- The Singular Value Decomposition:
- Encapsulates all aspects of a matrix (hence of a linear transformation)
- Can be used to solve the basic problems of linear algebra
- Is widely used in data reduction
- Singular value decomposition (SVD), for any $\boldsymbol{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, \boldsymbol{A}=\boldsymbol{U} \Sigma \boldsymbol{V}^{T}$, with $\boldsymbol{U} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$, $\boldsymbol{V} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ orthogonal, $\boldsymbol{\Sigma} \in \mathbb{R}_{+}^{m \times n}$ diagonal
- The SVD is determined by eigendecomposition of $\boldsymbol{A}^{T} \boldsymbol{A}$, and $\boldsymbol{A} \boldsymbol{A}^{T}$
- $\boldsymbol{A}^{T} \boldsymbol{A}=\left(\boldsymbol{U} \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \boldsymbol{V}^{T}\right)^{T}\left(\boldsymbol{U} \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \boldsymbol{V}^{T}\right)=\boldsymbol{V}\left(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{T} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}\right) \boldsymbol{V}^{T}$, an eigendecomposition of $\boldsymbol{A}^{T} \boldsymbol{A}$. The columns of $\boldsymbol{V}$ are eigenvectors of $\boldsymbol{A}^{T} \boldsymbol{A}$ and called right singular vectors of $\boldsymbol{A}$
$-\boldsymbol{A} \boldsymbol{A}^{T}=\left(\boldsymbol{U} \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \boldsymbol{V}^{T}\right)\left(\boldsymbol{U} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{T} \boldsymbol{V}^{T}\right)^{T}=\boldsymbol{U}\left(\boldsymbol{\Sigma} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{T}\right) \boldsymbol{U}^{T}$, an eigendecomposition of $\boldsymbol{A} \boldsymbol{A}^{T}$. The columns of $\boldsymbol{U}$ are eigenvectors of $\boldsymbol{A} \boldsymbol{A}^{T}$ and called left singular vectors of $\boldsymbol{A}$
- The matrix $\Sigma$ has zero elements except for the diagonal that contains $\sigma_{i}$, the singular values of $\boldsymbol{A}$ computed as the square roots of the eigenvalues of $\boldsymbol{A}^{T} \boldsymbol{A}$ (or $\boldsymbol{A} \boldsymbol{A}^{T}$ )

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\boldsymbol{\Sigma}=\left(\begin{array}{cccccc}
\sigma_{1} & & & & & \\
& \sigma_{2} & & & & \\
& & \ddots & & & \\
& & & \sigma_{r} & & \\
& & & & 0 & \\
& & & & & \ddots
\end{array}\right) \in \mathbb{R}_{+}^{m \times n}
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- The SVD of $\boldsymbol{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ reveals: $\operatorname{rank}(\boldsymbol{A})$, bases for $C(\boldsymbol{A}), N\left(\boldsymbol{A}^{T}\right), C\left(\boldsymbol{A}^{T}\right), N(\boldsymbol{A})$


$$
\boldsymbol{A}=\left(\begin{array}{llllll}
\boldsymbol{u}_{1} & \ldots & \boldsymbol{u}_{r} & \boldsymbol{u}_{r+1} & \ldots & \boldsymbol{u}_{m}
\end{array}\right)\left(\begin{array}{ccccc}
\sigma_{1} & & & & \\
& \ddots & & & \\
& & \sigma_{r} & & \\
& & & 0 & \\
& & & & \ddots
\end{array}\right)\left(\begin{array}{c}
\boldsymbol{v}_{1}{ }^{T} \\
\vdots \\
\boldsymbol{v}_{r}{ }^{T} \\
\boldsymbol{v}_{r+1}{ }^{T} \\
\vdots \\
\boldsymbol{v}_{n}{ }^{T}
\end{array}\right)
$$

- Change of coordinates (solving a linear system) $\boldsymbol{A} \boldsymbol{x}=\boldsymbol{b}, \boldsymbol{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}, \boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{b} \in \mathbb{R}^{m}$

| $\boldsymbol{L} \boldsymbol{U}$ solution | Operations <br> $($ flops $)$ | SVD solution | Operations <br> (flops) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Factor $\boldsymbol{L} \boldsymbol{U}=\boldsymbol{A}$ | $\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{2 m^{3}}{3}\right)$ | Factor $\boldsymbol{U} \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \boldsymbol{V}^{T}=\boldsymbol{A}$ | $\mathcal{O}\left(11 m^{3}\right)$ |
| Forward substitution $\boldsymbol{L} \boldsymbol{y}=\boldsymbol{b}$ | $\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{m^{2}}{2}\right)$ | Compute $\boldsymbol{c}=\boldsymbol{U}^{T} \boldsymbol{b}$ | $\mathcal{O}\left(m^{2}\right)$ |
| Back substitute $\boldsymbol{U} \boldsymbol{x}=\boldsymbol{y}$ | $\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{m^{2}}{2}\right)$ | Compute $\boldsymbol{d}=\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} \boldsymbol{c}$ <br> $d_{i}=c_{i} / \sigma_{i}, i=1, \ldots, m$ <br> Compute $\boldsymbol{x}=\boldsymbol{V} \boldsymbol{d}$ | $\mathcal{O}(m)$ |
|  |  | $\mathcal{O}\left(m^{2}\right)$ |  |

flop $=$ floating point operation, defined as an addition and multiplication

- SVD can be used for solving a linear system, but is generally more expensive than the standard $L \boldsymbol{U}$ factorization (Gaussian elimination)
- Find closest approximation to $b \in \mathbb{R}^{m}$ by linear combination of column vectors of $\boldsymbol{A} \in$ $\mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, m>n, \min _{x}\|\boldsymbol{b}-\boldsymbol{A x}\|$

| $\boldsymbol{Q} \boldsymbol{R}$ solution | Operations <br> (flops) | SVD solution | Operations <br> (flops) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Factor $\boldsymbol{Q} \boldsymbol{R}=\boldsymbol{A}$ | $\mathcal{O}\left(2 m n^{2}-\frac{2 n^{3}}{3}\right)$ | Factor $\boldsymbol{U} \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \boldsymbol{V}^{T}=\boldsymbol{A}$ | $\mathcal{O}\left(2 m n^{2}+11 n^{3}\right)$ |
| Compute $\boldsymbol{c}=\boldsymbol{Q}^{T} \boldsymbol{b}$ | $\mathcal{O}(m n)$ | Compute $\boldsymbol{c}=\boldsymbol{U}^{T} \boldsymbol{b}$ | $\mathcal{O}(m n)$ |
| Back substitute $\boldsymbol{R} \boldsymbol{x}=\boldsymbol{c}$ | $\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{n^{2}}{2}\right)$ | Compute $\boldsymbol{d}=\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{+} \boldsymbol{c}$ | $\mathcal{O}(n)$ |
|  |  | $d_{i}=c_{i} / \sigma_{i}, i=1, \ldots, n$ | $\mathcal{O}\left(n^{2}\right)$ |

flop $=$ floating point operation, defined as an addition and multiplication

- SVD can be used for solving a least squares problem, but is generally more expensive than the standard $Q R$ factorization (Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization)

