

Singular Value Decomposition

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- ▶ $R(\vec{x}) \geq 0 \implies$ study $R^2(\vec{x})$ instead

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- ▶ Basis is full and orthonormal

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Object of study: $\vec{y}_i = A\vec{x}_i$

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Lemma

Either $\vec{y}_i = \vec{0}$ or \vec{y}_i is an eigenvector of AA^\top with $\|\vec{y}_i\| = \sqrt{\lambda_i} \|\vec{x}_i\|$.

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Corollary

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Singular Value Decomposition

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

SVD Vocabulary

$$A = U\Sigma V^{\top}$$

- ▶ Left singular vectors: Columns of U ; span $\text{col } A$
- ▶ Right singular vectors Columns of V ; span $\text{row } A$
- ▶ Singular values: Diagonal σ_i of Σ ; sort $\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \dots \geq 0$.

Geometry of Linear Transformations

$$A = U\Sigma V^{\top}$$

1. Rotate (V^{\top})
2. Scale (Σ)
3. Rotate (U)

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- \exists more specialized methods!**

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What is Σ^{-1} ?

Uniting Short/Tall Matrices

minimize $\|\vec{x}\|_2^2$

such that $A^\top A \vec{x} = A^\top \vec{b}$

Simplification

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$$A^{\top} A \vec{x} = A^{\top} \vec{b} \Leftrightarrow \Sigma \vec{y} = \vec{d}$$

$$\vec{y} \equiv V^{\top} \vec{x}$$

$$\vec{d} \equiv U^{\top} \vec{b}$$

Resulting Optimization

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{minimize } \|\vec{y}\|_2^2 \\ &\text{such that } \Sigma \vec{y} = \vec{d} \end{aligned}$$

Solution

$$\Sigma_{ij}^+ \equiv \begin{cases} 1/\sigma_i & i = j, \sigma_i \neq 0, \text{ and } i \leq k \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\implies \vec{y} = \Sigma^+ \vec{d}$$

$$\implies \vec{x} = V \Sigma^+ U^\top \vec{b}$$

Pseudoinverse

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

Pseudoinverse Properties

- ▶ A **square** and **invertible** $\implies A^+ = A^{-1}$
- ▶ A **overdetermined** $\implies A^+\vec{b}$ gives least-squares solution to $A\vec{x} \approx \vec{b}$
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Alternative Form

$$A = U\Sigma V^{\top} \implies A = \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} \sigma_i \vec{u}_i \vec{v}_i^{\top}$$

$$\ell \equiv \min\{m, n\}$$

Outer Product

$$\vec{u} \otimes \vec{v} \equiv \vec{u} \vec{v}^T$$

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Computing $A^+ \vec{x}$

$$A^+ = \sum_{\sigma_i \neq 0} \frac{\vec{v}_i \vec{u}_i^\top}{\sigma_i}$$

Trick:
Ignore large σ_i .

Even Better Trick

Do not compute large
(small) σ_i at all!

Eckart-Young Theorem

Theorem

Suppose \tilde{A} is obtained from $A = U\Sigma V^\top$ by truncating all but the k largest singular values σ_i of A to zero. Then, \tilde{A} minimizes both $\|A - \tilde{A}\|_{\text{Fro}}$ and $\|A - \tilde{A}\|_2$ subject to the constraint that the column space of \tilde{A} has at most dimension k .

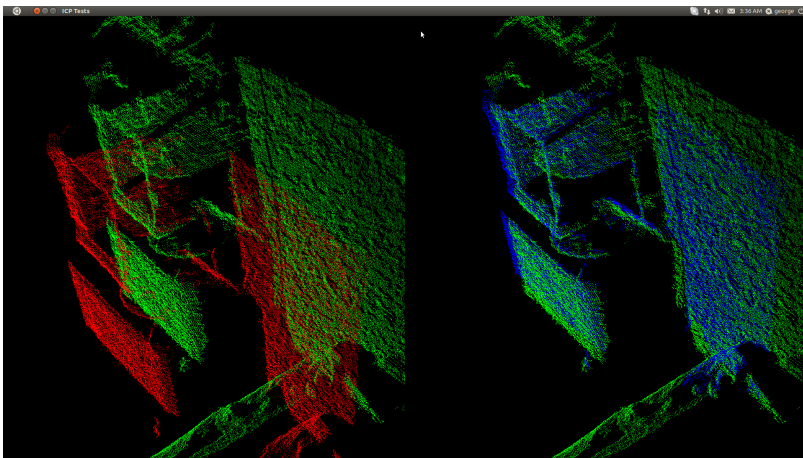
Matrix Norm Expressions

$$\|A\|_{\text{Fro}}^2 = \sum_j \sigma_j^2$$

$$\|A\|_2 = \max\{\sigma_i\}$$

$$\text{cond } A = \frac{\sigma_{\max}}{\sigma_{\min}}$$

Rigid Alignment



http://www.pointclouds.org/blog/_images/GICPRegistrationTopView.png

Procrustes Problem

Procrustes

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

"Damastes" redirects here. For the spider genus, see [Damastes \(spider\)](#).

For the Larry Niven story, see *Procrustes (short story)*.

In **Greek mythology**, **Procrustes** (Προκρούστης) or "the stretcher [who hammers out the metal]", also known as **Prokoptas** or **Damastes** (Δαμαστή) "subduer", was a rogue smith and bandit from **Attica** who physically attacked people by stretching them or cutting off their legs, so as to force them to fit the size of an iron bed. In general, when something is Procrustean, different lengths or sizes or properties are fitted to an arbitrary standard.

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<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Procrustes>

Procrustes via SVD

Orthogonal Procrustes Theorem

The orthogonal matrix R minimizing $\|RX - Y\|^2$ is given by VU^\top , where SVD is applied to factor $YX^\top = U\Sigma V^\top$.

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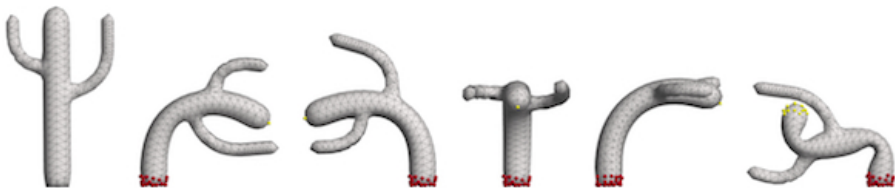
Application: As-Rigid-As-Possible

As-Rigid-As-Possible Surface Modeling

Olga Sorkine and Marc Alexa

Eurographics/ACM SIGGRAPH Symposium on
Geometry Processing 2007.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1tX-qUjbkdc>



Recall: Statistics Problem

Given: Collection of data points \vec{x}_i

- ▶ Age
- ▶ Weight
- ▶ Blood pressure
- ▶ Heart rate

Find: Correlations between different dimensions

Simplest Model

One-dimensional subspace

$$\vec{x}_i \approx c_i \vec{v}$$

More General Statement

Principal Components Analysis

The matrix $C \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$ minimizing $\|X - CC^\top X\|_{\text{Fro}}$ subject to $C^\top C = I_{d \times d}$ is given by the first d columns of U , for $X = U\Sigma V^\top$.

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