18-Singular-Value-Decomposition

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In [1]: from latools import *
    from sympy import *
    init printing(use latex=True)
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1 A Simple Example

As an example of the calculations needed to find the Singular Value Decomposition (SVD), let's consider the matrix:

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \\ 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since M a 3×2 matrix, the associated linear transformation $L(\mathbf{x}) = M\mathbf{x}$ has domain $\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{H}}$ and codomain \mathbb{R}^2 . So, the goal of the SVD is to find:

- An orthonormal basis B of \mathbb{R}^3 . Denote by P the matrix that has the vectors of B as its columns
- An orthonormal basis C of \mathbb{R}^2 . Denote by Q the matrix that has the vectors of C as ist columns
- The bases have the property that the matrix of *L* from basis *B* to basis *C* has the form:

$$D = Q^T M P$$

where:

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{\lambda_1} & 0\\ 0 & \sqrt{\lambda_2}\\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

 λ_1 and λ_2 are the eigenvalues of the matrix M^TM . The singular values of M are $\sqrt{\lambda_1}$ and $\sqrt{\lambda_2}$.

Let's now see the steps needed to find the SVD:

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Out [2]:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \\ 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

This is a 6×3 matrix, so we can use the singular value decomposition.

Step 1: Compute $A = M^T M$, find its eigenvalues and an orthonormal basis of eigenvectors:

In [3]:
$$A = M.T * M$$
A

Out[3]:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 17 & 8 \\ 8 & 17 \end{bmatrix}$$

As expected, this is a symmetric 3×3 matrix. To find an orthonormal basis of \mathbb{R}^2 that consists of eigenvectors of A, we start by computing the eigenvalues of A:

Out [4]:

$$\lambda^2 - 34\lambda + 225$$

In [5]: factor(p)

Out [5]:

$$(\lambda - 25)(\lambda - 9)$$

The eigenvalues are $\lambda_1 = 25$ and $\lambda_2 = 9$. Notice that all eigenvalues are non-negative real numbers, as will always be the case.

Eigenspace associated to $\lambda_1 = 25$:

Out [6]:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

This yields the system:

$$x_1 - x_2 = 0$$

Letting $x_2 = 1$, we get $x_1 = 1$, and we get the eigenvector:

 $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

The first vector of our orthonormal basis is this vector, normalized to length 1, as computed in the next cell:

Out[7]:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

Eigenspace associated to $\lambda_2 = 9$:

In [8]:
$$R = reduced_row_echelon_form(A - 9*eye(2))$$
R

Out[8]:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

This yields the system:

$$x1 + x2 = 0$$

Letting $x^2 = -1$, we get $x^2 = 1$, and we get the eigenvector:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

The second vector of our orthonormal basis is this vector, normalized to length 1, as computed in the next cell:

Out [9]:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

We conclude that the orthonormal basis of the domain of \mathbb{R}^2 is $B = \{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2\}$. The corresponding change of basis matrix is:

In [10]:
$$P = Matrix.hstack(u1,u2)$$
 P

Out[10]:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

We can check that this is correct by computing:

We now need to find an orthonormal basis of the codomain, \mathbb{R}^3 . The starting point is to compute:

 $\mathbf{v}_i = \frac{M\mathbf{u}_i}{\sqrt{\lambda_i}}$

for all vectors \mathbf{u}_i of the orthonormal basis B:

 $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

In [15]: v2
Out[15]:

 $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{6} \\ -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{6} \\ \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3} \end{bmatrix}$

The set $\{\mathbf v_1,\mathbf v_2\}$ is an orthonormal set, as verified in the following computational cells.

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In [16]: v1.dot(v2)
Out[16]:

In [17]: v1.norm()
Out[17]:
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In [18]: v2.norm()
Out[18]:
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We now need to complete $\{v_1, v_2\}$ to an orthonormal basis of \mathbb{R}^3 . We need to find one more vector for the basis, which can be done by using the Gram-Schmidt procedure as follows:

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In [19]: v = Matrix([1,0,0])
    v3 = v - v.dot(v1) / v1.dot(v1) * v1 - v.dot(v2) / v2.dot(v2) * v2
    v3 = v3 / v3.norm()
    v3
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Out [19]:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{3} \\ -\frac{2}{3} \\ -\frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

The following cell finishes the check that $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ is an orthonormal basis of \mathbb{R}^3 :

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In [20]: v1.dot(v3), v2.dot(v3), v3.dot(v3)
Out[20]:
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Let's now compute the change of basis matrix for the basis $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$:

In [21]:
$$Q = Matrix.hstack(v1, v2, v3)$$

Out [21]:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{6} & \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{6} & -\frac{2}{3} \\ 0 & \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

This should be an orthogonal matrix:

Out[22]:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

We can now check that

$$Q^T M P = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{\lambda_1} & 0\\ 0 & \sqrt{\lambda_2}\\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$