

Homework 7

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#1

Let $A = P\Sigma Q^T$, & b be a column vector where $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $Ax = b$.

Since we know that A is a nonsingular $n \times n$ matrix, then it has a full rank: $\text{rank}(A) = n$. This means that P is an $n \times n$ orthogonal matrix, Σ is a diagonal matrix of singular values $\sigma_1 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_n > 0$, & Q is an $n \times n$ orthogonal matrix.

To solve for the system of linear equations $Ax = b$, we can use substitution:

$$Ax = b \Leftrightarrow (P\Sigma Q^T)x = b$$

Then, with respect to change of basis:

$$P^T(P\Sigma Q^T)x = P^Tb \quad \leftarrow P^TP = I_n \text{ as } P \text{ is orthogonal matrix}$$

$$\Sigma Q^T x = P^Tb$$

$$\Sigma^{-1}\Sigma Q^T x = \Sigma^{-1}P^Tb \quad \leftarrow \Sigma^{-1} \text{ has reciprocal singular values } \therefore \Sigma^{-1}\Sigma = I_n$$

$$Q^T x = \Sigma^{-1}P^Tb$$

$$QQ^T x = Q\Sigma^{-1}P^Tb \quad \leftarrow QQ^T = I_n \text{ as } Q \text{ is orthogonal matrix}$$

$$x = (Q\Sigma^{-1}P^T)b$$

Why is A being non-singular important in computing $Ax = b$ via SVD? A needs to be nonsingular as it requires the need for a "n" set of singular values to exist. If $A_{m \times n}$ is singular then $\text{rank}(A) = r$ where $r \leq m$ and so we would only have "r", where $r < n$ set of singular values. This means that Σ has the dimension $r \times r$ & $\Sigma^{-1}\Sigma = I_r$ rather than the necessary I_n for the correct dimension to perform matrix multiplication with the orthogonal matrices.

There could also be a 0 singular value if A is nonsingular

\therefore making Σ singular & not invertible.

#2

For a non-singular matrix A with real entries, the singular values of A & the singular values of A^{-1} is reciprocally related, i.e

$\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n$ are singular values of A

Then

$\frac{1}{\sigma_1}, \dots, \frac{1}{\sigma_n}$ are singular values of A^{-1} .

We can show this by taking the inverse of A such that A^{-1} .

Let $A = P \Sigma Q^T$ where importantly $\Sigma = \text{diag}(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$

Then:

$$A^{-1} = (P \Sigma Q^T)^{-1} = Q \Sigma^{-1} P^T \quad \text{since } P \& Q \text{ are orthogonal, so} \\ P^{-1} = P^T \& Q^{-1} = Q^T$$

However, taking the inverse of Σ , its singular values would then be:

$$\Sigma^{-1} = \text{diag}\left(\frac{1}{\sigma_1}, \dots, \frac{1}{\sigma_n}\right).$$

Furthermore, as shown in problem #1, this case is only true for non-singular matrix A , as it requires all $\sigma_i > 0$.

#3

a) Let B be a $p \times r$ matrix; let C be a $r \times p$ matrix.

The trace of a matrix can be defined as the sum of all diagonal elements of a matrix such that $\sum_{i=1}^n a_{ii}$.

Now, if we compute the product of BC , we would get a $p \times p$ square matrix and so the trace can be define as:

$$\text{trace}(BC) = \sum_{i=1}^p (BC)_{ii} = \sum_{i=1}^p \sum_{j=1}^r B_{ij} C_{ji}$$

& similarly for the product of CB , we would get a $r \times r$ square matrix, and so the trace can be define as:

$$\text{trace}(CB) = \sum_{i=1}^r (CB)_{ii} = \sum_{j=1}^r \sum_{i=1}^p C_{ji} B_{ij}$$

which shows that indeed $\text{trace}(BC) = \sum_{i=1}^p \sum_{j=1}^r B_{ij} C_{ji} = \text{trace}(CB) = \sum_{j=1}^r \sum_{i=1}^p C_{ji} B_{ij}$ as per commutative property.

b) Since $\|A\|$ is defined as $\sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^m a_{ij}^2}$ then its squared is:

$$\|A\|^2 = \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^m a_{ij}^2$$

Now, since the trace of a matrix is the trace of a matrix, we can define it as $\text{trace}(A) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ii}$.

We know that AA^T is an $m \times m$ matrix where its trace can be denoted as:

$$\text{trace}(AA^T) = \sum_{i=1}^m (AA^T)_{ii} = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij}^2 = \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^m a_{ij}^2$$

& similarly, $A^T A$ is an $n \times n$ matrix where its trace can be denoted as:

$$\text{trace}(A^T A) = \sum_{j=1}^n (A^T A)_{jj} = \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^m a_{ij}^2$$

Note the change in variable

$$\therefore \|A\|^2 = \text{trace}(AA^T) = \text{trace}(A^T A)$$

c) Given that U is an $m \times m$ orthogonal matrix, then $U^T U = U U^T = I_m$

Now, using the definition of $\|A\|^2 = \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{i=1}^m a_{ij}^2$, I have also

shown that $\|A\|^2 = \text{trace}(AA^T) = \text{trace}(A^T A)$ in the previous part 3b.

So,

$$\|UA\|^2 = \text{trace}((UA)^T(UA)) = \text{trace}(A^T \underbrace{U^T U}_{I_m} A) = \text{trace}(A^T A)$$

I_m as U is orthogonal

And by the definition of $\|A\|^2$:

$$\|UA\|^2 = \|A\|^2$$

$$\therefore \|UA\| = \|A\|$$

d) Let $A = P \Sigma Q^T$ where P & Q are orthogonal matrices & $\Sigma = \text{diag}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_r)$, the diagonal matrix of singular values.

Now, using the definition of $\|A\|^2 = \text{trace}(AA^T) = \text{trace}(A^T A)$ that I have shown in part 3b, we can substitute $A = P \Sigma Q^T$:

$$\begin{aligned} AA^T &= (P \Sigma Q^T)(P \Sigma Q^T)^T = P \Sigma \underbrace{Q^T Q}_{I_n \text{ as } Q \text{ is orthogonal}} \Sigma^T P^T \\ &= P \Sigma \Sigma^T P^T = P \Sigma^2 P^T \\ &\quad \uparrow \\ &\quad \Sigma^T = \Sigma \text{ since } \Sigma \text{ is a diagonal matrix} \end{aligned}$$

So, $\|A\|^2 = \text{trace}(AA^T) = \text{trace}(P \Sigma^2 P^T)$ & by the cyclic property of trace, we can rewrite $\|A\|^2$ as:

$$\|A\|^2 = \text{trace}(AA^T) = \text{trace}(P P^T \Sigma^2) = \text{trace}(\Sigma^2) \quad \text{since } P \text{ is an orthogonal matrix } \therefore P P^T = P^T P = I_n$$

where:

$$\text{trace}(\Sigma^2) = \sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 + \dots + \sigma_r^2$$

$$\therefore \|A\| = \sqrt{\text{trace}(\Sigma^2)} = \sqrt{\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 + \dots + \sigma_r^2}$$

#4

a) A is an $m \times n$ matrix with real entries, such that $A = P \Sigma Q^T$ be its SVD.

Given that P_1, P_2, \dots, P_r are the column vectors of P & q_1, q_2, \dots, q_r are the columns of Q , then we can simply express the product of the matrices multiplication as:

$$A = \sum_{i=1}^r \sigma_i P_i q_i^T \quad \text{where } \sigma_i \text{ is the } i\text{-th singular value (scalar \(\therefore\) commuted to front),}$$

$$P_i \text{ is the } i\text{-th column vector of } P,$$

$$q_i^T \text{ is the } i\text{-th column of } Q^T$$

Note: $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_r > 0$

\therefore we can expand it out as:

$$A = \sigma_1 P_1 q_1^T + \sigma_2 P_2 q_2^T + \dots + \sigma_r P_r q_r^T \quad \text{where each } \sigma_i P_i q_i^T \text{ is an } m \times n \text{ rank 1 matrix.}$$

b) Let $A = P \Sigma Q^T$ & $A_k = P_k \Sigma_k Q_k^T$ (the truncated SVD)

We can then express $A - A_k$ as:

$$A - A_k = \sum_{i=1}^r \sigma_i P_i q_i^T - \sum_{i=1}^k \sigma_i P_i q_i^T \quad \text{where } r \text{ represents the rank of } A.$$

This summation expansion is shown in part 4a. This also means that the difference can be expressed as:

$$A - A_k = \sum_{i=k+1}^r \sigma_i P_i q_i^T$$

We can now use the definition of $\|A\|^2$ which I've defined in part 3d,

$$\|A\|^2 = \text{trace}(AA^T) = \text{trace}(A^T A)$$

We can then express $\|A - A_k\|^2$ as:

$$\|A - A_k\|^2 = \text{trace}((P_{k+1} \Sigma_{k+1} Q_{k+1}^T)(P_{k+1} \Sigma_{k+1} Q_{k+1}^T)^T)$$

$$= \text{trace}(P_{k+1} \Sigma_{k+1} Q_{k+1}^T Q_{k+1} \Sigma_{k+1}^T P_{k+1}^T) =$$

using orthogonal matrix property & trace cyclic property, we can reduce down to:

$$\|A - A_k\|^2 = \text{trace}(\Sigma_{k+1}^T \Sigma_{k+1}) = \text{trace}(\Sigma_{k+1}^2) = \sigma_{k+1}^2 + \sigma_{k+2}^2 + \dots + \sigma_r^2$$

$$\therefore \|A - A_k\| = \sqrt{\sigma_{k+1}^2 + \sigma_{k+2}^2 + \dots + \sigma_r^2}$$

#5

In MATLAB file. for part a & b

- c) By looking at the singular values, I could almost guess a good k value. However, it still required a bit of trial & error to reconstruct an approximated image. For example, the SVD did show a drop from 10.06 to 8.3898 but the image was still unrecognizable. The other good singular values - to choose from were the ones that started to stagnated between the range 0 to 3, which contains the ideal k value. Choosing the k singular value at the start of the stagnation was the best choice & led me to choosing $k=15$.