Image Compression Using SVD

We consider an grayscale image $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n imes n}$ with entries $A_{ij} \in [0,1]$ representing the gray intensity.

Singular Value Decomposition

A square matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n imes n}$ can be written as SVD, defined as:

$$A = U \Sigma V^T = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i \sigma_i v_i^T = u_1 \sigma_1 v_1^T + \dots + u_r \sigma_r v_r^T$$

using Images, TestImages, LinearAlgebra, PlutoUI, Plots

Load test image from the TestImages package.



```
begin
# img = float.(testimage("lena_gray_512"))
img = float.(testimage("moonsurface"))
end
```

Compressed Image

We construct the compressed image $ilde{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n imes n}$ as rank r=13 approimxation, defined as:

$$ilde{A} = \sum_{i=1}^r u_i \sigma_i v_i^T = u_1 \sigma_1 v_1^T + \dots + u_r \sigma_r v_r^T$$

with rank r.

Storage Requirement of Compressed Matrix

Instead of storing n^2 matrix entires, we could now only store the r-times the summation tuple $\{u_i, \sigma_i, v_i^T\}$ which leads to a size

$$\operatorname{size}(\tilde{A}) = r(n+1+n) = r(2n+1) \ll n^2 = \operatorname{size}(A)$$
 for $r \ll n$

compressed (generic function with 1 method)

```
function compressed(img, rank)
U, Σ, Vt = svd(img);
return Gray.(sum([U[:,i] * Σ[i] * Vt[:,i]' for i=1:rank])) # Gray
end
```





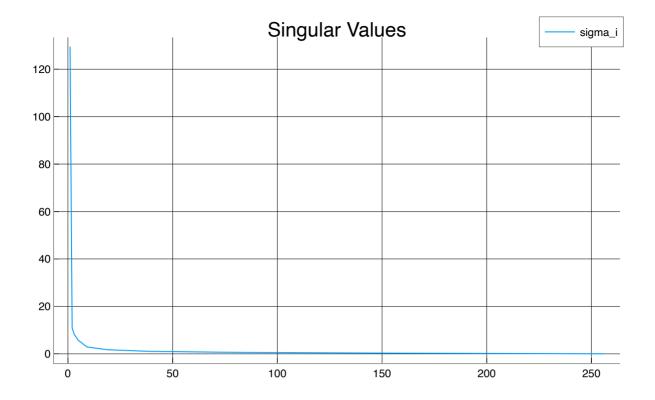
compressed(img, rank)

Check the Singular Values

Rule of thumb: If the decrease of SVs is strong, we have a low rank stucture and can compress.

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Plots.PlotlyBackend()
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- plotly()



• plot(svd(img).S, title="Singular Values", label="sigma_i")