

Lecture 8 Singular Value Decomposition

- Examine this matrix and uncover its linear algebraic properties to:
 - 1. Approximate A with a smaller matrix B that is easier to store but contains similar information as A
 - 2. Dimensionality Reduction / Feature Extraction
 - 3. Anomaly Detection & Denoising
- Linearly Independent vectors
 - Vectors $V = \{V_1, \dots, V_n\}$ are linearly independent if $aV_1 + \dots + aV_n = 0$ vector
 - This can only be satisfied by $a_i = 0$
 - This means that no vector in that set can be expressed as a linear combinator of other vectors in that set
- Determinant
 - The determinant of a square matrix A is a scalar value that encodes properties about the linear mapping described by A.
 - $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \quad \det(A) = ad - bc$
 - $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{pmatrix} \quad \det(A) = a \cdot \det\begin{pmatrix} e & f \\ h & i \end{pmatrix} - b \cdot \det\begin{pmatrix} d & f \\ g & i \end{pmatrix} + c \cdot \det\begin{pmatrix} d & e \\ g & h \end{pmatrix}$
 - N vectors $V = \{V_1, \dots, V_n\}$ in an n dimensional space are linearly independent iff the matrix $A = [V_1, \dots, V_n]$ (n x n) has a non-zero determinant
- Rank
 - The rank of a matrix A is the dimension of the vector space spanned by its column space. This is equal to the maximal number of linearly independent columns / rows of A
 - Full Rank : A Matrix A is full rank iff $\text{rank}(A) = \min(m, n)$
 - Most datasets are full rank despite containing a lot of redundant / similar
 - You can calculate the rank of a matrix through the Gram-Schmidt Process
- Matrix Factorization
 - Any matrix A of rank k can be factored as $A = UV$
 - Where U is n x k
 - And Where V = k x m
- Frobenius Distance

$$d_F(A, B) = \|A - B\|_F = \sqrt{\sum_{i,j} (a_{ij} - b_{ij})^2}$$

- The pairwise sum of squares difference in values of A and B
- Approximation
 - When $k < \text{rank}(A)$ the rank-k approximation of A is

$$A^{(k)} = \arg \min_{\{B | \text{rank}(B) = k\}} d_F(A, B)$$

- Matrix Factorization Improved

- Not only can we factorize a matrix A of rank k as $A = UV$. But we can factorize A using a process called Singular Value Decomposition where $A = U\Sigma V^T$
- where U is $n \times r$
 - The columns of U are orthogonal & unit length ($U^T U = I$)
- Where V is $m \times r$
 - The columns of V are orthogonal & unit length ($V^T V = I$)
- SVD
 - Data reduction tool -> helping reduce data into key features analyzing and describing data that can then be used to model data
 - Data driven generalization
 - Google search , facial recognition , Netflix (recommending shows -> correlations)
 - Reshaping data into column vectors to create a matrix
 - $U\Sigma V^T$