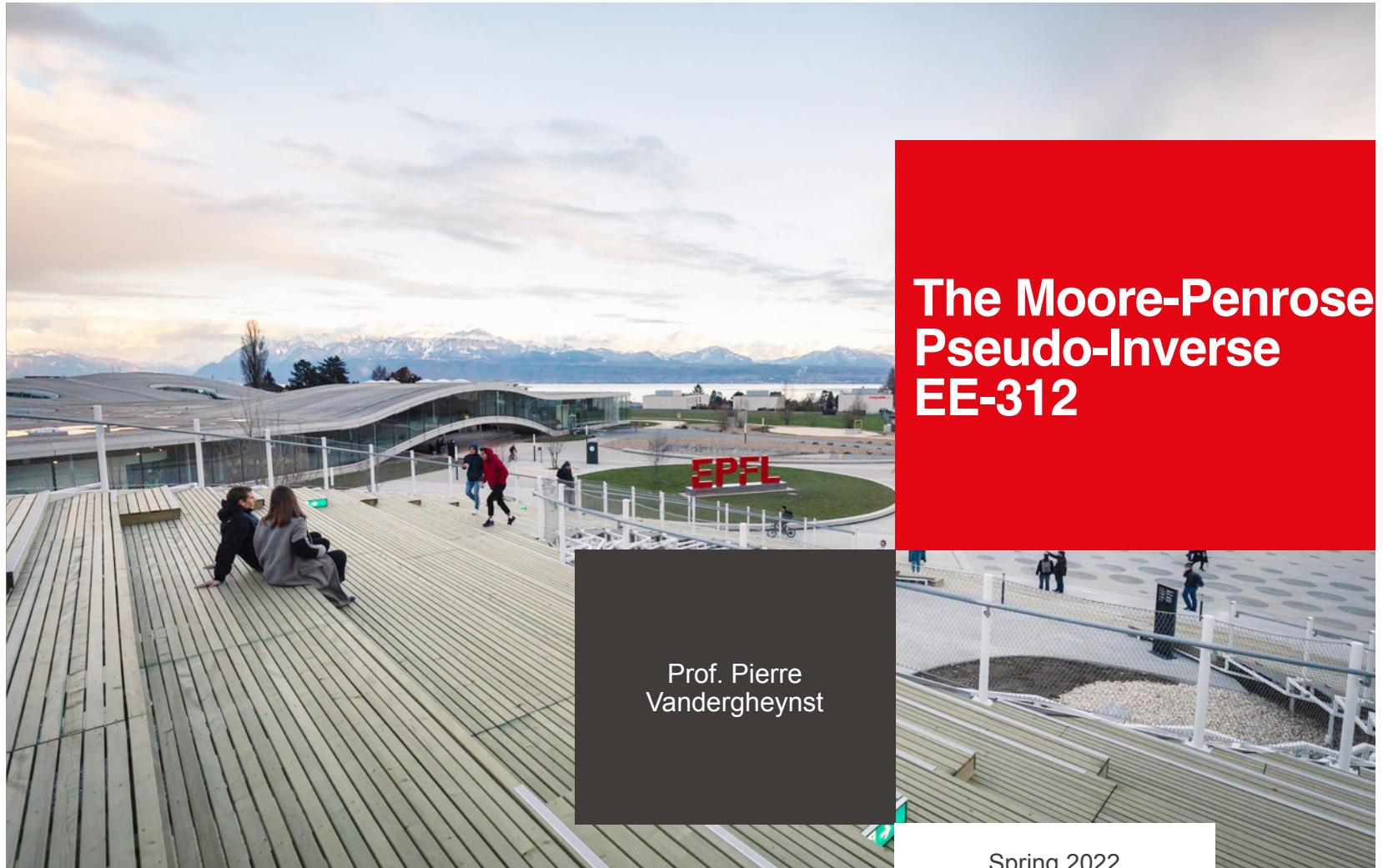


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# The Moore-Penrose Pseudo-Inverse EE-312

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# A note on invertibility

A linear transformation is **invertible** if and only if it is **bijective** (1-1 and onto)

ex:  $T : \mathcal{N}(A)^\perp \rightarrow \mathcal{R}(A)$      $Tv = Av \quad \forall v \in \mathcal{N}(A)^\perp$

Consider  $A : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  and suppose it has  $n$  linearly independent columns  $\mathcal{R}(A) = \mathbb{R}^n$   
full-rank  
 $A$  is onto

$$\forall y \in \mathbb{R}^n \exists x_1, \dots, x_n \text{ s.t. } y = a_1 x_1 + \dots + a_n x_n$$

unique

$A$  is 1-1       $y = Ax$   depends on  $A$  and  $y$

$$x = A^{-1}y$$

linear

$A : \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{W}$  is **invertible** if and only if it is **bijective**.

If  $A$  is invertible then  $\dim(\mathcal{V}) = \dim(\mathcal{W})$

$A : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is invertible (non-singular) if and only if  $\text{rank}(A) = n$

# A note on invertibility

Let  $A : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$

Some interesting square matrices from any matrix  $A^T A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and  $AA^T \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$

$A$  is onto iff  $\text{rank}(A) = m$ , equivalent to  $AA^T$  is non-singular

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These matrices play a crucial role for constructing “special inverses”

# A note on invertibility

Even if  $A$  is not invertible, it is left (resp. right) invertible iff it is 1-1 (resp. onto)

$$A : \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{W}$$

$A$  is **right invertible** if there exists a linear transformation

$$A_R^{-1} : \mathcal{W} \rightarrow \mathcal{V} \quad \text{such that } AA_R^{-1} = \mathbb{I}_{\mathcal{W}}$$

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$A$  is **left invertible** if there exists a linear transformation

$$A_L^{-1} : \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{W} \quad \text{such that } A_L^{-1}A = \mathbb{I}_{\mathcal{V}}$$

$A$  is left invertible IFF it is 1-1

# A note on invertibility

$A$  is invertible IFF it is both left and right invertible, in which case  $A_L^{-1} = A_R^{-1} = A^{-1}$

Now our special square matrices become useful

$A$  is onto  $\Rightarrow AA^T$  is nonsingular  $\Rightarrow A_R^{-1} = A^T(AA^T)^{-1}$  is a right inverse

$A$  is 1-1  $\Rightarrow A^T A$  is nonsingular  $\Rightarrow A_L^{-1} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T$  is a left inverse

Rem:  $A : \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{V}$

if there exists a *unique* left inverse, then  $A$  is invertible

if there exists a *unique* right inverse, then  $A$  is invertible

# Generalized Inverses

A little motivation (we'll get back to it later)

$$Ax = b \quad A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m} \text{ and non-singular} \Rightarrow x = A^{-1}b$$

$$A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m} \text{ and } b \in \mathcal{R}(A)$$

Suppose there exists  $G \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  s.t  $AGy = y \quad \forall y \in \mathcal{R}(A)$

$x = Gb$  is a solution and  $AGA = A$

# Generalized Inverses

$$\forall A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n} \exists G \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m} \text{ s.t. } AGA = A$$

**G = Generalized Inverse** (always exists but not necessarily unique)

If the inverse of  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  exists, it is a generalised inverse (and there is only one)

$$A(A^{-1})A = A$$

$$\begin{aligned} G &= A^{-1}(AGA)A^{-1} \text{ (inverse exists)} \\ &= A^{-1}(A)A^{-1} \text{ ( generalized inverse)} \\ &= A^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

Example:  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{1 \times 2}$   $A = [1, 2]$

compute  $G$ ?  $G \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 1}$   $G = \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix}$   $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$

$$AGA = A \Rightarrow (1, 2) \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} (1, 2) = (1, 2)$$

$$(x + 2y), (1, 2) = (1, 2)$$

$$x + 2y = 1 \quad G = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A \bar{A}_R^{-1} = \mathbb{I}_{R^m}$$

$$\underline{A \bar{A}_R^{-1} A} = A$$

# Generalized Inverses

An explicit form for G:

$$A \in \mathbb{R}_r^{m \times n} \quad A = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{with } A_{11} \text{ is } r\text{-by-}r \text{ and invertible}$$

Then:  $G = \begin{pmatrix} A_{11}^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  is a generalised inverse *IFF*  $A_{22} = A_{21} A_{11}^{-1} A_{12}$

Any m-by-n matrix of rank r can be put in that form by performing rows and columns permutations.

This shows any matrix has a generalised inverse. Can you see why ?

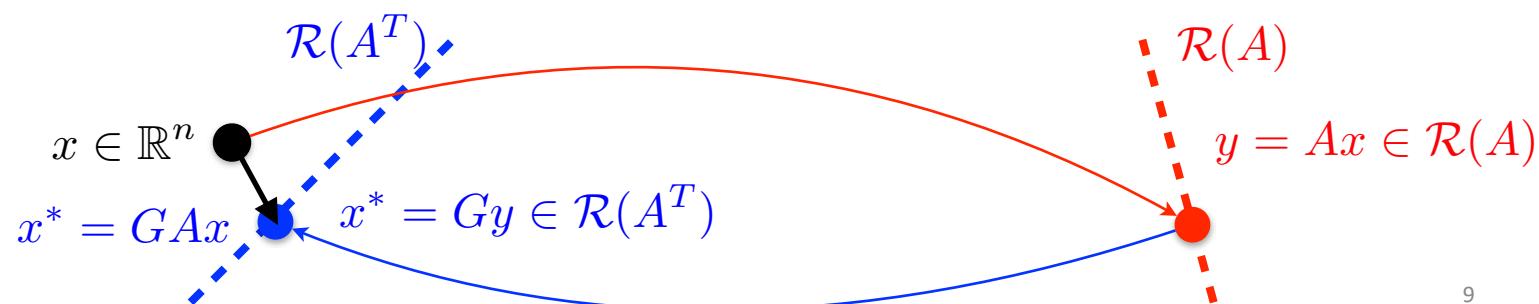
# Generalised Inverses

A generalised inverse computes a projection !

$A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and  $G \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  a g-inverse

$AG$  is a projection onto  $\mathcal{R}(A)$  column space

$GA$  is a projection onto  $\mathcal{R}(A^T)$  row space



$P = AG$  est une projection sur  $R(A)$

$$P^2 \neq P \quad AG \cdot AG = (AG \cdot A)G \\ = AG = P!$$

$R(P) \neq R(A)$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} a. y \in R(AG) \Rightarrow \exists x \in \mathbb{R}^m \text{ tel que } y = AGx = A(Gx) \in R \\ \Rightarrow R(AG) \subseteq R(A) \end{array} \right\}$$

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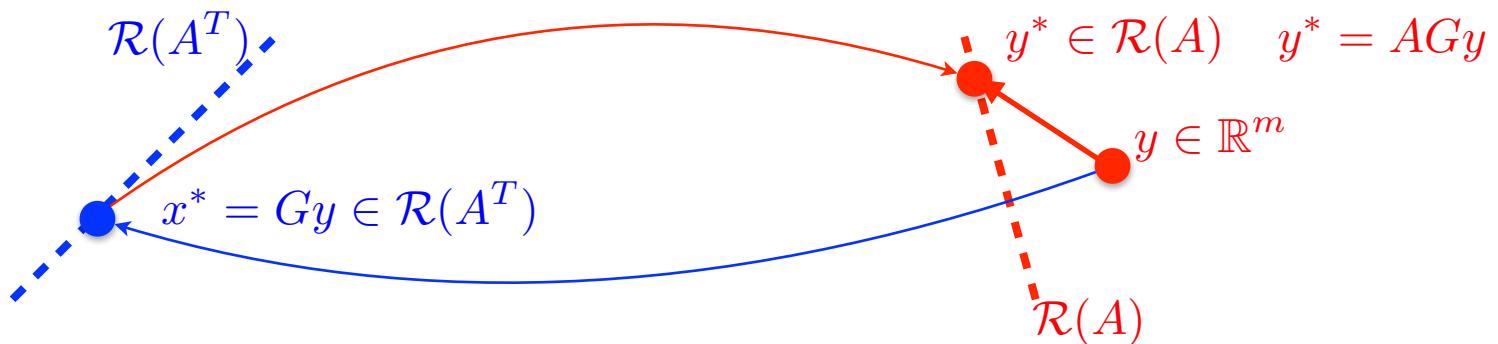
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# Generalised Inverses

Can this be useful to solve tougher problems ?

$A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and  $G \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  a g-inverse  $Ax = y$  but  $y \notin \mathcal{R}(A)???$



What would be the best possible  $y^*$  ?

# The Moore-Penrose Pseudoinverse

**Goal:** show the existence and main properties of a generalised inverse for arbitrary matrices. Computational aspects and applications to systems of linear equations and least squares problem in next lectures

$A : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  arbitrary linear transformation between finite dimensional vector spaces

$$\begin{matrix} A^+ \\ \text{A} \end{matrix} \quad T : \mathcal{N}(A)^\perp \rightarrow \mathcal{R}(A) \quad Tx = Ax \quad \forall x \in \mathcal{N}(A)^\perp \quad \text{**T is bijective**}$$

Define  $A^+ : \mathcal{Y} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$   $A^+y = T^{-1}y_1$  where  $y = y_1 + y_2$  with  $y_1 \in \mathcal{R}(A)$  and  $y_2 \in \mathcal{N}(A)^\perp$

$A^+$  is the Moore-Penrose pseudoinverse of  $A$

# The Moore-Penrose Pseudoinverse

$A^+$  always exists and is unique! In particular for any rank  $r$  matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}_r^{m \times n}$

Some properties that characterise any  $G = A^+$  **if and only if**

$$(P1) \ A G A = A$$

$$(P2) \ G A G = G$$

$$(P3) \ (A G)^T = A G$$

$$(P4) \ (G A)^T = G A$$

Rem: any nonsingular matrix satisfies (P1-4)

any left or right inverse satisfies at least 3 of these properties <sub>12</sub>

# The Moore-Penrose Pseudoinverse

Another characterisation

Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}_r^{m \times n}$  then

$$A^+ = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} (A^T A + \delta^2 \mathbb{I})^{-1} A^T$$

$$= \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} A^T (A A^T + \delta^2 \mathbb{I})^{-1}$$

Interestingly: (PROOF: check properties  $P_1 - P_4$ )

if  $A$  is onto (independent rows) then  $A^+ = A^T (A A^T)^{-1}$  (right inverse)

if  $A$  is 1-to-1 (independent columns) then  $A^+ = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T$  (left inverse)

Back to  $A = (1, 2)$ . We now  $\exists$   $\infty$ -many  $g$ -inverses  $AGA = A$

ex:  $G = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$

$G = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$

①  $AGA = A \rightarrow x + 2y = 1$

②  $GA G = G \rightarrow \text{OK}$

③  $(AG)^T = AG \Rightarrow x + 2y = x + 2y$

④  $(GA)^T = GA \rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}^T = \begin{pmatrix} x & 2x \\ y & 2y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x & y \\ 2x & 4y \end{pmatrix}$

$x + 2y = 1$

$x = y$

$x = \frac{1}{3}$        $y = \frac{2}{3}$        $A^+ = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} \end{pmatrix}$

# The Moore-Penrose Pseudoinverse

$$\mathcal{P} : \mathcal{A} \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{R}(A)^\perp$$

It is a generalised inverse with more constraints!

It always exists (like g-inverse) and is unique (unlike most g-inverse)

$$(P1) \quad A G A = A$$

$G$  is a generalised inverse of  $A$  !

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$$G = A^+ \quad (A^+)^+ = A$$

$AA^+$  is the orthogonal projection onto  $\mathcal{R}(A)$

$A^+A$  is the orthogonal projection onto  $\mathcal{R}(A^T)$

$$\tilde{P}_{R(A)}^\perp = AA^\dagger$$

$$\tilde{P}_{R(A)^\perp}^\perp = I - AA^\dagger$$

$$\tilde{P}_{W(A)}^\perp = I - A^\dagger A$$

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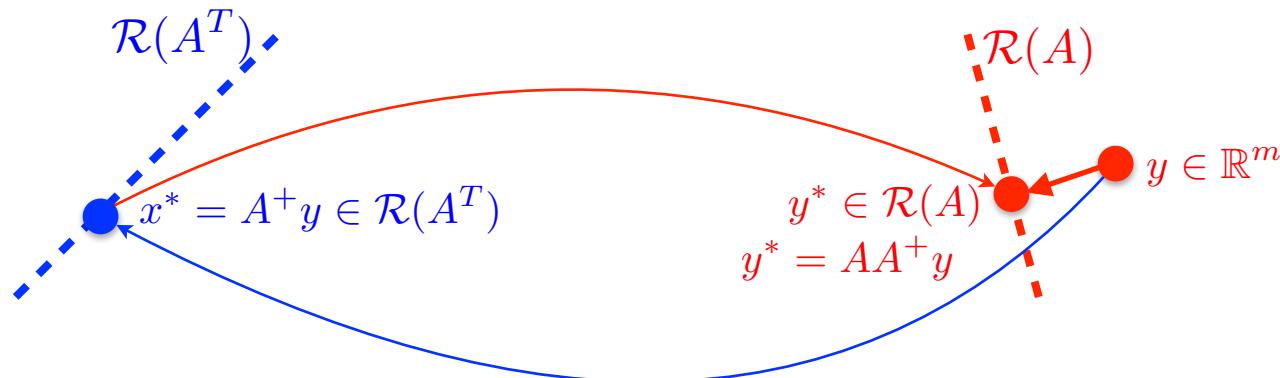
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$$A^+ = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T$$

we know this is invertible (full column rank)  
and that the orthogonal projection on the range of  $A$  is:

$$\begin{aligned} P_{\mathcal{R}(A)} &= A(A^T A)^{-1} A^T \\ &= AA^+ \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A\alpha &= y \\ A\alpha^* &= y^* \quad \|y - y^*\|_2 \end{aligned}$$

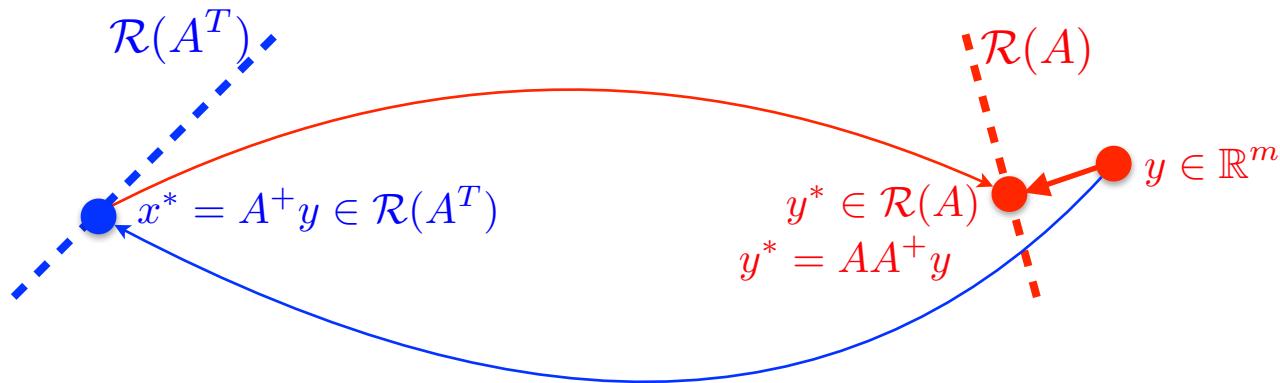


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