

NUMERICAL RECIPES

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SVD Implementation

We here list the implementation that constructs the singular value decomposition of any matrix. See §11.3–§11.4, and also [1,2], for discussion relating to the underlying method. Note that all the hard work is done by `decompose`; `reorder` simply orders the columns into canonical order (decreasing w_j 's, and with sign flips to get the maximum number of positive elements. The function `pythag` does just what you might guess from its name, coded so as avoid overflow or underflow.

```
void SVD::decompose() {
```

[svd.h](#)

Given the matrix \mathbf{A} stored in `u[0..m-1][0..n-1]`, this routine computes its singular value decomposition, $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U} \cdot \mathbf{W} \cdot \mathbf{V}^T$ and stores the results in the matrices `u` and `v`, and the vector `w`.

```
    bool flag;
    Int i, its, j, jj, k, l, nm;
    Doub anorm, c, f, g, h, s, scale, x, y, z;
    VecDoub rv1(n);
    g = scale = anorm = 0.0;           Householder reduction to bidiagonal form.
    for (i=0; i<n; i++) {
        l=i+2;
        rv1[i]=scale*g;
        g=s=scale=0.0;
        if (i < m) {
            for (k=i; k<m; k++) scale += abs(u[k][i]);
            if (scale != 0.0) {
                for (k=i; k<m; k++) {
                    u[k][i] /= scale;
                    s += u[k][i]*u[k][i];
                }
                f=u[i][i];
                g = -SIGN(sqrt(s), f);
                h=f*g-s;
                u[i][i]=f-g;
                for (j=l-1; j<n; j++) {
                    for (s=0.0, k=i; k<m; k++) s += u[k][i]*u[k][j];
                    f=s/h;
                    for (k=i; k<m; k++) u[k][j] += f*u[k][i];
                }
                for (k=i; k<m; k++) u[k][i] *= scale;
            }
        }
        w[i]=scale*g;
        g=s=scale=0.0;
        if (i+1 <= m && i+1 != n) {
            for (k=l-1; k<n; k++) scale += abs(u[i][k]);
            if (scale != 0.0) {
                for (k=l-1; k<n; k++) {
                    u[i][k] /= scale;
                    s += u[i][k]*u[i][k];
                }
            }
        }
    }
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    }
    f=u[i][l-1];
    g = -SIGN(sqrt(s),f);
    h=f*g-s;
    u[i][l-1]=f-g;
    for (k=l-1;k<n;k++) rv1[k]=u[i][k]/h;
    for (j=l-1;j<m;j++) {
        for (s=0.0,k=l-1;k<n;k++) s += u[j][k]*u[i][k];
        for (k=l-1;k<n;k++) u[j][k] += s*rv1[k];
    }
    for (k=l-1;k<n;k++) u[i][k] *= scale;
}
}
anorm=MAX(anorm,(abs(w[i])+abs(rv1[i])));
}
for (i=n-1;i>=0;i--) {
    Accumulation of right-hand transformations.
    if (i < n-1) {
        if (g != 0.0) {
            for (j=1;j<n;j++)
                Double division to avoid possible underflow.
                v[j][i]=(u[i][j]/u[i][l])/g;
            for (j=1;j<n;j++) {
                for (s=0.0,k=1;k<n;k++) s += u[i][k]*v[k][j];
                for (k=1;k<n;k++) v[k][j] += s*v[k][i];
            }
        }
        for (j=1;j<n;j++) v[i][j]=v[j][i]=0.0;
    }
    v[i][i]=1.0;
    g=rv1[i];
    l=i;
}
for (i=MIN(m,n)-1;i>=0;i--) {
    Accumulation of left-hand transformations.
    l=i+1;
    g=w[i];
    for (j=1;j<n;j++) u[i][j]=0.0;
    if (g != 0.0) {
        g=1.0/g;
        for (j=1;j<n;j++) {
            for (s=0.0,k=1;k<m;k++) s += u[k][i]*u[k][j];
            f=(s/u[i][i])*g;
            for (k=i;k<m;k++) u[k][j] += f*u[k][i];
        }
        for (j=i;j<m;j++) u[j][i] *= g;
    } else for (j=i;j<m;j++) u[j][i]=0.0;
    ++u[i][i];
}
for (k=n-1;k>=0;k--) {
    Diagonalization of the bidiagonal form: Loop over
    singular values, and over allowed iterations.
    for (its=0;its<30;its++) {
        flag=true;
        for (l=k;l>=0;l--) {
            Test for splitting.
            nm=l-1;
            if (l == 0 || abs(rv1[l]) <= eps*anorm) {
                flag=false;
                break;
            }
            if (abs(w[nm]) <= eps*anorm) break;
        }
        if (flag) {
            if (flag) {
                Cancellation of rv1[l], if l > 0.
                c=0.0;
                s=1.0;
                for (i=l;i<k+1;i++) {
                    f=s*rv1[i];
                    rv1[i]=c*rv1[i];
                    if (abs(f) <= eps*anorm) break;
                }
            }
        }
    }
}

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        g=w[i];
        h=pythag(f,g);
        w[i]=h;
        h=1.0/h;
        c=g*h;
        s = -f*h;
        for (j=0;j<m;j++) {
            y=u[j][nm];
            z=u[j][i];
            u[j][nm]=y*c+z*s;
            u[j][i]=z*c-y*s;
        }
    }
}
z=w[k];
if (l == k) {
    if (z < 0.0) {
        w[k] = -z;
        for (j=0;j<n;j++) v[j][k] = -v[j][k];
    }
    break;
}
if (its == 29) throw("no convergence in 30 svdcmp iterations");
x=w[l];
nm=k-1;
y=w[nm];
g=rv1[nm];
h=rv1[k];
f=((y-z)*(y+z)+(g-h)*(g+h))/(2.0*h*y);
g=pythag(f,1.0);
f=((x-z)*(x+z)+h*((y/(f+SIGN(g,f)))-h))/x;
c=s=1.0;
for (j=l;j<=nm;j++) {
    i=j+1;
    g=rv1[i];
    y=w[i];
    h=s*g;
    g=c*g;
    z=pythag(f,h);
    rv1[j]=z;
    c=f/z;
    s=h/z;
    f=x*c+g*s;
    g=g*c-x*s;
    h=y*s;
    y *= c;
    for (jj=0;jj<n;jj++) {
        x=v[jj][j];
        z=v[jj][i];
        v[jj][j]=x*c+z*s;
        v[jj][i]=z*c-x*s;
    }
    z=pythag(f,h);
    w[j]=z;
    if (z) {
        z=1.0/z;
        c=f*z;
        s=h*z;
    }
    f=c*g+s*y;
    x=c*y-s*g;
    for (jj=0;jj<m;jj++) {
        y=u[jj][j];
        z=u[jj][i];

```

Convergence.
Singular value is made nonnegative.

Shift from bottom 2-by-2 minor.

Next QR transformation:

Rotation can be arbitrary if $z = 0$.

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        u[jj][j]=y*c+z*s;
        u[jj][i]=z*c-y*s;
    }
}
rv1[1]=0.0;
rv1[k]=f;
w[k]=x;
}
}
}

```

```
void SVD::reorder() {
```

Given the output of decompose, this routine sorts the singular values, and corresponding columns of u and v , by decreasing magnitude. Also, signs of corresponding columns are flipped so as to maximize the number of positive elements.

```

    Int i,j,k,s,inc=1;
    Doub sw;
    VecDoub su(m), sv(n);
    do { inc *= 3; inc++; } while (inc <= n);
    do {
        inc /= 3;
        for (i=inc;i<n;i++) {
            sw = w[i];
            for (k=0;k<m;k++) su[k] = u[k][i];
            for (k=0;k<n;k++) sv[k] = v[k][i];
            j = i;
            while (w[j-inc] < sw) {
                w[j] = w[j-inc];
                for (k=0;k<m;k++) u[k][j] = u[k][j-inc];
                for (k=0;k<n;k++) v[k][j] = v[k][j-inc];
                j -= inc;
                if (j < inc) break;
            }
            w[j] = sw;
            for (k=0;k<m;k++) u[k][j] = su[k];
            for (k=0;k<n;k++) v[k][j] = sv[k];
        }
    } while (inc > 1);
    for (k=0;k<n;k++) {
        s=0;
        for (i=0;i<m;i++) if (u[i][k] < 0.) s++;
        for (j=0;j<n;j++) if (v[j][k] < 0.) s++;
        if (s > (m+n)/2) {
            for (i=0;i<m;i++) u[i][k] = -u[i][k];
            for (j=0;j<n;j++) v[j][k] = -v[j][k];
        }
    }
}

```

Sort. The method is Shell's sort. (The work is negligible as compared to that already done in decompose.)

Flip signs.

```
Doub SVD::pythag(const Doub a, const Doub b) {
```

Computes $(a^2 + b^2)^{1/2}$ without destructive underflow or overflow.

```

    Doub absa=abs(a), absb=abs(b);
    return (absa > absb ? absa*sqrt(1.0+SQR(absb/absa)) :
        (absb == 0.0 ? 0.0 : absb*sqrt(1.0+SQR(absa/absb))));
}

```

CITED REFERENCES AND FURTHER READING:

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