

A1 (Extra Credit)

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Question 1

4a solution

1 / 1 pt

✓ + 1 pt
$$\begin{aligned} \left(\sum_{i=1}^r \sigma_i \mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{v}_i^T \right)_{k\ell} &= \sum_{i=1}^r \sigma_i (\mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{v}_i^T)_{k\ell} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^r \sigma_i (\mathbf{u}_i)_k (\mathbf{v}_i)_\ell \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^r \sigma_i \mathbf{v}_{\ell i}^T \mathbf{u}_{ik} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^r \mathbf{v}_{\ell i}^T (\mathbf{D}\mathbf{U})_{ik} \\ &= (\mathbf{V}^T \mathbf{D}\mathbf{U})_{\ell k} \\ &= (\mathbf{U}\mathbf{D}\mathbf{V}^T)_{k\ell} \\ &= \mathbf{A}_{k\ell} \end{aligned}$$

Question 2

4b solution

1 / 1 pt

✓ + 1 pt Recalling that the \mathbf{v}_i are orthonormal, we can use the result from (a) to see that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_j &= \left(\sum_{i=1}^r \sigma_i \mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{v}_i^T \right) \mathbf{v}_j \\ &= \left(\sum_{i=1}^r \sigma_i \mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{v}_i^T \mathbf{v}_j \right) \\ &= \sigma_j \mathbf{u}_j \\ \text{so } \mathbf{u}_j &= \frac{1}{\sigma_j} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_j \text{ as desired.} \end{aligned}$$

Question 3

4c solution

1 / 1 pt

✓ + 1 pt For an arbitrary vector \mathbf{a} , using that the \mathbf{v}_i are orthonormal (see the hint for why this is important), we have that the projection of \mathbf{a} onto $V_k = \text{span}\{\mathbf{v}_1, \dots, \mathbf{v}_k\}$ is $\sum_{i=1}^k (\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{v}_i) \mathbf{v}_i$ from the fact that

$$\text{proj}_{\mathbf{w}}(\mathbf{v}) = \left(\frac{\mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{w}}{\|\mathbf{w}\|_2^2} \right) \mathbf{w} = (\mathbf{v}^T \hat{\mathbf{w}}) \hat{\mathbf{w}}$$

Thus the matrix whose rows are the projections of each row of \mathbf{A} onto V_k is given by

$$\sum_{i=1}^k \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_i \mathbf{v}_i^T$$

Using the result from (b) we have that $\mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_i = \sigma_i \mathbf{u}_i$ so

$$\sum_{i=1}^k \mathbf{A} \mathbf{v}_i \mathbf{v}_i^T = \sum_{i=1}^k \sigma_i \mathbf{u}_i \mathbf{v}_i^T = \mathbf{A}_k$$

as desired.

Question 4

4d solution

2 / 2 pts

- ✓ + 2 pts For a matrix \mathbf{M} and linear subspace V , let $\text{proj}_V(\mathbf{M})$ represent the matrix with rows $\text{proj}_V(m_i)$, where m_i is the i th row of \mathbf{M} .

Consider an arbitrary matrix $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$ of rank k . Then let the k -dimensional space W be the span of the rows of \mathbf{B} , so W has dimension k . We see that:

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|_F^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \|a_i - b_i\|_2^2$$

where a_i, b_i are the rows of \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} . From the fact that

$$\text{proj}_W(\mathbf{v}) := \arg \min_{w \in W} \|w - \mathbf{v}\|_2^2,$$

we know that

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|_F^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \|a_i - b_i\|_2^2 \geq \sum_{i=1}^n \|a_i - \text{proj}_W(a_i)\|_2^2 = \|\mathbf{A} - \text{proj}_W(\mathbf{A})\|_F^2$$

But since V_k is the best-fit k -dimensional subspace for the rows of \mathbf{A} , we know that

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \text{proj}_{V_k}(\mathbf{A})\|_F^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \|a_i - \text{proj}_{V_k}(a_i)\|_2^2 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \|a_i - \text{proj}_W(a_i)\|_2^2 = \|\mathbf{A} - \text{proj}_W(\mathbf{A})\|_F^2$$

Part (c) tells us that $\text{proj}_{V_k}(\mathbf{A}) = \mathbf{A}_k$. Putting everything together gives

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{A}_k\|_F^2 \leq \|\mathbf{A} - \text{proj}_W(\mathbf{A})\|_F^2 \leq \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|_F^2$$

Since the above inequality is true for any rank k matrix \mathbf{B} , it follows that

$$\mathbf{A}_k = \arg \min_{\text{rank}(\mathbf{B})=k} \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|_F^2 = \arg \min_{\text{rank}(\mathbf{B})=k} \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|_F$$

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4.a Suppose we have a matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$ with SVD $A = UDV^T$, where $U \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times r}$, $D \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times r}$, $V \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times r}$, show that $A = \sum_{i=1}^r \sigma_i u_i v_i^T$

PROOF:

Matrix A can transform vectors v_i . Now vector v can be written as a linear combination of v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r and a vector perpendicular to v_i . Av is linear combination of Av_1, Av_2, \dots, Av_r . $Av_1, Av_2, Av_3, \dots, Av_r$ are set of vectors associated with A . If we normalize to length one, we get

$$u_i = \frac{1}{\sigma_i(A)} Av_i \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Vectors u_1, u_2, \dots, u_r are called left singular vectors. v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r are called right singular vectors.

A is $n \times d$ matrix with singular vectors v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r and corresponding singular values $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_r$. From left singular vectors u_i as per (1) above, A can be decomposed into sum of rank one matrices

$$A = \sum_{i=1}^r \sigma_i u_i v_i^T$$

Note: Matrices A and B are identical if and only if for all vectors v , $Av = Bv$

For each singular vector v_j , $Av_j = \sum_{i=1}^r \sigma_i u_i v_i^T v_j$. Since any vector v can be expressed as linear combination of singular vectors plus a vector perpendicular to v_i , $Av = \sum_{i=1}^r \sigma_i u_i v_i^T v$

$$\therefore A = \sum_{i=1}^r \sigma_i u_i v_i^T$$

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4.b Show that $u_i = \frac{1}{\sigma_i} A v_i$. In particular, the components of u_i represent the size of projection of the rows of A onto v_i (scaled by σ_i)

PROOF:

Consider rows of A as n points in a d -dimensional space. Let us now consider the best fit line through origin. Let v be a unit vector along this line. Now, the length of projection of a_i , the i th row of A , onto v is $|a_i \cdot v|$.

Sum of length squared of projections is $|Av|^2$. The best fit line is one maximizing $|Av|^2$ and hence minimizing sum of squared distances of points to the line.

$\sigma_1(A) = |Av_1|$ is first singular value of A

$\sigma_2(A) = |Av_2|$ is second singular value of A

A (matrix) can transform vectors v_i . Every vector v can be written as linear combination of v_1, v_2, \dots, v_d and a vector perpendicular to all v_i .

Av_1, Av_2 from above form a fundamental set of vectors associated with A .

we get left singular vectors of A , u_1, u_2, \dots, u_r by normalizing Av_i vector to length one

$$\therefore u_i = \frac{1}{\sigma_i} A v_i$$

In other words, if v_s are orthogonal vectors, u_s are transformed orthogonal vectors.

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4.c

Truncated SVD

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

To show:

Rows of A_k are the projections of rows of A onto the subspace of V_k spanned by first k right singular vectors

Let us say a be an arbitrary row vector. V_i are orthonormal, so the projection of the vector a onto V_k is given by

$$\sum_{i=1}^k (a \cdot v_i) v_i^T$$

\therefore The matrix whose rows are the projections of the rows of A onto V_k is given by

$$\sum_{i=1}^k A v_i v_i^T$$

Substituting for $A v_i$, we get

$$= \sum_{i=1}^k \sigma_i u_i v_i^T = A_k$$

\therefore Matrix A_k is best rank k approximation to A .

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4.d

The Frobenius norm of matrix $M \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$

$$\|M\|_F = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m m_{ij}^2}$$

To show $A_k = \arg \min_{\text{rank}(B)=k} \|A - B\|_F$

V_k is best fit k -dimensional subspace for rows of A .

Each row of B is the projection of corresponding row of A , it follows that $\|A - B\|_F^2$ is sum of squared distances of rows of A to V . V be space spanned by rows of B .

Since A_k minimizes the sum of squared distance of rows of A to k -dimensional subspace it can be said that

$$A_k = \arg \min_{\text{rank}(B)=k} \|A - B\|_F$$