

Problem 1

If $A = U\Sigma V^T$ is the SVD of a square invertible matrix A , what is the SVD of A^{-1} ?

Solution The SVD of a $m \times n$ matrix A is given by $A = U W V^T$ where,

U : $m \times n$ orthonormal eigenvectors of AA^T

V^T : $n \times n$ orthonormal eigenvectors of $A^T A$

W : $n \times n$ diagonal matrix having diagonal elements as the square roots of the eigenvalues of $A^T A$.

Since, U & V are orthogonal, $U^T = U^{-1}$ and $V^T = V^{-1}$

A diagonal matrix D with non-zero entries will have an inverse as

$$D^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/d_1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1/d_2 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 1/d_n \end{bmatrix}$$

where d_1, d_1, \dots, d_n are elements of D . Hence, the diagonal matrix W can also be inverted in the same way.

Hence, $A^{-1} = (U W V^T)^{-1} = (V^T)^{-1} W^{-1} U^{-1} = V W^{-1} U^T$.

Problem 2

If $A = U\Sigma V^T$ is the SVD of a square invertible matrix A , what is the SVD of A^{-1} ?

Solution The Eigendecomposition of a matrix is as follows.

The matrix U is formed by placing the eigenvector of A as its column. The Λ is a diagonal matrix where diagonal elements are eigenvalues.

So, $AU = U\Lambda$. Hence, $A = U\Lambda U^{-1}$

In positive semi-definite matrix, the eigenvalues are greater than or equal to zero. Also, any two eigenvector are orthogonal.

Hence, U is a orthogonal matrix and if we normalize its eigenvector then it becomes orthonormal.

So, we can write $A = U\Lambda U^{-1}$.

The eigendecomposition of A satisfies all the requirement of having SVD.

Problem 3

If A is not positive semidefinite, how can we modify signs in $A = U\Lambda U^T$

Solution If A is not positive semi-definite then there exists eigenvalues which are not positive. In such case, we can take absolute value of eigen vectors to form the diagonal matrix Λ .

Problem 4

Show that for a square $A = USU^T$ one has $AA^T = US^2U^T$ and $A^T A = U^T S^2 U$, and that these are eigen decompositions.

Solution Given, $A = USU^T$

So, $A^T = (USU^T)^T$

$\implies A^T = (U^T)^T S^T U^T$

$\implies A^T = US^T U^T$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{So, } A^T A &= U S U^T U S^T U^T \\ \implies A^T A &= U S S^T U^T \\ \implies A^T A &= U S^2 U^T\end{aligned}$$

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