

Exponentiated Symmetric Matrix Distributions with Applications to Linear Inverse Problems

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Introduction: SPD Matrices

- SPD Matrices satisfy
 - $\Sigma = \Sigma^T$
 - $\lambda_i(\Sigma) > 0, \forall i$
 - The matrix can be decomposed in several useful ways
- Covariance Matrices
 - Covariance matrices are necessarily SPD
 - Population values often unknown

Covariance Matrix Formula



$$\begin{bmatrix} \text{Var}(x_1) & \dots & \text{Cov}(x_n, x_1) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \text{Cov}(x_n, x_1) & \dots & \text{Var}(x_n) \end{bmatrix}$$

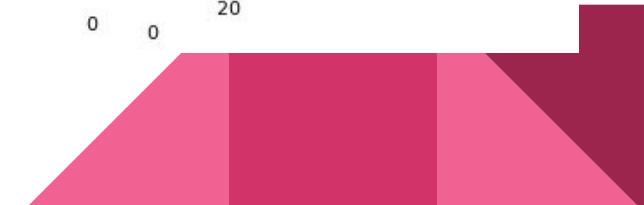
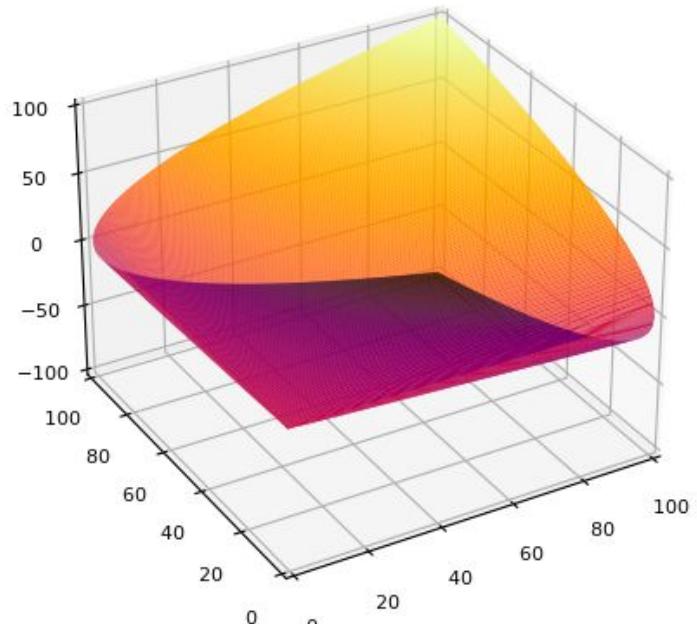
Fig. courtesy of CueMath

Introduction: SPD Manifold and Random Matrices

- Manifold of SPD Matrices
 - The set of $d \times d$ SPD matrices forms a Riemannian Manifold, \mathbb{P}_d , with dimension $d(d+1)/2$

$$\mathbb{P}_d \subseteq \mathbb{H}_d \subseteq \mathbb{M}_d$$

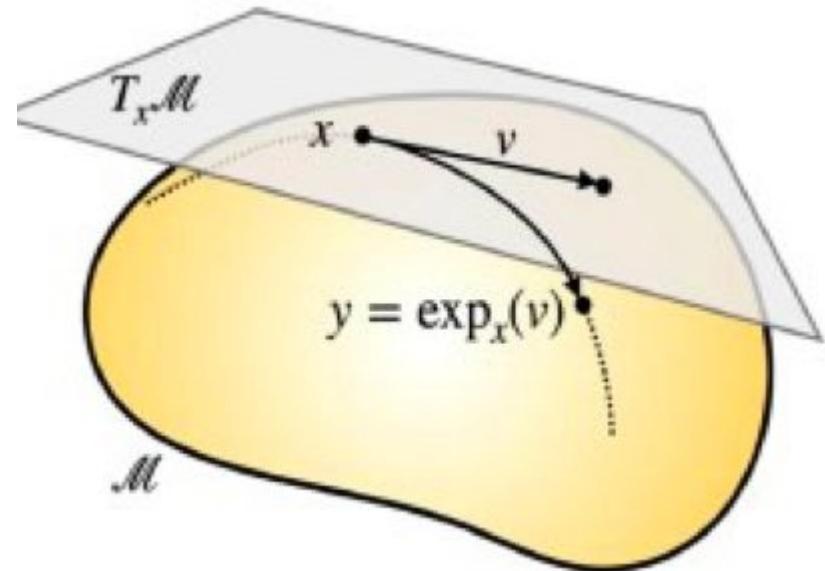
- Random Matrix Ensembles
 - Random matrices with elements drawn from a Normal distribution with zero-mean and non-identity covariance Φ are drawn from the “CGSE”



Introduction: Matrix Exponentiation and Applications

- Exponentiated Matrix Distributions
 - Sample random symmetric matrices from the CGSE and other ensembles
 - Map these matrices onto the SPD manifold via matrix exponentiation
- Applications to Linear Inverse Problems
 - Given observed data and known forward model, we wish to recover unknown parameters
 - $\mathbf{d} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{s} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$
 - Bayesian solutions to linear-Gaussian inverse problems are parametrized by SPD matrices

Fig. courtesy of NeuroImage, 2021



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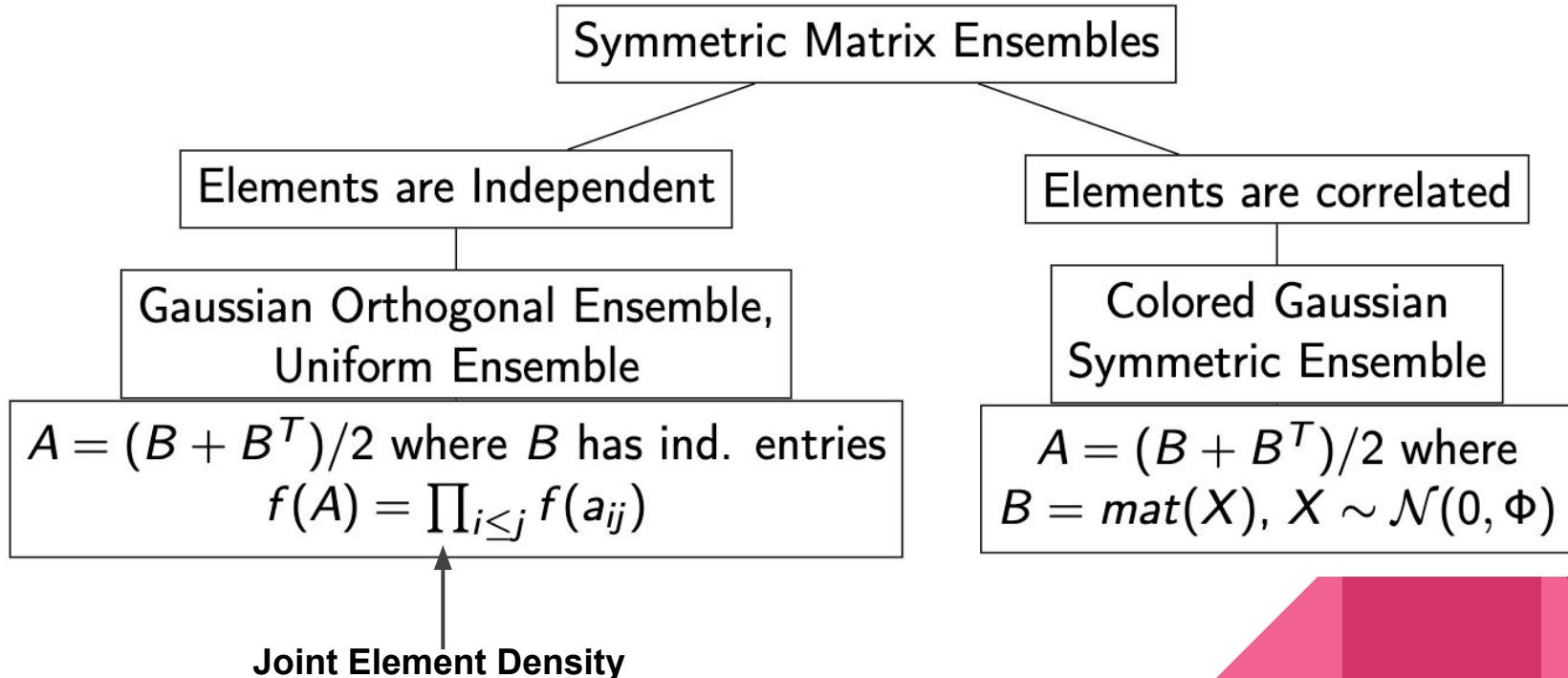
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Characterizing Symmetric Matrix Distributions

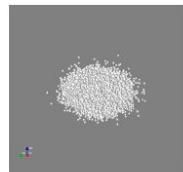
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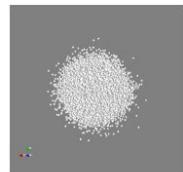
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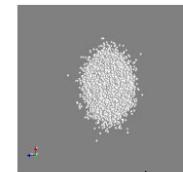
Along x_1



Along $(x_2+x_3)/2$



Along x_4



$$B = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & x_3 \\ x_2 & x_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = (B + B^T)/2 = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 & (x_2 + x_3)/2 \\ (x_2 + x_3)/2 & x_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

1) $x_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ i.i.d.

2) $x_i \sim \mathcal{U}(0, 1)$ i.i.d

3) $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{bmatrix} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \Phi)$

Figure 2: Uniform Ensemble

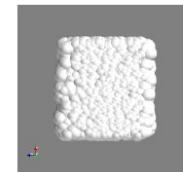
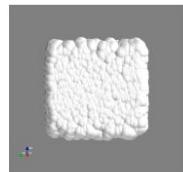
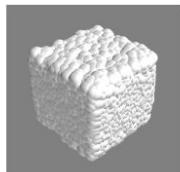
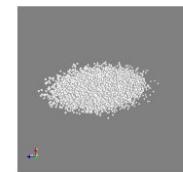
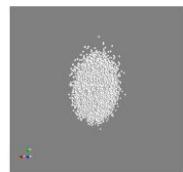
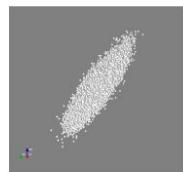


Figure 3: Colored Gaussian Symmetric Ensembles



Joint Element Density of the CGSE

$$A \sim CGSE(d, \Gamma)$$

$$f_{CGSE(d, \Gamma)} = f(V) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^{d(d+1)/2} |\Psi|}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} V^T \Psi^{-1} V\right)$$



$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1d} \\ a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2d} \\ \cdots & \vdots \\ \cdots & a_{dd} \end{bmatrix} V = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \\ \vdots \\ v_{d(d+1)/2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \\ a_{12} \\ a_{22} \\ \vdots \\ a_{dd} \end{bmatrix}$$



$$V \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \Psi)$$

$$\Psi = [\psi_{pq}] \quad \psi_{pq} = \Gamma_{i_q j_q}^{i_p j_p} = \Gamma_{i_p j_p}^{i_q j_q}$$

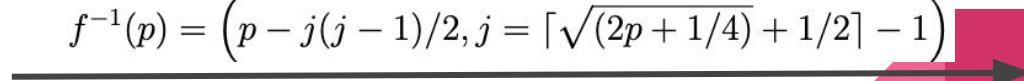
$$f^{-1}(p) = (i_p, j_p) \text{ and } f^{-1}(q) = (i_q, j_q)$$

$$a_{ij} = v_{f(i,j)}$$

$$f(i, j) = i + j(j-1)/2$$

$$f^{-1}(p) = \left(p - j(j-1)/2, j = \lceil \sqrt{(2p + 1/4)} + 1/2 \rceil - 1 \right)$$

$$1 \leq i \leq j \leq d$$



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Exponentiating Symmetric Matrix Distributions

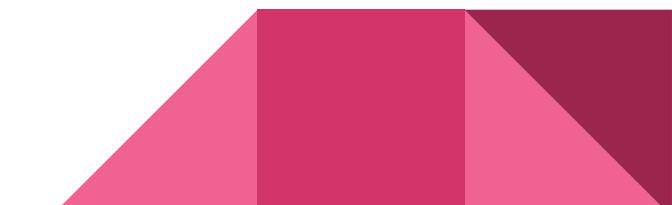
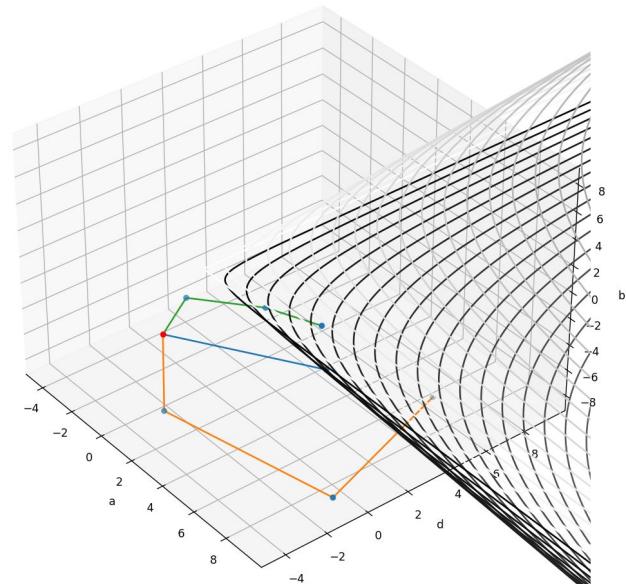
$$\mathcal{E} \in \mathbb{H}_d, \Sigma \in \mathbb{P}_d$$

Matrix Exponential:

$$\begin{aligned}\exp(\mathcal{E}) &= \exp(Q^\top \Lambda Q) = Q^\top \exp(\Lambda) Q \\ &= Q^\top \text{diag}\{e^{\lambda_1}, \dots, e^{\lambda_n}\} Q\end{aligned}$$

Matrix Exponential Base Σ :

$$S = \exp_{\Sigma} \mathcal{E} \equiv \Sigma^{1/2} \exp(\Sigma^{-1/2} \mathcal{E} \Sigma^{-1/2}) \Sigma^{1/2}$$

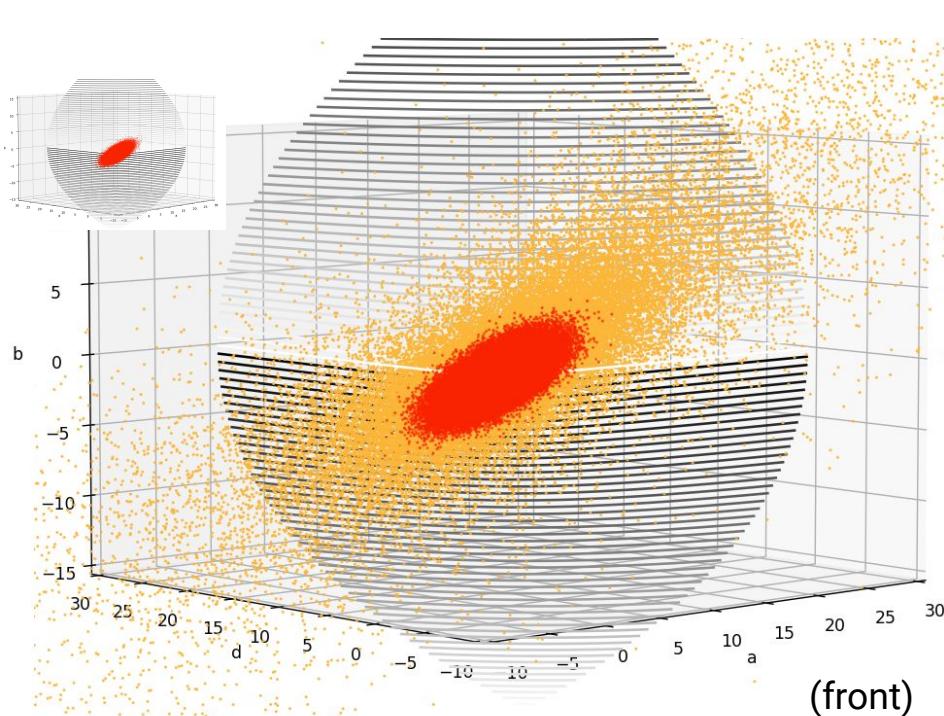


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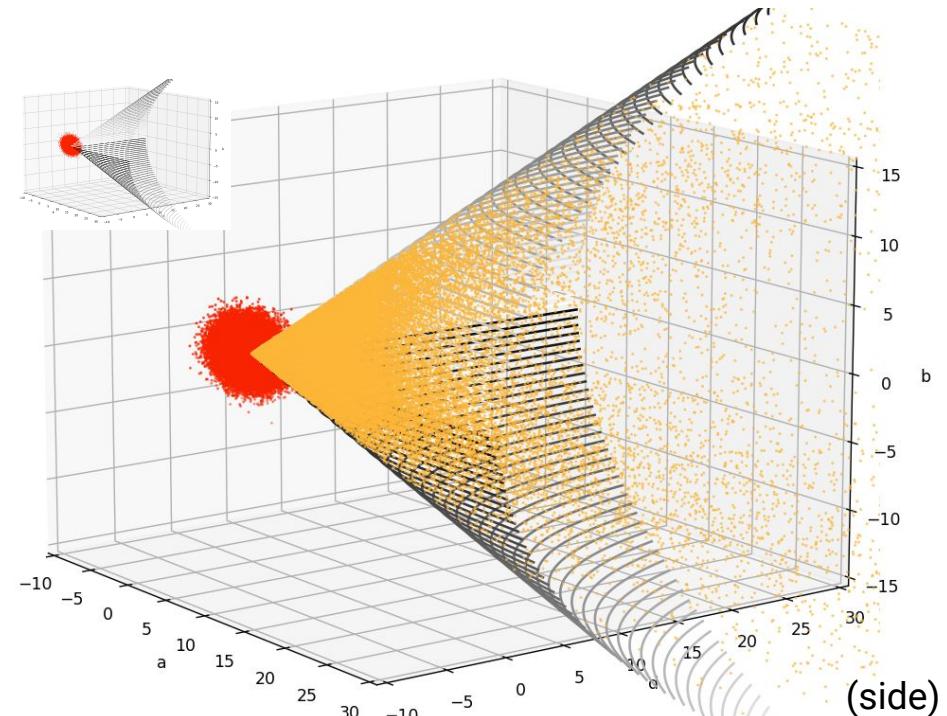
Distribution: CGSE (red)



Exponentiated CGSE (yellow)



(front)



(side)

Exponentiating Symmetric Matrix Distributions

Density of $A \sim$
CGSE(d, Γ)

$$f_{CGSE(d, \Gamma)} = f(V) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^{d(d+1)/2} |\Psi|}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} V^T \Psi^{-1} V\right)$$



Jacobian of
Inverse
Transformation

$$\mathbb{J} = (1/|S|) \prod_{i < j} g(\lambda_i, \lambda_j) \text{ where}$$

$$g(\lambda_i, \lambda_j) = \begin{cases} (\log(\lambda_i) - \log(\lambda_j)) / (\lambda_i - \lambda_j) & \text{if } \lambda_i > \lambda_j \\ 1/\lambda_i & \text{if } \lambda_i = \lambda_j \end{cases}$$



Transformed
Density of
 $S = \exp(A)$

$$\mathbb{J} \cdot 1/\sqrt{(2\pi)^{d(d+1)/2} |\Psi|} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \text{vecd}(\log(S))^T \Psi^{-1} \text{vecd}(\log(S))\right)$$

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Applying SPD Matrix Distributions to Linear Inverse Problems

$Ax = B$ where $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ is the forward model

where $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is the unknown or what we would like to infer
where $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$ is the known data

Least Squares Equation: $(A^T A)x = A^T b$

$$x_{map} = \arg \max_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \Pi_{post}(x|b) \quad \Pi_{post}(x|b) = \frac{\Pi_{prior}(x)\Pi_{like}(b|x)}{\Pi_{marginal}(b)}$$

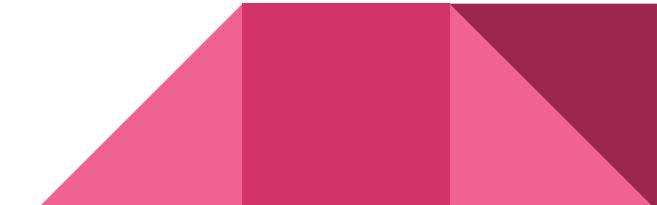
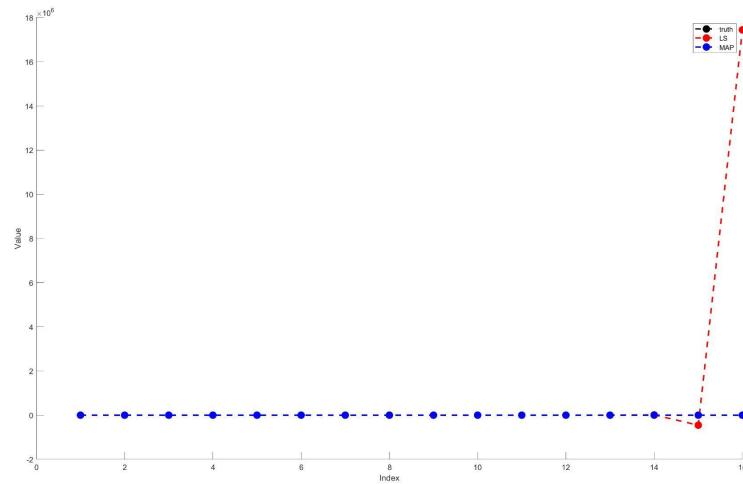
$$x_{map} = (A^T \Gamma_{noise}^{-1} A + \lambda^2 \Gamma_{prior}^{-1})^{-1} (A^T \Gamma_{noise}^{-1} b + \lambda^2 \Gamma_{prior}^{-1} \mu)$$

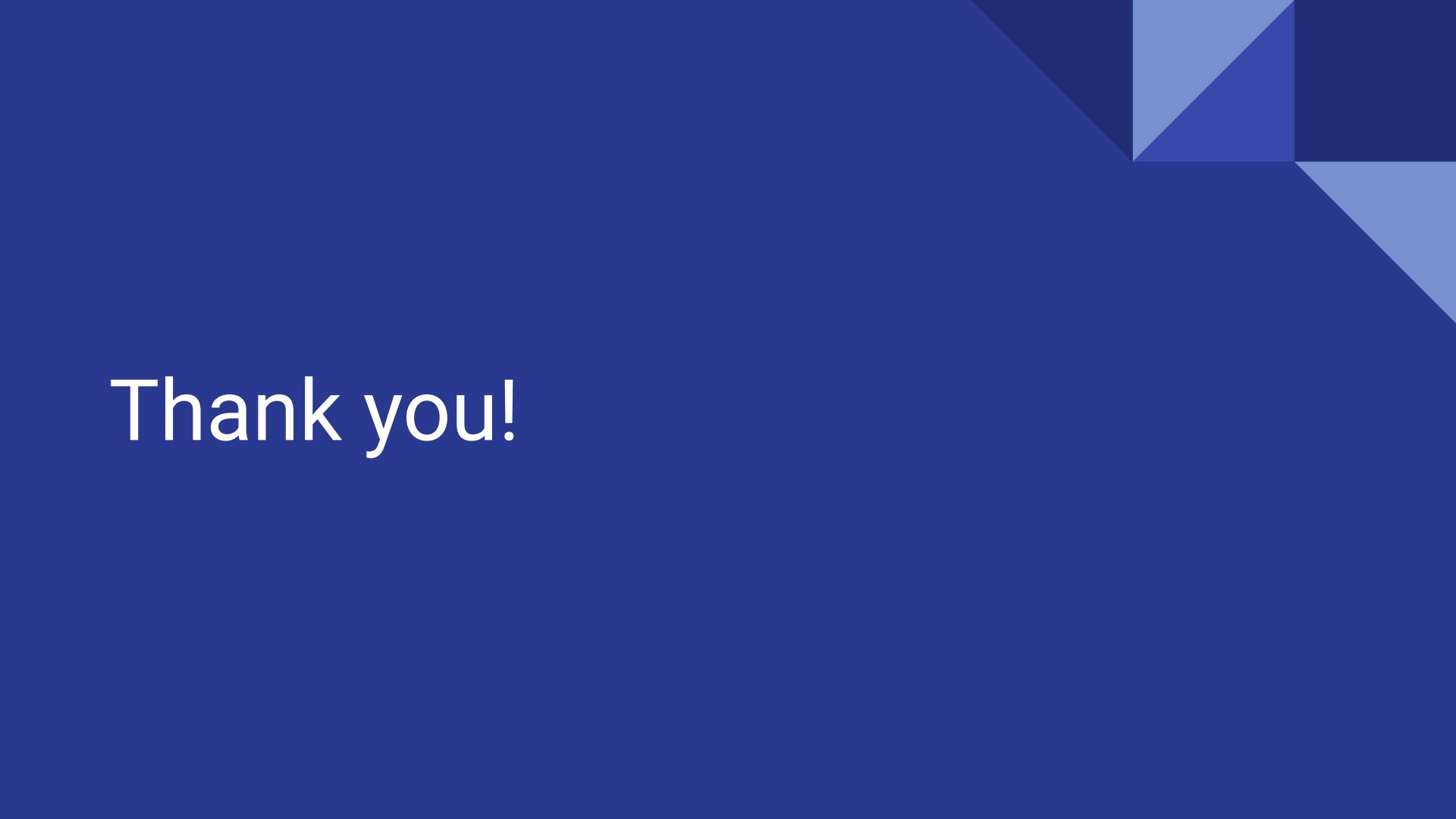
Applying SPD Matrix Distributions to Linear Inverse Problems

Let A , d , μ , λ , and Γ_{noise} – all parameters of our inverse problem except Γ_{prior} – be fixed.

Assume that Γ_{prior} comes from a projected symmetric matrix ensemble, $\Gamma_{\text{prior}} = \exp \Sigma E$ where $\Sigma \in P_n$ and $E \in H_n$ is random with $E[E] = 0_{n \times n}$.

What is the resulting distribution of the solutions s_{MAP} ? Is there much variability? How faithful is s_{MAP} to the original data s ? How does varying Σ or the model for E change the solution distribution?





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