

SVD and its Application in Statistics - Question 1

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You may be knowing about a typesetting language called LaTeX. By default LaTeX places the things in the regular horizontal way, it can also rotate and scale (possibly different scaling factors in x- and y-directions): While writing my math books, I needed a way to place a writing on a slant surface drawn on the page:



LaTeX has no direct way to achieve this. But I could get the effect by first doing a little SVD computation. How?

Solution:

1 Algorithm:

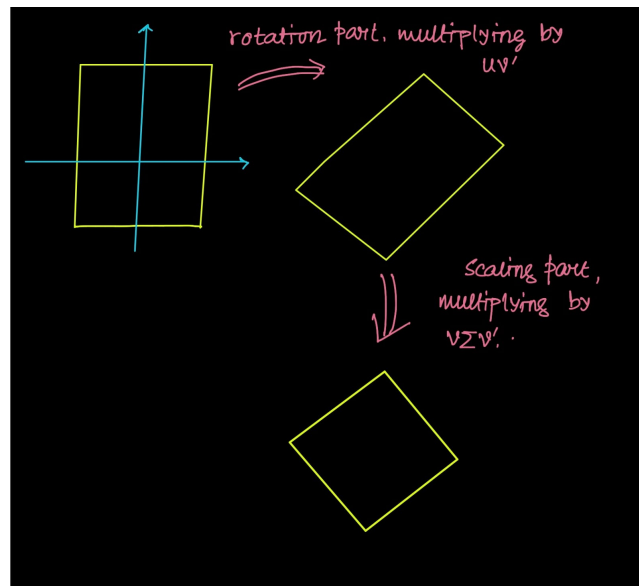
We will use **Polar Decomposition** which is a special form of SVD.

We first ignore the content of the page and we concentrate on the rectangular sheet only. At first we rotate it by a specific angle θ . We name the rotation matrix as $Q = \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta & \sin \theta \\ -\sin \theta & \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}$.

Now we scale the matrix by multiplying scaling positive definite matrix S . Here $S = BRB^T$, where R is the diagonal matrix which is used for scaling and B is used for second time rotation. So in this linear transformation the matrix related to the basis $\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ is $A = SQ$. We transform all the points of the plane :

$$x \longrightarrow Ax.$$

Now Q will be of the form BG^T , Then A becomes of the form BRG^T , which is the SVD decomposition of A .

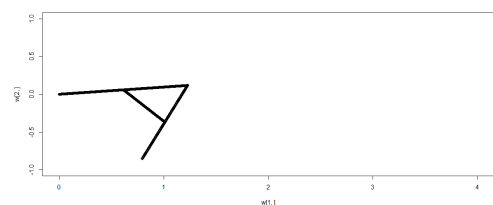
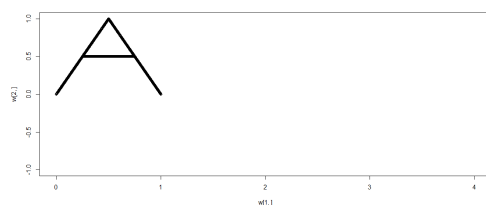


2 R code regarding this algorithm:

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SVD = function(t,u,a,b)
{
x=c(seq(0,1,by=0.001),seq(0.25,0.75,by=0.001))
y=c(2*x[1:500],2-2*x[501:1001],rep(0.5,501))
plot(x,y,xlim = c(0,4),ylim = c(-1,1))

A=matrix(c(cos(t),sin(t),-sin(t),cos(t)),2)
v=as.matrix(rbind(x,y))
z=A%%v
B=matrix(c(cos(u),sin(u),-sin(u),cos(u)),2)
R=diag(c(a,b))
Q=B%%R%%t(B)
w=Q%%z
plot(w[1,],w[2,],xlim = c(0,4),ylim = c(-1,1))
}
SVD(-0.9,-0.5,1.2,0.95)
SVD(0,0,1,1)
```

The output : We are showing the tranformation wrt the original A using $t=-0.9$, $u= -0.5$, $a=1.2$, $b=0.95$.The new figure of 'A' becomes:



3 Reshaping a square to a parallelogram using R:

```
f=function(x1,y1,x2,y2)
{
a1=(x2-x1)/2
a2=-(x1+x2)/2
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a3=(y2-y1)/2
a4=-(y1+y2)/2

A=matrix(c(a1,a2,a3,a4),2,2,byrow=TRUE)
b=svd(A)
U=b$u
V=b$v

if (abs(U[1,1]+U[2,2])<10^(-10))
{
U[,1]=U[,1]*(-1)
}

if (abs(V[1,1]+V[2,2])<10^(-10))
{
V[,1]=V[,1]*(-1)
}

sig=diag(b$d,2)

temp1=acos(V[1,1])
temp2=acos(U[1,1])
c=180/pi
theta1=(-c)*temp1
theta2=c*temp2

if (abs(sin(temp1)-V[1,2])<10^(-10))
{
theta1=-theta1
}

if (abs(sin(temp2)-U[1,2])<10^(-10))
{
theta2=-theta2
}

x=sig[1,1]
y=sig[2,2]

cat('\n\nFirst angle of rotation (in degrees) is',theta1,'\n')
cat('\n\nScale factor along x-axis is',x,'\n')
cat('\n\nScale factor along y-axis is',y,'\n')
cat('\n\nSecond angle of rotation (in degrees) is',theta2,'\n')

}

f(-6,-1,1,-3)    #For modifying the letter alpha
f(-4,-3,2,-3)    #For Italics Font
##The Output:
First angle of rotation (in degrees) is -38.7356

Scale factor along x-axis is 4.320261

Scale factor along y-axis is 2.198941

Second angle of rotation (in degrees) is 6.264404
> f(-4,-3,2,-3)    #For Italics Font

First angle of rotation (in degrees) is -49.73116

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Scale factor along x-axis is 3.541381
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```
Scale factor along y-axis is 2.541381
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```
Second angle of rotation (in degrees) is 40.26884
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1. The letter alpha (boxed) looks like: $\boxed{\alpha}$.

We now assume that the coordinates of the vertices of the square containing α are

$(-1, -1), (1, -1), (1, 1), (-1, 1)$ in a counterclockwise direction. We also assume that all rotations are performed about the centre of the letter α . We will transform this into a parallelogram having $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), (x_3, y_3), (x_4, y_4)$ as the coordinates of the vertices.

To do this, we compute the matrix of the linear transformation and find out its SVD. Composing `rotatebox` and `scalebox` and then again `rotatebox` with the angles found from SVD and the singular values of \mathbf{A} in place of the `xfactors` and `yfactors` gives the following picture:



2. Writing in italics form using SVD: *We can also write text in italics using SVD!*