

# Singular Value Decomposition

$$A \in M_{n \times m}(\mathbb{R}), \quad n \neq m$$

Find a way to decompose

$A$  like the case if  $n = m$

for orthogonal diagonalization.

Step 1: Consider  $A^t A \in M_m(\mathbb{R})$ ,  
a square matrix.

$$\underline{A^t A}$$

$A^t A$  is square, and symmetric

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Since } (A^t A)^t &= A^t (A^t)^t \\ &= A^t A \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

Then  $A^t A$  is orthogonally diagonalizable!

Even better: if  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A^t A$ , then

$$\lambda \geq 0$$

Why is  $\lambda \geq 0$ ?

Because if  $v$  is an eigenvector,  
then if we assume  $\|v\|_2 = 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda &= \lambda \|v\|_2^2 \\ &= \lambda v \cdot v \\ &= (A^t A v) \cdot v \\ &= (v^t A^t) A v \\ &= (A v)^t A v \\ &= A v \cdot A v \\ &\geq 0 \quad \checkmark\end{aligned}$$

# Matrix Square Roots

If  $D$  is a diagonal matrix

and the entries of  $D$  are not negative,

we set  $D^{1/2}$  to be the matrix

$$(D^{1/2})_{i,j} = (D_{i,j})^{1/2}$$

i.e. 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 36 \end{bmatrix}^{1/2} = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{5} & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{36} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{5} & 0 \\ 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

For  $A^t A$ , orthogonally diagonalize as

$$A^t A = S D S^t.$$

Then  $(A^t A)^{1/2} = S D^{1/2} S^t$

**Note:** if 0 is not an eigenvalue for  $D$ , then  $D$  is actually invertible!

If  $D = \begin{bmatrix} d_1 & & & 0 \\ & d_2 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & d_m \end{bmatrix}$

with  $d_i > 0$ ,

$$D^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{d_1} & & & 0 \\ & \frac{1}{d_2} & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & \frac{1}{d_m} \end{bmatrix}$$

This will then give you that  $(A^t A)^{1/2}$  is invertible, which gives you that  $A^t A$  is invertible.

# Singular Value Decomposition (SVD)

(reduced)

Let  $A$  be an  $n \times m$  matrix.

Then there is an  $m \times m$  diagonal matrix  $\hat{D}$ , an  $n \times m$  matrix  $\hat{U}$  with orthonormal columns, and an  $m \times m$  orthogonal matrix  $\hat{V}$  with

$$A = \hat{U} \hat{D} \hat{V}$$

## Idea of SVD:

Consider  $A^t A \in M_m(\mathbb{R})$ .

$A^t A$  is orthogonally diagonalizable

as

$$A^t A = U_0 D_0 U_0^t$$

So

$$U_0^t A^t A U_0 = D_0.$$

By multiplying on left and right by a permutation matrix (always orthogonal), we may assume



$$D_0 = \begin{bmatrix} D_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $D_1$  is a  $k \times k$  diagonal matrix with nonzero entries.

Split  $v_0 = \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & v_2 \end{bmatrix}$

where  $v_1$  is  $m \times k$  and

$$D_0 = \begin{bmatrix} D_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= U_0^t A^t A U_0$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} v_1^t \\ v_2^t \end{bmatrix} A^t A \begin{bmatrix} v_1 & v_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} v_1^t A^t A v_1 & v_1^t A^t A v_2 \\ v_2^t A^t A v_1 & v_2^t A^t A v_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

with  $D_1 = v_1^t A^t A v_1$

Let

$$W = A U_1 D_1^{-1/2}$$

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 $n \times m \quad m \times k \quad k \times k$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} W^t W &= D_1^{-1/2} U_1^t A^t A U_1 D_1^{-1/2} \\ &= D_1^{-1/2} D_1 D_1^{-1/2} \\ &= I_k \end{aligned}$$

So  $W$  has orthonormal columns.

Observe :  $W D_1^{1/2} = A U_1$

Since  $\omega D_1^{1/2} = A v_1$ ,

multiplying on the right by  $v_1^t$ ,

$$\omega D_1^{1/2} v_1^t = A v_1 v_1^t$$

$$= A I_m$$

$$= A$$

**Note:** if  $\dim(\text{Ran}(A)) = n$ ,

then  $D_1$  is  $n \times n$ , so we'd

be done. But in general,

this is not true!

Fix:  $\hat{D} = \begin{bmatrix} D_1^{1/2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (m \times m)$

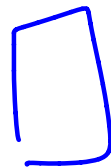
By Gram Schmidt, add

orthonormal rows to

$v_1^t$  to get  $\hat{v}$  and

orthonormal columns to  $w$

to get  $\hat{v}$ .



# Full SVD

Let  $A$  be an  $n \times m$  matrix.

Then there is a  $n \times m$  diagonal matrix  $D$ , an  $n \times n$  orthogonal matrix  $U$ , and an  $m \times m$  orthogonal matrix  $V$  with

$$A = U D V$$

Example 1:

$$\text{Let } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 5 & 8 \\ -9 & 3 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A \in M_{2 \times 4}(\mathbb{R})$$

Want: singular value decomposition  
for  $A$ .

Use Wolfram Alpha!

Idea: to compress an image, given by an  $n \times m$  matrix, perform the singular value decomposition, throw away "unimportant" rows from the diagonal matrix.

This reduces the size of the image!



# Announcements

1) HW 8 clarification - find the full SVD (this is what Wolfram Alpha does)

# Singular Values

These are the eigenvalues of

$$(A^t A)^{1/2} = \text{the diagonal}$$

$$\text{entries of } \hat{D} = \text{the diagonal}$$

$$\text{entries of } D$$

# Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

- or -

"What does the SVD do?"

We've already tried to fit polynomials to data. What if we try to

fit equations that are **not**

the graph of a function to the data?

Easiest example: **circle**

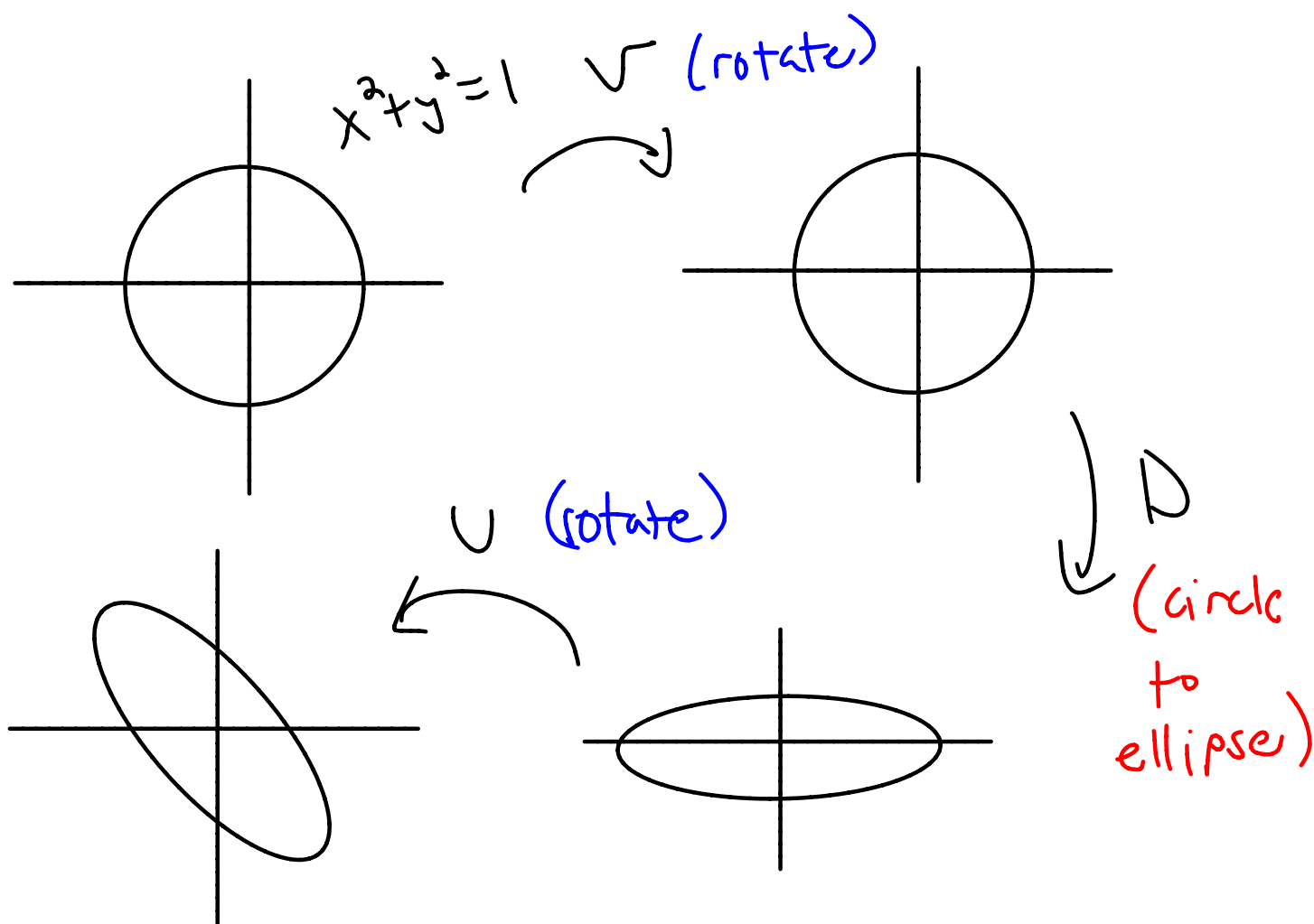
# Picture - full SVD

$A$  is  $2 \times 2$ ,

$$A = U D V$$

$V, U$  orthogonal,  $D$  diagonal

If  $A$  is invertible, so is  $D$ .



# Ellipsoids

ellipse:  $\frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$

major & minor axes associated  
to  $x=0$  and  $y=0$

In higher dimensions, we have

ellipsoids:

$$\frac{x_1^2}{a_1^2} + \frac{x_2^2}{a_2^2} + \dots + \frac{x_k^2}{a_k^2} = 1$$

axes associated to all  
but one coordinate equalling  
zero.

Idea: (PCA) picks out the axes of the ellipse.

1<sup>st</sup> principal component = longest axis

2<sup>nd</sup> " " = next-longest axis

and so on

## From SVD

$$A = U D V^T \quad (\text{full SVD})$$

Score matrix  $T = U D$

1<sup>st</sup> principal component = 1<sup>st</sup> column of  $T$   
2<sup>nd</sup>            "            "            = 2<sup>nd</sup> column of  $T$

and so on

The first column is sometimes called the principal component.

Example 1:  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Find the principal component of  $A$ .

Singular Value Decomposition  
of  $A$ :

$$A = U D V \quad (\text{full SVD})$$

Where

$$U = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$D = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad V = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \end{bmatrix}$$



Score matrix :

$$T = U D$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3} & -1 & 0 \\ \sqrt{3} & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3}/2 & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \\ \sqrt{3}/2 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Principal component:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3/2} \\ \sqrt{3/2} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Permutation Matrices

These are orthogonal matrices that can change the order of components in a vector while preserving the value of the components.

Convention:  $P_n$  is a permutation matrix

Example 2: (low dimensions)

$n=2$  There are two permutation matrices,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$n=3$  There are six permutation matrices,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

In general, there are  $n!$  permutation matrices in  $M_n(\mathbb{R})$ .

These are matrices with a single nonzero entry in every row and column, and the nonzero entry is always 1.

If you want to, say, make the 4<sup>th</sup> coordinate move to the 2<sup>nd</sup> coordinate, the entry 1 will occur in the (second row, fourth column) of the matrix.

Any such matrix is always orthogonal since: the columns are orthonormal.

To change the order of the diagonal entries on a diagonal  $n \times n$  matrix  $D$ :

Multiply

$$U D U^t \quad \text{where } U \text{ is}$$

a permutation matrix, chosen to effect the order you desire.

Example 3:  $D = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix},$

we can rearrange the diagonal by

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

