

Midterm exam (2 weeks from today)

- closed book + notes
- no calculators/computer simulations
- 50 mins (during class time)
- exam pdf available starting exam time.
- upload (to canvas) within 20 mins after exam time finishes. (pencil + paper problems)
- * - Heavily based on HW problems

The singular value decomposition

MATH 6610 Lecture 09

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Diagonalizability \rightarrow transforming a matrix into a diagonal matrix via a similarity transform

Recall:

- All non-defective square matrices are diagonalizable (eigenvalue decomposition) $A = V \Lambda V^{-1}$
- All square matrices are bidiagonalizable (Jordan normal form) $A = V J V^{-1}$
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What about rectangular matrices?

Ans: All matrices are diagonal, upon appropriate unitary transforms of the domain and range.

The singular value decomposition

Theorem (SVD) (Arbitrary m, n)

Any matrix $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ can be written as the product,

$$A = \underline{U} \underline{\Sigma} \underline{V}^*,$$

where $\underline{U} \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times m}$ and $\underline{V} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$ are unitary.

The matrix $\underline{\Sigma} \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$ is diagonal with non-negative entries.

$\Sigma = \text{diag}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_{\min\{m, n\}}) \rightarrow \{\sigma_i\}$ are "singular values"

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With $p = \min\{m, n\}$, notational convention:

- $\Sigma = \text{diag}(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_p)$ ★
- $\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_p \geq 0$ (ordering is assumed)
- $U = [u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m]$ (columns)
- $V = [v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n]$ (columns)

$$\begin{pmatrix} A \\ (m > n) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} U \\ \Sigma \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \diagdown \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} V^* \end{pmatrix}$$

singular values.

$$\begin{pmatrix} A \\ (m < n) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} U \\ \Sigma \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \diagdown \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} V^* \end{pmatrix}$$

Proof: Idea: induction on (m, n)

Base cases: (i) $m \geq 1, n = 1$ (A is a column vector)

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} | \\ a_1 \\ | \end{pmatrix} = \frac{a_1}{\|a_1\|} \cdot \|a_1\| \quad (\text{if } \|a_1\| > 0)$$

Define $U = \begin{pmatrix} | & & | \\ \frac{a_1}{\|a_1\|} & u_2 & \dots & u_m \\ | & | & & | \end{pmatrix}$ where $\{u_j\}_{j=2}^m$ is an orthonormal completion of \mathbb{C}^m .

$$V = 1, \quad \sigma_1 = \|a_1\|$$

$$A = \frac{a_1}{\|a_1\|} \cdot \|a_1\| \cdot 1 = U \Sigma V^*$$

(ii) $m=1, n \geq 1$ (A is a row vector)

Just use SVD for A^* (column vector)

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

$$\Rightarrow A = V \Sigma^* U^* \quad (\text{this is an SVD of } A).$$

(iii) general $m, n, A=0$.

$$A = I_{m \times m} \quad 0_{m \times n} \quad I_{n \times n}$$

$$(U) \quad (\Sigma) \quad (V^*)$$

Inductive step: assume $m, n \geq 2$

consider $A^*A \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$

~~assume~~ A^*A is ~~spc~~ Hermitian semi-positive definite.

(because A^*A is Hermitian and

$$R_{A^*A}(x) \geq 0).$$

$$A^*A = V \underline{\Lambda} V^*$$

$$\max_j |\lambda_j|$$

Choose eigenvalue λ s.t. $p(A^*A) = \lambda$

Note: ~~$\lambda > 0$~~ , because

we can assume $\lambda > 0$ because otherwise

$$A=0$$

Let v_1 be (only) normalized eigenvector for λ .

$$A^* A v_1 = \lambda v_1 \quad (v_1 \in \mathbb{C}^n)$$

$$\text{Define } \sigma_1 = \sqrt{\lambda} > 0.$$

$$\text{Define } u_1 = \frac{A v_1}{\sigma_1}$$

First: note that $\sigma_1 = \|A\|_2$ ~~(*)~~

$$R_{A^* A}(x) = \frac{\langle A^* A x, x \rangle}{\langle x, x \rangle} = \frac{\|A x\|_2^2}{\|x\|_2^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \|A\|_2^2 = \sup_{x \neq 0} R_{A^* A}(x)$$

$$= \sup_{x \neq 0} \frac{\langle A v_x^*, v_x^* \rangle}{\langle v_x^*, v_x^* \rangle}$$

$$= \sup_{y \neq 0} \frac{\langle A y, y \rangle}{\langle y, y \rangle} = \lambda = \sigma_1^2 \quad (*)$$

Now: "reduce" A :

$$U_1 = \begin{bmatrix} | & & | \\ u_1 & & v_m \\ | & & | \end{bmatrix}$$

any ON completion of \mathbb{C}^m

$$V_i = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & & | \\ u_1 & s_2 & \dots & s_n \\ | & | & & | \end{bmatrix}$$

any ON completion of \mathbb{C}^n .

U_i and V_i are unitary.

$$U_i^* A V_i = U_i^* \begin{pmatrix} | & | & & | \\ Av_1 & As_2 & \dots & As_n \\ | & | & & | \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} u_1^* Av_1 & \dots & x \\ \cancel{u_2^* Av_1} & \dots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ u_m^* Av_1 & \dots & \vdots \end{pmatrix} \begin{array}{c} \hline \tilde{A} \end{array}$$

$$j \neq 1: \cancel{u_j^*} Av_1 = \cancel{u_j^*} u_1 \cdot \sigma_1 = 0$$

$$u_1^* Av_1 = u_1^* u_1 \cdot \sigma_1 = \sigma_1$$

Next: $x=0$

Define $A_1 = U_i^* A V_i$, Let $w = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sigma_1^2 + \|x\|_2^2}} \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1 \\ | \\ x^* \\ | \end{pmatrix}$

$$\sigma_1 = \|A\|_2 = \|A_1\|_2 \geq \|A_1 w\|_2 = \sqrt{\frac{(\sigma_1^2 + \|x\|_2^2)}{\sigma_1^2 + \|x\|_2^2} + \dots}$$

def'n of 2-norm $\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}$

non-negative contributions.

$$\rightarrow \geq \sqrt{\sigma_1^2 + \|x\|_2^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_1 \geq \sqrt{\sigma_1^2 + \|x\|_2^2} \Rightarrow \|x\| = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0$$

$$\text{I.e., } A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1 & \text{---} & 0 & \text{---} \\ 0 & & \tilde{A} & \\ \vdots & & & \end{pmatrix}$$

By inductive hypothesis, \tilde{A} has an SVD,
and we can use this to get SVD for A ...



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$\min\{m, n\}$

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$$A = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} | & & | \\ & \dots & \\ | & & | \end{pmatrix}}_U \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} & & 0 \\ & \diagdown & \\ 0 & & \end{pmatrix}}_\Sigma \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} | & & | \\ & \dots & \\ | & & | \end{pmatrix}^*}_V$$

U, V unitary,
elements of Σ
are non-negative.

Define $r := \text{rank}(A) \leq p$

The SVD : *singular values are ordered: $\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_p \geq 0$.*

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(if not: $\dim. \text{range}(A) > r$)

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Handwritten diagram illustrating the reduced SVD components:

- \tilde{U} is a matrix with r columns, each containing a vertical bar representing a vector.
- $\tilde{\Sigma}$ is a diagonal matrix with r non-zero entries on the diagonal, represented by a large 'N' shape.
- \tilde{V} is a matrix with r rows, each containing a horizontal bar representing a vector.
- An arrow points to the $\tilde{\Sigma}$ matrix with the label $r \times r$.

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$$\|A\|_2 = \sup_{\|x\|=1} \|Ax\|_2 = \sup_{\|x\|=1} \|U\Sigma V^* x\|_2$$

$$= \sup_{\|x\|=1} \|\underbrace{\Sigma V^*}_y\|$$

$$= \sup_{\|y\|=1} \|\Sigma y\|_2 \longrightarrow \text{we did this before}$$

$$= \sigma_1$$

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If A is square and invertible:

$$\|A^{-1}\|_{\infty} \|A\|_{\infty} =: \kappa(A) = \frac{\sigma_1}{\sigma_n}$$


If A is invertible: $\text{rank}(A) = n = m$

\Downarrow

Σ is invertible

$$A^{-1} = (U \Sigma V^*)^{-1} = V \Sigma^{-1} U^*$$

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is an SVD of A^{-1}

$$\Rightarrow \|A^{-1}\|_2 = \max_j \frac{1}{\sigma_j} = \frac{1}{\sigma_n}$$

U, Σ, V^* are also matrices related to A^*A , and AA^*

$A^*A \rightarrow$ Hermitian positive-definite.

$$A^*A = V \Lambda V^* \quad (\star)$$

$$A = U \Sigma V^* \Rightarrow A^*A = V \underbrace{\Sigma^* \Sigma}_{n \times n, \text{ diagonal matrix}} V^* \quad (\star)$$

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

$$\Rightarrow \lambda_i(A^*A) = \sigma_i^2(A) \quad (\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_n)$$

$$\lambda_n(A^*A) = \sigma_n^2(A)$$

eigenvectors V of $A^*A \equiv$ right-singular
vectors V of A .

(Similar characterization for U , AA^*).