



# Introduction to Scientific Computation

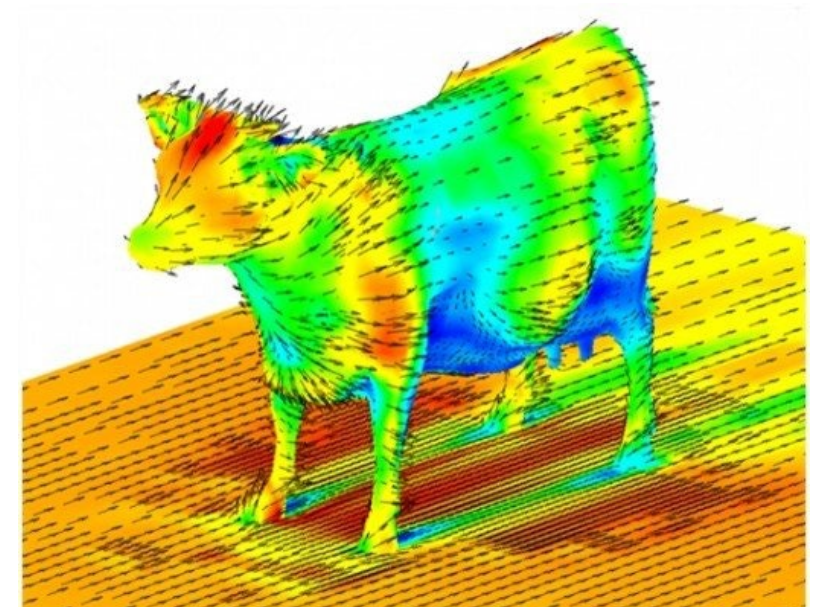
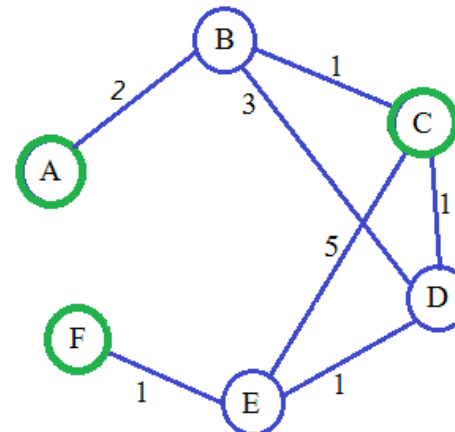
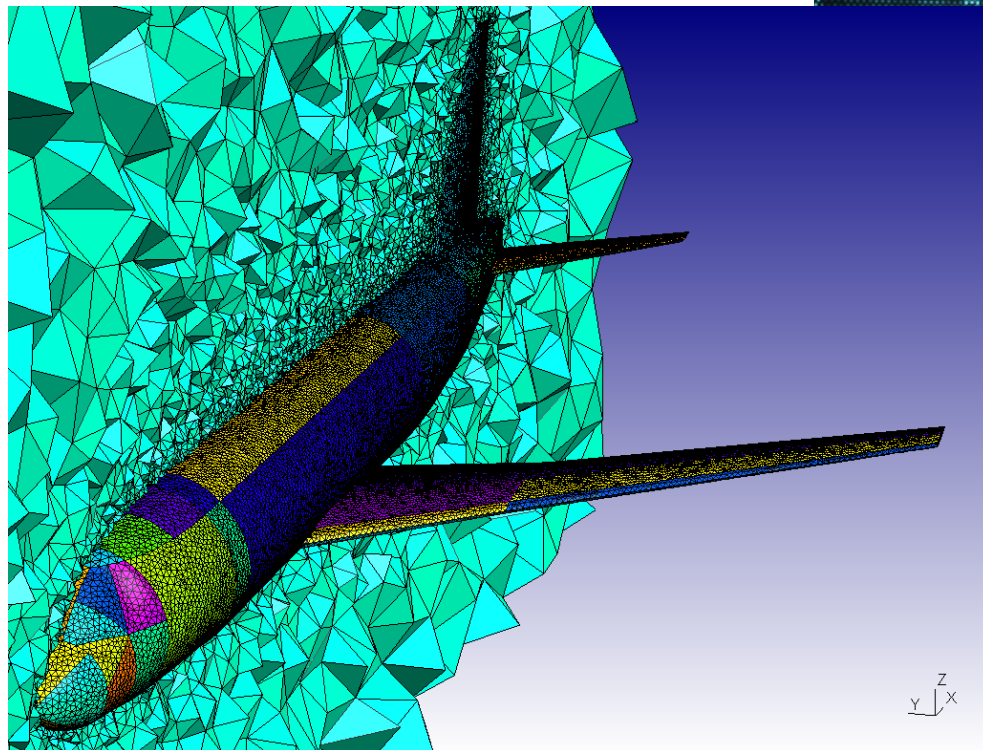
## Lecture 2

### Fall 2020

Linear Systems of Equations, SVD  
MatVec operations



# Linear Systems of Equations



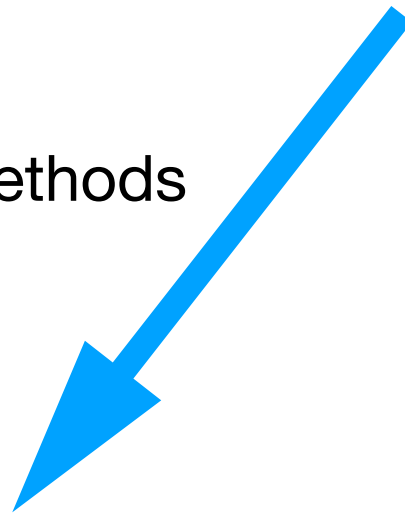
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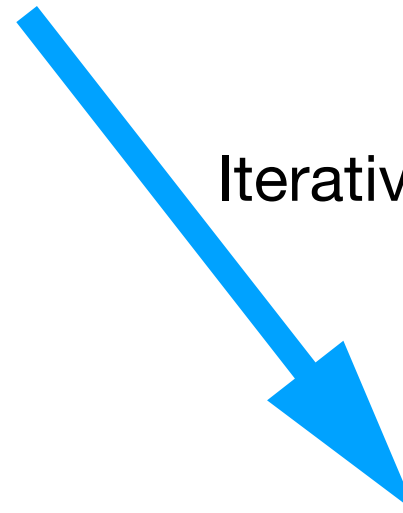
Direct methods



$$x = A^{-1}b$$

Exact solution,  
except for rounding errors,  
fixed number of computational steps

Iterative methods



$$x_t = f(x_{t-1}, A, b)$$

Often work better in practice,  
due to care about numerical stability,  
iteratively improve solution estimate

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Keyword: Jordan Normal Form

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

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**Answer:**  $O(N^2)$

## Gaussian Elimination

Exact solution,  
except for rounding errors

$$A = LU$$

$$Ly = b$$

$$Ux = y$$

$$PA = LU$$

Not unique

Problems when A is singular

Solution is LUP - additional permutation matrix which aims to maximize absolute values of diagonal elements

Finding LU (LUP) has complexity  $O(N^3)$

## Special case: SPD matrices

**Symmetric positive definite**: if  $A = A^T$  and  $x^T A x > 0, \forall x \neq 0$

$$A = LL^*$$

Two times less memory than LU



## Conditioning

Relative error:  $\frac{||x - \hat{x}||}{||x||}$

$$r = b - A\hat{x} = Ax - A\hat{x} = A(x - \hat{x})$$

$$x - \hat{x} = A^{-1}r \implies ||x - \hat{x}|| = ||A^{-1}r|| \leq ||A^{-1}|| ||r||$$

$$\frac{||x - \hat{x}||}{||x||} \leq ||A^{-1}|| ||r|| \frac{||A||}{||b||}$$

Note:

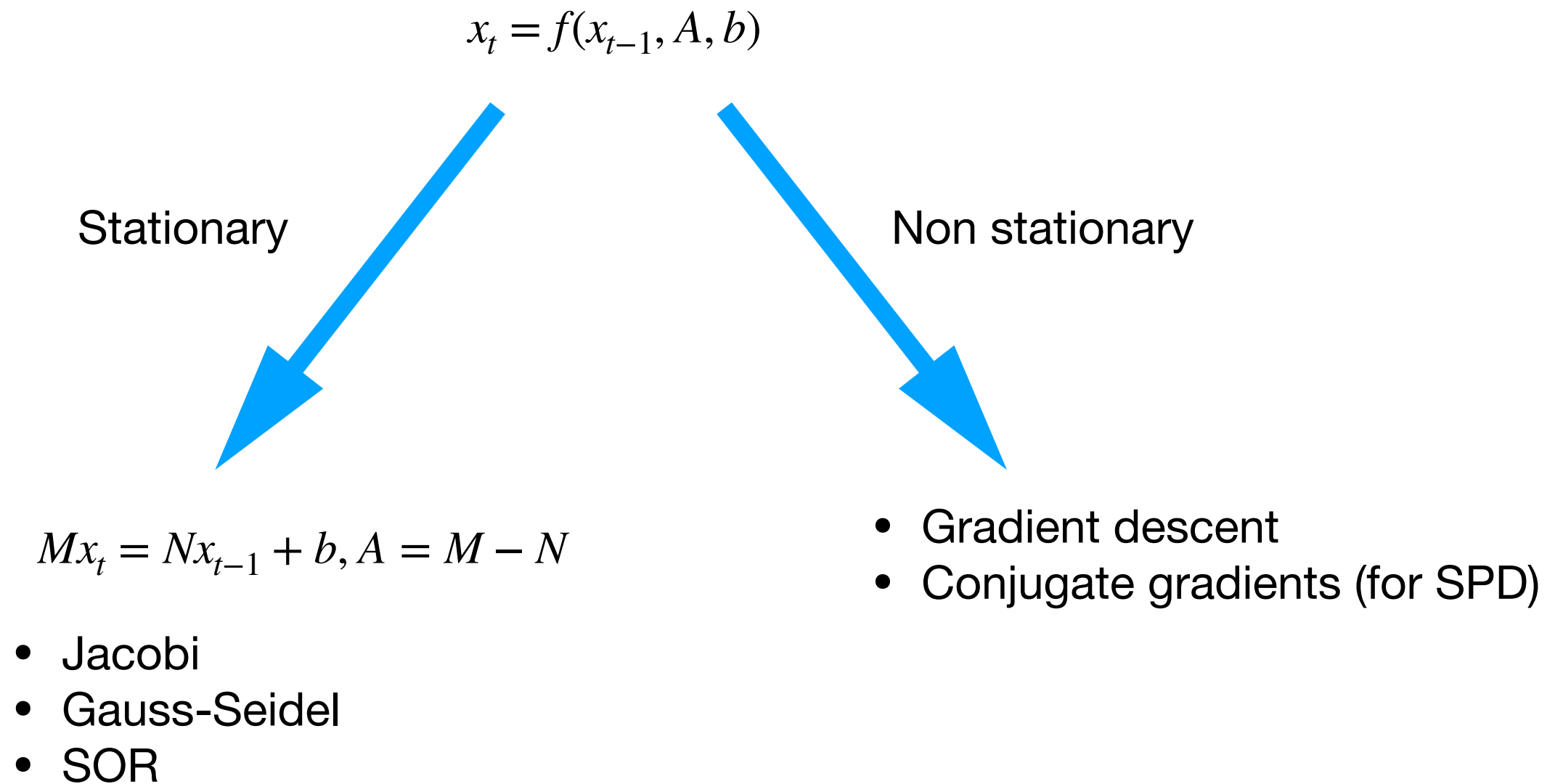
$$A\hat{x} = b + \Delta b \implies ||\Delta b|| = ||r||$$

Condition number:  $k(A) = ||A|| ||A^{-1}||$

$$\frac{||x - \hat{x}||}{||x||} \leq k(A) \frac{||\Delta b||}{||b||}$$

the relative error in the solution is bounded by the condition number of the matrix A times the relative error in the residual.

## Iterative methods



## Stationary methods

$$Mx_t = Nx_{t-1} + b, A = M - N$$

We need initial guess for the solution:  $x_0$

Error is:  $e_0 = x - x_0$  

We do not know the exact solution  
(if we know, why do we care ?) and  
cannot compute

$r_0 = Ae_0 = b - Ax_0$   We can compute

$$x = x_0 + e_0 = x_0 + A^{-1}r_0$$

Set  $M\tilde{e} = r_k$

Preconditioner:  $M$

Then  $x_t = x_{t-1} + \tilde{e}$

$$A = D + E + F$$

Jacobi:  $M = D$

Gauss-Seidel:  $M = D + E$

SOR:  $M = D + \frac{1}{\omega}E$

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## Nonstationary methods

$$x_t = x_{t-1} + \alpha_t p_t$$

## Gradient descent

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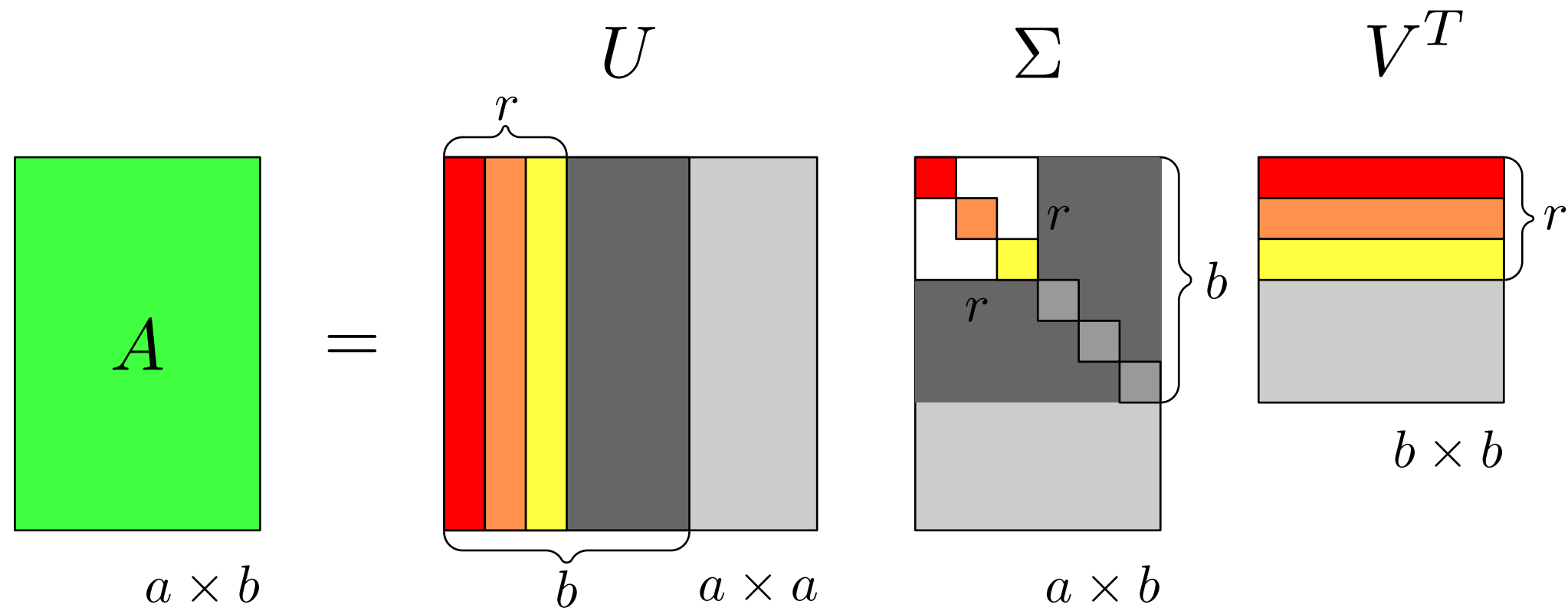
## Conjugate gradient (SPD only)

$$x_t = x_{t-1} + \alpha_t p_t$$

$$p_t = r_t - \sum_{i < t} \frac{p_i^T A r_t}{p_i^T A p_i} p_i$$

$$\alpha_t = \frac{p_t^T r_t}{p_t^T A p_t}$$

# SVD

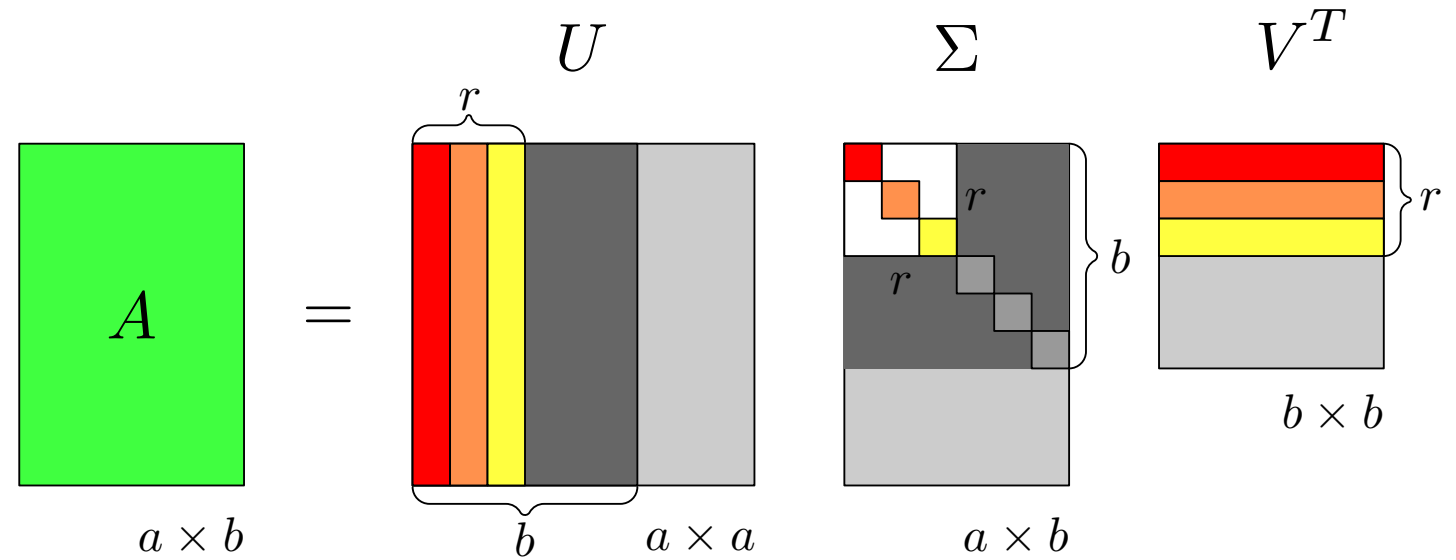




$$M = U\Sigma V^*$$

$$\text{If } \text{rank}(A) = r \implies \forall i > r, \sigma_i = 0$$

$$\sigma_1 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_n$$



**Eckart-Young theorem:** best low-rank approximation can be computed with SVD

$$\min_{\text{rank}(B)=r} ||A - B||_2 = ||A - A_r||_2 = \sigma_{r+1}$$

$r$  - rank approximation is setting  $\forall i > r, \sigma_i = 0$