

# Convex optimization based low-rank matrix decomposition for image restoration

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# Introduction

PCA seeks an optimal estimate of  $A$ , by the following constrained optimization:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{A,E} \|E\|_F \quad (1) \\ \text{s.t. } \text{rank}(A) \leq r, D = A + E \end{aligned}$$

We can recover low-rank matrix  $A$  exactly from  $D = A + E$  with gross but sparse errors  $E$ , by solving the following convex optimization problem:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{A,E} \|A\|_* + \lambda \|E\|_1 \quad (2) \\ \text{s.t. } D = A + E \end{aligned}$$

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For a given vector  $y \in R^n$  and the thresholding weight vector  $w \in R_{++}^n$ , the non-uniform singular value operator  $S_w[y]$  satisfies:

$$S_w[y] = \arg \min_x \left( \frac{\mu}{2} \|x - y\|_2^2 + \|w \odot x\|_1 \right) \quad (3)$$

$\mu > 0$  is the penalty factor. As  $\mu$  approaches 0, any solution to Eq. (3) approaches the solution set of (2). In other words, the non-uniform singular value operator satisfies:

$$S_w[y] = S_{w_0}[z] = \arg \min_x \left( \frac{\mu}{2} \|x - z\|_2^2 + w_0 \|x\|_1 \right) \quad (4)$$

where  $z = \text{sign}(y) \odot (|y| + w_0 \mathbf{1} - w)$ ,  
 $\|y\| = \text{sign}(y) \odot y$ , and vector  $\mathbf{1} \in R^n$  with all elements equal to 1.

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The singular value shrinkage operator: Consider the *SVD* of matrix  $X \in R^{n_1 \times n_2}$  of rank  $r$

$$Y = U\Sigma V^T, \quad \Sigma = \text{diag}(\{\sigma_i\}_{1 \leq i \leq r})$$

For each  $w \in R_{++}^r$ , we introduce the soft-thresholding operator as follows:  $D_w[Y] = US_w[\Sigma]V^T$ , where  $S_w[\Sigma] = \text{diag}(\{(\sigma_i - w_i)_+\})$

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For each  $w \in R_{++}^r$  and  $Y \in R^{m \times n}$ , the non-uniform singular value soft-thresholding operator obeys.

$$D_w[y] = D_{w_0}[z] = \arg \min_X \left( \frac{\mu}{2} \|X - Z\|_F^2 + w_0 \|X\|_* \right)$$

where  $Z = U(\Sigma + w_0 I - W) V^T$ ,  $Y = U \Sigma V^T$  denotes the problem defined in (6).  $w_0 = \max(\{w_i\})$ ,  $I \in R^{r \times r}$  is a unit matrix, and  $W = \text{diag}(w)$  is a diagonal matrix.

## New Problem

We utilize a similar scheme for assigning weights to the singular value of a matrix. We attach a smaller weight to a larger singular value of the matrix, and vice versa. We obtain the following result for the nuclear norm minimization problem.

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{A,E} \sum_{j=1}^n w_A \left( \sigma_j^2(A) + \gamma \right)^{p/2} + \lambda \|W_E \odot E\|_1 \\ \text{s.t.} \quad D = A + E \end{aligned}$$

# Algo 1

## Algorithm 1. Alternating direction method (ADM)

Step 1: Assuming iteration number  $k=0$ , initialize weight  $w_A^{(0)} = \mathbf{1} \in R^n$ ,  $W_E^{(0)} = \mathbf{1} \cdot \mathbf{1}^T \in R^{m \times n}$  (assuming  $m \geq n$ ).

Step 2: Using Algorithm 2 to solve the reweighted nuclear norm and  $\ell_1$ -norm minimization problem

$$\begin{aligned} (A^{(k+1)}, E^{(k+1)}) = \operatorname{argmin}_{A, E} & \left( \sum_{j=1}^n w_{A,j}^{(k)} (\sigma_j^2(A) + \gamma) \right)^{p/2} \\ & + \lambda \|W_E^{(k)} \odot E\|_1, \text{ s.t. } D = A + E, \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

where  $w_A^{(k)}$  and  $W_E^{(k)}$  are weight coefficients, we can obtain the estimated value  $(A^{(k+1)}, E^{(k+1)})$ . We defined  $p=1$ .

Step 3: For  $i=1, \dots, m$  and  $j=1, \dots, n$  update the weight coefficients as follows:

$$\begin{cases} w_{A,j}^{(k+1)} = \frac{1}{\sigma_j^{(k)}(A) + \varepsilon_A} \\ w_{E,ij}^{(k+1)} = \frac{1}{|E_{ij}^{(k)}| + \varepsilon_E} \end{cases}, \quad (12)$$

where  $\varepsilon_A$  and  $\varepsilon_E$  are positive preset constants, and the SVT matrix is

$$\Sigma^{(k)} = \operatorname{diag} \left( \left\{ \sigma_i^{(k)} \right\}_{i=1}^r \right) \in R^{n \times n}, \quad (13)$$

where  $U^{(k)}, \Sigma^{(k)}, V^{(k)}$  are generated by the following SVD:

$$D - A^{(k+1)} + Y^{(k)} / \mu = U^{(k)} \Sigma^{(k)} (V^{(k)})^T \quad (14)$$

with  $U^{(k)} \in R^{m \times n}$ ,  $V^{(k)} \in R^{n \times n}$ .

Step 4: If the termination conditions are satisfied or  $k$  reaches the maximum iteration step  $k_{max}$ , output solutions  $(\hat{A}, \hat{E})$ ; otherwise, increase  $k$  and return to step 2.

Figure 1:

## Algo 2

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**Algorithm 2. ADM for nuclear-norm and  $\ell_1$ -norm minimization problem**

INPUT: initial values  $(A_0, E_0) \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n} \times \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ ,  $Y_0 \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ ,  $\mu_0 > 0$ ,

$\rho > 1$ ,  $t=0$

WHILE not converged DO

$$A_{t+1} = D_{\mu_t^{-1} W_A} [D - E_t + \mu_t^{-1} Y_t]$$

$$E_{t+1} = S_{\lambda \mu_t^{-1} W_E} [D - A_{t+1} + \mu_t^{-1} Y_t]$$

$$Y_{t+1} = Y_t + \mu_t (D - A_{t+1} - E_{t+1})$$

$$\mu_{t+1} = \rho \mu_t$$

$$t \leftarrow t+1$$

END WHILE

OUTPUT: solution  $(\tilde{A}, \tilde{E})$  to Eq. (10)

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Figure 2:



# Image restoration results Algo 2

Original Image



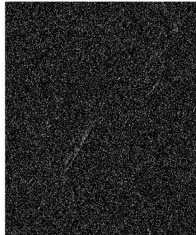
Noised Image



Restored Image



E Image



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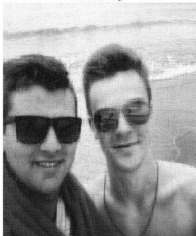
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Noised Image



Restored Image



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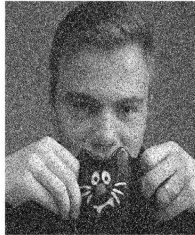


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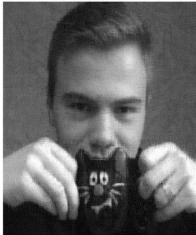
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# Image restoration results Algo 1

Noised Image



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# Application

Image denoising tasks (Medical images, Military, etc.).

Numerical data recovery.

Hyperspectral image restoration.

# Conclusion

We managed to implement and reconstruct different images with proposed algorithms on a small number of iterations. Considering the results, both of them are working properly.