

Lecture 36: Quick review from previous lecture

- **Full SVD for a matrix:**

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

$$\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \cdots \geq \sigma_r,$$

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

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

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

$$A = U\Sigma V^T. \quad (\text{Full SVD})$$

- 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 $\|\mathbf{Ax} - \mathbf{b}\|$ is minimized.

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

Today we will discuss Singular Value Decomposition.

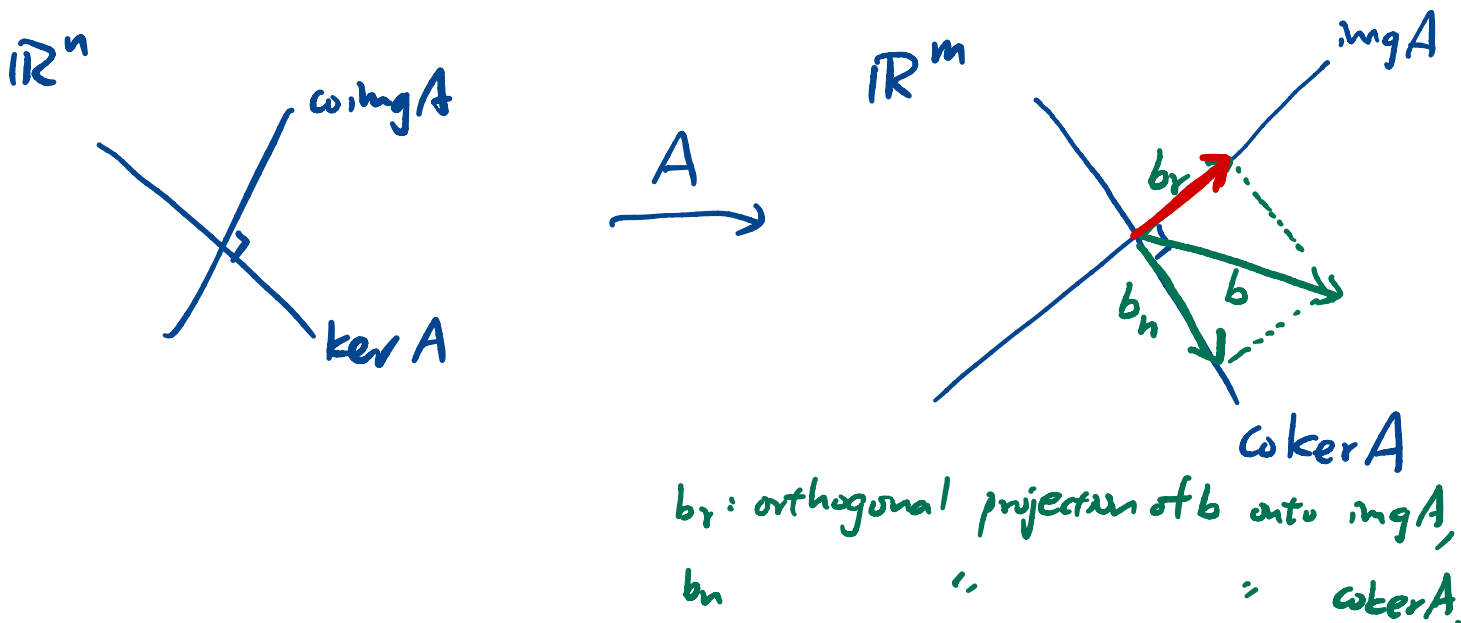
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Let's recap. Even if $Ax = \overset{\text{Data}}{\mathbf{b}}$ has no exact solution, we can always find a least squares solution $\mathbf{x}^* = A^+ \mathbf{b}$ that minimizes the error $\|Ax - \mathbf{b}\|^2$.

Recall that the **pseudoinverse** of a nonzero $m \times n$ matrix A with SVD $A = U\Sigma V^T$ is the $n \times m$ matrix $A^+ = V\Sigma^+U^T$

$$\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1 & \dots & \sigma_r & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \end{pmatrix}_{m \times n}, \quad \Sigma^+ = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sigma_1} & \dots & \frac{1}{\sigma_r} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \end{pmatrix}_{n \times m}, \quad \text{pseudo inverse of } \Sigma.$$



Recalling: the least squares solution must satisfy the equation $Ax = b_r$

Check: $\mathbf{x}^* = A^+ \mathbf{b}$ satisfies $Ax = b_r$.

[To see this] $\mathbf{x}^* = A^+ \mathbf{b} = V \Sigma^+ U^T \mathbf{b} = V \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sigma_1} & \dots & \frac{1}{\sigma_r} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1^T \\ \vdots \\ u_r^T \\ \vdots \\ u_n^T \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{b}$

$$= V \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sigma_1} & \dots & \frac{1}{\sigma_r} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \langle b, u_1 \rangle \\ \vdots \\ \langle b, u_r \rangle \\ \vdots \\ \langle b, u_n \rangle \end{bmatrix}_{n \times 1}$$

$$Ax^* = (U \Sigma V^T) \left(V \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sigma_1} & \dots & \frac{1}{\sigma_r} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \langle b, u_1 \rangle \\ \vdots \\ \langle b, u_r \rangle \\ \vdots \\ \langle b, u_n \rangle \end{bmatrix} \right) = U \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sigma_1} & \dots & \frac{1}{\sigma_r} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \langle b, u_1 \rangle \\ \vdots \\ \langle b, u_r \rangle \\ \vdots \\ \langle b, u_n \rangle \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \langle b, u_1 \rangle u_1 + \dots + \langle b, u_r \rangle u_r$$

Remark: The least squares solution \mathbf{x}^* to the system $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$ satisfies the **normal equation** $A^T A \mathbf{x} - A^T \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{0}$.

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 $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$.

→ $A^T A$ is invertible

If A has n linearly independent columns ($\ker A = \{\mathbf{0}\}$), then

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

where

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

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.

We write $A \vec{x} = \mathbf{b}$, where $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$, $\mathbf{b} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

In lecture 35, we have found SVD of A

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{6} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \end{pmatrix}^T$$

So, pseudo inverse of A is

$$A^+ = U \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} U^T = \frac{1}{6} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

So, $\mathbf{x}^* = A^+ \mathbf{b} = A^+ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{3} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

§ Low rank approximations to a matrix.

Suppose we want to approximate a matrix $A = A_{m \times n}$ with rank r by a matrix $B = B_{m \times n}$ with rank $k < r$. That is, we want such B to minimize $\|A - B\|$.

Recall a matrix A with rank r has full SVD as follows:

$$A = U \Sigma V^T = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & \dots & u_m \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & & & \\ & \dots & & \\ & & \sigma_r & \\ & & & 0 \dots 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1^T \\ \vdots \\ v_n^T \end{bmatrix}, \quad \sigma_1 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_r > 0.$$

If we take $A_k = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & \dots & u_m \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & & & \\ & \dots & & \\ & & \sigma_k & \\ & & & 0 \dots 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_1^T \\ \vdots \\ v_n^T \end{bmatrix}$, $\sigma_{k+1} = \dots = \sigma_r = 0$,
 then the matrix A_k has rank k .

The best rank k approximation to A is

$$B = U \Sigma_k V^T = U \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & & & \\ & \dots & & \\ & & \sigma_k & \\ & & & 0 \dots 0 \end{bmatrix} V^T, \quad k < n.$$

Fact: This matrix B minimizes the distance to A as measured by Frobenius norm and operator norm:

$$\|A - B\|_F, \quad \|A - B\|_2.$$

Recall: $\|A\|_F = \sqrt{\sigma_1^2 + \dots + \sigma_r^2}$; $\|A\|_2 = \sigma_1$ (largest singular value of A).

$$A - B = \underline{U} \underline{\Sigma} \underline{V}^T - \underline{U} \underline{\Sigma}_k \underline{V}^T = U (\underline{\Sigma} - \underline{\Sigma}_k) V^T = U \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \dots & & \dots \\ \dots & & \dots \\ & & \sigma_{k+1} \\ & & \dots \\ & & \sigma_r \\ & & \dots \\ & & 0 \end{pmatrix} V^T$$

So, the largest singular value of $A - B$ is σ_{k+1} , thus $\|A - B\|_2 = \sigma_{k+1}$. Moreover,

$$\|A - B\|_F = \sqrt{\sigma_{k+1}^2 + \dots + \sigma_r^2}.$$

Example. Find the best rank 1 approximation to $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

Find SVD of A . $A^T A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$. $0 = \det(A^T A - \lambda I)$
 $\lambda = 1, 3$.

$\lambda = 3$: $A^T A - 3I$. $v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}$. $U = [v_1, v_2]$.

$\lambda = 1$: $A^T A - I$. $v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{-1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}$.

$$u_1 = \frac{Av_1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} ; u_2 = \frac{Av_2}{\sqrt{1}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Finding u_3 that is orthogonal to u_1, u_2 , so

$$u_3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus, full SVD of A is

$$A = U \Sigma V^T = [u_1, u_2, u_3] \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} [v_1, v_2]^T$$

Reduced SVD of A is

$$A = \hat{U} \hat{\Sigma} \hat{V}^T = \begin{matrix} 3 \times 2 \\ [u_1, u_2] \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} 2 \times 2 \\ \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3} & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} 2 \times 2 \\ [v_1, v_2]^T \end{matrix}$$

$$\text{So, } B = U \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} V^T = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 & -1 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \quad \checkmark$$

Exercise: $\|A - B\|_F = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$