

Previously: given a square $n \times n$ symmetric matrix A
 can write $A = P D P^T$ $P = \text{orthonormal}$
 $(\text{so rows/columns form orthonormal basis})$

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix} \text{ diagonal}$$

Anton 9.4 Singular Value Decomposition

Let A be an $\underbrace{m \times n}$ matrix.

$m \neq n$
 could be

different so A need not be
square

$A^T A$ is symmetric, so

$n \times m$ $m \times 1$

$A^T A = n \times n$ matrix

- eigenvalues are non-negative, so let's arrange them largest to smallest

$$\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_k > 0 = 0 \dots = 0$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}$ positive $\lambda_{k+1} \lambda_{k+2} \dots \lambda_n$
 (if some eigenvalues are 0.)

- has orthonormal basis of eigenvectors v_1, \dots, v_n

correspond to eigenvalues $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_k > 0 = 0 \dots = 0$

Singular Value Decomposition says we can write .

$$A = U \sum V^T$$

m × n m × m m × n n × n
 orthogonal (main)
 diagonal orthogonal

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & & & \\ & \sigma_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \sigma_k \\ \hline & & & 0 \\ & & & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(generalizing $A = P D P^T$ for symmetric square matrices)

What must U, Σ, V^T be?

Assume $A = U \Sigma V^T$.

Then $\underbrace{A^T A}_{\text{Symmetric matrix}} = (U \Sigma V^T)^T (U \Sigma V^T)$

$$= (V^T)^T \Sigma^T \underbrace{U^T U}_{\text{Im}} \Sigma V^T$$

$$A^T A = V \underbrace{(\Sigma^T \Sigma)}_{\text{n × n diagonal matrix.}} V^T$$

So if $A^T A = P D P^T$ from the orthogonal diagonalization of $A^T A$, then

$$V = P$$

$\Sigma^T \Sigma = D$, so σ_i^2 are the eigenvalues of $A^T A$

$$\left[\begin{array}{c|c} \sigma_1 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 \end{array} \right]$$

for $i \leq \min(m, n)$

Singular Value Decomposition of an $m \times n$ matrix A

$$A = U \sum V^T$$

$m \times n$ $m \times m$
 orthogonal (main)
 diagonal

$m \times n$
 (main)
 diagonal

$n \times n$
 orthonormal

$$= \begin{bmatrix} | & | & | & | \\ u_1 & \dots & u_k & u_{k+1} & \dots & u_m \\ | & | & | & | \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{\lambda_1} & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & \sqrt{\lambda_k} & \\ & & & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} | & | & | \\ -v_1^T & \dots & v_n^T \\ | & | & | \end{bmatrix}$$

- $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_k > 0$ are positive eigenvalues for $\underline{A^T A}$
 - v_1, \dots, v_n orthonormal basis of eigenvectors for $\underline{A^T A}$ with v_i having eigenvalue λ_i
 - $u_i = \frac{Av_i}{\|Av_i\|} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_i}} Av_i$ for $i=1, 2, \dots, k$
 - $\{u_1, \dots, u_k\}$ is orthonormal basis for column space of A
 - $\{u_1, \dots, u_k, u_{k+1}, \dots, u_m\}$ is extension of $\{u_1, \dots, u_k\}$ to an orthonormal basis for \mathbb{R}^m
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Proof is easy:

(details later)

$$U \Sigma = A V \quad \text{from } u_i \sqrt{\lambda_i} = Av_i$$

$$U \Sigma V^{-1} = A$$

$$U \Sigma V^T = A \quad \text{since } V \text{ is orthogonal}$$

Terminology:

v_1, \dots, v_n are called the right singular vectors of A

u_1, \dots, u_k are called the left singular vectors of A

$\sigma_1 = \sqrt{\lambda_1}, \dots, \sigma_k = \sqrt{\lambda_k}$ are singular values of A

Anton 9.4 Example 2.

Find a singular value decomposition of $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$A = U \Sigma V^T$$

i.e. Find the 3 matrices \rightarrow

Solution First find orthogonal diagonalization of $\underline{A^T A}$

$$B = A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$2 \times 3 \qquad 3 \times 2$

Find eigenvalues of B via characteristic polynomial

$$0 = \det(B - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 2-\lambda & 1 \\ 1 & 2-\lambda \end{vmatrix} = (2-\lambda)(2-\lambda) - 1 \cdot 1$$

$$0 = 4 - 4\lambda + \lambda^2 - 1$$

$$0 = \lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 3$$

$$0 = (\lambda - 1)(\lambda - 3) \quad \text{so eigenvalues are } \lambda_1 = 3, \lambda_2 = 1$$

$$B = A^T A$$

$$Bv = \lambda_1 v$$

$$Bv - \lambda_1 v = 0$$

$(B - \lambda_1 I)v = 0$ Find $\lambda_1 = 3$ eigenvector is null space of

$$B - \lambda_1 I = \begin{bmatrix} 2-3 & 1 \\ 1 & 2-3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = (B - \lambda_1 I)v = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

3 is biggest eigenvalue so let it be λ_1 , not λ_2

row reduce $B - 3I$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{(-1)R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$c_1 - c_2 = 0$$

c_2 is free

$$c_1 = c_2 \quad c_2 = c_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} c_2$$

so $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ is an eigenvector, but not a unit eigenvector.
It has $\| \cdot \| ^2 = 1^2 + 1^2 = 2$

so we scale it by $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

$$v_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

is $\overset{\text{unit}}{\text{eigenvector}}$ for A

Similarly, for $\lambda_2 = 1$: $B = A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ $B - 1 \cdot I = \begin{bmatrix} 2-1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2-1 \end{bmatrix}$
 $= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

row reducing $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$c_1 + c_2 = 0$$

c_2 is free

$$c_1 = -c_2 \quad c_2 = c_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} c_2$$

$$v_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\sqrt{2}$ is norm of $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

(note $-v_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ is also an acceptable choice)

What have we found so far?

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

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= U \sum V^T = U \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{\lambda_1} & & \\ & \sqrt{\lambda_2} & \\ 0 & 0 & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -v_1^T \\ -v_2^T \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= U \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3} & & \\ & \sqrt{1} & \\ 0 & 0 & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [1, 1] \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} [-1, 1] \end{bmatrix} \\
 &= U \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3} & & \\ & \sqrt{1} & \\ 0 & 0 & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So it remains to find } U = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & u_2 & u_3 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 3}$$

From the theorem,

$$u_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_1}} Av_1$$

$$u_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_2}} Av_2$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$u_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$u_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$u_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\{u_1, u_2\}$ is an orthonormal set, and we need to complete it to an orthonormal basis $\{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$ of $\mathbb{R}^m = \mathbb{R}^3$

$$\text{If } u_3 = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \text{ then } 0 = \langle u_1, u_3 \rangle = \langle u_2, u_3 \rangle$$

implies

$$\begin{aligned} \text{scalar mult of } u_1 \rightarrow & \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ \text{scalar mult of } u_2 \rightarrow & \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

i.e we need to find (an orthonormal basis for) the null space of $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$

Row reduce it:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R1 \rightarrow R1 - R2} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\underbrace{\quad}_{\text{rref}}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{so } \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{lll} x, y \text{ pivot vars} & x + 0y + z = 0 & \Rightarrow x = -z \\ z \text{ is free} & y - z = 0 & y = z \\ & & z = z \end{array}$$

So basis is $\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, has norm $\sqrt{(-1)^2 + 1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{3}$

$$\text{so } u_3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

So collecting everything:

$$A = U \Sigma V^T$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ u_1 & u_2 & u_3 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 3} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3} & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{1} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 2} \begin{bmatrix} -v_1^T \\ -v_2^T \end{bmatrix}_{-}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}_U = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2}{\sqrt{6}} & 0 & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3} & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{1} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{\Sigma} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix}_{V^T}$$

is SVD of A

What is it good for? Spectral decomposition

$A_1 = \sigma_1 u_1 v_1^T$ is best rank 1 approx of A

$$= \sqrt{3} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

has entries pretty close to A rank 1 matrix

SVD in SageMath

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

$U \quad \Sigma \quad V^T$

is SVD of A

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A=matrix(RDF, 3, 2, [1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0])
A
[1.0 1.0]
[0.0 1.0]
[1.0 0.0]
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A.SVD()
([[-0.8164965809277257 -1.8557752066599326e-16 -0.5773502691896257]
 [-0.4082482904638629 -0.7071067811865475 0.5773502691896257]
 [-0.408248290463863 0.7071067811865474 0.5773502691896257], [1.7320508075688772
 0.0]
 [0.0 1.0]
 [0.0 0.0], [-0.7071067811865477 0.7071067811865474]
 [-0.7071067811865474 -0.7071067811865477])
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typeset_mode()
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A.SVD()
\left(\begin{array}{ccc} -0.8164965809277257 & -1.8557752066599326 \times 10^{-16} & -0.5773502691896257 \\ -0.4082482904638629 & -0.7071067811865475 & 0.5773502691896257 \\ -0.408248290463863 & 0.7071067811865474 & 0.5773502691896257 \end{array}\right), \left(\begin{array}{ccc} 1.7320508075688772 & 0.0 & \sqrt{3} \\ 0.0 & 1.0 & 0.0 \\ 0.0 & 0.0 & 0.0 \end{array}\right), \left(\begin{array}{cc} -0.7071067811865477 & 0.7071067811865474 \\ -0.7071067811865474 & -0.7071067811865477 \end{array}\right)
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SageMath returns $\sqrt{3}$ not V^T

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U, S, V=A.SVD()
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(U*S*V).round()
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not A !
 $\begin{pmatrix} 1.0 & -1.0 \\ 1.0 & 0.0 \\ 0.0 & -1.0 \end{pmatrix}$

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(U*S*(V.T)).round()
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$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1.0 & 1.0 \\ 0.0 & 1.0 \\ 1.0 & -0.0 \end{pmatrix}$

SVD in Python

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In [25]: A=[[1,1], [0,1], [1,0]]
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In [26]: import numpy as np
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In [27]: np.linalg.svd(A)
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Out[27]: (array([[-8.16496581e-01, -1.85577521e-16, -5.77350269e-01],
                  [-4.08248290e-01, -7.07106781e-01,  5.77350269e-01],
                  [-4.08248290e-01,  7.07106781e-01,  5.77350269e-01]]),
           array([1.73205081, 1.          ]),
           array([[ -0.70710678, -0.70710678],
                  [ 0.70710678, -0.70710678]])) ← Python returns  $V^T$  not  $V$ 
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In [32]: U, s, V = np.linalg.svd(A)
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In [29]: np.diag(s)
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Out[29]: array([[1.73205081, 0.          ],
                  [0.          , 1.          ]])
```

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In [30]: np.vstack((np.diag(s), [0,0]))
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```
Out[30]: array([[1.73205081, 0.          ],
                  [0.          , 1.          ],
                  [0.          , 0.          ]])
```

```
U@(np.vstack((np.diag(s), [0,0])))@V
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```
array([[ 1.00000000e+00,  1.00000000e+00],
       [ 5.61334798e-17,  1.00000000e+00],
       [ 1.00000000e+00, -1.56386917e-16]])
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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

= A

Spectral decomposition just as for symmetric matrices

$$A = U \sum_{\substack{m \times n \\ \text{orthogonal}}} \Sigma_{\substack{m \times m \\ (\text{main}) \\ \text{diagonal}}} V^T_{\substack{n \times n \\ \text{orthonormal}}}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & \dots & u_k & u_{k+1} & \dots & u_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & & & & & \\ & \ddots & & & & \\ & & \sigma_k & & & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1^T \\ \vdots \\ v_n^T \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{let } \sigma_i = \sqrt{\lambda_i}$$

For any $r=1, 2, \dots, k$

$$\text{let } A_r = \underbrace{\sigma_1 u_1 v_1^T}_{m \times 1 \text{ } 1 \times n} + \underbrace{\sigma_2 u_2 v_2^T}_{m \times 1 \text{ } 1 \times n} + \dots + \underbrace{\sigma_r u_r v_r^T}_{m \times 1 \text{ } 1 \times n} = m \times n$$

is a rank r matrix closely approximating A .

Application: Image compression