

# Announcements

- 1) # 4 on HW!
- 2) Colloquium Wednesday,  
CB 2046, 3-4,  
Mahesh Agarwal, on  
elliptic curves and ellipses
- 3) matnorm file on  
Canvas for HW #2

# Recall Full and Reduced SVD

$$A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$$

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

with  $\hat{V}$  unitary  $n \times n$ ,  $\hat{\Sigma}$

diagonal  $n \times n$ ,  $\hat{U}$  orthonormal

columns,  $m \times n$  (reduced svd)

Full:  $A = U \Sigma V^*$  with  
 $U$  unitary  $m \times m$ ,  $V = \hat{V}$ ,

and  $\Sigma = \hat{\Sigma}$  followed

by  $(m-n)$  rows of

zeros  $(m \times n)$ .

## Definition: (singular vectors)

The **right** singular vectors of  $A$  are the columns of  $V$ . The **left**

singular vectors are the columns of  $\hat{U}$ .

# Geometric Description

Write  $A = \hat{U} \hat{\Sigma} (\hat{V})^*$ .

Applying  $A$  to a right  
singular vector you get:

first, a standard basis  
element in  $\mathbb{C}^n$  ( $\hat{V}$  unitary).

second, a standard basis  
element scaled by  $\hat{\Sigma}$ .

Finally, a column  
of  $U$ , scaled by  
the appropriate entry in  $\hat{\Sigma}$ .

So if  $A$  has full rank,  
it sends the "ellipsoid" in  
 $\mathbb{C}^n$  determined by  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$   
to the ellipsoid in  $\mathbb{C}^m$  determined  
by  $(\sigma_1 u_1, \sigma_2 u_2, \dots, \sigma_n u_n)$ .

Example 1:  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 6 \\ 3 & 14 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Reduced svd (Matlab)

$$\hat{U} = \begin{bmatrix} .3743 & .9273 \\ .9273 & -.3743 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\hat{\Sigma} = \begin{bmatrix} 15.4173 & 0 \\ 0 & 2.0756 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\hat{V} = \begin{bmatrix} .1562 & -.9877 \\ .9877 & .1562 \end{bmatrix}$$

Recall: (rank) The

rank of a matrix

is the dimension of

its column space =

number of linearly

independent rows =

number of linearly

independent columns.



Theorem: (Unitaries and 2-norm)

If  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$  and

$V \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times n}$  and  $U \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times m}$

are unitaries, then

$$\|A\|_2 = \|UAV\|_2.$$

Proof: Unitaries preserve  
2-norm.



Theorem: (SVD) Let

$$A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}.$$

1) The rank of  $A$  is the number of non zero singular values of  $A$ .

2) If  $A = U \Sigma V^*$  (full svd),

then the range of  $A$  is

the span of the first  $\text{rank}(A)$

columns of  $U$ .

The kernel of  $A$  is the span of the last  $(n - \text{rank}(A))$  columns of  $V$ .

3) The 2-norm of  $A$  is the largest singular value of  $A$ ; the Frobenius norm is the 2-norm of the vector whose coordinates are the singular values of  $A$ .

4) ~~\*~~ The singular values of  $A$  are the square roots of the eigenvalues of  $A^*A$ .

5) If  $n=m$ ,  $|\det(A)|$  is equal to the product of the singular values of  $A$ .

proof: 3)

$$\|A\|_2 = \|\nu \Sigma \nu^*\|_2$$

$$= \|\Sigma\|_2 \text{ by previous theorem}$$

= largest element on  
the diagonal

$$= \sigma_1$$

Similarly, you can show

$$\begin{aligned}\|\Sigma\|_{\mathcal{F}} &= \|\mathcal{U}\Sigma\mathcal{V}^*\|_{\mathcal{F}} \\ &= \|A\|_{\mathcal{F}}.\end{aligned}$$



# Theorem: (SVD)

1) rank

2) range and kernel

3) norms

4) Singular values and  
eigenvalues of  $A^*A$

5) If  $n=m$ ,  $|\det(A)|$



Theorem: (rank-ones)

$$A = \sum_{j=1}^r \sigma_j U_j V_j^*$$

with  $r = \text{rank}(A)$ , and if

we set  $A_U = \sum_{j=1}^U \sigma_j U_j V_j^*$ ,

and  $0 \leq U \leq r$ , then

$$1) \|A - A_U\|_2$$

$$= \min_{\substack{B \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n} \\ \text{rank}(B) \leq U}} \|A - B\|_2 = \sigma_{U+1}$$

with the convention that

$$\sigma_{U+1} = 0 \text{ if } U = n.$$

$$2) \|A - A_U\|_F = \min_{B \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}}$$

$$= \min_{\substack{B \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n} \\ \text{rank}(B) \leq U}} \|A - B\|_F$$

$$= \sqrt{\sum_{j=U+1}^n \sigma_j^2}$$