

**Exercises.****Solution to Question 1.**

$$A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 6 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 6 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{6} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{6} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sqrt{2} & 0 \end{bmatrix}, V = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 & 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 & -1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}, U = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 & 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 & -1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Solution to Question 2.** If  $A$  is an  $n \times m$  matrix, then so are  $\Sigma_1$  and  $\Sigma_2$ . By definition,  $\Sigma_1$  and  $\Sigma_2$  have non-zero entries only on the diagonal. Therefore, if they have same diagonal entries, then  $\Sigma_1 = \Sigma_2$ .

Assume

$$\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \cdots \geq \lambda_r > 0$$

are eigenvalues of  $A^T A$ , in non-ascending order. So for  $i = 1, 2$ , the non-zero diagonal entries of  $\Sigma_i$  are  $\sqrt{\lambda_1}, \sqrt{\lambda_2}, \dots, \sqrt{\lambda_r}$ . Therefore,  $\Sigma_1 = \Sigma_2$ .

**Solution to Question 3.**

(a) Assume the eigenvalues of  $A$  are

$$\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \cdots \geq \lambda_r > 0.$$

Because  $A^T A = A^2$ , so the eigenvalues of  $A^T A$  are

$$\lambda_1^2 \geq \lambda_2^2 \geq \cdots \geq \lambda_r^2.$$

Therefore, the singular values are  $\lambda_i = |\lambda_i|$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, r$ .

(b) If we have

$$\lambda_1 > \lambda_2 > \cdots > \lambda_r > 0,$$

then this is true.

If not,  $U$  and  $V$  may differ by an orthonormal matrix  $Q$ , i.e.  $V^T U = Q$ .

**Solution to Question 4.**

(a) Assume  $A = U\Sigma V^T$ , where

$$U = [u_1 \ u_2 \ \dots \ u_n], \ V = [v_1 \ v_2 \ \dots \ v_n].$$

Because  $\text{rank}(\Sigma) = \text{rank}(A) = 1$ , so

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha & & & \\ & 0 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

for some  $\alpha > 0$ . Let  $x = u_1$  and  $y = v_1$ . Then  $A = \alpha xy^T$ .

(b) By part (a),  $A = \alpha xy^T$ . So

$$A = x \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \end{bmatrix} y^T$$

is a slim singular value decomposition for  $A$ .

(c) If  $A = \alpha xy^T$ , then  $A^T A = \alpha^2 yy^T$ . So  $y$  is an eigenvector of  $A^T A$  with eigenvalue  $\alpha^2$ . Because  $\dim \ker A = n - \text{rank}(A) = n - 1$ , so  $\dim E_{\lambda=0}(A) = n - 1$ . Let

$$E_{\lambda=\alpha^2}(A) = \text{span}\{y\}.$$

Then

$$E_{\lambda=0}(A) = E_{\lambda=\alpha^2}(A)^\perp.$$

**Solution to Question 5.**

$$Q = I \cdot Q.$$

**Solution to Question 6.**

(a) Let  $c_{ij}$  be the  $(i, j)$ -entry of  $A^T B$ . Then

$$c_{ii} = \sum_{j=1}^r A_{i,j} B_{i,j}.$$

So

$$\text{trace}(A^T B) = \sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{j=1}^r A_{i,j} B_{i,j}.$$

(b) By part (a),

$$\begin{aligned} \langle M_i, M_j \rangle &= \text{trace}(M_i^T M_j) \\ &= \text{trace}(v_i u_i^T u_j v_j^T) \\ &= \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } i = j, \\ 0, & \text{if } i \neq j. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

So  $M_i$  are orthonormal. Note

$$\|A\|^2 = \langle A, A \rangle = \text{trace}(A^T A),$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} A^T A &= (\sigma_1 M_1 + \sigma_2 M_2 + \cdots + \sigma_r M_r)^T (\sigma_1 M_1 + \sigma_2 M_2 + \cdots + \sigma_r M_r) \\ &= \sum_{i,j=1}^r \sigma_i \sigma_j M_i^T M_j \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^r \sigma_i^2 M_i^T M_i. \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\text{trace}(A^T A) = \sum_{i=1}^r \sigma_i^2.$$

(c) Because

$$A - A_k = \sigma_{k+1} u_{k+1} v_{k+1}^T + \sigma_{k+2} u_{k+2} v_{k+2}^T + \cdots + \sigma_r u_r v_r^T,$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} \|A - A_k\|^2 &= \text{trace}\left(\sum_{i=k+1}^r \sigma_i^2 M_i^T M_i\right) \\ &= \sum_{i=k+1}^r \sigma_i^2. \end{aligned}$$

(d) Because

$$\langle QA, QA \rangle = \text{trace}((QA)^T QA) = \text{trace}(A^T A) = \langle A, A \rangle,$$

so

$$\|QA\| = \|A\|.$$

Similarly,

$$\langle AQ, AQ \rangle = \text{trace}(AQ(AQ)^T) = \text{trace}(A^T A) = \langle A, A \rangle,$$

Therefore, if  $A = U\Sigma V^T$  is an SVD of  $A$ , then

$$\|A\| = \|\Sigma\|.$$

**Part 2.****Solution to Question 1.**

Let  $J$  be a Jordan canonical form of  $A$ , then  $J^T$  is a Jordan canonical form of  $A^T$ . We only need to prove  $J \sim J^T$ . In particular, we only need to prove  $J(\lambda, k) \sim J(\lambda, k)^T$  for each Jordan block  $J(\lambda, k)$ . This is true because

$$P^{-1}J(\lambda, k)P = J(\lambda, k)^T,$$

where

$$P = P^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} & & & 1 \\ & & 1 & \\ & \ddots & & \\ 1 & & & \end{bmatrix}.$$



**Part 2.****Solution to Question 2.**

- (a) Because  $\dim \ker J(0, k) = 1$  and  $\text{rank}(J(0, k)) = k - 1$ , so

$$\text{rank}(N) = \sum_{i=1}^r \text{rank}(J(0, k_i)) = n - r,$$

and

$$\dim \ker N = r.$$

- (b) Note that

$$N^k = J(0, k_1)^k \oplus J(0, k_2)^k \oplus \cdots \oplus J(0, k_r)^k.$$

Because  $J(0, k_1)^{k_1} = 0$  and  $J(0, k_1)^{k_1-1} \neq 0$ , so the index of  $N$  is  $k_1$ .

- (c) Note that  $\lambda$  is the only eigenvalue of  $A$ , so the algebraic multiplicity is  $n$ . And the geometric multiplicity of  $A$  is the number of Jordan blocks,  $r$ .

- (d) For each Jordan block  $J(0, k_i)$ ,

$$\text{rank}(J(0, k_i)^m) = \max\{0, k_i - m\}.$$

Therefore,

$$\text{rank}(N^m) = \sum_{i=1}^r \max\{0, k_i - m\},$$

and

$$\dim \ker(N^m) = n - \text{rank}(N^m) = n - \sum_{i=1}^r \max\{0, k_i - m\}.$$

- (e) **Claim:** Knowing  $\dim \ker N^m$  for all  $m$  determine  $(k_1, k_2, \dots, k_r)$ .

*Proof.* Assume  $d_m = \dim \ker N^m$ . Then by part (d),  $\Delta_m := (d_m - d_{m-1})$  is the number of  $J(0, k)$  with  $k \geq m$ . So

$$\Delta_m - \Delta_{m+1} = 2d_m - d_{m+1} - d_{m-1}$$

is the number of  $J(0, k)$  in  $N$  with  $k = m$ . □

**Part 2.****Solution to Question 3.** Let

$$N = T - I = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then

$$N^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$N^3 = 0.$$

Assume  $d_m = \dim \ker N^m$ . Then  $d_1 = 3$ ,  $d_2 = 5$  and  $d_m = 6$  for  $m \geq 3$ . The number of  $J(0, k)$  in  $N$  with  $k = m$  is

$$n(m) = 2d_m - d_{m-1} - d_{m+1} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{for } m = 1, \\ 1, & \text{for } m = 2, \\ 1, & \text{for } m = 3, \\ 0, & \text{for } m \geq 4. \end{cases}$$

Therefore, the Jordan canonical form of  $T$  is

$$\begin{aligned} J &= J(1, 3) \oplus J(1, 2) \oplus J(1, 1) \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$