

MTH 100 : Lecture 39

Example for SVD

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 6 & -2 \\ 6 & -2 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } A^T A &= \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 6 & 6 \\ 1 & -2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 6 & -2 \\ 6 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 81 & -27 \\ -27 & 9 \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 2} = B \text{ (say)} \\ &\quad \text{(symmetric } 2 \times 2 \text{ matrix)} \end{aligned}$$

Characteristic Polynomial of B

$$= \det[B - \lambda I] = \begin{vmatrix} 81 - \lambda & -27 \\ -27 & 9 - \lambda \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= (81 - \lambda)(9 - \lambda) - (-27)(-27)$$

$$= \cancel{729} - 9\lambda - 81\lambda + \lambda^2 - \cancel{729}$$

$$= \lambda^2 - 90\lambda = \lambda(\lambda - 90)$$

Eigen values in descending order are
 $\lambda_1 = 90$, $\lambda_2 = 0$

For $\lambda_1 = 90$

$$B - \lambda_1 I = \begin{bmatrix} 81 - 90 & -27 \\ -27 & 9 - 90 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -9 & -27 \\ -27 & -81 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \downarrow R_2 \rightarrow R_2 - 3R_1 \\ \text{RREF matrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow \begin{array}{c} R_1 \rightarrow -\frac{1}{9}R_1 \\ \begin{bmatrix} -9 & -27 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{array} \end{array}$$

So, the system of equation becomes: $\begin{cases} x_1 + 3x_2 = 0 \\ x_2 = x_2 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = x_2 \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Taking $x_2 = -1$ and normalising we get an eigenvector $v_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{\sqrt{10}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \end{bmatrix}$

For $\lambda_2 = 0$

$$B - \lambda_2 I = \begin{bmatrix} 81 & -27 \\ -27 & 9 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_1 \leftrightarrow R_2} \begin{bmatrix} -27 & 9 \\ 81 & -27 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\downarrow R_2 \rightarrow R_2 + 3R_1$$

$$\text{RREF matrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \leftarrow \begin{array}{c} R_1 \rightarrow -\frac{1}{27}R_1 \\ \begin{bmatrix} -27 & 9 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{array}$$

So, the system of equations becomes $\left. \begin{aligned} x_1 - \frac{1}{3}x_2 &= 0 \\ x_2 &= x_2 \end{aligned} \right\}$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = x_2 \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{3} \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Taking $x_2 = 3$ and normalising we get an eigenvector $v_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \\ \frac{3}{\sqrt{10}} \end{bmatrix}$$

Note that $\langle v_1, v_2 \rangle = 0$ (They are eigenvectors of distinct values.)

$$\text{So, } V = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{\sqrt{10}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} & \frac{3}{\sqrt{10}} \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 2}$$

$$\text{Note that } \sigma_1 = \sqrt{90} = 3\sqrt{10}$$

$$\sigma_2 = 0$$

Now we will to compute U:

$$Av_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 6 & -2 \\ 6 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{\sqrt{10}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{10}{\sqrt{10}} \\ \frac{20}{\sqrt{10}} \\ \frac{20}{\sqrt{10}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$u_1 = \frac{Av_1}{\sigma_1} = \frac{1}{3\sqrt{10}} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{10}{\sqrt{10}} \\ \frac{20}{\sqrt{10}} \\ \frac{20}{\sqrt{10}} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

Note that $\|u_1\| = 1$

Now $Av_2 = 0, v_2 = 0$
 So, we need to extend u_1 to an orthonormal basis of \mathbb{R}^3 by solving the system $\langle u_1, x \rangle = u_1 \cdot x = 0$

$$\text{Let } x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ be such that } \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \end{bmatrix} \cdot x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{1}{3}x_1 + \frac{2}{3}x_2 + \frac{2}{3}x_3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} x_1 = 2x_2 + 2x_3 \\ x_2 = x_2 \\ x_3 = x_3 \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = x_2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + x_3 \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Taking } x_2=1, x_3=0 \text{ we get } \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ \text{Taking } x_2=0, x_3=1 \text{ we get } \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{array} \right\} \text{ Now } \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle = 2 \times 2 + 0 + 0 = 4 \neq 0$$

Thus any two solution may not be orthogonal to each other.

If necessary we will have to use Gram-Schmidt orthonormalisation process.

In this problem, we will find the orthonormal vectors by inspection.

Taking $x_2 = \frac{2}{3}$ and $x_3 = -\frac{1}{3}$, we get $u_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} \\ -\frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix}$

Note that $\|u_2\| = 1$

Taking $x_2 = -\frac{1}{3}$ and $x_3 = \frac{2}{3}$, we get $u_3 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{3} \\ -\frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} \end{bmatrix}$

Note that $\|u_3\| = 1$

So, $U = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} & \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 3}$

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 3\sqrt{10} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 2}$$

With this U, V and Σ we have

$$A = U \Sigma V^T = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} & \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 3} \begin{bmatrix} 3\sqrt{10} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 2} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{\sqrt{10}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} & \frac{3}{\sqrt{10}} \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 2}$$

Check: $A = U \Sigma V^T$ or equivalently $AV = U \Sigma$:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } AV &= \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 6 & -2 \\ 6 & -2 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 2} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{\sqrt{10}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} & \frac{3}{\sqrt{10}} \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 2} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{10}{\sqrt{10}} & 0 \\ \frac{20}{\sqrt{10}} & 0 \\ \frac{20}{\sqrt{10}} & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 2} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} -\sqrt{10} & 0 \\ 2\sqrt{10} & 0 \\ 2\sqrt{10} & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} U \Sigma &= \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} & \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 3} \begin{bmatrix} 3\sqrt{10} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 2} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} -\sqrt{10} & 0 \\ 2\sqrt{10} & 0 \\ 2\sqrt{10} & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So, } AV = U \Sigma$$

Proof of Singular Value Decomposition (SVD)

Theorem:

Suppose that $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ is an orthonormal basis for \mathbb{R}^n consisting of eigenvectors of $A^T A$ with corresponding eigenvalues arranged so that $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_n \geq 0$. Let $\sigma_i = \sqrt{\lambda_i}$ for $i=1, 2, \dots, n$. Suppose that A has r nonzero singular values so that $\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_r > 0$ and $\sigma_{r+1} = \sigma_{r+2} = \dots = \sigma_n = 0$.

Then $\{Av_1, Av_2, \dots, Av_r\}$ is an orthogonal basis for $\text{col } A$, (Thus $\text{rank} = r$) by a previous proposition.

Normalize each Av_i to obtain an orthonormal basis $\{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$ for $\text{col } A$ by putting

$$u_i = \frac{Av_i}{\|Av_i\|} = \frac{1}{\sigma_i} Av_i$$

$$\text{i.e. } Au_i = \sigma_i u_i \quad (\text{for } i=1, 2, \dots, r) \dots\dots \textcircled{1}$$

If $r < m$, extend $\{u_1, \dots, u_r\}$ to an orthonormal basis of \mathbb{R}^m (Here we may use Gram-Schmidt Process)

Now let $U = [u_1 \ u_2 \ \dots \ u_n]$ and $V = [v_1 \ v_2 \ \dots \ v_n]$
 U and V are orthogonal matrices by construction.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } AV &= A[v_1 \ v_2 \ \dots \ v_n] = [Av_1 \ Av_2 \ \dots \ Av_n] \\ &= [\sigma_1 u_1 \ \sigma_2 u_2 \ \dots \ \sigma_r u_r \ 0 \ \dots \ 0] \\ &\quad \quad \quad [\text{By } \textcircled{1}] \end{aligned}$$

Now let Σ be the $m \times n$ matrix containing an $r \times r$ diagonal matrix D with the r non-zero singular values of A , $\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_r > 0$ and we make D into an $m \times n$ matrix Σ (same size as A) by filling out with zeros

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} D & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \rightarrow m-r \text{ rows} \\ \downarrow \\ n-r \text{ columns} \end{matrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2 & & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & \ddots & & & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & & \sigma_r & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & & & \ddots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Then } U\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & u_2 & \dots & u_m \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2 & & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & \ddots & & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & & \sigma_r & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & & & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 u_1 & \sigma_2 u_2 & \dots & \sigma_r u_r & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix} = AV$$

$\Rightarrow AV = U\Sigma$
Since V is orthogonal,

$$\boxed{A = U\Sigma V^T}$$

QED