

**LINEAR ALGEBRA. VASILY KRYLOV. RECITATION 10:  
EXERCISES.**

1. PROBLEM 1

a) Find  $A^T A$  and  $AA^T$  and the singular vectors  $v_1, v_2, u_1, u_2$  for  $A$ :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Solution**

We have

$$A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad AA^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Eigenvalues of  $A^T A$  are solutions of the equation  $(2-\lambda)(1-\lambda)-1=0$  i.e.  $\lambda^2-3\lambda+1=0$  so eigenvalues are  $\lambda_1 = \frac{3+\sqrt{5}}{2}, \lambda_2 = \frac{3-\sqrt{5}}{2}$ .

We conclude that

$$\sigma_1 = \sqrt{\frac{3+\sqrt{5}}{2}} = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}, \quad \sigma_2 = \sqrt{\frac{3-\sqrt{5}}{2}} = \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2}.$$

The eigenvector  $v_1$  lies in the nullspace of  $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} & 1 \\ 1 & -\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$  so is collinear to the vector  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$ . It follows that

$$v_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{5-\sqrt{5}}{2}}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \end{bmatrix}.$$

The vector  $v_2$  lies in the nullspace of  $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} & 1 \\ 1 & -\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$  so is collinear to the vector  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$ . It follows that

$$v_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{5+\sqrt{5}}{2}}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \end{bmatrix}.$$

b) Find (and check) the SVD decomposition:

$$A = U\Sigma V^T.$$

Recall that matrices  $U, V$  should be orthogonal and the matrix  $\Sigma$  is diagonal.

**Solution**

The answer can be extracted from (a) (using the equations  $Av_1 = \sigma_1 u_1, Av_2 = \sigma_2 u_2$ ).

## 2. PROBLEM 3

Find the SVD factors  $U$  and  $\Sigma$  and  $V^T$  for

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We have  $AA^T = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ . We have

$$\det(AA^T - \lambda I) = \lambda^2 - 6\lambda + 4$$

so

$$\lambda_1 = 3 + \sqrt{5}, \lambda_2 = 3 - \sqrt{5}.$$

It follows that

$$\sigma_1 = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}(\sqrt{5} + 1), \sigma_2 = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}(\sqrt{5} - 1).$$

We also see that

$$u_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10 + 2\sqrt{5}}} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 + \sqrt{5} \end{bmatrix}, u_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10 + 2\sqrt{5}}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 + \sqrt{5} \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

One can compute  $v_1, v_2$  similarly (note that we already know  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$ ).

## 3. PROBLEM 4

(a) For this rectangular matrix find  $v_1, v_2, v_3$  and  $u_1, u_2$  and  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2$ :

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Solution**

We have  $A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , it has eigenvalues

$$\lambda_1 = 3, \lambda_2 = 1, \lambda_3 = 0.$$

It follows that

$$\sigma_1 = \sqrt{3}, \sigma_2 = 1.$$

We see that the eigenvectors of  $A^T A$  are

$$v_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, v_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, v_3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Using that  $Av_i = \sigma_i u_i$  we get  $u_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, u_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(b) Write the SVD for  $A$  as  $U\Sigma V^T = (2 \times 2)(2 \times 3)(3 \times 3)$ .

**Solution**

Clear from part (a).