

# ECE295, Data Assimilation and Inverse Problems, Spring 2015

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We meet Wednesday from 5 to 6:20pm in HHS 2305A

**Text for first 5 classes:** Parameter Estimation and Inverse Problems (2nd Edition) [here under UCSD license](#)

## Grading S

### Classes

1 April, Intro; Linear discrete Inverse problems (Aster Ch 1, 2)

8 April, SVD (Aster ch 2 and 3)

15 April, Regularization (ch 4)

Numerical Example: **Beamforming**

22 April, Sparse methods (ch 7.2-7.3)

29 April, Sparse methods

6 May, Bayesian methods and Monte Carlo methods (ch 11)

Numerical Example: **Ice-flow from GPS**

13 May, Introduction to sequential Bayesian methods, Kalman Filter

20 May, Data assimilation, EnKF

27 May, EnKF, Data assimilation

3 June, Markov Chain Monte Carlo, PF

**Homework:** Call the files LastName\_ExXX.

Homework is due 8am on Wednesday. That way we can discuss in class.

Hw 1: Download the matlab codes for the book (cd\_5.3). Run the 3 examples for chapter 2. Come to class with one question about the examples

Hw2: Based on Example 3.3. Adapt it to a complex valued beamforming example.

% Parameters

c = 1500; % speed of sound

f = 200; % frequency

lambda = c/f; % wavelength

# Beamforming example

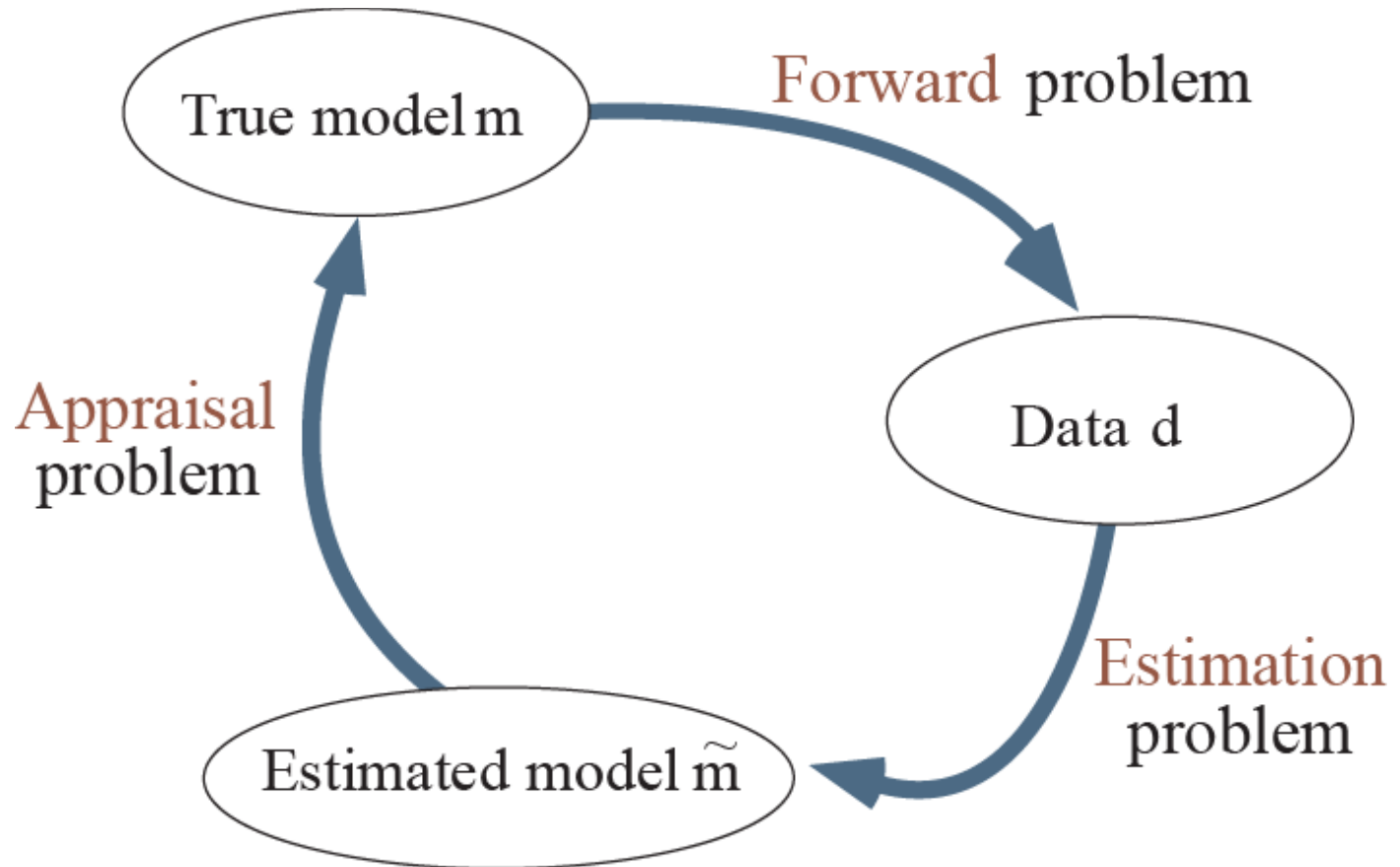
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% Parameters
c = 1500;    % speed of sound
f = 200;    % frequency
lambda = c/f; % wavelength
k = 2*pi/lambda;% wavenumber

% ULA-horizontal
N = 20;    % number of sensors
d = 1/2*lambda; % intersensor spacing
q = [0:1:(N-1)];% sensor numbering
xq = (q-(N-1)/2)*d; % sensor locations
% Bearing grid
theta = [-90:0.5:90];
u = sind(theta);

% Representation matrix (steering matrix)
A = exp(-1i*2*pi/lambda*xq'*u)/sqrt(N);
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- REVIEW

## Estimation and Appraisal



## Over-determined: Linear discrete inverse problem

We seek the model vector  $\mathbf{m}$  which minimizes

Compare with  
maximum likelihood

$$\phi(\mathbf{m}) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{r}^T C_d^{-1} \mathbf{r} = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{d} - G\mathbf{m})^T C_d^{-1} (\mathbf{d} - G\mathbf{m})$$

Note that this is a quadratic function of the model vector.

**Solution:** Differentiate with respect to  $\mathbf{m}$  and solve for the model vector which gives a zero gradient in  $\phi(\mathbf{m})$

*This gives...*

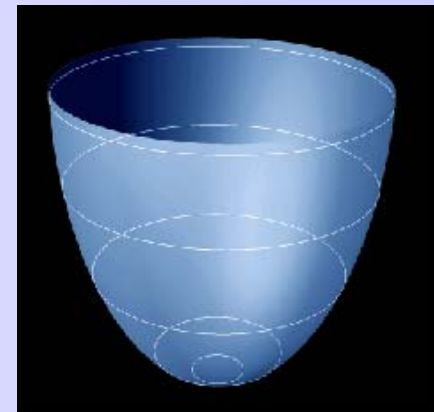
$$\nabla \phi(\mathbf{m}) = -G^T C_d^{-1} (\mathbf{d} - G\mathbf{m}) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{m} = (G^T C_d^{-1} G)^{-1} G^T C_d^{-1} \mathbf{d}$$

This is the **least-squares** solution.

A solution to the normal equations:

$$G^T G \mathbf{m} = G^T \mathbf{d}$$



## Over-determined: Linear discrete inverse problem

How does the Least-squares solution compare to the standard equations of linear regression ?

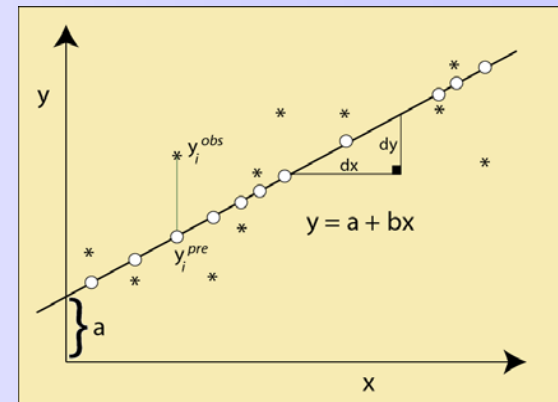
$$\mathbf{m} = (G^T C_d^{-1} G)^{-1} G^T C_d^{-1} \mathbf{d}$$

Given  $N$  data  $y_i$  with independent normally distributed errors and standard deviations  $\sigma_i$  what are the expressions for the model parameters  $\mathbf{m} = [a, b]^T$  ?

$$G\mathbf{m} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 \\ 1 & x_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_{N_d} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} m_1 \\ m_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 \\ d_2 \\ \vdots \\ d_N \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{d}$$

$$\mathbf{m} = \begin{bmatrix} N & \sum_{i=1}^N x_i \\ \sum_{i=1}^N x_i & \sum_{i=1}^N x_i^2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{i=1}^N y_i \\ \sum_{i=1}^N x_i y_i \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{m} = \frac{1}{N \sum_{i=1}^N x_i^2 - (\sum_{i=1}^N x_i)^2} \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{i=1}^N x_i^2 & -\sum_{i=1}^N x_i \\ -\sum_{i=1}^N x_i & N \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{i=1}^N y_i \\ \sum_{i=1}^N x_i y_i \end{bmatrix}$$



## Linear discrete inverse problem: Least squares

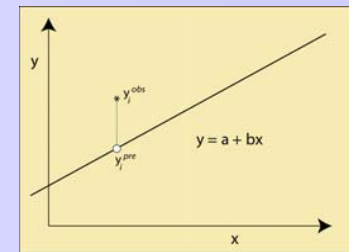
$$\mathbf{m}_{LS} = (G^T C_d^{-1} G)^{-1} G^T C_d^{-1} \mathbf{d} = G^{-g} \mathbf{d}$$

What happens in the under and even-determined cases ?

$$\mathbf{m} = \frac{1}{N \sum_{i=1}^N x_i^2 - (\sum_{i=1}^N x_i)^2} \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{i=1}^N x_i^2 & -\sum_{i=1}^N x_i \\ -\sum_{i=1}^N x_i & N \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{i=1}^N y_i \\ \sum_{i=1}^N x_i y_i \end{bmatrix}$$

- Under-determined,  $N=1$ :

Matrix has a zero determinant  
and a zero eigenvalue  
an infinite number of solutions exist

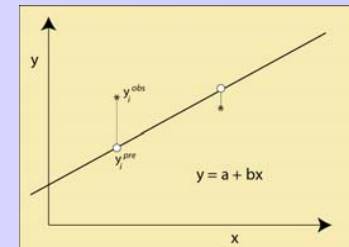


- Even-determined,  $N=2$ :

$$\mathbf{m} = [m_1, m_2]^T, \quad m_2 = \frac{y_1 - y_2}{x_1 - x_2}, \quad m_1 = y_1 - m_2 x_1.$$

$$\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{d} - G\mathbf{m} = \mathbf{0}$$

Prediction error is zero !



## Example: Over-determined, Linear discrete inverse problem

### The Ballistics example

Given data and noise

t	y
1	109:3827
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3	267:5319
4	331:8753
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$$C_d^{-1} = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} I$$

$$\sigma = 8m$$

$$y_i = m_1 + m_2 t_i - \frac{1}{2} m_3 t_i^2$$

Calculate G

$$G = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & t_1 & -1/2t_1^2 \\ 1 & t_2 & -1/2t_2^2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & t_M & -1/2t_M^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

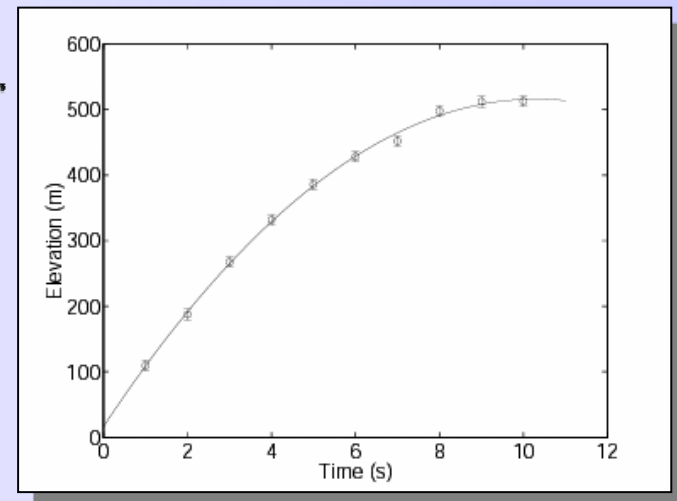
$$m_{LS} = (G^T C_d^{-1} G)^{-1} G^T C_d^{-1} d$$

$$m_{LS} = [16.4m, 97.0m/s, 9.4m/s^2]^T$$

$$m_{true} = [10m, 100m/s, 9.8m/s^2]^T$$

Is the data fit good enough ?

And how to errors in data propagate into the solution ?

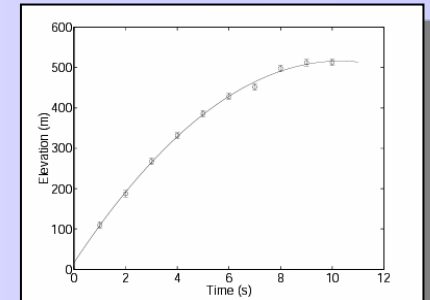




# The two questions in parameter estimation

We have our fitted model parameters

...but we are far from finished !



We need to:

- Assess the quality of the data fit.

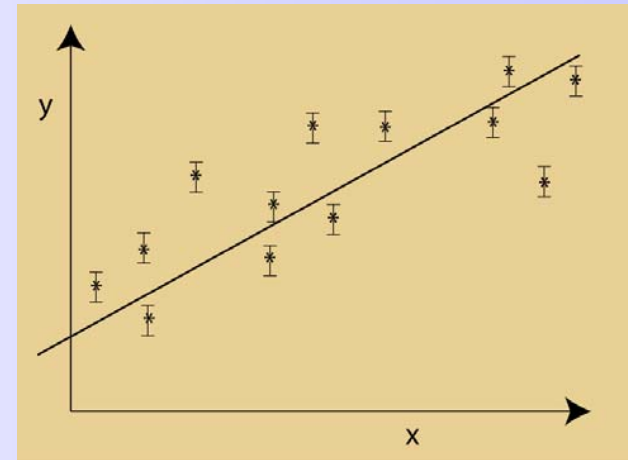
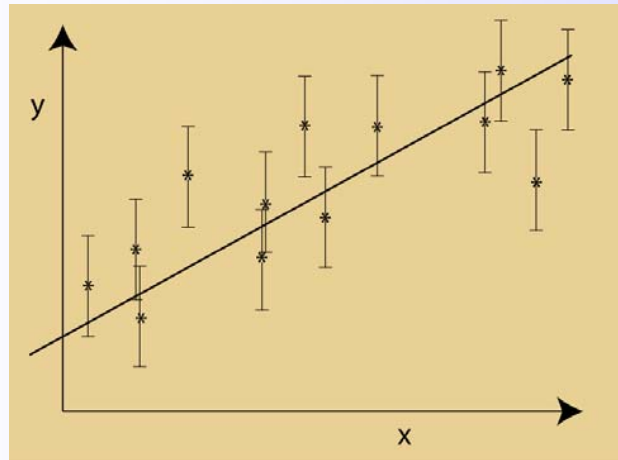
*Goodness of fit: Does the model fit the data to within the statistical uncertainty of the noise ?*

- Estimate how errors in the data propagate into the model

*What are the errors on the model parameters ?*

## Goodness of fit

Once we have our least squares solution  $\mathbf{m}_{LS}$  how do we know whether the fit is good enough given the errors in the data ?



Use the prediction error at the least squares solution !

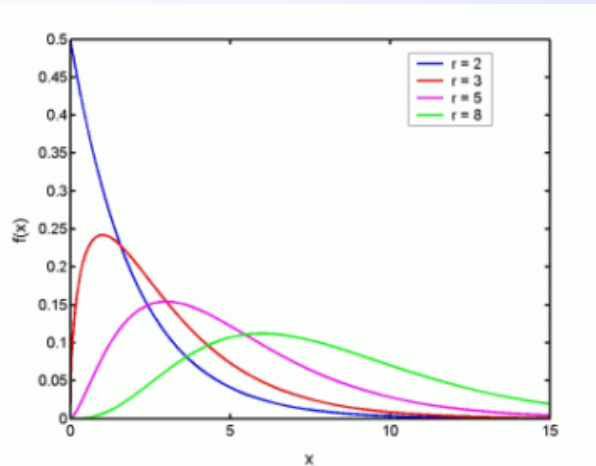
$$\phi(\mathbf{m}_{LS}) = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{G}\mathbf{m}_{LS})^T \mathbf{C}_d^{-1}(\mathbf{d} - \mathbf{G}\mathbf{m}_{LS}) = \sum_{i=1}^N \left( \frac{d_i - \sum_{j=1}^M G_{i,j}m_j}{\sigma_i} \right)^2$$

If data errors are Gaussian this as a chi-square statistic  $\chi_{obs}^2$

## Goodness of fit

For Gaussian data errors the data prediction error is the square of a Gaussian random variable hence it has a chi-square probability density function with  $N-M$  degrees of freedom.

$$\chi_{obs}^2 = \sum_{i=1}^N \left( \frac{d_i - \sum_{j=1}^M G_{i,j} m_j}{\sigma_i} \right)^2$$



<i>ndf</i>	$\chi^2(5\%)$	$\chi^2(50\%)$	$\chi^2(95\%)$
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20	10.85	19.34	31.41
50	34.76	49.33	67.50
100	77.93	99.33	124.34

$$p = \Pr(\chi^2 \geq \chi_{obs}^2)$$

$$p = \int_{\chi_{obs}^2}^{\infty} f_{\chi^2}(x) dx$$

$$f_{\chi^2}(x) = \frac{1}{2^{\nu/2} \Gamma(\nu/2)} x^{\nu/2-1} e^{-x/2}$$

The  $\chi^2$  test provides a means to testing the assumptions that went into producing the least squares solution. It gives the likelihood that the fit actually achieved is reasonable.

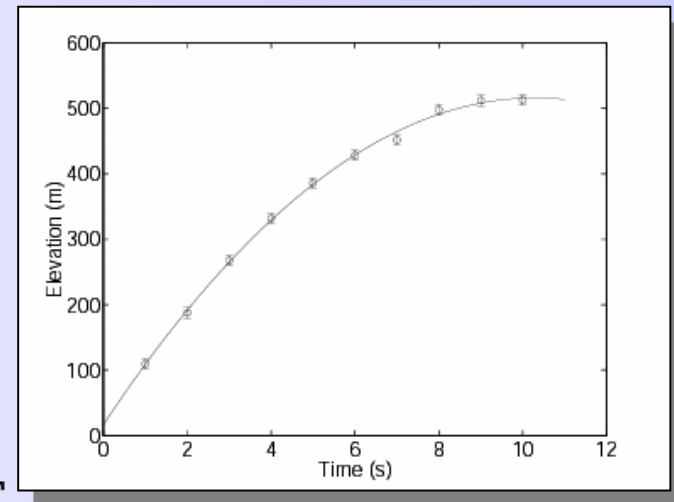
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How many degrees of freedom ?  $\nu = N - M = 10 - 3 = 7$

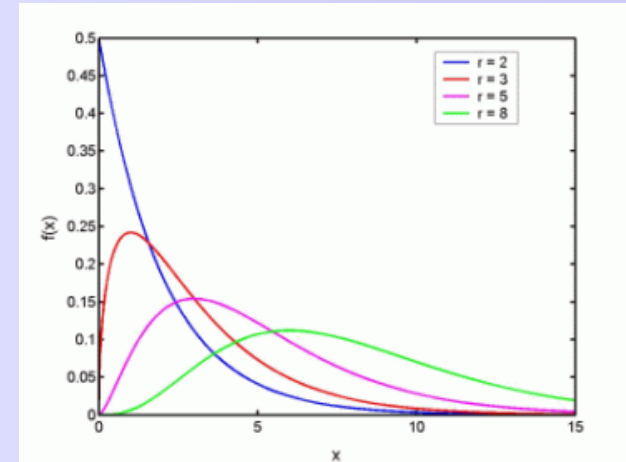
$$p = Pr(\chi^2 \geq \chi_{obs}^2) = 0.76$$

In practice values between 0.1 and 0.9 are plausible

## Goodness of fit

For Gaussian data errors the chi-square statistic has a chi-square distribution with  $\nu = N - M$  degrees of freedom.

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### Exercise:

- If I fit 7 data points with a straight line and get  $\chi^2 = 10^{-2}$  what would you conclude ?
- If I fit 102 data points with a straight line and get  $\chi^2 = 1034.15$  what would you conclude ?
- If I fit 52 data points with a straight line and get  $\chi^2 = 50$  what would you conclude ?

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What could be the cause if:

- the prediction error is much too large ? (poor data fit)

• Truly unlikely data errors

• Errors in forward theory

• Under-estimated data errors

- the prediction error is too small ? (too good data fit)

• Truly unlikely data errors

• Over-estimated the data errors

• Fraud !

# Solution Appraisal

## Solution error

Once we have our least squares solution  $\mathbf{m}_{LS}$  and we know that the data fit is acceptable, how do we find the likely errors in the model parameters arising from errors in the data ?

$$\mathbf{m}_{LS} = G^{-g} \mathbf{d}$$

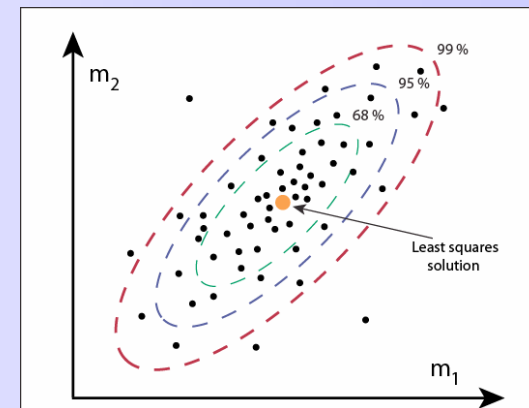
The data set we actually observed is only one realization of the many that could have been observed

$$\mathbf{d}' \rightarrow \mathbf{d} + \epsilon$$

$$\mathbf{m}'_{LS} \rightarrow \mathbf{m}_{LS} + \epsilon_m$$

$$\mathbf{m}'_{LS} = G^{-g} \mathbf{d}'$$

$$\mathbf{m}_{LS} + \epsilon_m = G^{-g} (\mathbf{d} + \epsilon)$$



The effect of adding noise to the data is to add noise to the solution

$$\epsilon_m = G^{-g} \epsilon$$

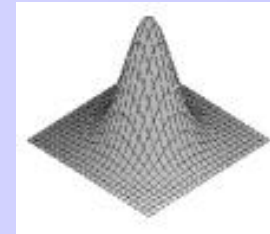
The model noise is a linear combination of the data noise !



## Solution error: Model Covariance

Multivariate Gaussian data error distribution

$$p(\epsilon) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{N_d/2} |C_d|^{N_d/2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \epsilon^T C_d^{-1} \epsilon \right\}$$



How to turn this into a probability distribution for the model errors ?

We know that the **solution error** is a linear combination of the **data error**

$$\epsilon_m = G^{-g} \epsilon$$

The covariance of any linear combination  $A\mathbf{d}$  of Gaussian distributed random variables  $\mathbf{d}$  is

$$\text{Cov}(A\mathbf{d}) = A \text{Cov}(\mathbf{d}) A^T$$

So we have the covariance of the model parameters

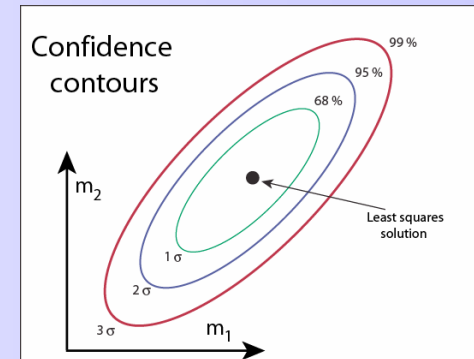
$$C_M = (G^{-g}) C_d (G^{-g})^T$$

## Solution error: Model Covariance

$$C_M = (G^{-g})C_d(G^{-g})^T$$

$$G^{-g} = (G^T C_d^{-1} G)^{-1} G^T C_d^{-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow C_M = (G^T C_d^{-1} G)^{-1}$$

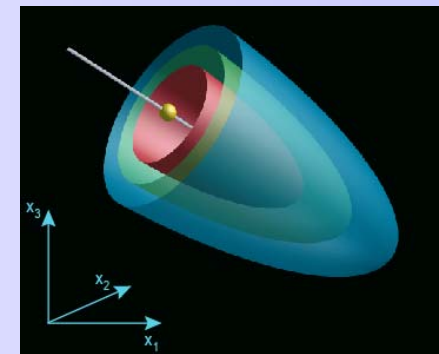


The model covariance for a least squares problem depends on data errors and not the data itself !  $G$  is controlled by the design of the experiment.

$$p(\epsilon_m) = k' \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{m}_{LS})^T C_M^{-1} (\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{m}_{LS}) \right\}$$

$\mathbf{m}_{LS}$  is the least squares solution

The data error distribution gives a model error distribution !

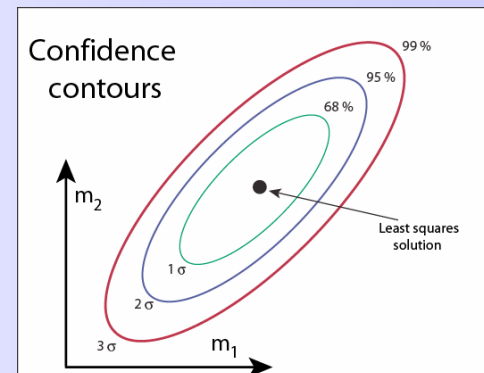
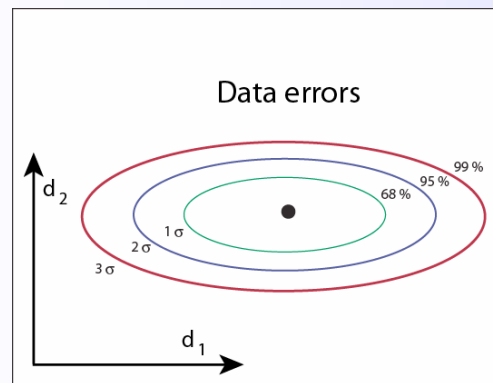


## Solution error: Model Covariance

$$C_M = (G^T C_d^{-1} G)^{-1}$$

For the special case of independent data errors  $C_d = \sigma^2 I$

$$C_M = \sigma^2 (G^T G)^{-1}$$



Independent data errors

Correlated model errors

For linear regression problem

$$C_M = \frac{\sigma^2}{N \sum_{i=1}^N x_i^2 - (\sum_{i=1}^N x_i)^2} \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{i=1}^N x_i^2 & -\sum_{i=1}^N x_i \\ -\sum_{i=1}^N x_i & N \end{bmatrix}$$

## Example: Model Covariance and confidence intervals

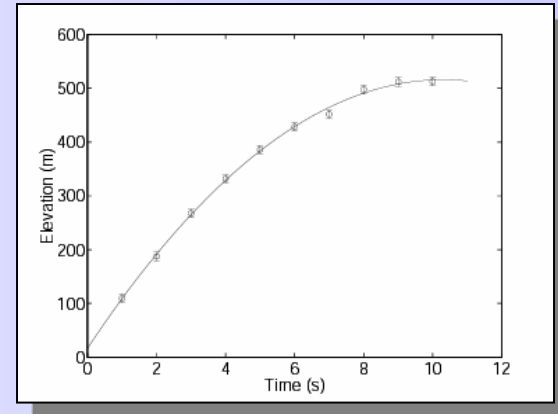
For Ballistics problem

$$y_i = m_1 + m_2 t_i - \frac{1}{2} m_3 t_i^2$$

$$C_M = (G^T C_d^{-1} G)^{-1}$$

$$C_D^{-1} = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} I$$

$$C_M = \begin{bmatrix} 88.53 & -33.60 & -5.33 \\ -33.60 & 15.44 & 2.67 \\ -5.33 & 2.67 & 0.48 \end{bmatrix}$$

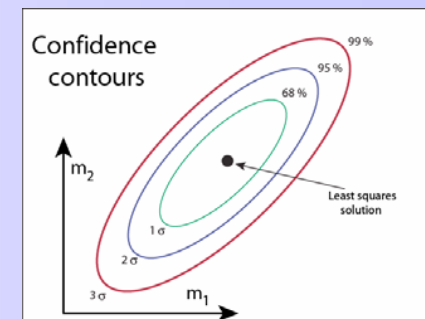


95% confidence interval for parameter  $i$

$$= 1.96 \times (C_M)_{i,i}^{1/2}$$

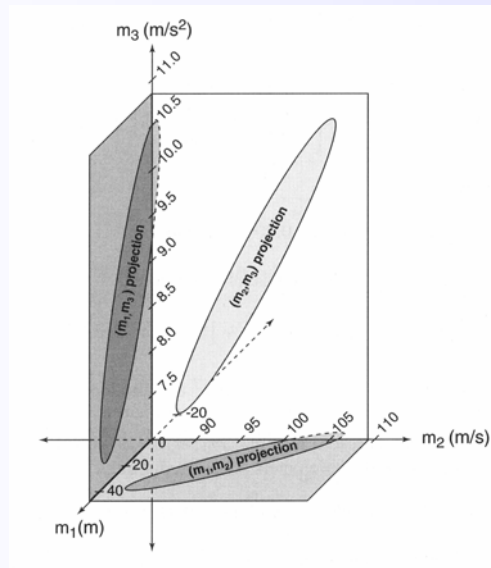
$$m_{true} = [10m, 100m/s, 9.8m/s^2]^T$$

$$m_{LS} = [16.4 \pm 18.4m, 97.0 \pm 7.7m/s, 9.4 \pm 1.4m/s^2]^T$$



## Confidence intervals by projection

The M-dimensional confidence ellipsoid can be projected onto any subset (or combination) of  $\Delta$  parameters to obtain the corresponding confidence ellipsoid.



Full M-dimensional ellipsoid

$$\Delta^2 = (\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{m}_{LS})^T \mathbf{C}_M^{-1} (\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{m}_{LS})$$

Projected v dimension ellipsoid

$$\Delta^2 = \delta \mathbf{m}'^T [\mathbf{C}_{M,proj}]^{-1} \delta \mathbf{m}'$$

$\delta \mathbf{m}'$  = Projected model vector

$\mathbf{C}_{M,proj}$  = Projected covariance matrix

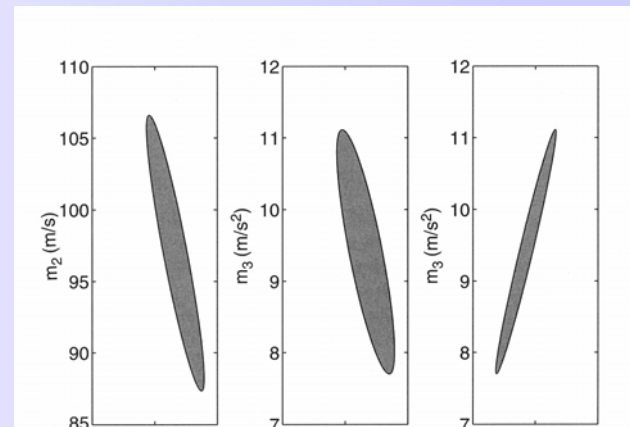
$\Delta^2$  = Chosen percentage point of the  $\chi^2_v$  distribution

To find the 90% confidence ellipse for (x,y) from a 3-D (x,y,z) ellipsoid

$$\Delta^2 = 4.61 \quad [= \chi^2_2(90\%)]$$

$$\mathbf{C}_{M,proj} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{1,1}^2 & \sigma_{1,2}^2 \\ \sigma_{1,2}^2 & \sigma_{2,2}^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\delta \mathbf{m}' = [m_1 - m_{LS,1}, m_2 - m_{LS,2}]^T$$



Can you see that this procedure gives the same formula for the 1-D case obtained previously ?

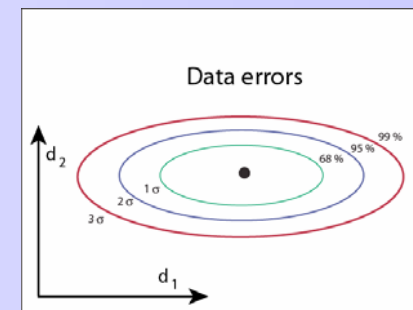
## What if we do not know the errors on the data ?

Both Chi-square goodness of fit tests and model covariance Calculations require knowledge of the variance of the data.

What can we do if we do not know  $\sigma$  ?

Consider the case of

$$C_D = \sigma^2 I$$



Independent data errors

$$\chi_{N-M}^2 = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^N \left( d_i - \sum_{j=1}^M G_{i,j} m_j \right)^2 \Rightarrow \sigma^2 = \frac{1}{(N-M)} \sum_{i=1}^N \left( d_i - \sum_{j=1}^M G_{i,j} m_j \right)^2$$

$$C_M = \sigma^2 (G^T G)^{-1}$$

Calculated from least squares solution

So we can still estimate model errors using the calculated data errors but we can no longer claim anything about goodness of fit.

## Model Resolution matrix

If we obtain a solution to an inverse problem we can ask what its relationship is to the true solution

$$\mathbf{m}_{est} = G^{-g} \mathbf{d}$$

But we know

$$\mathbf{d} = G \mathbf{m}_{true}$$

and hence

$$\mathbf{m}_{est} = G^{-g} G \mathbf{m}_{true} = R \mathbf{m}_{true}$$

The matrix R measures how 'good an inverse'  $G^{-g}$  is.

The matrix R shows how the elements of  $\mathbf{m}_{est}$  are built from linear combination of the true model,  $\mathbf{m}_{true}$ . Hence matrix R measures the amount of **blurring** produced by the inverse operator.

For the least squares solution we have

$$G^{-g} = (G^T C_D^{-1} G)^{-1} G^T C_D^{-1} \quad \Rightarrow R = I$$

## Data Resolution matrix

If we obtain a solution to an inverse problem we can ask what how it compares to the data

$$\mathbf{d}_{pre} = G\mathbf{m}_{est}$$

But we know

$$\mathbf{m}_{est} = G^{-g}\mathbf{d}_{obs}$$

and hence

$$\mathbf{d}_{pre} = GG^{-g}\mathbf{d}_{obs} = D\mathbf{d}_{obs}$$

The matrix  $D$  is analogous to the model resolution matrix  $R$  but measures how independently the model produced by  $G^{-g}$  can reproduce the data. If  $D = I$  then the data is fit exactly and the prediction error  $\mathbf{d}-G\mathbf{m}$  is zero.



## Recap: Goodness of fit and model covariance

- Once a best fit solution has been obtained we test goodness of fit with a chi-square test (assuming Gaussian statistics)

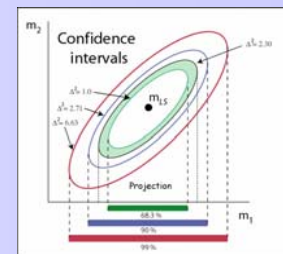
$$\left[ \chi_{obs}^2 = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{(d_i - \sum_{j=1}^M G_{i,j} m_j)^2}{\sigma_i^2} \right]$$

- If the model passes the goodness of fit test we may proceed to evaluating model covariance (if not then your data errors are probably too small)
- Evaluate model covariance matrix

$$C_M = (G^T C_d^{-1} G)^{-1}$$

- Plot model or projections of it onto chosen subsets of parameters

$$\Delta'^2 = (\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{m}_{LS})'^T C_M^{-1} (\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{m}_{LS})'$$



- Calculate confidence intervals using projected equation

$$\sigma_{M,i} = \Delta \times \sigma_{i,i}$$

Where  $\Delta^2$  follows a  $\chi^2_1$  distribution

## Recap: Linear discrete inverse problems

- The Least squares solution minimizes the prediction error.

$$\phi(\mathbf{m}_{LS}) = (\mathbf{d} - G\mathbf{m}_{LS})^T C_d^{-1} (\mathbf{d} - G\mathbf{m}_{LS})$$

$$\mathbf{m}_{LS} = (G^T C_d^{-1} G)^{-1} G^T C_d^{-1} \mathbf{d} = G^{-g} \mathbf{d}$$

- Goodness of fit criteria tells us whether the least squares model adequately fits the data, given the level of noise.

$$\phi(\mathbf{m}_{LS}) \rightarrow \chi_{N-M}^2 \quad \text{Chi-square with } N-M \text{ degrees of freedom}$$

- The covariance matrix describes how noise propagates from the data to the estimated model

$$C_M = (G^T C_d^{-1} G)^{-1}$$

$$\Delta^2 \rightarrow \chi_M^2$$

Chi-square with  $M$  degrees of freedom

$$(\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{m}_{LS})^T C_M^{-1} (\mathbf{m} - \mathbf{m}_{LS}) < \Delta^2$$

Gives confidence intervals

- The resolution matrix describes how the estimated model relates to the true model

# Beamforming

$$p(f) = \int p(t)e^{-i2\pi ft} dt \quad \text{Beamforming frequency}$$

FFT

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Pressure field is a sum of plane waves

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Based of the observed field  $p(f, \mathbf{r}_k)$  at discrete ranges  $\mathbf{r}_k$  the  $p(f, \mathbf{k}_j)$  is estimated

$$p(f, \mathbf{k}_j) = \sum_k p(f, \mathbf{r}_k)e^{-i(\mathbf{k}_j^T \mathbf{r}_k)} = \mathbf{w}^H \mathbf{p}$$

Where

$$\mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{i(\mathbf{k}_j^T \mathbf{r}_1)} \\ \vdots \\ e^{i(\mathbf{k}_j^T \mathbf{r}_N)} \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{p} = \begin{bmatrix} p(f, \mathbf{r}_1) \\ \vdots \\ p(f, \mathbf{r}_N) \end{bmatrix}$$

## Beamforming

$$p(f) = \int p(t) e^{-i2\pi ft} dt \quad \text{FFT}$$

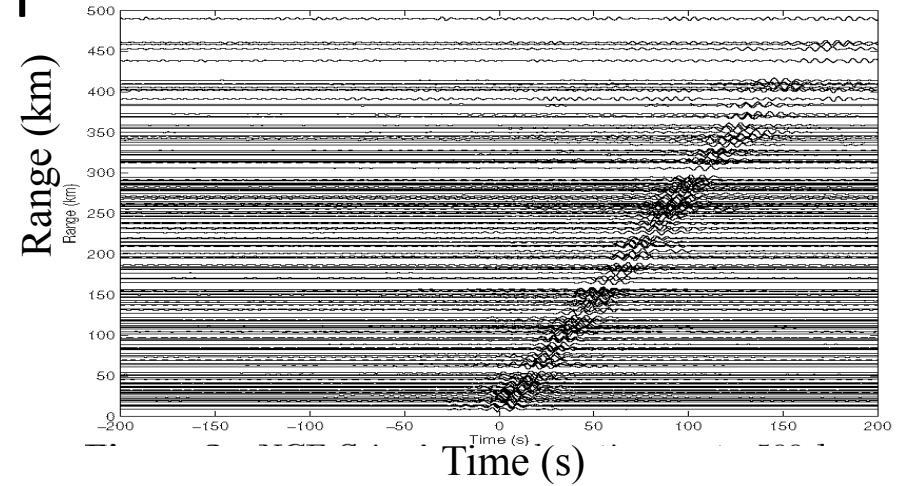
$$p(t) = \int p(f) e^{i2\pi ft} df \quad \text{IFFT}$$

Pressure field is a sum of plane waves

$$\begin{aligned} B(t, m) &= \sum_k p_k(t - \tau_{km}) \\ &= \sum_k \int [\int p_k(t - \tau_{km}) e^{-i2\pi ft} dt] e^{i2\pi ft} df \\ &= \sum_k \int e^{-i2\pi f \tau_{km}} [\int p_k(t) e^{-i2\pi ft} dt] e^{i2\pi ft} df \\ &= \sum_k \int e^{-i2\pi f \tau_{km}} p_k(f) e^{i2\pi ft} df \\ B(f, m) &= \sum_k e^{-i2\pi f \tau_{km}} p_k(f) = \mathbf{w}^H \mathbf{p} \end{aligned}$$

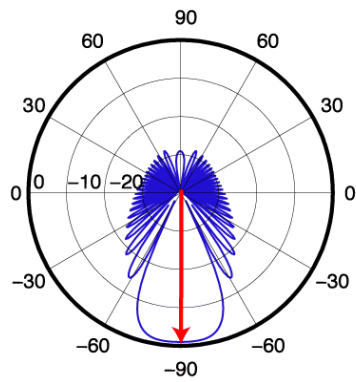
Where

$$\mathbf{w} = \begin{bmatrix} e^{i2\pi f \tau_{km}} \\ \vdots \\ e^{i2\pi f \tau_{km}} \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{p} = \begin{bmatrix} p(f, \mathbf{r}_1) \\ \vdots \\ p(f, \mathbf{r}_N) \end{bmatrix}$$

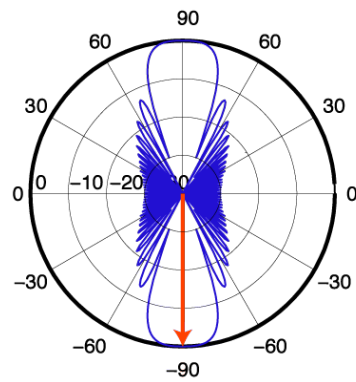


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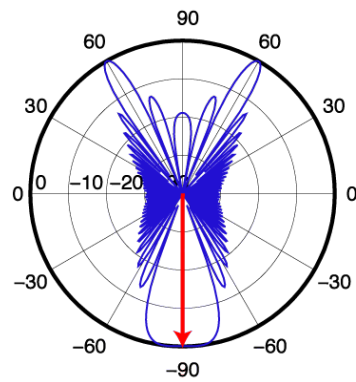
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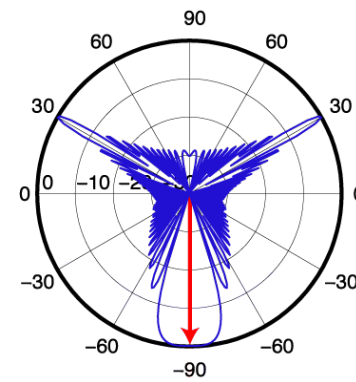
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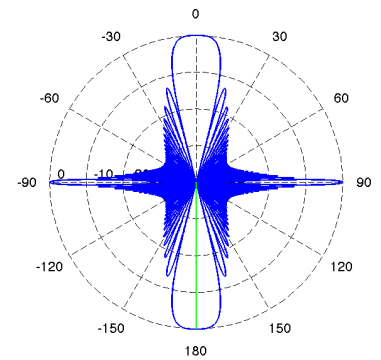
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$$d = \lambda$$



SVD

## Proof: Minimum Length solution

Constrained minimization

$$\text{Min } L(\mathbf{m}) = \mathbf{m}^T \mathbf{m} \quad : \quad \mathbf{d} = G\mathbf{m}$$

Lagrange multipliers leads to unconstrained minimization of

$$\phi(\mathbf{m}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}) = \mathbf{m}^T \mathbf{m} + \boldsymbol{\lambda}^T (\mathbf{d} - G\mathbf{m}) = \sum_{j=1}^M m_j^2 + \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i (d_i - G_{i,j} m_j)$$

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \boldsymbol{\lambda}} = \mathbf{d} - G\mathbf{m} = \mathbf{0} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \lambda_i} = \sum_{j=1}^M (d_i - G_{i,j} m_j)$$

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \mathbf{m}} = 2\mathbf{m} - G^T \boldsymbol{\lambda} = \mathbf{0} \quad \longrightarrow \quad \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial m_j} = 2m_j - \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i G_{i,j}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{m} = \frac{1}{2} G^T \boldsymbol{\lambda}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{d} = G\mathbf{m} = \frac{1}{2} GG^T \boldsymbol{\lambda}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boldsymbol{\lambda} = 2 (GG^T)^{-1} \mathbf{d}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{m} = G^T (GG^T)^{-1} \mathbf{d}$$



## Minimum Length and least squares solutions

$$\mathbf{m}_{ML} = G^T (GG^T)^{-1} \mathbf{d} \quad \mathbf{m}_{LS} = (G^T G)^{-1} G^T \mathbf{d}$$

$$\mathbf{m}_{est} = G^{-g} \mathbf{d}$$

Data resolution matrix

$$\mathbf{d}_{pre} = D \mathbf{d}_{obs}$$

$$D = GG^{-g}$$

Minimum length

$$D = GG^T (GG^T)^{-1} = I$$

$$R = G^T (GG^T)^{-1} G \neq I$$

Least squares

$$D = G(G^T G)^{-1} G^T \neq I$$

$$R = (G^T G)^{-1} G^T G = I$$

There is symmetry between the least squares and minimum length solutions. **Least squares** completely solves the **over-determined** problem and has **perfect model resolution**, while the **minimum length** solves the completely **under-determined** problem and has **perfect data resolution**. For mix-determined problems all solutions will be between these two extremes.

## Singular value decomposition

SVD is a method of analyzing and solving linear discrete ill-posed problems.

At its heart is the *Lanczos decomposition* of the matrix  $G$

$$d = Gm$$

$$G = USV^T$$

$$G = \underbrace{[\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2, \dots, \mathbf{u}_N]}_{N \times M} \underbrace{S}_{N \times N} \underbrace{[\mathbf{v}_1, \mathbf{v}_2, \dots, \mathbf{v}_M]^T}_{M \times M}$$

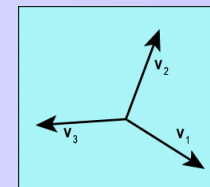
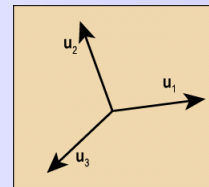
$U$  is an  $N \times N$  ortho-normal matrix with columns that span the **data space**

$V$  is an  $M \times M$  ortho-normal matrix with columns that span the **model space**

$S$  is an  $N \times M$  diagonal matrix with non-negative elements  $\rightarrow$  singular values

$$UU^T = U^T U = I_N$$

$$VV^T = V^T V = I_M$$



Ill-posed problems arise when some of the singular values are zero

## Singular value decomposition

Given  $G$ , how do we calculate the matrices  $U$ ,  $V$  and  $S$  ?

$$G = USV^T$$

$$U = [\mathbf{u}_1 | \mathbf{u}_2 | \dots | \mathbf{u}_N]$$

$$V = [\mathbf{v}_1 | \mathbf{v}_2 | \dots | \mathbf{v}_M]$$

It can be shown that the columns of  $U$  are the eigenvectors of the matrix  $GG^T$

$$GG^T \mathbf{u}_i = s_i^2 \mathbf{u}_i$$

Try and prove this !

It can be shown that the columns of  $V$  are the eigenvectors of the matrix  $G^T G$

$$G^T G \mathbf{v}_i = s_i^2 \mathbf{v}_i$$

Try and prove this !

The eigenvalues,  $s_i^2$ , are the square of the elements in diagonal of the  $N \times M$  matrix  $S$ .

If  $N > M$

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & s_2 & & 0 \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & s_M \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

If  $M > N$

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & | & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & s_2 & & 0 & | & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 & | & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & s_N & | & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Singular value decomposition

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & s_2 & & 0 \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & s_M \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Suppose the first  $p$  are non-zero, then  $N \times M$  non square matrix  $S$  can be written in a partitioned form

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} S_p & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} M \\ N \end{matrix}$$

By convention we order the singular values

$$s_1 \geq s_2 \geq \cdots \geq s_p$$

$$S_p = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & s_2 & & 0 \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & s_p \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} p \\ p \end{matrix}$$

$$U = [\mathbf{u}_1 | \mathbf{u}_2 | \cdots | \mathbf{u}_N]$$

$$V = [\mathbf{v}_1 | \mathbf{v}_2 | \cdots | \mathbf{v}_M]$$

where the submatrix  $s_p$  is a  $p \times p$  diagonal matrix contains the non-zero singular values

$$p_{max} = \min(N, M)$$

## Singular value decomposition

If only the first  $p$  singular values are nonzero we write

$$G = [U_p \mid U_o] \begin{bmatrix} S_p & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} [V_p \mid V_o]^T$$

$U_p$  represents the first  $p$  columns of  $U$

$U_o$  represents the last  $N-p$  columns of  $U$  → A data null space is created

$V_p$  represents the first  $p$  columns of  $V$

$V_o$  represents the last  $M-p$  columns of  $V$  → A model null space is created

Properties

$$U_p^T U_o = 0 \quad U_o^T U_p = 0 \quad V_p^T V_o = 0 \quad V_o^T V_p = 0$$

$$U_p^T U_p = I \quad U_o^T U_o = I \quad V_o^T V_o = I \quad V_p^T V_p = I$$

Since the columns of  $V_o$  and  $U_o$  multiply by zeros we get the *compact* form for  $G$

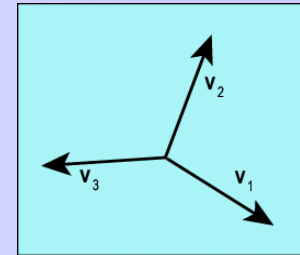
$$G = U_p S_p V_p^T$$

## Model null space

Consider a vector made up of a linear combination of the columns of  $V_0$

$$\mathbf{m}_v = \sum_{i=p+1}^M \lambda_i \mathbf{v}_i$$

The model  $\mathbf{m}$  lies in the space spanned by columns of  $V_0$



$$G\mathbf{m}_v = \sum_{i=p+1}^M \lambda_i U_p S_p V_p^T \mathbf{v}_i = \mathbf{0}$$

So any model of this type has no effect on the data. It lies in the **model null space** !

Where have we seen this before ?

Consequence: If any solution exists to the inverse problem then an infinite number will

Assume the model  $\mathbf{m}_{ls}$  fits the data  $G\mathbf{m}_{ls} = \mathbf{d}_{obs}$

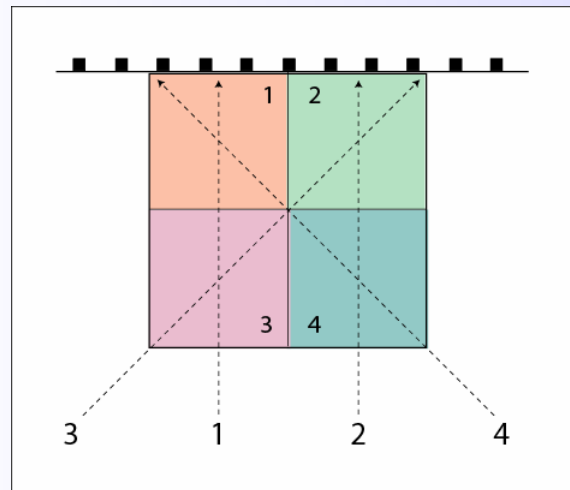
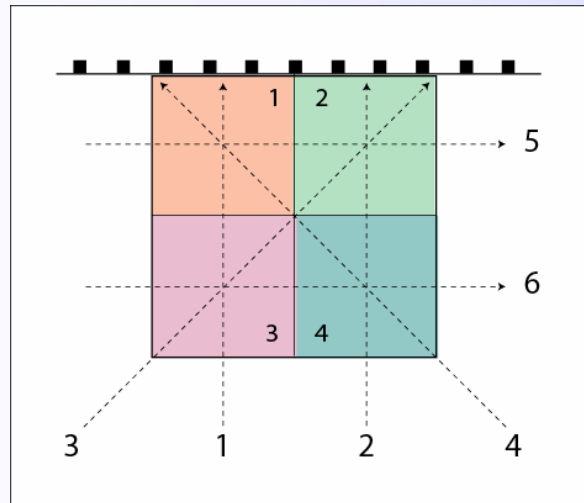
$$\begin{aligned} G(\mathbf{m}_{ls} + \mathbf{m}_v) &= G\mathbf{m}_{ls} + G\mathbf{m}_v \\ &= \mathbf{d}_{obs} + \mathbf{0} \end{aligned}$$

Uniqueness question of Backus and Gilbert

The data can not constrain models in the model null space

## Example: tomography

Idealized tomographic experiment



$$\delta d = G \delta m$$

$$G = \begin{bmatrix} G_{1,1} & G_{1,2} & G_{1,3} & G_{1,4} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$

What are the entries of  $G$  ?

## Example: tomography

Using rays 1-4

$$G = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & \sqrt{2} & \sqrt{2} & 0 \\ \sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 & \sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$G^T G = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

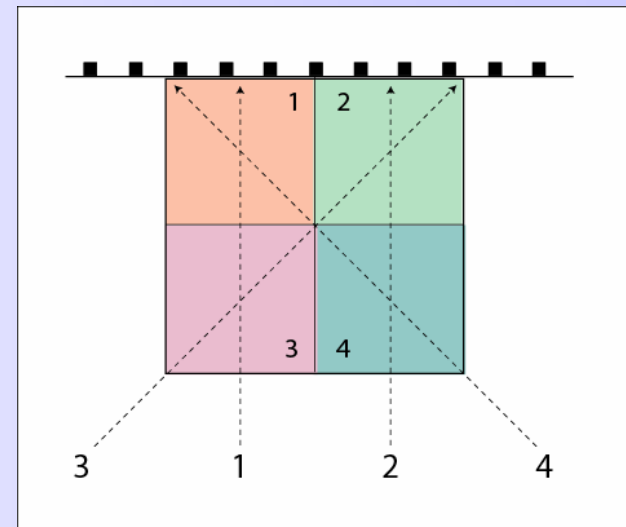
This has eigenvalues 6,4,2,0.

$$V_p = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & -0.5 & -0.5 \\ 0.5 & 0.5 & 0.5 \\ 0.5 & 0.5 & -0.5 \\ 0.5 & -0.5 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$V_o = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 \\ 0.5 \\ -0.5 \\ -0.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Gv_o = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\delta d = G\delta m$$

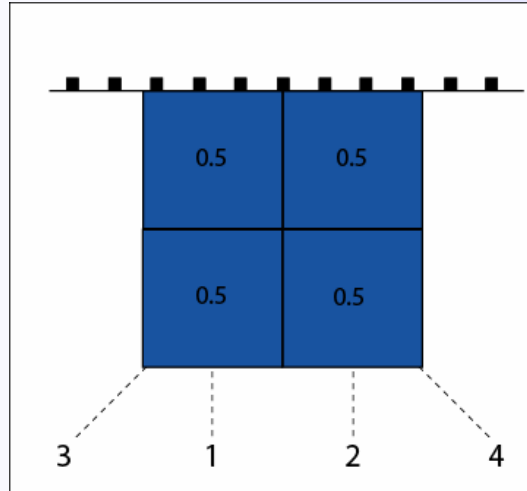


What type of change does the null space vector correspond to ?

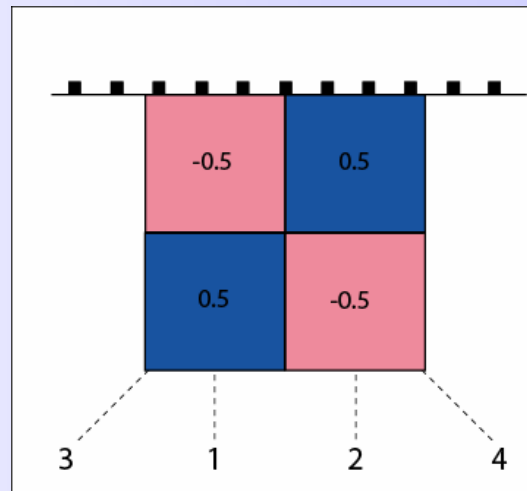


# Worked example: Eigenvectors

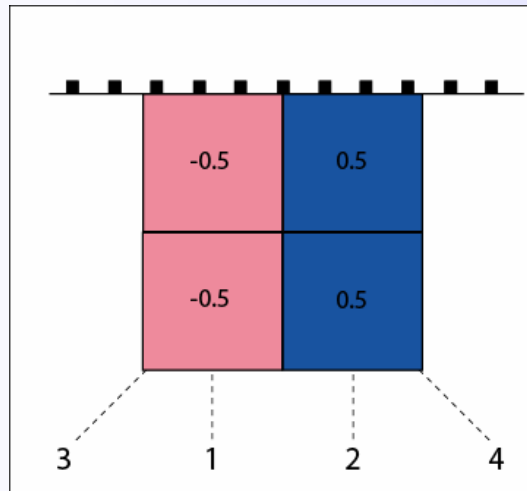
$$S_1^2=6$$



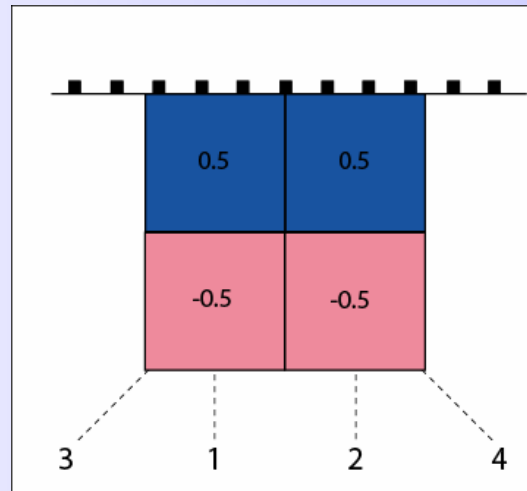
$$S_2^2=4$$



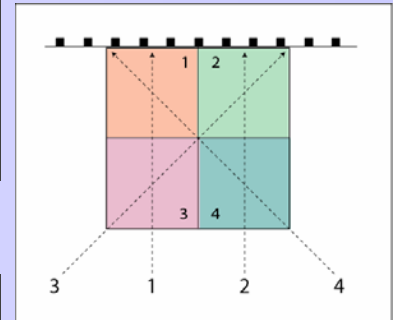
$$S_3^2=2$$



$$S_4^2=0$$



$$V_p = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 & -0.5 & -0.5 \\ 0.5 & 0.5 & 0.5 \\ 0.5 & 0.5 & -0.5 \\ 0.5 & -0.5 & 0.5 \end{bmatrix}$$



$$V_o = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 \\ 0.5 \\ -0.5 \\ -0.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Data and model null spaces

