

Last time: Rand NLA : Low-rank approximation

Goal : Given $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, $k < \min\{m, n\}$ (assume $m \geq n$)

$$\text{Find } \min_{\text{rank}(A_k) \leq k} \|A - A_k\| \quad (*)$$

Here we take $\|\cdot\|$ to be 2-norm or Frobenius norm

Solution:

$$\text{Let SVD of } A \text{ be } A = U \Sigma V^T = \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i u_i v_i^T$$

$$\text{where } U = [u_1 \ u_2 \ \dots \ u_m] \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$$

$$V = [v_1 \ v_2 \ \dots \ v_n] \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

$$\Sigma = \text{diag}(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$$

The optimal rank- k approximation of A is given by

$$A_k := U_k \Sigma_k V_k^T = \sum_{i=1}^k \sigma_i u_i v_i^T$$

$$\text{where } U_k = [u_1 \ u_2 \ \dots \ u_k] \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times k}$$

$$V_k = [v_1 \ v_2 \ \dots \ v_k] \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k}$$

$$\Sigma_k = \text{diag}(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_k) \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k}$$

- An equivalent formulation of low-rank approximation is the Principal Component Analysis (PCA).

Let data points be m -dim vectors, stored in n columns of A .

PCA aims to find k vectors whose span best contains the

data points in A . We can assume these vectors are orthonormal

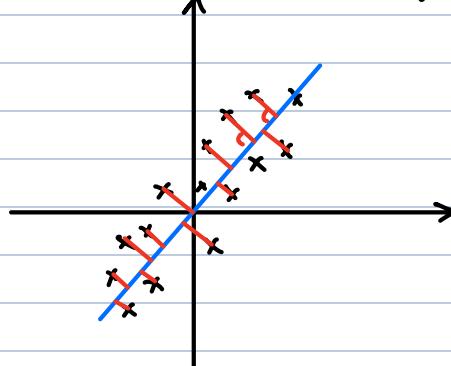
basis and form the following problem:

$$\min_{\substack{Q \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times k} \\ Q^T Q = I_m}} \|A - \underbrace{QQ^T A}_{=: P_Q} A\| \quad (**)$$

projection onto span of Q

that is, $A \approx Q Q^T A$, Q is an approximate basis

for the range of A



PCA is essentially low-rank approximation:

- On one hand. $\min_{\substack{\text{rank}(A) \leq k}} \|A - \hat{A}\| \leq \min_{\substack{Q \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times k} \\ Q^T Q = I_m}} \|A - \underbrace{QQ^T A}_{\text{rank}(QQ^T A) \leq k} A\|$

- On the other hand, we take $Q = [u_1 \dots u_k] \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times k}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{then } \underbrace{QQ^T A}_{=: C} &= [u_1 \dots u_k] \begin{bmatrix} -u_1^T \\ \vdots \\ -u_k^T \end{bmatrix} [u_1 \dots u_m] \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \ddots \\ \sigma_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -v_1^T \\ \vdots \\ -v_n^T \end{bmatrix} \\ &= [u_1 \dots u_k] [\sigma_1 \dots \sigma_k] \begin{bmatrix} -v_1^T \\ \vdots \\ -v_k^T \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned} \quad \leftarrow \text{truncated SVD of } A$$

The optimal $Q_k = U_k = [u_1 \dots u_k]$

- How to efficiently compute low-rank approximation of A ?
 - Apply SVD to A then truncate \leftarrow expensive! $\mathcal{O}(mn^2)$
 - Workaround: two stage algorithm from PCA

Stage A: compute orthonormal basis Q whose span approximates $\text{span}(A)$

$$\Rightarrow A \approx Q Q^T A \quad \text{and} \quad Q^T Q = I$$

Stage B: Compute $C = Q^T A \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times n}$ $\leftarrow O(kmn)$

then compute SVD of C (use whatever method):

$$C = \tilde{U} \Sigma V^T \leftarrow O(k^2 n)$$

$$\text{then } A \approx (\tilde{Q} \tilde{U}) \Sigma V^T \leftarrow O(k^2 m)$$

- How to find Q ? (Randomized "sketch")

Idea: Approximate $\text{span}\{u_1, \dots, u_k\}$. the top k singular vectors of A , with a single power iteration

Intuition 1: Suppose A has exactly rank k , so the best rank k approximation of A is A itself. Suppose $\sigma_k > 0$

Compute $Y = A \Omega$, $\Omega \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k}$

$$[Y_1 \dots Y_k] = [U_1 \dots U_k] \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \sigma_k \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -v_1^T \\ \vdots \\ -v_k^T \end{bmatrix} [\omega_1 \dots \omega_k]$$

↑

Y has linearly independent columns as long as $\text{rank}(V^T \Omega) = k$

For i.i.d. normal entries of Ω , this happens almost surely.

To get orthonormal basis, we compute $Y = QR$

$$\text{Clearly } \|A - Q Q^T A\|_2 = 0 = \sigma_{k+1} \quad \text{a.s.}$$

$V^T \Omega$ still has i.i.d. normal entries

Intuition 2: Now let $A = \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^k \sigma_i u_i v_i^\top}_{=: \hat{A}_k} + \underbrace{\sum_{j=k+1}^n \sigma_j u_j v_j^\top}_{=: E}$

($\|E\|_2 = \sigma_{k+1}$ small)

then $Y_i = Aw_i = \hat{A}_k w_i + E w_i$

$$Y = \tilde{Y} + E \Omega$$

\uparrow basis for $\text{span}(\hat{A}_k)$

↑ small perturbation

The span of \tilde{Y} is a good approximation to Y with high probability as long as we oversample, i.e. take $\Omega \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times (k+p)}$ instead (p is oversampling parameter)

Algorithm: (Randomized SVD)

Stage A: 1) Generate iid Gaussian random matrix

Optimal range finder $\Omega \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times (k+p)}$

2) Compute $Y = A \Omega \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times (k+p)}$

3) Compute QR fact. $Y = \hat{Q}_{k+p} \hat{R}$, $\hat{Q}_{k+p} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times (k+p)}$

Stage B: 1) Compute $B = \hat{Q}_{k+p}^T A \in \mathbb{R}^{(k+p) \times n}$

Post-processing (truncated SVD) 2) Compute SVD : $B = \tilde{U}_{k+p} \tilde{\Sigma}_{k+p} \tilde{V}_{k+p}^T$

3) Compute $\hat{U}_{k+p} = \hat{Q}_{k+p} \tilde{U}_{k+p} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times (k+p)}$

Out put : $\hat{A}_k := \hat{U}_k \hat{\Sigma}_k \hat{V}_k^T = \sum_{i=1}^k \hat{\sigma}_i \hat{u}_i \hat{v}_i^T$

Error analysis: Let $P_Y := \hat{Q}_{k+p} \hat{Q}_{k+p}^T$

We split the final error into two parts

$$\|A - \hat{A}_k\| \leq \|A - P_Y A\| + \|P_Y A - \hat{A}_k\|$$

approximation err
of range finder
(stage A)

truncation err
(stage B)

Given \hat{Q}_{k+p} , Stage B is completing the best rank k

approximation of $P_Y A := \hat{Q}_{k+p} \hat{Q}_{k+p}^T A$

(b.c. $P_Y A = \hat{Q}_{k+p} \tilde{U}_{k+p} \hat{\Sigma}_{k+p} \hat{V}_{k+p}^T$ ← SVD of $P_Y A$)
and the output truncates to the top k modes

Thus $\|P_Y A - \hat{A}_k\|$ is easy to control:

$$\|P_Y A - \hat{A}_k\| \leq \|P_Y (A - A_k)\| \leq \|A - A_k\| \leq \begin{cases} \sigma_{k+1}, \|.\|_F = \|.\|_2 \\ (\sum_{j=k+1}^n \sigma_j^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \|.\|_F = \|.\|_2 \end{cases}$$

optimal rank k
approx. of A

\downarrow
 \hat{A}_k is optimal

\uparrow
projection is
a contraction (length shrinking)

It remains to analyze the error in Stage A, i.e. $\|A - P_Y A\|$

• Special case: $\text{rank}(A) = k$, $\Omega \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k}$

$$\text{Then } Y = A\Omega = U_k \underbrace{\Sigma_k (V_k^T \Omega)}_{\text{rank}(V_k^T \Omega) = k \text{ almost surely}}$$

so $\text{range}(Y) = \text{range}(U_k) = \text{range}(A)$ almost surely

$$\Rightarrow \|A - P_Y A\| = 0$$

• General case: $\text{rank}(A) > k$. oversampling $p > 1$

$$Y = A\Omega = [U_k, \bar{U}] \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_k \\ \bar{\Sigma} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} V_k^T \\ \bar{V}^T \end{bmatrix} \Omega$$

$$= \underbrace{U_k \Sigma_k (V_k^T \Omega)}_{=: Y_k} + \underbrace{\bar{U} \bar{\Sigma} (\bar{V}^T \Omega)}_{\text{perturbation } O(\sigma_{k+1})}$$

$\text{range}(Y_k) = \text{range}(U_k)$ as long as $V_k^T \Omega$ has full row rank

Thm (Perturbation lemma)

For $\|\cdot\| = \|\cdot\|_2$ or $\|\cdot\|_F$,

and any $\Omega \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times (k+p)}$, s.t. $V_k^T \Omega \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times (k+p)}$ has full row rank, then

$$\|(I - P_Y)A\|^2 \leq \|\bar{\Sigma}\|^2 + \|\bar{\Sigma}(\bar{V}^T \Omega)(V_k^T \Omega)^+\|^2$$

$\xrightarrow[\mathbb{R}^{(n-k) \times (k+p)}]{\Omega} \Omega_2 := \Omega_1 := \text{pseudo inverse}$

$\Omega_1, \Omega_2 \text{ iid Gaussian entry}$

Use this lemma, we can prove average error bound:

$$\mathbb{E} [\|(I - P_Y)A\|_F^2] \leq \|\bar{\Sigma}\|_F^2 + \mathbb{E} [\|\bar{\Sigma} \Omega_2 \Omega_1^+\|_F^2]$$

Conditioned on Ω_1 , we have

$$\mathbb{E} [\|\bar{\Sigma}_2 \Omega_2 \Omega_1^+\|_F^2 | \Omega_1] = \|\bar{\Sigma}\|_F^2 \|\Omega_1^+\|_F^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbb{E} [\|SGT\|_F^2] \\ &= \|S\|_F^2 \|T\|_F^2 \end{aligned}$$

(exercise)

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} [\|(I - P_Y)A\|_F^2] &\leq \|\bar{\Sigma}\|_F^2 + \|\bar{\Sigma}\|_F^2 \mathbb{E} [\|\Omega_1^+\|_F^2] \quad \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{use} \\ \text{Inverse} \\ \text{Wishart} \\ \text{distribution} \end{array} \\ &= \left(1 + \frac{k}{p-1}\right) \|\bar{\Sigma}\|_F^2 \\ &= \left(1 + \frac{k}{p-1}\right) \left(\sum_{j=k}^n \sigma_j^2\right) \quad \|\Omega_1^+\|_F^2 = \text{tr}[(\Omega_1^T \Omega_1)^{-1}] \end{aligned}$$

Remark: Randomness ensure $\mathbb{E} [\|\Omega_1^+\|_F^2]$ is small

Similar bound can be obtained for 2-norm

Thm $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$. $k \geq 2$, $p \geq 2$ s.t. $k+p \leq \frac{1}{2} \min\{m, n\}$

Then Stage A produces $m \times (k+p)$ orthonormal basis, s.t.

$$\mathbb{E} [\|A - \hat{Q}_{k+p} \hat{Q}_{k+p}^T A\|_2] \leq \sigma_{k+1} \left[1 + \frac{4\sqrt{k+p}}{p-1} \sqrt{\min\{m, n\}} \right]$$

If $4 \log 4 \leq p \leq \min\{m, n\}$, then

$$\|A - \hat{Q}_{k+p} \hat{Q}_{k+p}^T A\|_2 \leq 6_{k+1} [1 + 9\sqrt{k+p} \sqrt{\min\{m, n\}}]$$

with probability $\geq 1 - 3p^{-p}$

For $p=10$, failure probability $\leq 3 \times 10^{-10}$!

- In the proof above, essentially we want

$$\|(\bar{V}^T \Omega) (V_k^T \Omega)^+ \| = O(1)$$

In the special case $k+p=n$, and $\Omega = I_n$

$$\|(\bar{V}^T \Omega) (V_k^T \Omega)^+ \| = \|\bar{V}^T V_k\| = 0$$

\bar{V} orthogonal basis

In general, we have

$$\bar{V}^T \Omega = \begin{bmatrix} -\bar{v}_1^T & - \\ \vdots & \\ -\bar{v}_{n-k}^T & - \end{bmatrix} \Omega = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{v}_1^T \Omega \\ \vdots \\ \bar{v}_{n-k}^T \Omega \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{(n-k) \times (k+p)}$$

$$V_k^T \Omega = \begin{bmatrix} v_1^T \Omega \\ \vdots \\ v_k^T \Omega \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times (k+p)}$$

In order for $\|(\bar{V}^T \Omega) (V_k^T \Omega)^+ \| \leq \|\bar{V}^T \Omega\| \|(V_k^T \Omega)^+\| = O(1)$

we need $\|\bar{v}_i^T (\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \Omega)\| \approx \|\bar{v}_i\|$, $\|v_j^T (\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \Omega)\| \approx \|v_j\|$, $\forall i, j$.

- In other words, we can view $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \Omega$ as a map from

$\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{k+p}$, and hope that the norm (or angle) of

$v_1, \dots, v_k, \bar{v}_1, \dots, \bar{v}_{n-k} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ are approximately preserved.

We want the choice of Ω is such that it "sketch" every given vector in an low-dimensional subspace with small distortion, without knowing the subspace in advance.

Such choice of Ω is called oblivious subspace embedding.

Intuitively, we know $\|V^T(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\Omega)\|_2 \approx \|V^T\|_2$ is requiring

$\frac{1}{n}\Omega\Omega^T \approx I_k$, which can be seen from

$$\frac{1}{n} \mathbb{E}[(\Omega\Omega^T)_{ij}] = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \mathbb{E}[w_{ik} w_{jk}] = \delta_{ij}$$

- Other than Gaussian matrices, there are other options such as subsampled randomized Hadamard (or Fourier) transforms, which allow fast evaluation of $A\Omega$.

i.e. $\Omega = \sqrt{\frac{n}{l}} DFR \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times l}$ (assume complex A for simplicity)

D: $n \times n$ diagonal iid uniform on unit circle

F: $n \times l$ unitary discrete FFT transform

R: $n \times l$ each column sample w/o replacement from I_n

when $l \sim k \log(k)$, we have

$$0.4 \leq G_R(V^*\Omega), G_s(V^*\Omega) \leq 1.48$$