

## Lecture 35: Quick review from previous lecture

- Suppose that a symmetric matrix  $A$  has real eigenvalues

$$\lambda_1 \geq \cdots \geq \lambda_n.$$

Then

$$\lambda_1 = \max\{\langle A\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \rangle : \|\mathbf{x}\|_2 = 1\}, \quad \lambda_n = \min\{\langle A\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x} \rangle : \|\mathbf{x}\|_2 = 1\}.$$

The **maximal value** is achieved when  $\mathbf{x} = \pm\mathbf{u}_1$ , the unit eigenvector associated with the largest eigenvalue  $\lambda_1$ .

The **minimal value** is achieved when  $\mathbf{x} = \pm\mathbf{u}_n$ , the unit eigenvector associated with the smallest eigenvalue  $\lambda_n$ .

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Today we will discuss Singular Value Decomposition.

- Lecture will be recorded -

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- Information for Final Exam and Course Grade has been posted on Canvas, see "Announcements".

**Definition:** The square roots of the eigenvalues of  $A^T A$  are called the **singular values**  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_n$  of an  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$ .

Thus, we have shown that

**Full SVD for a matrix:**

Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix of rank  $r$  with the positive singular values

$$\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_r,$$

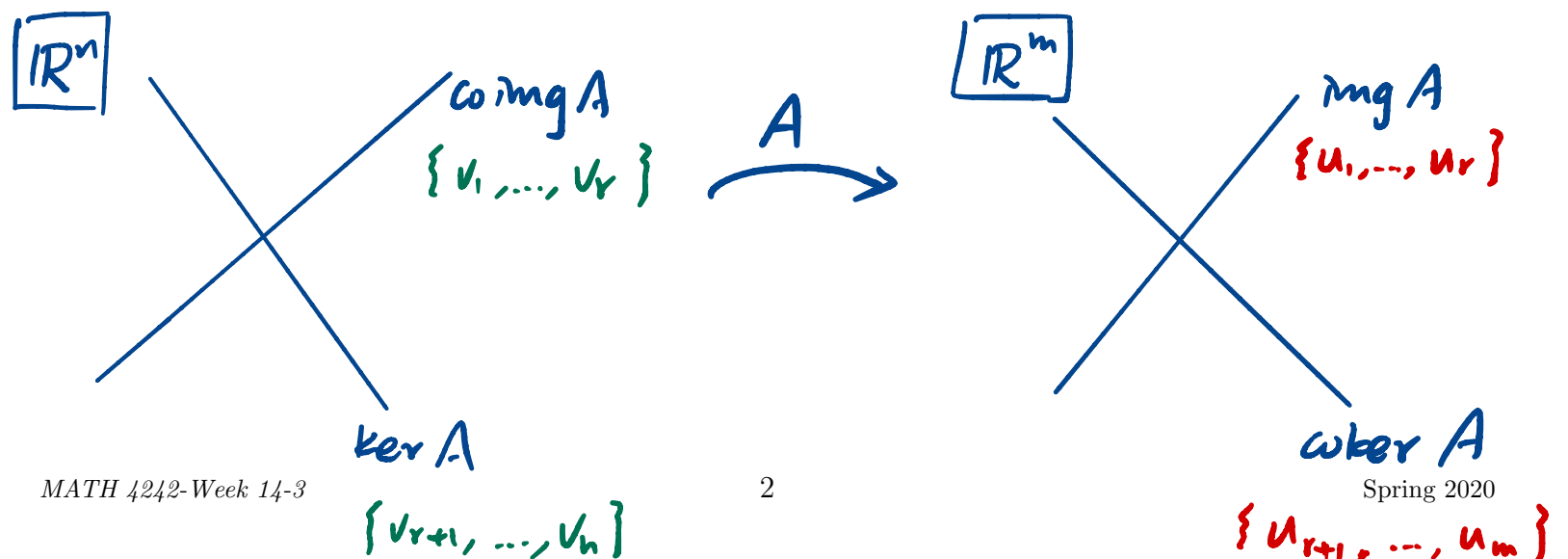
and let  $\Sigma$  be the  $m \times n$  matrix defined by

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{\sigma_1} & 0 & \dots & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \underline{\sigma_2} & \dots & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \underline{\sigma_r} & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{m \times n}$$

Then there exist an  $m \times m$  orthogonal matrix  $U$  and an  $n \times n$  orthogonal matrix  $V$  such that

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

$$\begin{aligned} (A^T A) v_j &= \lambda_j v_j, \quad 1 \leq j \leq r & ; & \quad u_j = \frac{A v_j}{\sqrt{\lambda_j}} = \frac{A v_j}{\sigma_j}, \quad 1 \leq j \leq r \\ (A^T A) v_j &= 0, \quad r+1 \leq j \leq n & ; & \quad u_{r+1}, \dots, u_m \text{ ONB for } \text{coker } A. \end{aligned}$$



[SVD]  $A \underbrace{[v_1 \ v_2 \ \dots \ v_r \ v_{r+1} \ \dots \ v_n]}_V = \underbrace{[u_1 \ u_2 \ \dots \ u_r \ u_{r+1} \ \dots \ u_m]}_U \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & \sigma_2 & \dots & \sigma_r & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ & & & & 0 & & \\ & & & & & & \end{bmatrix}}_\Sigma$

If  $m \geq n$ .

$$\begin{array}{c} n \\ \boxed{\phantom{A}} \\ m \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} m \\ \boxed{u_1 \dots u_r \ | \ u_{r+1} \dots u_m} \\ m \end{array} \begin{array}{c} n \\ \boxed{\begin{array}{ccc} \sigma_1 & \dots & \sigma_r \\ & \dots & 0 \\ & & 0 \end{array}} \\ m \end{array} \begin{array}{c} n \\ \boxed{\begin{array}{c} v_1^T \\ \vdots \\ v_r^T \\ \vdots \end{array}} \\ n \end{array} \quad (\text{Full SVD})$$
  
 $A = U \Sigma V^T$

$$\begin{array}{c} r \\ \boxed{u_1 \dots u_r} \\ m \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} r \\ \boxed{\begin{array}{ccc} \sigma_1 & \dots & \sigma_r \\ & \dots & \\ & & 0 \end{array}} \\ r \end{array} \begin{array}{c} n \\ \boxed{\begin{array}{c} v_1^T \\ \vdots \\ v_r^T \end{array}} \\ n \end{array} \quad (\text{Reduced SVD})$$
  
 $\hat{U} = \hat{\Sigma} \hat{V}^T$   
 same as the one in p.455 textbook

Example. Find full and reduced SVD for  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & -2 \\ -2 & -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Solution:  $A^T A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ -2 & -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 & -2 \\ 2 & 2 & -2 \\ -2 & -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$  has eigenvalues

$\lambda = 6, 0, 0.$

$\lambda = 6$ .  $v_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$  ;  $\lambda = 0$ .  $v_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$  ,  $v_3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$ .

$u_1 = \frac{A v_1}{\sqrt{6}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & -2 \\ -2 & -2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Finding  $u_2 \perp u_1$ , ( $u_2 \in \text{coker } A$ ), we have

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

(Full SVD)

[Example continue]

Then  $A = U \Sigma V^T = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{6} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \end{bmatrix}$

Reduced SVD:

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

$\hat{U} \quad \hat{\Sigma} \quad \hat{V}^T$

**Fact:** Let  $A \in M_{m \times n}$  ( $m \times n$  real matrices). Then the following are true.

1. The nonzero eigenvalues of  $A^T A$  and  $AA^T$  are the same.
2.  $A$  and  $A^T$  have the same nonzero singular values.

1. SVD of  $A$  ( $\text{rank } A = r$ ):  $A = U \Sigma V^T$ ,

$$A^T A = V \Sigma^T \underline{U^T U} \Sigma V^T = V (\Sigma^T \Sigma) V^T$$

$$A A^T = U \Sigma \underline{V^T V} \Sigma^T U^T = U (\Sigma \Sigma^T) U^T$$

$\Sigma^T \Sigma$  and  $\Sigma \Sigma^T$  have the same <sup>nonzero</sup> eigenvalues  $\sigma_1^2, \dots, \sigma_r^2$ .

Since  $A^T A$  is similar to  $\Sigma^T \Sigma$ ,  $A^T A$  has <sup>nonzero</sup> eigenvalues  $\sigma_1^2, \dots, \sigma_r^2$ . Similarly,  $A A^T$  also have nonzero eigenvalues  $\sigma_1^2, \dots, \sigma_r^2$  since  $A A^T$  is similar to  $\Sigma \Sigma^T$ . #

**Fact:** Let  $A \in M_{m \times n}$  ( $m \times n$  real matrices). Then the following is true.

1. If  $A = A^T$ , then the singular values of  $A$  are the absolute values of the eigenvalues of  $A$ .

$$Av = \lambda v, \quad v \neq 0.$$

$$(A^T A)v = A^T(\lambda v) \stackrel{A=A^T}{=} \lambda Av = (\lambda^2)v.$$

So,  $\lambda^2$  is eigenvalue of  $A^T A$ , it leads to

$\sqrt{\lambda^2} = |\lambda|$  is the singular value of  $A$ . #

Likewise, we also have

**Fact:** Let  $A \in M_{m \times n}$  ( $m \times n$  real matrices). Then the following are true.

1.  $\|A\|_2 = \sigma_1$
2.  $\|A\|_F = \sqrt{\sigma_1^2 + \dots + \sigma_r^2}$ .

The proof is similar to the one for symmetric matrix we showed in Lecture 33. Thus, we skip the proof here.

## § Least square solutions - Pseudo inverse

How do we “almost” solve a system?

For instance, we consider an experimenter collects data by taking measurements

$$b_1, b_2, \dots, b_m \quad \text{at times } t_1, t_2, \dots, t_m \text{ respectively.}$$

Suppose that the data

$$(b_1, t_1), (b_2, t_2), \dots, (b_m, t_m)$$

are plotted in the plane.

Suppose there exists a “linear relationship” between  $b$  and  $t$ , say  $b = \alpha t + \beta$ . We want to find the constants  $\alpha, \beta$  so that the line  $b = \alpha t + \beta$  represents the best possible fit to the data collected. One way is to minimize the error

$$E \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sum_{i=1}^m \left( \underbrace{b_i}_{\text{collected data}} - \underbrace{(\alpha t_i + \beta)}_{\text{linear relationship}} \right)^2,$$

which can be written as

$$\|Ax - b\|^2, \tag{1}$$

where

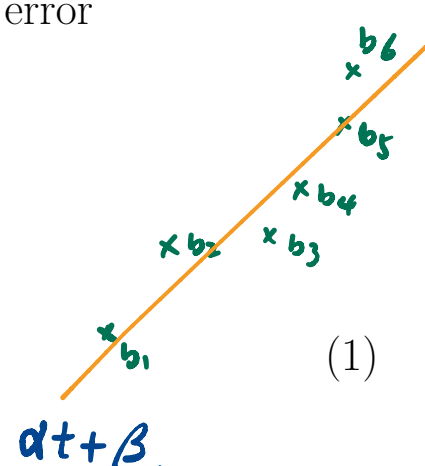
$$A = \begin{bmatrix} t_1 & 1 \\ t_2 & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ t_m & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad b = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix}, \quad x = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{bmatrix}.$$

Since we cannot solve  $Ax = b$  exactly in many cases, our goal here is to find a  $x$  that minimizes  $\|Ax - b\|$ . We will develop a general method for finding a vector  $x^*$  that **minimizes the error**  $E$ , that is,

$$\|Ax^* - b\| \leq \|Ax - b\| \quad \text{for all } x \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

**Definition:** Suppose that  $A \in M_{m \times n}$ ,  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ . **The least squares problem** is to find  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  for which that  $\|A\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|$  is minimized.

A vector  $\mathbf{x}$  that minimizes  $\|A\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|$  is called **the least squares solution**.



**Definition:** The **pseudoinverse** of a nonzero  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$  with SVD  $A = U\Sigma V^T$  is the  $n \times m$  matrix

$(m \geq n)$

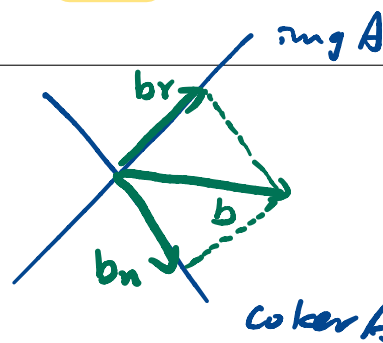
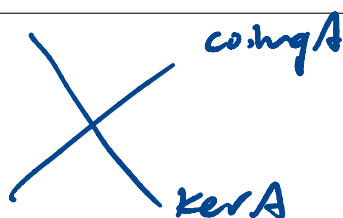
$$A^+ = V\Sigma^+U^T.$$

$A$  has rank  $r$  with singular values  $\sigma_1 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_r > 0$ .

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & & & & & \\ & \ddots & & & & \\ & & \sigma_r & & & \\ & & & 0 & & \\ & & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{m \times n}$$

$$\Sigma^+ = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sigma_1 & & & & & \\ & \ddots & & & & \\ & & 1/\sigma_r & & & \\ & & & 0 & & \\ & & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{n \times m}; \quad \Sigma^+_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1/\sigma_i, & \text{if } i=j \leq r \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

**Fact:** Suppose that  $A \in M_{m \times n}$ ,  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ . Let  $\mathbf{x}^* = A^+\mathbf{b}$ . Then  $\mathbf{x}^*$  is the least squares solution to the linear system  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ .



$$\mathbf{b} = \underbrace{\mathbf{b}_r}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{img } A}} + \underbrace{\mathbf{b}_n}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{coker } A}}$$

$\mathbf{b}_r$ : orthogonal projection of  $\mathbf{b}$  onto  $\text{img } A$ ,  
 $\mathbf{b}_n$ : orthogonal projection of  $\mathbf{b}$  onto  $\text{coker } A$ .

$$\|A\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|_2^2 = \|A\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}_r - \mathbf{b}_n\|_2^2 = \|A\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}_r\|_2^2 + \|\mathbf{b}_n\|_2^2$$

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 $(A\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}_r) \perp \mathbf{b}_n$ .

$$\min_{\mathbf{x}} \|A\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{b}\|_2^2 = \|\mathbf{b}_n\|_2^2.$$

The least squares solution satisfies

$$\boxed{A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}_r}$$

check:  $\mathbf{x}^* = A^+\mathbf{b}$  satisfies  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}_r$ .

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$$\begin{aligned} \underline{A^T A x} &= A^T b_r = A^T (b - b_n) \\ &= \underline{A^T b} \quad (A^T b_n = 0 \\ &\quad \text{since } b_n \in \text{coker } A) \end{aligned}$$

**Remark:** The equation  $A^T A x - A^T b = 0$  is called the **normal equation**.

**Fact:** Suppose that  $A \in M_{m \times n}$ ,  $b \in \mathbb{R}^m$ . Let  $x^* = A^+ b$ . If  $A$  has  $n$  linearly independent columns ( $\ker A = \{0\}$ ), then

$$\text{rank } A = n$$

$$x^* = A^+ b = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b,$$

where

$$A^+ = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T.$$

Thus,  $(A^T A)^{-1}$  exists.  $x^*$  satisfies  $A^T A x = \underline{A^T b}$ .

$$\text{so, } \underline{x^* = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b.}$$

**Example.** Consider the linear system

$$\begin{cases} x + y - z = 1, \\ x + y - z = 1. \end{cases}$$

Find the best approximation to a solution having minimum norm.

To be continued !