

# MATH401 Homework 10

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1. **(Must do all computations by hand.)** Orthogonally diagonalize the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

*Solution.*

To find the eigenvalues of  $A$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \det(A - \lambda I) &= \det\left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 - \lambda & 3 \\ 3 & 2 - \lambda \end{bmatrix}\right) = (2 - \lambda)^2 - 9 = 4 - 4\lambda + \lambda^2 - 9 \\ &\implies \lambda^2 - 4\lambda - 5 = (\lambda - 5)(\lambda + 1) \implies \lambda = -1, 5 \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

Let us find corresponding eigenvectors starting with  $\lambda_1 = -1$ . We solve

$$(A + 1I)v_1 = 0 \implies \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = 0 \implies v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

Now for  $\lambda_2 = 5$ , we solve

$$(A - 5I)v_2 = 0 \implies \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 3 \\ 3 & -3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = 0 \implies v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

and so

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

thus we obtain the diagonalization

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$$

□

2. **(Must do all computations by hand.)** Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

- Diagonalize  $A = PDP^{-1}$ .
- Find the singular value decomposition  $A = U\Sigma V^T$ .
- Are the singular values of  $A$  the same as the eigenvalues of  $A$ ?
- Compute the pseudoinverse  $A^+$ . Present your answer as a simplified  $2 \times 2$  matrix.

*Solution.*

- a. Let us first find the eigenvalues of  $A$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = \det\begin{bmatrix} 1 - \lambda & 1 \\ 0 & -\lambda \end{bmatrix} = -\lambda + \lambda^2 = 0 \implies \lambda = 1, 0$$

$$(A - 1\lambda)v_1 = 0 \implies \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} v_1 = 0 \implies v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(A - 0\lambda)v_2 = 0 \implies \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} v_2 = 0 \implies v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

and so we obtain the orthogonal diagonalization

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ 0 & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ 0 & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{bmatrix}^{-1}$$

- b. Note that  $A$  is  $2 \times 2 \implies U, \Sigma, V$  are all  $2 \times 2$ . First we compute  $AA^T$  and its corresponding eigenvalues to be

$$AA^T = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \implies \det(AA^T - \lambda I) = \lambda^2 - 2\lambda \implies \lambda = 2, 0$$

Now the same process for  $A^T A$

$$A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \implies \det(A^T A - \lambda I) = (1 - \lambda)^2 - 1 = \lambda^2 - 2\lambda = 0 \implies \lambda = 2, 0$$

Thus, both eigenvalues are shared and the singular values are

$$\sigma_1 = \sqrt{2}, \sigma_2 = 0$$

We construct

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now we find the unit eigenvectors associated with each of shared eigenvalues to construct  $U$  and  $V$

$$(AA^T - 2I)v_1 = 0 \implies \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix} v_1 = 0 \implies u_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(AA^T - 0I)v_2 = 0 \implies u_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(A^T A - 2I)v_1 = 0 \implies \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} v_1 = 0 \implies v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(A^T A - 0I)v_2 = 0 \implies v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

and so the singular value decomposition of  $A$  is

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{bmatrix}^T$$

- c. No, the singular values of  $A$  are not equal to the eigenvalues of  $A$ .
- d. Let us compute the pseudoinverse of  $A$ .

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

$$A^+ = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

□

3. In this problem, use MATLAB, but don't directly use the `svd` command. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

- (a) Give the matrix  $A^T A$ , as well as its eigenvalues and eigenvectors.
- (b) Give the matrix  $AA^T$ , as well as its eigenvalues and eigenvectors.
- (c) Put the information together to give the singular value decomposition  $A = U\Sigma V^T$ . Double check that it works in MATLAB. (If you have issues, make sure that  $A\mathbf{v}_i = \sigma_i \mathbf{u}_i$ )
- (d) Use your SVD to give the pseudoinverse  $A^+$ .
- (e) Let  $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$ . Compute  $\mathbf{x} = A^+\mathbf{b}$ . What does the vector  $\mathbf{x}$  represent? Be as specific as your can. (e.g. does it solve something? is it the unique solution? does it have any special properties?)

*Solution.*

- a. The eigenpairs of  $A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 13 & 12 & 2 \\ 12 & 13 & -2 \\ 2 & -2 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$  are

$$\left\{0, \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix}\right\}, \left\{9, \begin{bmatrix} 0.2357 \\ -0.2357 \\ 0.9428 \end{bmatrix}\right\}, \left\{25, \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}\right\}$$

- b. The eigenpairs of  $AA^T = \begin{bmatrix} 17 & 8 \\ 8 & 17 \end{bmatrix}$  are

$$\left\{9, \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{bmatrix}\right\}, \left\{25, \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{bmatrix}\right\}$$

- c. The SVD of  $A$  is given by

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & 0.2357 & -\frac{2}{3} \\ -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & -0.2357 & \frac{2}{3} \\ 0 & 0.9428 & \frac{1}{3} \end{bmatrix}^T$$

- d. The pseudoinverse is

$$A^+ = U\Sigma^+V^T = \begin{bmatrix} 0.1556 & 0.044 & 0.2222 \\ 0.0444 & 0.1556 & -0.2222 \end{bmatrix}^T$$

- e. This vector  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$  is the least squares solution of smallest norm, or essentially the vector that minimizes  $\|A\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|$ .

□

4. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(a) Use the `svd` command to find the SVD  $A = U\Sigma V^T$ .

(b) Use the `pinv` command to find  $A^+$ .

(c) Let  $\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Compute  $\mathbf{x} = A^+\mathbf{b}$ . What does the vector  $\mathbf{x}$  represent? Be as specific as your can.  
(e.g. does it solve something? is it the unique solution? does it have any special properties?)

*Solution.*

a. Using the `svd` command,

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -0.8580 & -1.084 & -0.3378 & -0.3693 \\ -0.1419 & 0.1950 & 0.8363 & -0.4924 \\ -0.4031 & 0.6628 & 0.1394 & 0.6155 \\ -0.2822 & -0.7148 & 0.4087 & 0.4924 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4.3346 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2.5856 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.7249 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -0.2354 & -0.8511 & 0.4692 \\ -0.6150 & 0.5042 & 0.6062 \\ -0.7526 & -0.1459 & -0.6422 \end{bmatrix}$$

b. Using the `pinv` command,

$$A^+ = \begin{bmatrix} -0.1364 & 0.4848 & -1.061 & 0.5152 \\ -0.1818 & 0.7576 & 0.3030 & 0.2424 \\ 0.4545 & -0.7273 & -0.0909 & -0.2727 \end{bmatrix}$$

- c. This vector  $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.7576 \\ 1.1212 \\ -0.6364 \end{bmatrix}$  is the least squares solution of smallest norm, or essentially the vector that minimizes

□

5. What are the singular values of an orthogonal matrix? Justify your answer.

*Solution.*

Consider a matrix  $A$ . Singular values of  $A$  are computed as the square root of the shared eigenvalues of  $A^T A$  and  $A A^T$ . Recall that if  $A$  is orthogonal, then  $A^T A = A A^T = I$ . Thus, the eigenvalues of  $A^T A, A A^T$  are all 1 because the identity matrix is already diagonal, and since  $\sqrt{1} = 1$ , the the singular values of  $A$  are all equal to 1.

□

6. Let  $\mathbf{v}$  denote a column vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , thought of as an  $n \times 1$  matrix. Find the singular value of  $\mathbf{v}$ .

*Solution.*

Note that singular values are the square roots of shared eigenvalues from  $v^T v$  and  $vv^T$ . Note further that  $v^T v$  is of shape  $1 \times 1$ , which is a scalar. Thus, the singular value must be  $\sqrt{v^T v}$ . Let us simplify this further. Let  $v = (v_1, \dots, v_n)^T$ . Then

$$\sqrt{v^T v} = \sqrt{v_1^2 + \dots + v_n^2} = \|v\|$$

and this proves that the singular value of  $v$  is simply the norm of  $v$ . □

7. Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix. Suppose that  $\mathbf{v}$  is an eigenvector for  $A^T A$  with eigenvalue  $\lambda$ .

- (a) Show that  $\|A\mathbf{v}\|^2 = \lambda \|\mathbf{v}\|^2$ . (Hint: use the fact that  $\|\mathbf{x}\|^2 = \mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{x}$  for any vector  $\mathbf{x}$ .)
- (b) Explain why the previous part implies that  $\lambda \geq 0$ . This proves that all eigenvalues of  $A^T A$  are nonnegative.
- (c) As above, we are still assuming that  $\mathbf{v}$  is an eigenvector for  $A^T A$  with eigenvalue  $\lambda$ . Assume here that  $\lambda \neq 0$ . Show that  $A\mathbf{v}$  is an eigenvector for  $AA^T$  with the same eigenvalue  $\lambda$ . (Hint: Just show that it satisfies the eigenvector equation. Remember also that an eigenvector is nonzero by definition.) This proves that every nonzero eigenvalue of  $A^T A$  is an eigenvalue of  $AA^T$ . A symmetric argument shows that every nonzero eigenvalue of  $AA^T$  is an eigenvalue of  $A^T A$ . Thus  $A^T A$  and  $AA^T$  have the same nonzero eigenvalues.

*Solution.*

a. Let us proceed with a direct proof.

$$\|Av\|^2 = (Av)^T Av = v^T A^T Av = v^T \lambda v = \lambda v^T v = \lambda \|v\|^2$$

as desired.

- b. The previous part implies that  $\lambda \geq 0$  because the norm operator followed by squaring the resulting value is must be a positive scalar, or be some  $n \times m$  matrix or vector containing all positive values. Therefore,  $\lambda$  must be  $\geq 0$ , or else this equality cannot possibly hold.
- c. We are assuming that  $(A^T A)v = \lambda v$ . We seek to show that  $(AA^T)(Av) = \lambda(Av)$ , which would prove that  $Av$  is an eigenvector of  $AA^T$  with eigenvalue  $\lambda$ . By direct proof,

$$(AA^T)(Av) = AA^T Av = A(A^T Av) = A\lambda v = \lambda Av = \lambda(Av)$$

as desired. □

8. Here we'll investigate why  $A^+ = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T$  in the special case where the columns of  $A$  are linearly independent. Here are some facts we'll use:

- The columns of  $A$  are linearly independent if and only if  $A^T A$  is invertible.
- A square matrix is invertible if and only if 0 is not an eigenvalue.
- Combining the two above: The columns of  $A$  are linearly independent if and only if 0 is not a singular value of  $A$ .

For simplicity, we'll assume  $A$  is  $3 \times 2$  with linearly independent columns (the general case is not really any harder.) By the above, we know that  $A$  has an SVD

$$A = U \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} V^T, \quad \sigma_1, \sigma_2 \neq 0.$$

For all parts below, present your answer in a form like what is written on the previous line.

- Using the definition, write down  $A^+$ .
- Multiply  $A^T A$  and simplify.
- Simplify  $(A^T A)^{-1}$ .
- Multiply  $(A^T A)^{-1} A^T$  and simplify. Your answer should be the same as part (a).

*Solution.*

a.

$$A^+ = V \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sigma_1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sigma_2} & 0 \end{bmatrix} U^T$$

b.

$$\begin{aligned} & (U \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} V^T)^T U \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} V^T \\ & V \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} U^T U \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} V^T \\ & V \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2^2 \end{bmatrix} V^T \end{aligned}$$

c.

$$V \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sigma_1^2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sigma_2^2} \end{bmatrix} V^T$$

d.

$$V \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sigma_1^2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sigma_2^2} \end{bmatrix} V^T A^T = V \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sigma_1^2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sigma_2^2} \end{bmatrix} \Sigma^T U^T = V \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sigma_1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sigma_2} & 0 \end{bmatrix} U^T$$

□