
Subject: Re: IDL inverse matrix problem

Posted by [Lajos Foldy](#) on Mon, 12 Jan 2015 19:35:09 GMT

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On Monday, January 12, 2015 at 6:56:36 PM UTC+1, Amin Farhang wrote:

> Dear All,

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> I have a 16x16 sparse matrix which its values are big. Unfortunately IDL return wrong value for matrix inverse. Therefore when I run command (print,invert(A)##A) the returned is not an identity matrix. I check the singularity of matrix and this inversion returned correctly by other softwares like MATLAB or MATHEMATICA or even FORTRAN.

> What is happening?

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> EXAMPLE:

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> A = [[7.3339770e12, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 7.3339770e12, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0], \$

> [0.0, 5.4254596e12, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 5.4254596e12, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0], \$

> [0.0, 0.0, 4.9832916e13, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 4.9832916e13, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0], \$

> [0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 9.7295220e13, 0.0, 0.0, 9.7295220e13, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0], \$

> [0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 2.2853478e12, 2.2853478e12, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0], \$

> [7.3339770e12, 5.4254596e12, 0.0, 0.0, 2.2853478e12, 1.5044784e13, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0], \$

> [0.0, 0.0, 4.9832916e13, 9.7295220e13, 0.0, 0.0, 1.5037721e14, 3.2490665e12, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0], \$

> [0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 3.2490665e12, 3.2490665e12, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0], \$

> [0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 8.7204194e13, 8.7204194e13, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0], \$

> [0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 8.7204194e13, 1.9651177e14, 0.0, 0.0, 1.3385090e13, 9.5922483e13, 0.0, 0.0], \$

> [0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 4.6135226e12, 1.1430911e12, 0.0, 0.0, 1.9939955e12, 1.4764362e12], \$

> [0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 1.1430911e12, 1.1430911e12, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0], \$

> [0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 1.3385090e13, 0.0, 0.0, 1.3385090e13, 0.0, 0.0], \$

> [0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 9.5922483e13, 0.0, 0.0, 9.5922483e13, 0.0, 0.0], \$

> [0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 1.9939955e12, 0.0, 0.0, 1.9939955e12, 0.0, 0.0], \$

> [0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 1.4764362e12, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 1.4764362e12]]

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> BUT IDL return wrong inverse matrix

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> IDL> B = invert(A,/double)

> IDL> print, B

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> 1.0e-05 *

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> [-0.134,-0.134, 0.0, 0.0,-0.134, 0.134, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0,-0.0,-0.0, 0.0, 0.0], \$

> [-0.134,-0.134, 0.0, 0.0,-0.134, 0.134, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0,-0.0,-0.0, 0.0, 0.0], \$

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> [0.0, 0.0, 0.0152, 0.0152, 0.0, 0.0,-0.0152, 0.0152, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0,-0.0,-0.0, 0.0, 0.0], $
> [0.0, 0.0, 0.0152, 0.0152, 0.0, 0.0,-0.0152, 0.0152, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0,-0.0,-0.0, 0.0, 0.0], $
> [-0.134,-0.134, 0.0, 0.0,-0.134, 0.134, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0,-0.0,-0.0, 0.0, 0.0], $
> [0.134, 0.134, 0.0, 0.0, 0.134,-0.134, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0,-0.0,-0.0, 0.0, 0.0], $
> [0.0, 0.0,-0.0152,-0.0152, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0152,-0.0152, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0,-0.0,-0.0, 0.0, 0.0], $
> [ 0.0, 0.0, 0.0152, 0.0152, 0.0, 0.0,-0.0152, 0.0152, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0,-0.0,-0.0, 0.0, 0.0], $
> [ 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0167,-0.0167, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0167, 0.0167, 0.0, 0.0], $
> [ 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0,-0.0167, 0.0167, 0.0, 0.0,-0.0167,-0.0167, 0.0, 0.0], $
> [ 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0,-1.342, 1.342,-0.0,-0.0, 1.342, 1.342], $
> [ 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 1.342,-1.342, 0.0, 0.0,-1.342,-1.342], $
> [ 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0167,-0.0167, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0167, 0.0167, 0.0, 0.0], $
> [ 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0167,-0.0167, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0167, 0.0167, 0.0, 0.0], $
> [-0.0,-0.0,-0.0,-0.0,-0.0,-0.0,-0.0,-0.0,-0.0,-0.0, 1.342,-1.342, 0.0, 0.0,-1.342,-1.342], $
> [-0.0,-0.0,-0.0,-0.0,-0.0,-0.0,-0.0,-0.0,-0.0,-0.0, 1.342,-1.342, 0.0, 0.0,-1.342,-1.342] ]
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> best regards,
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Scale your matrix, use double precision and LAPACK, eg:

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m=double(max(abs(a)))
inverse=la_invert(a/m)/m
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regards,
Lajos
