework 3

$x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  are independent with variance  $\sigma^2$

What is the variance for  $\underline{u} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \underline{x}_i$  ?

## • Correlation

$$\rho(\underline{x}_1, \underline{x}_2) = \frac{C(\underline{x}_1, \underline{x}_2)}{\sigma_{x_1} \sigma_{x_2}} \quad -1 \leq \rho \leq 1$$

Correlation is a weighted covariance

## • Variance-Covariance Matrix

To put things into perspective  $\rightarrow C(\underline{x}_1, \underline{x}_1) = \sigma_{x_1}^2$

This matrix spans the covariance of all variables

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} C(\underline{x}_1, \underline{x}_1) & C(\underline{x}_1, \underline{x}_2) & \dots & C(\underline{x}_1, \underline{x}_n) \\ \vdots & C(\underline{x}_2, \underline{x}_2) & & \vdots \\ C(\underline{x}_n, \underline{x}_1) & \dots & \dots & C(\underline{x}_n, \underline{x}_n) \end{bmatrix}$$

↙ Symmetric Matrix ↘

keep in mind that  $C(x_i, x_j) = C(x_j, x_i)$

## LEAST-SQUARES METHOD

- The objective is to estimate unknown parameters
- This is done from uncertain data
- # data points  $\geq$  # unknowns  $\rightarrow$  Redundancy

↳ Gives the possibility of determining the precision of the unknowns  
 ↳ Allows us to check for errors in our data

- We will work with inconsistent equations  
 i.e. No exact solution due to uncertainty of data

The data is a set of random variables

$$\underline{y} = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)^T$$

We will aim to use this to fit the function:  $y = A(x)$

We will have  $M \gg n$

m-dimensional vector representing  $y$

n-dimensional vector with unknown parameters.

In reality, we will never get an exact match:

$$\therefore y \approx A(x) \quad \text{or} \quad y = Ax + e$$

where  $E(e) = 0$  if experiment is repeated several times.

$A$  is a function that transforms  $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$

It uses an assumed function model.

In these lectures we will confine ourselves to the linear systems.

$$E(y) = A \cdot \bar{x}$$

Now that the problem is mapped out, we can proceed to look at solutions.

Example Device measurements for altitude

$$\begin{matrix} \text{Device 1} & x_1 \approx x \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ \text{Device n} & x_n \approx x \end{matrix}$$

$x$  is the true altitude but not all devices get it exactly right.

$$\therefore y_i = x + e_i$$

Now assume  $e_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$

$\uparrow$   
Denotes a  
PDF

$\checkmark$   
Same for all  
devices

$$\therefore y_i \sim N(x, \sigma^2) \quad \leftarrow \text{If you add a number to a gaussian random variable then you simply add the mean.}$$

For such a case, we can find that

$$\hat{x} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m x_i$$

$$\sigma_{\hat{x}} = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

The average:

This won't be exact but it's the best we can do.

We could also redefine the problem, and state that the accuracy for each device is different.

$$e_i \sim N(0, \sigma_i^2)$$

$$y_i \sim N(\bar{x}, \sigma_i^2)$$

changes for  
each device.

Assuming a linear model  $y = A\bar{x}$   $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

- Redundancy =  $m-n = m-1$   $n=1$ . This is the size of  $\bar{x}$ , which is 1 as there is only 1 result.

### LEAST-SQUARES, NON-PROBABILISTIC, LINEAR

$$y \approx Ax$$

$m \times 1 \quad m \times n \quad n \times 1$

$m \geq n = \text{rank}(A)$  Invertible!

- If  $m=n$   $\hat{x} = A^{-1}y \rightarrow$  Consistent Equations
- If  $m>n \rightarrow$  Inconsistent Equations  
 $y \notin \text{col}(A)$

Redundancy =  $m-n > 0 \leftarrow$  Overdetermined!

Example

$$\begin{aligned} y_1 &= 2x \\ y_2 &= 3x \\ y_3 &= 4x \end{aligned} \quad \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} x \right. \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{Redundancy} = 3-1=2 \\ \text{Overdetermined!} \end{array}$$

The exact solution will require  $\hat{y} = A \cdot \text{constant}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Eq. 1} &\rightarrow e_1 = 2x - y_1 \\ \text{Eq. 2} &\rightarrow e_2 = 3x - y_2 \\ \text{Eq. 3} &\rightarrow e_3 = 4x - y_3 \end{aligned}$$

The errors must be minimized, to minimize the distance for all points

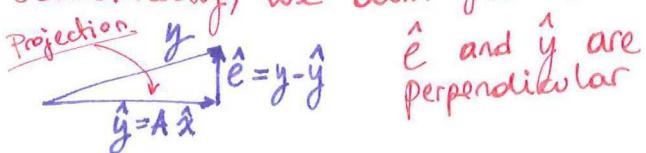
$$|Ax-y|^2 = (2x-y_1)^2 + (3x-y_2)^2 + (4x-y_3)^2 = (Ax-y)^T(Ax-y)$$

To minimize we have to find  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(|Ax-y|^2) = 0$

$$\therefore 0 = 2[(2x-y_1)2 + (3x-y_2)3 + (4x-y_3)4]$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{x} = \frac{2y_1 + 3y_2 + 4y_3}{2^2 + 3^2 + 4^2} = \frac{A^T y}{|A|} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T y$$

Geometrically, we aim for  $\hat{e} \rightarrow 0$



Least squares solution!

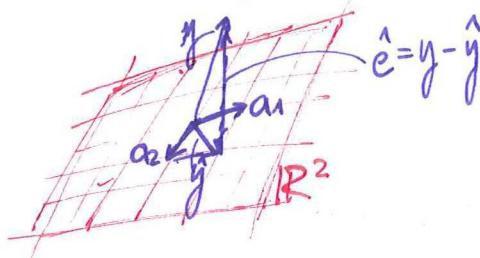
- The  $\mathbb{R}^2$  case: consider  $m=3 \quad n=2$

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Red.} = 3-2 = 1$$

$\text{Col}(A)$  spans  $\mathbb{R}^n$

We aim to find the smallest projection on the plane  $\mathbb{R}^2$  that has the closest distance (i.e. perpendicular) to  $y$ .



$$A^T \hat{e} = 0 \quad \hat{e} \text{ is perpendicular to } a_1 \text{ and } a_2$$

$$0 = A^T \hat{e} = A^T(y - \hat{y}) = A^T(y - A\hat{x})$$

$$\text{We found before that } \hat{x} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T y$$

$$\therefore 0 = A^T(y - A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T y)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{From } y = A\hat{x} \text{ it follows } \boxed{A^T A \hat{x} = A^T y}$$

We can now proceed to find an exact solution.

Multiplying both sides of an inconsistent set with  $A^T$  eliminates the inconsistency  
we now have  
 $\text{Red.} = m-n=0$  ✓

BUT  $(A^T A)^{-1} \rightarrow$  Only exists if  $\text{Rank}(A) = n$   
 $\rightarrow$  All columns of  $A$  have to be linearly independent.

#### Homework 4

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Solve } 10 &= 3x \\ 5 &= 4x \end{aligned}$$

Check the solution  
Check  $\hat{e} \perp \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$

# VARIANCE PROPAGATION LAW

$$\hat{y} = a\hat{x} + b \quad \text{then} \quad \sigma_y^2 = a^2 \sigma_x^2$$

We are working with random variables again!

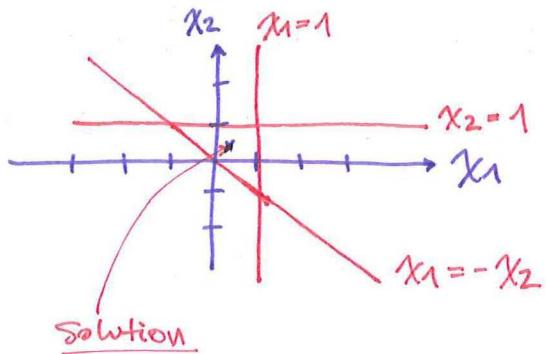
The variance-covariance matrix of  $\hat{x}$  is  $Q_x$

$$\begin{aligned} Q_y &= \int [(y - \bar{y})(y - \bar{y})^T] f_y(y) dy \rightarrow \text{Can also be } f_x(x) dx \\ &= \int A(x - \bar{x}) [A(x - \bar{x})]^T f_x(x) dx \\ &\quad = (x - \bar{x})^T A^T A \\ &= A \left[ \int (x - \bar{x})(x - \bar{x})^T f_x(x) dx \right] A^T \\ \Rightarrow Q_y &= A Q_x A^T \end{aligned}$$

## INCONSISTENT SETS

$$\begin{cases} 1 = x_1 \\ 1 = x_2 \\ 0 = x_1 + x_2 \end{cases} \quad \text{This set is inconsistent.}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$\hat{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{x}_1 \\ \hat{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T y, \quad A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (A^T A)^{-1} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\hat{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 \\ 1/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

We found a solution to the inconsistent system! This solution is a match for all... as closely as possible.

$$\hat{e} = y - \hat{y} = y - A \hat{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 2/3 \\ 2/3 \\ -2/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$e \perp A? \quad e^T A = [0 \ 0]$$

The least square residual vector ( $e$ ) is perpendicular to  $A$ .

Note: If  $\text{rank}(A) = n = m$ ,  $(A^T)^{-1} = A^{-1}$

$$\therefore \hat{x} = A^{-1} (A^T)^{-1} A^T y \rightarrow \boxed{\hat{x} = A^{-1} y}$$

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### Homework 5

Projection Matrix  $P = A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T$

Verify:  $P^2 = P$ ,  $P^T = P$

### LEAST-SQUARES LINE FITTING

Assume measurements  
for distance

$$\vec{y} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{where } y_i = y_0 + vt_i$$

$$\therefore \vec{y} = A\vec{x} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & t_1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & t_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_0 \\ v \end{bmatrix}$$

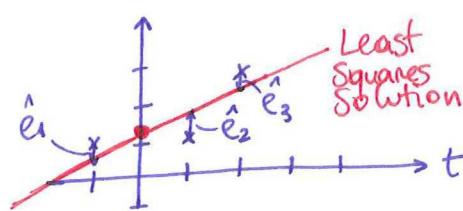
Model that we want to fit.

Moving at  
constant  $v$ .

$t_i(s)$	$y_i(m)$
-1	1
1	1
2	3

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_0 \\ v \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\hat{\vec{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{y}_0 \\ v \end{bmatrix} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T \vec{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 9/7 \\ 4/7 \end{bmatrix}$$



Where  $e_i = y_i - A \hat{x}_i$

$$\sum_{i=1}^m e_i^2 = (\vec{y} - A\hat{\vec{x}})^T (\vec{y} - A\hat{\vec{x}}) = \| \vec{y} - A\hat{\vec{x}} \|^2$$

- Using Weight: This allows us weighing some measurements as more important than others.

$$W = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 & \phi \\ \phi & w_m \end{bmatrix}$$

Then

$$\hat{\vec{x}} = (A^T W A)^{-1} A^T W \vec{y} \quad \text{if } m > n$$

$$\hat{\vec{x}} = A^{-1} W^{-1} (A^T)^{-1} A^T W \vec{y} = A^{-1} \vec{y} \quad \text{if } m = n$$

Then we are  
independent  
of weights!

Take  $y_1 \approx x$   
 $y_2 \approx x$

$$\begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} \propto A \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \vec{x}$$

$$r = m - n = 2 - 1 = 1$$

Inconsistency!

→ without W

$$\hat{x} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T y \quad , \quad A^T A = [1 \ 1] \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 2$$

$$\hat{x} = \frac{1}{2} [1 \ 1] \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (A^T A)^{-1} = 1/2$$

$$\hat{x} = \frac{1}{2}y_1 + \frac{1}{2}y_2 \quad \leftarrow \text{So the average}$$

→ With  $W = \begin{bmatrix} W_1 & 0 \\ 0 & W_2 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\hat{x} = (A^T W A)^{-1} A^T W y \quad , \quad A^T W A = [1 \ 1] \begin{bmatrix} w_1 & 0 \\ 0 & w_2 \end{bmatrix} [1] \\ = w_1 + w_2$$

$$\therefore \hat{x} = \frac{1}{w_1+w_2} \begin{bmatrix} w_1 & 0 \\ 0 & w_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (A^TWA)^{-1} = \frac{1}{w_1+w_2}$$

$$\hat{x} = \frac{w_1 y_1 + w_2 y_2}{w_1 + w_2} \quad \leftarrow \text{So the } \underline{\text{weighted}} \text{ average.}$$

# Homework 6

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} 3.5 \\ 0.5 \\ 3.7 \\ 2.8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$y = y_0 + vt$$

All weights are the same so they might as well not be there!

## • Base Functions

Take  $y_i \approx f(t_i)$   $i = 1, \dots, m$

Function  $f$  can be written as a linear combination of  $n$  known base functions

$$\therefore f(t) = \sum_{a=1}^n x_a \phi_a(t) = x_1 \phi_1(t) + x_2 \phi_2(t) + \cdots + x_n \phi_n(t)$$

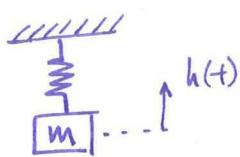
Or, in matrix form →

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_m \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \phi_1(t_1) & \cdots & \phi_n(t_1) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \phi_1(t_m) & \cdots & \phi_n(t_m) \end{bmatrix}_{m \times n} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$$

## Homework 8

\* There is no homework 7...

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$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$

$$\omega = 10 \text{ rad/s}$$

$$h(t) = a \underbrace{\cos \omega t}_{\phi_1(t)} + b \underbrace{\sin \omega t}_{\phi_2(t)}$$

$t(s)$	-0.4	-0.2	0	0.2	0.4
$h(m)$	-3	-16	6	9	-8

$$\begin{bmatrix} h_1 \\ \vdots \\ h_5 \end{bmatrix} \approx \begin{bmatrix} \cos \omega t_1 & \dots & \sin \omega t_1 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \cos \omega t_5 & \dots & \sin \omega t_5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$$

$\underbrace{5 \times 2}_{(n \times m)}$

## Homework 9

$y$	1.5	3.5	6.2	3.2
$t_1$	5	3	5	3
$t_2$	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.3

$$\text{Model 1: } y = a_0 + a_1 t_1 + a_2 t_2$$

$$\text{Model 2: } y = a_0 + a_1 t_1 + a_2 t_2 + a_3 t_1 t_2$$

## RANDOM ERRORS

$$\hat{y} = A\hat{x} + \underline{\hat{e}} \rightarrow \text{Error random vector}$$

This is not to be confused with  $\underline{e}$

$\underline{e}$  indicates an error with respect to a unique solution

Measurement errors are modelled with  $y$  and  $e$

$$E(\underline{e}) = 0$$

$$\therefore E(y) = Ax$$

It is thus assumed that, on average, measurement errors are such that you can extract the true model.

$$y = Ax + \underline{e} \rightarrow \hat{x} = (A^T W A)^{-1} A^T W (Ax + \underline{e})$$

$$= (A^T W A)^{-1} [A^T W A x + A^T W \underline{e}]$$

$$\boxed{\hat{x} = x + (A^T W A)^{-1} A^T W \underline{e}}$$

Unbiased estimator.

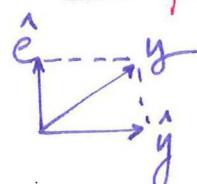
Then it also follows that  $E(\hat{x}) = x$

An unbiased estimator aims to use weights so as to minimize the error term and get as close as possible to the real value.

$$\hat{y} = A\hat{x} = Ax + \underbrace{A(A^T W A)^{-1} A^T W \underline{e}}_{= P \text{ (Projection matrix)}}$$

$$\boxed{\hat{e} = y - \hat{y} = 0 + (I_m - P)\underline{e}}$$

Once again the solution is written as a deterministic part ( $Ax$ ) and a random error part ( $P\underline{e}$ )



## DETERMINING THE ACCURACY

Assumptions:

- You know everything about the measurements
- You even know the variances and covariances of the vectors, at least assume  $Q_y$  is known

If you know  $Q_y$  you can find  $Q_x$

$$\hat{x} = By, \quad B = (A^T W A)^{-1} A^T W \quad Q_{\hat{x}} = B Q_y B^T$$

$$\therefore Q_{\hat{x}} = [(A^T W A)^{-1} A^T W] Q_y [(A^T W A)^{-1} A^T W]^T$$

So if  $Q_y$  is known we can get  $Q_{\hat{x}}$  before we even take the measurements. This will inform us on the precision of the parameters and, if necessary, indicate that the experiment should be revised.

Example

$$y_1 \approx x, \quad y_2 \approx x, \quad W = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 & 0 \\ 0 & w_2 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \hat{x} = \frac{w_1 y_1 + w_2 y_2}{w_1 + w_2}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad Q_y = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma^2 \end{bmatrix} = \sigma^2 I_2$$

What will be the value of  $\sigma_{\hat{x}}^2$ ?

$$A^T W A = [1 \ 1] \begin{bmatrix} w_1 & 0 \\ 0 & w_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = w_1 + w_2 \quad (\text{Scalar})$$

$$\sigma_{\hat{x}}^2 = Q_{\hat{x}} = \frac{1}{w_1 + w_2} [1 \ 1] \begin{bmatrix} w_1 & 0 \\ 0 & w_2 \end{bmatrix} \sigma^2 \begin{bmatrix} w_1 & 0 \\ 0 & w_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \frac{1}{w_1 + w_2}$$

$$\sigma_{\hat{x}}^2 = \sigma^2 \frac{w_1^2 + w_2^2}{(w_1 + w_2)^2}$$

This is how the variance of the measurements propagates to the variance of the solution.

$$\text{If } w_1 = w_2 \rightarrow \sigma_{\hat{x}}^2 = \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \quad \left. \right\} \text{Best possible option, mathematically.}$$

$$\text{If } w_1 > w_2 \rightarrow \sigma_{\hat{x}}^2 = \sigma^2$$

Given  $Q_y = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2^2 \end{bmatrix}$  What is  $W$  to minimize variance of  $\hat{x}$ ?  
 $W = Q_y^{-1}$  This is the best we can do, mathematically

THEOREM : Gauss - Markov Theorem

If  $E(y) = Ax$  and  $Q_y$  given

$$\hat{x} = (A^T Q_y^{-1} A)^{-1} A^T Q_y^{-1} y$$

$$\therefore W = Q_y^{-1}$$

Best  
Linear  
Unbiased  
Estimator

**BLUE**

Then:  $Q_{\hat{x}} = (A^T Q_y^{-1} A)^{-1} A^T Q_y^{-1} Q_y Q_y^{-1} A (A^T Q_y^{-1} A)^{-1}$

$$\boxed{Q_{\hat{x}} = (A^T Q_y^{-1} A)^{-1}}$$

If  $Q_y = \sigma^2 I_m \rightarrow \boxed{Q_{\hat{x}} = \sigma^2 (A^T A)^{-1}}$  Even Simpler

## • Defining $\hat{Q}_y$

$$\hat{y} = A\hat{x} \rightarrow Q\hat{y} = A\hat{Q}_x A^T = A(A^T Q_y^{-1} A)^{-1} A^T$$

$$\hat{e} = y - \hat{y} \rightarrow Q\hat{e} = Qy - Q\hat{y}$$

$$Q\hat{e} = Qy$$

This is only true for BLUE (i.e.  $W = Q_y^{-1}$ )  
Needed for blunder detection,  
definitely on exam.

## MULTIVARIATE NORMAL DISTRIBUTION

$$f_x(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma_x \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-\bar{x})^2}{2\sigma_x^2}}$$

$$\therefore \text{JOINT PDF: } f_x(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|2\pi Q_x|}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(x-\bar{x})^T Q_x^{-1} (x-\bar{x})}$$

$x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix}$

Where  $Q_x = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & \phi & \dots \\ \phi & \ddots & \sigma_n^2 \end{bmatrix}$

$x_1, \dots, x_n$  are independent.  
There are no covariances!

$$(x-\bar{x})^T Q_x^{-1} (x-\bar{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(x_i - \bar{x}_i)^2}{\sigma_i^2} \quad \text{makes sense} \quad \checkmark$$

$$|2\pi Q_x| = 2\pi^n \prod_{i=1}^n \sigma_i^2$$

Then we get  $f_x(x) = \prod_{i=1}^n \left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sigma_i} e^{-\frac{(x_i - \bar{x}_i)^2}{2\sigma_i^2}} \right]$

## Chi-Squared ( $\chi^2$ ) Distribution

- The distribution of the sum of squares of  $m$  independent normal random variables.
- Used to determine the "goodness of fit" of an observed distribution to a theoretical one.

Assumptions:  $X \sim N(0, Q_X)$

$$Q_X = \sigma^2 I_m$$

$$f_{\chi^2}(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{t^{\frac{m}{2}-1} e^{-\frac{t}{2}}}{2^{\frac{m}{2}} \Gamma(\frac{m}{2})} & t \geq 0 \\ 0 & t < 0 \end{cases}$$

Mean:  $\bar{\chi}^2 = k$

Variance:  $\sigma_{\chi^2}^2 = 2k$

• Error Distribution = redundancy

$$\hat{e}^\top Q_X^{-1} \hat{e} \sim \chi^2(m-n)$$

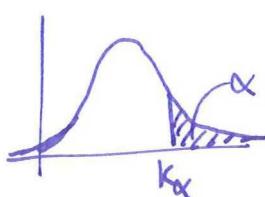
$$\therefore \hat{e}^\top Q_X^{-1} \hat{e} = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^m e_i^2 = \sum_{i=1}^m \left(\frac{\hat{e}_i}{\sigma}\right)^2 \sim \chi^2(m-n)$$

### Significance Level

We establish a significance level for blunder detection.

Sign. level  $\alpha = 0.01$  (1%)

One-sided test

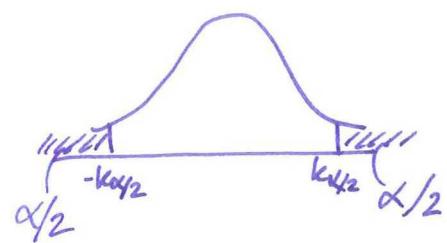


If  $\boxed{\sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\hat{e}_i^2}{\sigma^2} > k_\alpha}$

then we must reject the model.

A smaller  $\alpha$  means being more thorough with the model.

• 2-sided Blunder detection



→ If we have made up our mind about a model, then we need to select outliers.

→ We can say that anything that lies outside of the  $\left[-\frac{k\alpha}{2}, \frac{k\alpha}{2}\right]$  interval is an outlier

$$\therefore \left| \frac{e_i}{o_{ei}} \right| > k_\alpha \rightarrow \text{Reject measurement.}$$

$\uparrow$   
Squares of this are to be found on the diagonal of  $\hat{Q}^{-1}$