

SVD - Singular value decomposition.

Note Title

Defn: Given $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$, a singular value decomposition (SVD) of A is a factorization $A = U \Sigma V^*$ where U & V are unitary & Σ is diagonal.

The diagonal entries of Σ are called the singular values of A & are usually arranged in decreasing order.

Dimension considerations: let $m \geq n$ (WLOG); for simplicity, assumed rank = n .

• Reduced SVD -

$$\begin{matrix} \boxed{A} \\ m \times n \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} \boxed{U} \\ m \times n \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \boxed{\Sigma} \\ n \times n \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \boxed{V^*} \\ n \times n \end{matrix} \quad \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \sigma_n \end{bmatrix}$$

What happens if $m \leq n$?

• Full SVD -

$$\begin{matrix} \boxed{A} \\ m \times n \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} \boxed{U} \\ m \times m \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \boxed{\Sigma} \\ m \times n \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \boxed{V^*} \\ n \times n \end{matrix} \quad \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & \sigma_n \\ & \ddots \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{m \times n}$$

Columns of U are called "left singular vectors" of A
 V - "right singular vectors" of A .

• If $A = U \Sigma V^*$, then $AV = U \Sigma$ ($\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & \sigma_2 & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \sigma_n \end{bmatrix}$)

$$A \begin{bmatrix} | & & | \\ v_1 & \dots & v_n \\ | & & | \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} | & & | \\ u_1 & \dots & u_n \\ | & & | \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \sigma_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} | & & | \\ A v_1 & A v_2 & \dots & A v_n \\ | & & | \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} | & & | \\ \sigma_1 u_1 & \dots & \sigma_n u_n \\ | & & | \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{i.e. } \boxed{A v_i = \sigma_i u_i} \quad \forall 1 \leq i \leq n.$$

Consequences -

① The e-values of A^*A are σ_i^2 . The right singular vectors v_i are the corr. orthonormal e-vectors i.e.

$$(A^*A) v_j = \sigma_j^2 v_j \quad 1 \leq j \leq n.$$

$$\begin{matrix} \overbrace{A^* A}^{n \times n} \\ \underbrace{A}_{n \times m} \end{matrix}$$

Proof: $A^* A = (U \Sigma V^*)^* (U \Sigma V^*)$
 $= V \Sigma^* \underbrace{U^* U}_{I} \Sigma V^*$

$$\Sigma^* \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & & \\ & \sigma_2^2 & \\ & & \ddots \\ & & & \sigma_n^2 \end{bmatrix} = \Sigma^2$$

A is $m \times n$.
 $A^* A$ is $n \times n$.

$$A^* A = V \Sigma^2 V^* \rightarrow \text{this is the e-value decomposition of } A^* A.$$

□

② The e-values of AA^* are σ_i^2 ($1 \leq i \leq n$) & $(m-n)$ zeroes.

The left singular vectors u_i are the corresponding orthonormal e-vectors i.e. $AA^* u_j = \sigma_j^2 u_j$ ($1 \leq j \leq m$)

$$\begin{matrix} m \times m \\ A & A^* \\ m \times n & n \times m \end{matrix}$$

Proof: If U is $m \times n$, choose $(m-n)$ orthogonal vectors $\{\tilde{u}_1, \dots, \tilde{u}_{m-n}\}$

$$\& \text{ let } \tilde{U} = [U | \tilde{u}_1 | \dots | \tilde{u}_{m-n}]$$

$$AA^* = (U \Sigma V^*) (V \Sigma^* U^*)$$

$$= U \Sigma^2 U^*$$

$$= \tilde{U} \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \tilde{U}^* \rightarrow \text{this is the e-value decomp. of } AA^*.$$

□

③ If $\text{rank } A = r \leq \min\{m, n\}$, the reduced SVD of A takes the form:

$$\text{(Reduced)} \quad \begin{matrix} \boxed{A} \\ m \times n \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} \boxed{U} \\ m \times r \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \boxed{\Sigma} \\ r \times r \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \boxed{V^*} \\ r \times n \end{matrix}$$

(if $A = U \Sigma V^*$, then $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(U \Sigma V^*) = \text{rank}(\Sigma)$)

④ If $m \leq n$ to begin with, then SVD of A is of the form - ($\text{rank } A = r$)

$$\text{(Check).} \quad \begin{matrix} \boxed{A} \\ m \times n \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} \boxed{U} \\ m \times r \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \boxed{\Sigma} \\ r \times r \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \boxed{V^*} \\ r \times n \end{matrix}$$

⑤ SVD of A^* : If $A = U \Sigma V^*$, $A^* = \underline{V \Sigma^* U^*}$, $\underline{\Sigma = \Sigma^*}$

(Singular values of A
= singular values of A^*)

$\therefore A^* = V \Sigma^* U^*$
in the SVD of A^* .

Columns of V are left singular vectors of A^*
Columns of U are right singular vectors of A^* .

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

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

$$\boxed{A^* u_j = \sigma_j v_j}$$

$\bar{\sigma}_i = \sigma_i$ (why?)

Is $\Sigma = \Sigma^*$? $\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \sigma_r & & 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $\Sigma^* = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\sigma}_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \bar{\sigma}_r & & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \sigma_r & & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

① the matrices A^*A & AA^* are ^(real e-value) symmetric ^(non-neg e-values) positive semidef.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Consider } \langle A^*A v, v \rangle \\ = \langle A v, A v \rangle = \|A v\|^2 \geq 0 \\ \forall v \in V \end{array} \right. \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} T \text{ is pos. semidef if} \\ \langle T v, v \rangle \geq 0 \quad \forall v \neq 0. \end{array} \right.$$

Similarly, $\langle A A^* v, v \rangle = \langle A^* v, A^* v \rangle = \|A^* v\|^2 \geq 0 \quad \forall v \in V.$

\therefore The e-values of A^*A & AA^* are real & non-neg.

Their +ve sq. roots are the singular values of A (& A^*).

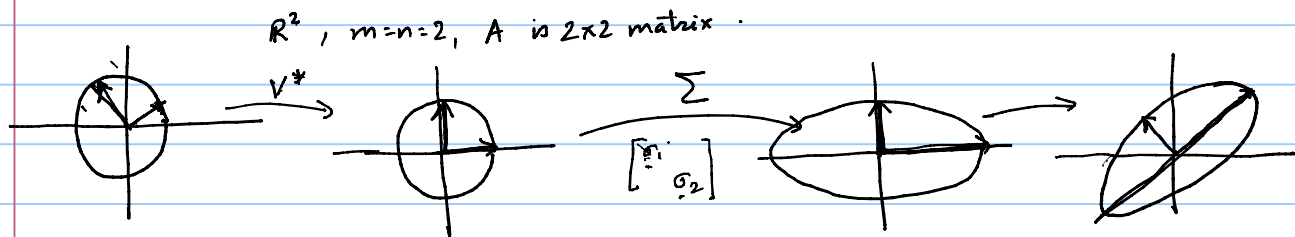
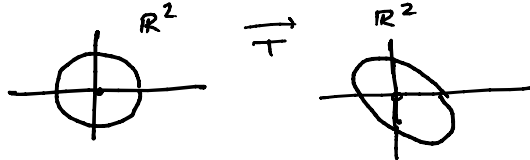
• Existence of SVD - after matrix norms is done.

• Geometry of the SVD: $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ $A = U \Sigma V^*$

$$A x = (U \Sigma V^*) x = U \Sigma (V^* x)$$

$$= U (\Sigma (V^* x))$$

$A: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$.



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

Remark:
Eckhart-Young
theorem:

$$A \approx \underbrace{U_1 \sigma_1 V_1^* + U_2 \sigma_2 V_2^* + \dots + U_r \sigma_r V_r^*}_{\text{rank } r} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & \dots & u_r \end{bmatrix}_{m \times r} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & & \\ & \sigma_r & \\ & & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{r \times r} \begin{bmatrix} v_1^* & \dots & v_r^* \end{bmatrix}_{r \times n}$$

$$\|A - A_k\| \leq \|A - B\| \text{ for rank } k \text{ matrix } B$$

SVD gives a way to approximate A (in the best possible way) by lower rank matrices.

A is diagonal...

$$A = P^{-1} D P$$

$$\begin{cases} A x = b \\ A \\ \|A x - b\| \end{cases} \quad \begin{cases} D x = b \\ D \\ \|D x - \dots\| \end{cases}$$

A is not diagonalizable?

