

First-order theorem proving for operator statements

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5.7 Pseudo-Inverse

Definitions:

A **Moore–Penrose pseudo-inverse** of a matrix $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ is a matrix $A^\dagger \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$ that satisfies the following four **Penrose** conditions:

$$AA^\dagger A = A; \quad A^\dagger AA^\dagger = A^\dagger; \quad (AA^\dagger)^* = AA^\dagger; \quad (A^\dagger A)^* = A^\dagger A.$$

Facts:

All the following facts except those with a specific reference can be found in [Gra83, pp. 105–141] or [RM71, pp. 44–67].

- Every $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ has a unique pseudo-inverse A^\dagger .
- If $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, then A^\dagger is real.
- If $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ of rank r has a full rank decomposition $A = BC$, where $B \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times r}$ and $C \in \mathbb{C}^{r \times n}$, then A^\dagger can be evaluated using $A^\dagger = C^*(B^*AC^*)^{-1}B^*$.
- [LH95, p. 38] If $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ of rank $r \leq \min\{m, n\}$ has an SVD $A = U\Sigma V^*$, then its pseudo-inverse is $A^\dagger = V\Sigma^\dagger U^*$, where

$$\Sigma^\dagger = \text{diag}(1/\sigma_1, \dots, 1/\sigma_r, 0, \dots, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}.$$

- [Hig96, p. 412] The pseudo-inverse A^\dagger of $A \in F^{m \times n}$ ($F = \mathbb{C}$ or \mathbb{R}) solves the minimization problem

$$\min_{X \in F^{n \times m}} \|AX - I_m\|_F^2.$$

- $0_{mn}^\dagger = 0_{nm}$ and $J_{mn}^\dagger = \frac{1}{mn} J_{nm}$, where $0_{nm} \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ is the all 0s matrix and $J_{mn} \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ is the all 1s matrix.

- If $\mathbf{x} \neq 0$, $\mathbf{y} \neq 0$, then $(\mathbf{xy}^*)^\dagger = \frac{\mathbf{yx}^*}{\|\mathbf{x}\|^2 \|\mathbf{y}\|^2}$.

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- Let α be a scalar. Denote

$$\alpha^\dagger = \begin{cases} \alpha^{-1}, & \text{if } \alpha \neq 0, \\ 0, & \text{if } \alpha = 0. \end{cases}$$

Then

$$(a) \quad (\alpha A)^\dagger = \alpha^\dagger A^\dagger.$$

$$(b) \quad (\text{diag}(\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_n))^\dagger = \text{diag}(\beta_1^\dagger, \beta_2^\dagger, \dots, \beta_n^\dagger).$$

- $(A^\dagger)^* = (A^*)^\dagger$; $(A^\dagger)^\dagger = A$.
- If A is a nonsingular square matrix, then $A^\dagger = A^{-1}$.
- If U has orthonormal columns or orthonormal rows, then $U^\dagger = U^*$.
- If $A = A^*$ and $A = A^2$, then $A^\dagger = A$.
- $A^\dagger = A^*$ if and only if A^*A is idempotent.
- If A is normal and k is a positive integer, then $AA^\dagger = A^\dagger A$ and $(A^k)^\dagger = (A^\dagger)^k$.
- If $U \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ and satisfies $U^\dagger = U^*$, then U has orthonormal columns.
- If $U \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times m}$ and $V \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ are unitary matrices, then $(UAV)^\dagger = V^*A^\dagger U^*$.
- $A^\dagger = (A^*A)^\dagger A^* = A^*(AA^*)^\dagger$. In particular,
 - if $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ ($m \geq n$) has full rank n , then $A^\dagger = (A^*A)^{-1}A^*$;
 - if $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ ($m \leq n$) has full rank m , then $A^\dagger = A^*(AA^*)^{-1}$.
- Let $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$. Then

- $A^\dagger A$, AA^\dagger , $I_n - A^\dagger A$, and $I_m - AA^\dagger$ are orthogonal projections.

$$(b) \quad \text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(A^\dagger) = \text{rank}(AA^\dagger) = \text{rank}(A^\dagger A).$$

$$(c) \quad \text{rank}(I_n - A^\dagger A) = n - \text{rank}(A).$$

$$(d) \quad \text{rank}(I_m - AA^\dagger) = m - \text{rank}(A).$$

$$20. \quad AA^\dagger = \text{Proj}_{\text{range}(A)}; \quad A^\dagger A = \text{Proj}_{\text{range}(A^\dagger)}.$$

$$21. \quad \text{Suppose that } A \in F^{m \times n}, \text{ where } F = \mathbb{C} \text{ or } \mathbb{R}. \text{ Then}$$

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$$(f) \quad \text{range}(AA^\dagger) \oplus \ker(AA^\dagger) = F^m.$$

$$22. \quad \text{If } A = A_1 + A_2 + \dots + A_k, \quad A_i A_j^* = 0, \text{ for all } i, j = 1, \dots, k, \quad i \neq j, \text{ then } A^\dagger = A_1^\dagger + A_2^\dagger + \dots + A_k^\dagger.$$

$$23. \quad \text{If } A \text{ is an } m \times r \text{ matrix of rank } r \text{ and } B \text{ is an } r \times n \text{ matrix of rank } r, \text{ then } (AB)^\dagger = B^\dagger A^\dagger.$$

$$24. \quad (A^*A)^\dagger = A^\dagger(A^*)^\dagger; \quad (AA^*)^\dagger = (A^\dagger)^\dagger A^\dagger.$$

$$25. \quad [\text{Gre66}] \text{ Each one of the following conditions is necessary and sufficient for } (AB)^\dagger = B^\dagger A^\dagger:$$

$$(a) \quad \text{range}(BB^*A^*) \subseteq \text{range}(A^*) \text{ and } \text{range}(A^*AB) \subseteq \text{range}(B).$$

$$(b) \quad A^\dagger ABB^* \text{ and } A^*ABB^\dagger \text{ are both Hermitian matrices.}$$

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$$(e) \quad A^\dagger AB = B(AB)^\dagger AB \text{ and } BB^\dagger A^* = A^*AB(AB)^\dagger.$$

$$26. \quad (A \otimes B)^\dagger = A^\dagger \otimes B^\dagger, \text{ where } \otimes \text{ denotes the Kronecker product.}$$

$$27. \quad A^\dagger = \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} A^*(\alpha I + AA^*)^{-1} = \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} (\alpha I + A^*A)^{-1} A^*.$$

$$28. \quad A^\dagger = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} A^*(I + AA^*)^{-j} = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (I + A^*A)^{-j} A^*.$$

$$29. \quad (\text{Continuity of pseudo-inverse}) \text{ Suppose that } A \in F^{m \times n} \text{ and } E \in F^{m \times n}, \text{ where } F = \mathbb{C} \text{ or } \mathbb{R}. \text{ Then } \lim_{E \rightarrow A} (A + E)^\dagger = A^\dagger \text{ if and only if there is } \epsilon > 0 \text{ such that } \text{rank}(A + E) = \text{rank}(A) \text{ when } \|E\|_2 \leq \epsilon.$$

$$30. \quad \text{Let } A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n} \text{ be of rank } r \text{ where } 0 < r < \min\{m, n\}. \text{ Suppose that } A \text{ can be partitioned as}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix},$$

where $A_{11} \in \mathbb{C}^{r \times r}$ and $\text{rank}(A_{11}) = r$. Then

$$A^\dagger = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11}^* X A_{11}^* & A_{11}^* X A_{21}^* \\ A_{12}^* X A_{11}^* & A_{12}^* X A_{21}^* \end{bmatrix},$$

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$$X = (A_{11}A_{11}^* + A_{12}A_{12}^*)^{-1}A_{11}(A_{11}A_{11}^* + A_{21}A_{21}^*)^{-1}.$$

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\Rightarrow Statement proven for matrices, (un)bounded operators, morphisms,...

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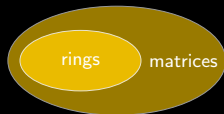
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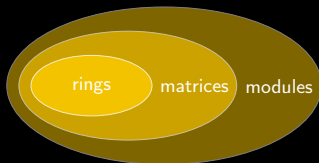
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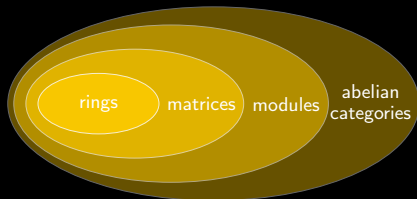
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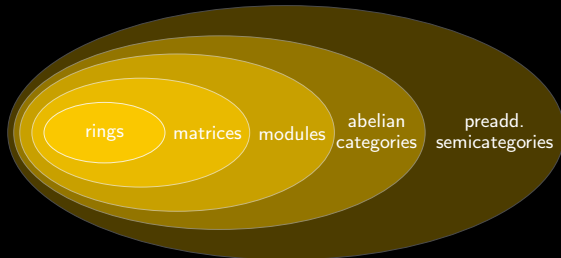
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Quasi-identities

(Helton, Stankus, Wavrik '98, Schmitz, Levandovskyy '20, Raab, Regensburger, Hossein Poor '21)

$$\forall \mathbf{X} : \bigwedge_{i=1}^m P_i = Q_i \Rightarrow S = T \quad \text{iff} \quad s - t \in (p_1 - q_1, \dots, p_m - q_m)$$

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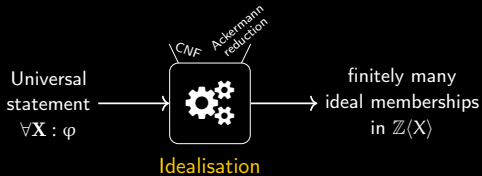
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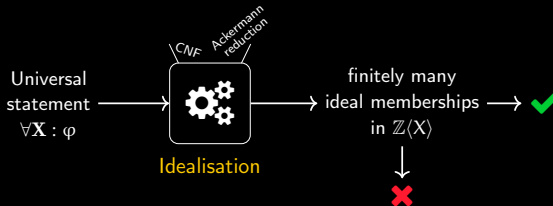
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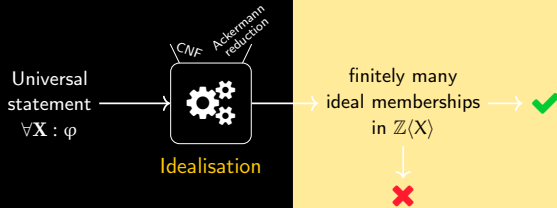


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5.7 Pseudo-Inverse

Definitions:

A **Moore–Penrose pseudo-inverse** of a matrix $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ is a matrix $A^\dagger \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$ that satisfies the following four **Penrose** conditions:

$$AA^\dagger A = A; \quad A^\dagger AA^\dagger = A^\dagger; \quad (AA^\dagger)^* = AA^\dagger; \quad (A^\dagger A)^* = A^\dagger A.$$

Facts:

All the following facts except those with a specific reference can be found in [Gra83, pp. 105–141] or [RM71, pp. 44–67].

- ✓ Every $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ has a unique pseudo-inverse A^\dagger .
- ✓ If $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, then A^\dagger is real.
- ✓ If $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ of rank r has a full rank decomposition $A = BC$, where $B \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times r}$ and $C \in \mathbb{C}^{r \times n}$, then A^\dagger can be evaluated using $A^\dagger = C^*(B^*AC^*)^{-1}B^*$.
- ✓ [LH95, p. 38] If $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ of rank $r \leq \min\{m, n\}$ has an SVD $A = U\Sigma V^*$, then its pseudo-inverse is $A^\dagger = V\Sigma^\dagger U^*$, where

$$\Sigma^\dagger = \text{diag}(1/\sigma_1, \dots, 1/\sigma_r, 0, \dots, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}.$$

- 5. [Hig96, p. 412] The pseudo-inverse A^\dagger of $A \in F^{m \times n}$ ($F = \mathbb{C}$ or \mathbb{R}) solves the minimization problem

$$\min_{X \in F^{n \times m}} \|AX - I_m\|_F^2.$$

- ✓ $0_{mn}^\dagger = 0_{nm}$ and $J_{mn}^\dagger = \frac{1}{mn} J_{nm}$, where $0_{nm} \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ is the all 0s matrix and $J_{mn} \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ is the all 1s matrix.
- ✓ If $x \neq 0$, $y \neq 0$, then $(xy^*)^\dagger = \frac{yx^*}{\|x\|^2\|y\|^2}$.
- ✓ If $x \neq 0$, then $x^\dagger = \frac{x^*}{\|x\|^2}$.
- ✓ Let α be a scalar. Denote

$$\alpha^\dagger = \begin{cases} \alpha^{-1}, & \text{if } \alpha \neq 0, \\ 0, & \text{if } \alpha = 0. \end{cases}$$

Then

- ✓ $(\alpha A)^\dagger = \alpha^\dagger A^\dagger$.
- (b) $(\text{diag}(\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_n))^\dagger = \text{diag}(\beta_1^\dagger, \beta_2^\dagger, \dots, \beta_n^\dagger)$.
- ✓ $(A^\dagger)^* = (A^*)^\dagger$; $(A^\dagger)^\dagger = A$.
- ✓ If A is a nonsingular square matrix, then $A^\dagger = A^{-1}$.
- ✓ If U has orthonormal columns or orthonormal rows, then $U^\dagger = U^*$.
- ✓ If $A = A^*$ and $A = A^2$, then $A^\dagger = A$.
- ✓ $A^\dagger = A^*$ if and only if A^*A is idempotent.
- ✓ If A is normal and k is a positive integer, then $AA^\dagger = A^\dagger A$ and $(A^k)^\dagger = (A^\dagger)^k$.
- ✓ If $U \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ and satisfies $U^\dagger = U^*$, then U has orthonormal columns.
- ✓ If $U \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times m}$ and $V \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ are unitary matrices, then $(UAV)^\dagger = V^*A^\dagger U^*$.
- ✓ $A^\dagger = (A^*A)^\dagger A^* = A^*(AA^*)^\dagger$. In particular,
 - ✓ if $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ ($m \geq n$) has full rank n , then $A^\dagger = (A^*A)^{-1}A^*$;
 - ✓ if $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ ($m \leq n$) has full rank m , then $A^\dagger = A^*(AA^*)^{-1}$.
- ✓ Let $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$. Then

- ✓ $A^\dagger A$, AA^\dagger , $I_n - A^\dagger A$, and $I_m - AA^\dagger$ are orthogonal projections.
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- 20. $AA^\dagger = \text{Proj}_{\text{range}(A)}$; $A^\dagger A = \text{Proj}_{\text{range}(A^\dagger)}$.
- 21. Suppose that $A \in F^{m \times n}$, where $F = \mathbb{C}$ or \mathbb{R} . Then
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- 22. If $A = A_1 + A_2 + \dots + A_k$, $A_i A_j^* = 0$, and $A_i A_j^* = 0$, for all $i, j = 1, \dots, k$, $i \neq j$, then $A^\dagger = A_1^\dagger + A_2^\dagger + \dots + A_k^\dagger$.
- 23. If A is an $m \times r$ matrix of rank r and B is an $r \times n$ matrix of rank r , then $(AB)^\dagger = B^\dagger A^\dagger$.
- 24. $(A^*A)^\dagger = A^\dagger(A^*)^\dagger$; $(AA^*)^\dagger = (A^\dagger)^\dagger A^\dagger$.
- 25. [Gre66] Each one of the following conditions is necessary and sufficient for $(AB)^\dagger = B^\dagger A^\dagger$:
 - (a) $\text{range}(BB^*A^*) \subseteq \text{range}(A^*)$ and $\text{range}(A^*AB) \subseteq \text{range}(B)$.
 - ✓ $A^\dagger ABB^*$ and A^*ABB^\dagger are both Hermitian matrices.
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 - ✓ $A^\dagger ABB^*A^*ABB^\dagger = BB^*A^*A$.
 - ✓ $A^\dagger AB = B(AB)^\dagger AB$ and $BB^\dagger A^* = A^*AB(AB)^\dagger$.
- 26. $(A \otimes B)^\dagger = A^\dagger \otimes B^\dagger$, where \otimes denotes the Kronecker product.
- 27. $A^\dagger = \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} A^*(\alpha I + AA^*)^{-1} = \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} (\alpha I + A^*A)^{-1}A^*$.
- 28. $A^\dagger = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} A^*(I + AA^*)^{-j} = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (I + A^*A)^{-j}A^*$.
- 29. (Continuity of pseudo-inverse) Suppose that $A \in F^{m \times n}$ and $E \in F^{m \times n}$, where $F = \mathbb{C}$ or \mathbb{R} . Then $\lim_{E \rightarrow 0} (A + E)^\dagger = A^\dagger$ if and only if there is $\epsilon > 0$ such that $\text{rank}(A + E) = \text{rank}(A)$ when $\|E\|_2 \leq \epsilon$.
- 30. Let $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ be of rank r where $0 < r < \min\{m, n\}$. Suppose that A can be partitioned as

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix},$$
 where $A_{11} \in \mathbb{C}^{r \times r}$ and $\text{rank}(A_{11}) = r$. Then

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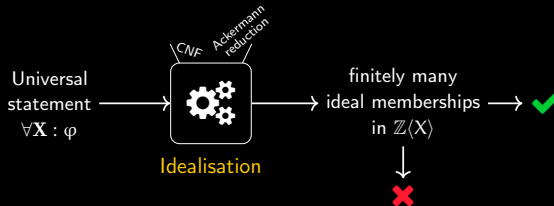
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(ansatz, variable elimination, Gröbner basis techniques, ...)

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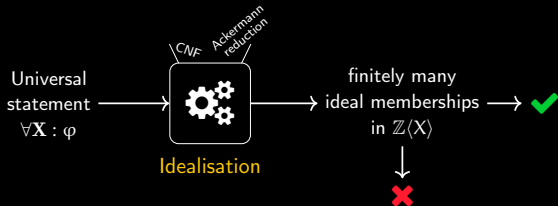


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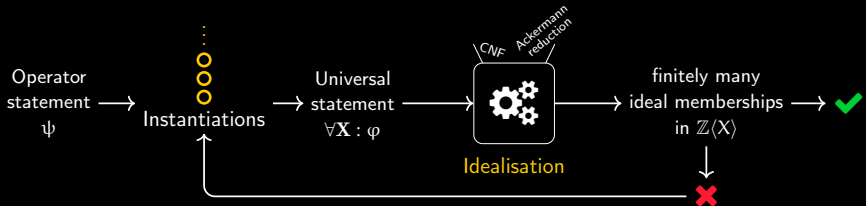


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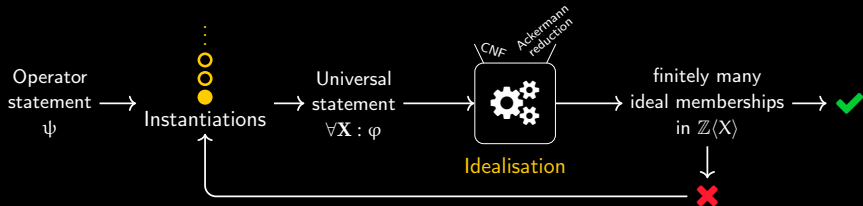


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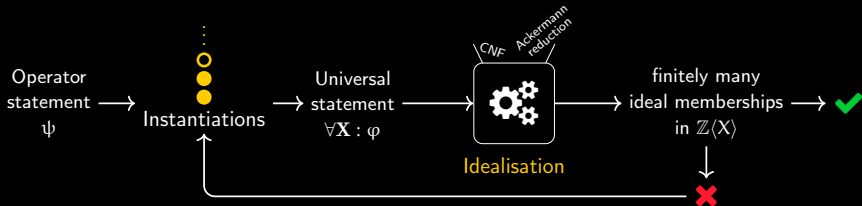


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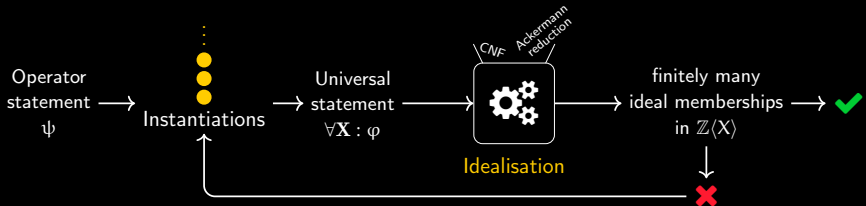


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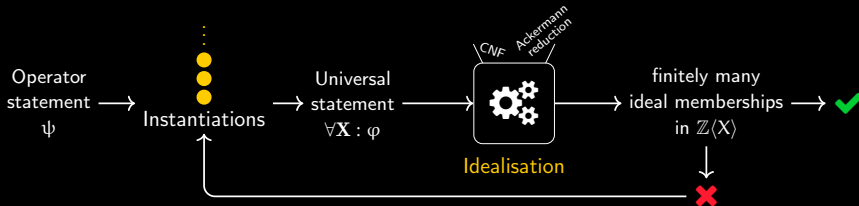


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5.7 Pseudo-Inverse

Definitions:

A **Moore–Penrose pseudo-inverse** of a matrix $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ is a matrix $A^\dagger \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$ that satisfies the following four **Penrose** conditions:

$$AA^\dagger A = A; \quad A^\dagger AA^\dagger = A^\dagger; \quad (AA^\dagger)^* = AA^\dagger; \quad (A^\dagger A)^* = A^\dagger A.$$

Facts:

All the following facts except those with a specific reference can be found in [Gra83, pp. 105–141] or [RM71, pp. 44–67].

- ✓ Every $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ has a unique pseudo-inverse A^\dagger .
- ✓ If $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, then A^\dagger is real.
- ✓ If $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ of rank r has a full rank decomposition $A = BC$, where $B \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times r}$ and $C \in \mathbb{C}^{r \times n}$, then A^\dagger can be evaluated using $A^\dagger = C^*(B^*AC^*)^{-1}B^*$.
- ✗ [LH95, p. 38] If $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ of rank $r \leq \min\{m, n\}$ has an SVD $A = U\Sigma V^*$, then its pseudo-inverse is $A^\dagger = V\Sigma^\dagger U^*$, where

$$\Sigma^\dagger = \text{diag}(1/\sigma_1, \dots, 1/\sigma_r, 0, \dots, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}.$$

- ✗ [Hig96, p. 412] The pseudo-inverse A^\dagger of $A \in F^{m \times n}$ ($F = \mathbb{C}$ or \mathbb{R}) solves the minimization problem

$$\min_{X \in F^{n \times m}} \|AX - I_m\|_F^2.$$

- ✓ $0_{mn}^\dagger = 0_{nm}$ and $J_{mn}^\dagger = \frac{1}{mn} J_{nm}$, where $0_{nm} \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ is the all 0s matrix and $J_{mn} \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ is the all 1s matrix.
- ✓ If $x \neq 0$, $y \neq 0$, then $(xy^*)^\dagger = \frac{yx^*}{\|x\|^2\|y\|^2}$.
- ✓ If $x \neq 0$, then $x^\dagger = \frac{x^*}{\|x\|^2}$.
- ✓ Let α be a scalar. Denote

$$\alpha^\dagger = \begin{cases} \alpha^{-1}, & \text{if } \alpha \neq 0, \\ 0, & \text{if } \alpha = 0. \end{cases}$$

Then

- ✓ $(\alpha A)^\dagger = \alpha^\dagger A^\dagger$.
- ✗ $(\text{diag}(\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_n))^\dagger = \text{diag}(\beta_1^\dagger, \beta_2^\dagger, \dots, \beta_n^\dagger)$.
- ✗ $(A^\dagger)^* = (A^*)^\dagger$; $(A^\dagger)^\dagger = A$.
- ✗ If A is a nonsingular square matrix, then $A^\dagger = A^{-1}$.
- ✗ If U has orthonormal columns or orthonormal rows, then $U^\dagger = U^*$.
- ✗ If $A = A^*$ and $A = A^2$, then $A^\dagger = A$.
- ✗ $A^\dagger = A^*$ if and only if A^*A is idempotent.
- ✗ If A is normal and k is a positive integer, then $AA^\dagger = A^\dagger A$ and $(A^k)^\dagger = (A^\dagger)^k$.
- ✗ If $U \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ is of rank n and satisfies $U^\dagger = U^*$, then U has orthonormal columns.
- ✗ If $U \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times m}$ and $V \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ are unitary matrices, then $(UAV)^\dagger = V^*A^\dagger U^*$.
- ✗ $A^\dagger = (A^*A)^\dagger A^* = A^*(AA^*)^\dagger$. In particular,
 - ✓ if $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ ($m \geq n$) has full rank n , then $A^\dagger = (A^*A)^{-1}A^*$;
 - ✓ if $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ ($m \leq n$) has full rank m , then $A^\dagger = A^*(AA^*)^{-1}$.
- ✗ Let $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$. Then

- ✓ $A^\dagger A$, AA^\dagger , $I_n - A^\dagger A$, and $I_m - AA^\dagger$ are orthogonal projections.
- ✗ $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(A^\dagger) = \text{rank}(AA^\dagger) = \text{rank}(A^\dagger A)$.
- ✗ $\text{rank}(I_n - A^\dagger A) = n - \text{rank}(A)$.
- ✗ $\text{rank}(I_m - AA^\dagger) = m - \text{rank}(A)$.
- ✗ $AA^\dagger = \text{Proj}_{\text{range}(A)}$; $A^\dagger A = \text{Proj}_{\text{range}(A^\dagger)}$.
- ✗ Suppose that $A \in F^{m \times n}$, where $F = \mathbb{C}$ or \mathbb{R} . Then
 - ✓ $\text{range}(A) = \text{range}(AA^*) = \text{range}(AA^\dagger)$.
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 - ✓ $\text{range}(A^\dagger A) \oplus \ker(A^\dagger A) = F^n$.
 - ✓ $\text{range}(AA^\dagger) \oplus \ker(AA^\dagger) = F^m$.
- ✗ If $A = A_1 + A_2 + \dots + A_k$, $A_i A_j^* = 0$, for all $i, j = 1, \dots, k$, $i \neq j$, then $A^\dagger = A_1^\dagger + A_2^\dagger + \dots + A_k^\dagger$.
- ✗ If A is an $m \times r$ matrix of rank r and B is an $r \times n$ matrix of rank r , then $(AB)^\dagger = B^\dagger A^\dagger$.
- ✗ $(A^*A)^\dagger = A^\dagger(A^*)^\dagger$; $(AA^*)^\dagger = (A^*)^\dagger A^\dagger$.
- ✗ [Gre66] Each one of the following conditions is necessary and sufficient for $(AB)^\dagger = B^\dagger A^\dagger$:
 - ✓ $\text{range}(BB^*A^*) \subseteq \text{range}(A^*)$ and $\text{range}(A^*AB) \subseteq \text{range}(B)$.
 - ✓ $A^\dagger ABB^*$ and A^*ABB^\dagger are both Hermitian matrices.
 - ✓ $A^\dagger ABB^*A^* = BB^*A^*$ and $BB^\dagger A^*AB = A^*AB$.
 - ✓ $A^\dagger ABB^*A^*ABB^\dagger = BB^*A^*A$.
 - ✓ $A^\dagger AB = B(AB)^\dagger AB$ and $BB^\dagger A^* = A^*AB(AB)^\dagger$.
- ✗ $(A \otimes B)^\dagger = A^\dagger \otimes B^\dagger$, where \otimes denotes the Kronecker product.
- ✗ $A^\dagger = \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} A^*(\alpha I + AA^*)^{-1} = \lim_{\alpha \rightarrow 0} (\alpha I + A^*A)^{-1}A^*$.
- ✗ $A^\dagger = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} A^*(I + AA^*)^{-j} = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (I + A^*A)^{-j}A^*$.
- ✗ (Continuity of pseudo-inverse) Suppose that $A \in F^{m \times n}$ and $E \in F^{m \times n}$, where $F = \mathbb{C}$ or \mathbb{R} . Then $\lim_{E \rightarrow 0} (A + E)^\dagger = A^\dagger$ if and only if there is $\epsilon > 0$ such that $\text{rank}(A + E) = \text{rank}(A)$ when $\|E\|_2 \leq \epsilon$.
- ✗ Let $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ be of rank r where $0 < r < \min\{m, n\}$. Suppose that A can be partitioned as

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{bmatrix},$$
 where $A_{11} \in \mathbb{C}^{r \times r}$ and $\text{rank}(A_{11}) = r$. Then




$$A^\dagger = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11}^*X A_{11}^* & A_{11}^*X A_{21}^* \\ A_{12}^*X A_{11}^* & A_{12}^*X A_{21}^* \end{bmatrix},$$
 where

$$X = (A_{11}A_{11}^* + A_{12}A_{12}^*)^{-1}A_{11}(A_{11}A_{11}^* + A_{21}A_{21}^*)^{-1}.$$




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In the rest of the Introduction we formulate two auxiliary results. In Section 2 we present the results related to the reverse order rule for the Moore–Penrose inverse of Hilbert space operators with closed range. The present paper is the extension of results from [15] to infinite-dimensional settings.

2. Reverse order law

In this section we prove the results concerning the reverse order law for the Moore–Penrose inverse.

Theorem 2.2. Let X, Y, Z be Hilbert spaces, and let $A \in \mathcal{L}(Y, Z)$, $B \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$ be such that A, B, AB have closed ranges. Then the following statements hold:

- ✓ $AB(AB)^{\dagger} = ABB^{\dagger}A^{\dagger} \Leftrightarrow A^*AB = BB^{\dagger}A^*AB \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{R}(A^*AB) \subseteq \mathcal{R}(B) \Leftrightarrow B^{\dagger}A^{\dagger} \in (AB)(1, 2, 3);$
- ✓ $(AB)^{\dagger}AB = B^{\dagger}A^{\dagger}AB \Leftrightarrow ABB^* = ABB^*A^{\dagger}A \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{R}(BB^*A^*) \subseteq \mathcal{R}(A^*) \Leftrightarrow B^{\dagger}A^{\dagger} \in (AB)(1, 2, 4);$
- ✓ The following statements are equivalent:
- ✓ $(AB)^{\dagger} = B^{\dagger}A^{\dagger};$
- ✓ $AB(AB)^{\dagger} = ABB^{\dagger}A^{\dagger}$ and $(AB)^{\dagger}AB = B^{\dagger}A^{\dagger}A^{\dagger}A;$
- ✓ $A^*AB = B^{\dagger}A^{\dagger}AB$ and $ABB^* = ABB^*A^{\dagger}A;$
- ✓ $\mathcal{R}(A^*AB) \subseteq \mathcal{R}(B)$ and $\mathcal{R}(BB^*A^*) \subseteq \mathcal{R}(A^*).$

Proof. The operators A and B have the same matrix representations as in the previous theorem. The following products will be useful:

$$AB = \begin{bmatrix} A_1B_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (AB)^{\dagger} = \begin{bmatrix} (A_1B_1)^{\dagger} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B^{\dagger}A^{\dagger} = \begin{bmatrix} B_1^{\dagger}A_1^{\dagger}D^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

First, we find the equivalent expressions for our statements in terms of A_1, A_2 and B_1 .

- (a) 1. $AB(AB)^{\dagger} = ABB^{\dagger}A^{\dagger} \Leftrightarrow A_1B_1A_1^{\dagger}B_1^{\dagger} = A_1A_2^{\dagger}D^{-1}$. Here $A_1B_1(A_1B_1)^{\dagger}$ is Hermitian, so $[A_1A_2^{\dagger}, D^{-1}] = 0$.
2. $A^*AB = BB^{\dagger}A^*AB \Leftrightarrow A_2^{\dagger}A_1 = 0$.
3. Notice that $\mathcal{R}(A^*AB) \subseteq \mathcal{R}(B)$ if and only if $BB^{\dagger}A^*AB = A^*AB$, so $2 \Rightarrow 3$.
4. If we check properly the Penrose equations, then we see that: $B^{\dagger}A^{\dagger} \in (AB)(1, 2, 3) \Leftrightarrow A_1A_2^{\dagger}D^{-1}A_1 = A_1$ and $[A_1A_2^{\dagger}, D^{-1}] = 0$.

Now, we prove the following: $1 \Leftrightarrow 2, 4 \Rightarrow 2$ and $1 \Rightarrow 4$.

We prove $1 \Leftrightarrow 2$. Notice that

$$A_1B_1(A_1B_1)^{\dagger} = A_1A_2^{\dagger}D^{-1} \Leftrightarrow (A_1B_1)^{\dagger} = (A_1B_1)^{\dagger}A_1A_2^{\dagger}D^{-1}.$$

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Therefore, we have just proved that $1 \Leftrightarrow 2$.

Now we prove $1 \Rightarrow 4$. If we multiply $A_1B_1(A_1B_1)^{\dagger} = A_1A_2^{\dagger}D^{-1}$ by A_1B_1 from the right side, we get $A_1A_2^{\dagger}D^{-1}A_1 = A_1$. Thus, 4 holds.

Finally, we prove $4 \Rightarrow 2$. If $A_1A_2^{\dagger}D^{-1}A_1 = A_1$ and $[A_1A_2^{\dagger}, D^{-1}] = 0$, then $A_1A_2^{\dagger}A_1 = DA_1 = A_1A_2^{\dagger}A_1 + A_2A_2^{\dagger}A_1$, implying that $A_2A_2^{\dagger}A_1 = 0$. Hence, $\mathcal{R}(A_1) \subseteq \mathcal{N}((A_2A_2^{\dagger})^*) = \mathcal{N}(A_2^{\dagger})$, so $A_2^{\dagger}A_1 = 0$. Thus, 2 holds.

Notice that the equivalence $3 \Leftrightarrow 4$ is proved in [8], also.

- (b) 1. $(AB)^{\dagger}AB = B^{\dagger}A^{\dagger}AB \Leftrightarrow (A_1B_1)^{\dagger}A_1B_1 = B_1^{\dagger}A_1^{\dagger}D^{-1}A_1B_1$. Moreover, $(A_1B_1)^{\dagger}A_1B_1$ is Hermitian, so $[B_1^{\dagger}A_1^{\dagger}, A_1^{\dagger}D^{-1}A_1] = 0$.
2. $ABB^* = ABB^*A^{\dagger}A \Leftrightarrow A_1B_1B_1^{\dagger}A_1^{\dagger}D^{-1}A_1 = A_1B_1B_1^{\dagger}$ and $A_1B_1B_1^{\dagger}A_1^{\dagger}D^{-1}A_2 = 0$.
3. Notice that $\mathcal{R}(BB^*A^*) \subseteq \mathcal{R}(A^*)$ if and only if $A^{\dagger}ABB^*A^* = BB^*A^*$, which is equivalent to $ABB^*A^{\dagger}A = ABB^*$. Hence, $2 \Rightarrow 3$.
4. The Penrose equations imply that: $B^{\dagger}A^{\dagger} \in (AB)(1, 2, 4) \Leftrightarrow A_1A_2^{\dagger}D^{-1}A_1 = A_1$ and $[B_1^{\dagger}A_1^{\dagger}, A_1^{\dagger}D^{-1}A_1] = 0$.

We prove $1 \Rightarrow 4 \Rightarrow 2 \Rightarrow 1$.

Suppose that 1 holds. If we multiply $(A_1B_1)^{\dagger}A_1B_1 = B_1^{\dagger}A_1^{\dagger}D^{-1}A_1B_1$ by A_1B_1 from the left side, we obtain $A_1 = A_1A_2^{\dagger}D^{-1}A_1$. Furthermore, $[B_1^{\dagger}A_1^{\dagger}, A_1^{\dagger}D^{-1}A_1] = 0$ holds. Therefore, $1 \Rightarrow 4$.

Suppose that 4 holds. Obviously, $A_1B_1B_1^{\dagger}A_1^{\dagger}D^{-1}A_1 = A_1A_2^{\dagger}D^{-1}A_1B_1B_1^{\dagger} = A_1B_1B_1^{\dagger}$. Thus, the first equality of 2 holds. The second equality of 2 also holds, since $A_1^{\dagger}D^{-1}A_2 = 0 \Leftrightarrow A_1A_2^{\dagger}D^{-1}A_1 = A_1$, which is shown in the proof of Theorem 2.1. Here we use again $[B_1^{\dagger}A_1^{\dagger}, A_1^{\dagger}D^{-1}A_1] = 0$. Consequently, $4 \Rightarrow 2$.

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We also prove the following result.

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Finally, we prove $4 \Rightarrow 2$. If $A_1A_2^{\dagger}D^{-1}A_1 = A_1$ and $[A_1A_2^{\dagger}D^{-1}]^* = 0$, then $A_1A_2^{\dagger}A_1 = DA_1 = A_1A_2^{\dagger}A_1 + A_2A_2^{\dagger}A_1$, implying that $A_2A_2^{\dagger}A_1 = 0$. Hence, $\mathcal{R}(A_2) \subseteq \mathcal{N}((A_2A_2^{\dagger})^*) = \mathcal{N}(A_2^{\dagger})$, so $A_2^{\dagger}A_1 = 0$. Thus, 2 holds.

Notice that the equivalence $3 \Leftrightarrow 4$ is proved in [8], also.

- (b) 1. $(AB)^{\dagger}AB = B^{\dagger}A^{\dagger}AB \Leftrightarrow (A_1B_1)^{\dagger}A_1B_1 = B_1^{\dagger}A_1^{\dagger}D^{-1}A_1B_1$. Moreover, $(A_1B_1)^{\dagger}A_1B_1$ is Hermitian, so $[B_1^{\dagger}A_1^{\dagger}D^{-1}A_1] = 0$.
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We prove $1 \Rightarrow 4 \Rightarrow 2 \Rightarrow 1$.

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We also prove the following result.

Theorem 2.3. Let X, Y, Z be Hilbert spaces, and let $A \in \mathcal{L}(Y, Z)$, $B \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$ be such that A, B, AB have closed ranges. Then we have:

- ✓ $AB(AB)^{\dagger}A = ABB^{\dagger} \Leftrightarrow A^*AB = BB^{\dagger}A^*AB \Leftrightarrow \mathcal{R}(A^*AB) \subseteq \mathcal{R}(B) \Leftrightarrow B^{\dagger}A^{\dagger} \in (AB)(1, 2, 3);$
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- ✓ The following three statements are equivalent:
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Proof. The operators A and B have the same matrix representations as in the previous theorem. First, we find equivalent expressions, in the terms of A_1, A_2 and B_1 , for our assumptions.




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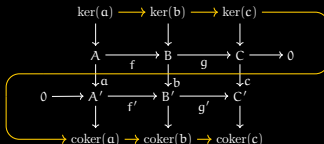
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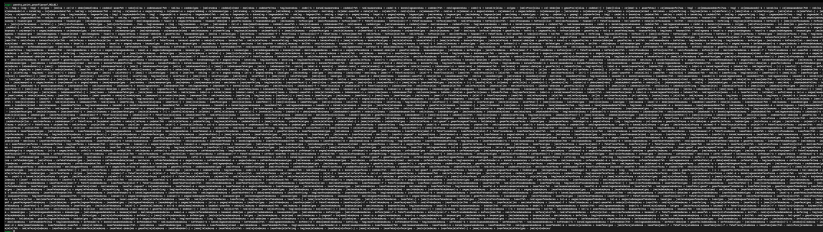
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Conclusion

Summary

- Framework for proving first-order statements about linear operators
- Approach yields **semi-decision procedure**
- We can find minimal assumptions, short proofs, counterexamples, . . .

Outlook

- Use state-of-the-art techniques from theorem proving
- Include operator series, analytic properties, uncertainty, . . .
- Further applications

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