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## SVD - Singular Value Decomposition

Think of SVD!

- If  $A \in M_{n,n}(\mathbb{R})$  is symmetric,

then  $A$  has ON eigenbasis,

$$A \vec{v}_i = \lambda_i \vec{v}_i, \quad \vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n \text{ ON}$$

then (spectral theorem)

$$A = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i \vec{v}_i \vec{v}_i^\top$$

(used this for  $A = A_G$ ,  $G$  graph,

especially nice  $d$ -regular graphs).

If  $A$  is not symmetric?

- General  $A$  has

Jordan canonical form

$$\begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & \ddots & 1 \\ & & & \ddots & \ddots \end{pmatrix}$$

recurrences,  
ODE with  
const coeffs

most other times



- "Most  $A \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$ " have distinct eigenvalues

Reasonable things for  $A$  not symmetric

① If  $A$  is self-adjoint wrt  $(\cdot, \cdot)$

inner product, then  $A$  has real eigenvalues, OR eigenvectors, ONS  $(\cdot, \cdot)$

② Perron-Frobenius for  $A$  with non-neg

entries ( $A$  irreducible) you get a

nice  $\lambda_1$  = means "capacity"

info theory



③ If  $A$  is general  $M_n(\mathbb{R})$

you have biorthogonal decomposition

(4) For any  $A \in M_{m,n}(\mathbb{R})$  there  
is SVD.

- Reduce information (dimension reduction)
- Principal Components

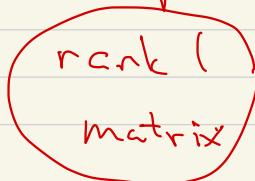
(4) & (1) have associated

"variational principles"

Consider  $A \in M_{m,n}(\mathbb{R})$ :

$$f(\vec{u}, \vec{v}) := \|A - \vec{u} \vec{v}^\top\|_{\text{Frob}}^2$$

minimize  $f$ .



"Aside"

Imagine you are given:

$$\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2, \dots, \vec{x}_m \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$n$  large,  $m$  large. Say you want:

$k < n$  (probably  $k$  small, maybe  $k=1$ )

want

$$\vec{y}_1, \dots, \vec{y}_m \in \mathbb{R}^k$$

such that  $\vec{y}_i$  "represents"  $\vec{x}_i$

"as best as possible"

More precisely:

we want

$$L : \mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \quad (\text{linear})$$

s.t.

$$F(\vec{y}_1, \dots, \vec{y}_m, L) = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^m \|\vec{x}_i - L \vec{y}_i\|^2 \right\}$$

Why?  
is this a  
good  
measure of  
approximation?

is minimized over all  $\vec{y}_1, \dots, \vec{y}_m \in \mathbb{R}^k$

and  $L : \mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ .

"Reducing from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to  $\mathbb{R}^k$ "

Thm! Such  $\vec{y}_1, \dots, \vec{y}_m, \hat{L}$  exist

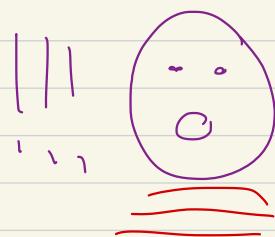
(given  $\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_m \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ )

AND ACTUALLY

$$\vec{y}_i = \hat{L} \vec{x}_i$$

FOR A LINEAR TRANSFORMATION

$$\hat{L} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^k$$



We find  $\hat{L}$ ,  $L : \mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$

via SVD.

(today! mostly  
do  $k=1$ )

Why

$$F = \sum_{i=1}^m \left\| \vec{x}_i - L \vec{y}_i \right\|_2^2$$

Sum of squares error?

(Also typical of - linear regression

- modeling

$f(x)$  via  $a + bx + cx^2$  ..

You want  $f(\cdot) = \text{mean of error}$

① non-negative ② zero ( $\Leftrightarrow$ ) exact

fit

- Maybe this  $F$  is good for Gaussian

Warning! In some applications :-

$$F = \max_i \| \vec{x}_i - \vec{h} \vec{y}_i \|_p$$

maybe  $p=1, \infty$

$$\sum \dots$$

Really - choosing  $F$  as we do

leads to an easy computation --

(may be related to -- SDV)

$$\| A - u v^\top \|_{\text{Frob}} = \dots$$

Variational argument:

Say that  $\vec{u}, \vec{v}$  chosen so that

$\|A - \vec{u} \vec{v}^\top\|_{\text{Frob}}$  is smallest

(cost time  $\vec{u}^*, \vec{v}^*$ )  $\vec{u} \in \mathbb{R}^m, \vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Then for any  $\vec{w} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$g(\varepsilon) = \|A - \vec{u} (\vec{v} + \varepsilon \vec{w})^\top\|_{\text{Frob}}^2$$

has a minimum at  $\varepsilon = 0$ ;

claim:

$$g(\varepsilon) = C_0 + \varepsilon C_1 + \varepsilon^2 C_2 \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{depends} \\ \text{on} \\ \varepsilon \end{array} \right\}$$

and hence  $C_1 = 0$  (for all  $\vec{w}$ )

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Frob norm:

$$\|B\|_{\text{Frob}} = \sqrt{\sum |b_{ij}|^2}$$

Use

$$\text{Tr}(BC) = \text{Tr}(CB)$$

$$B \in \mathcal{M}_{k,k}, C \in \mathcal{M}_{l,k}$$

$$= \sqrt{\text{Tr}(BB^T)}$$

$$= \sqrt{\text{Tr}(B^TB)}$$

$$g(\varepsilon) = \text{Tr} \left( \underbrace{(A - \vec{u}\vec{v}^T - \varepsilon \vec{u}\vec{w}^T)}_{\varepsilon} \underbrace{(A^T - \vec{v}\vec{u}^T - \varepsilon \vec{w}\vec{u}^T)}_{\varepsilon} \right)$$

$\varepsilon$  term:

$$\text{Tr}((A - \vec{u}\vec{v}^T) \vec{w}\vec{u}^T)$$

$$\text{Tr}(B) = \text{Tr}(B^T)$$

Same

$$g(\varepsilon) = C_0 + \varepsilon C_1 + \varepsilon^2 C_2 \text{ then}$$

$$C_1 = (-2) \operatorname{Tr} \left( (A - \vec{u} \vec{v}^\top) \vec{\omega} \vec{u}^\top \right)$$

$$C_1 = 0 \Rightarrow \text{for any } \vec{\omega} :$$

$$\operatorname{Tr} \left( (A - \vec{u} \vec{v}^\top) \vec{\omega} \vec{u}^\top \right) = 0$$

(\*)  $\operatorname{Tr} \left( A \vec{\omega} \vec{u}^\top \right) = \operatorname{Tr} \left( \underbrace{\vec{u} \vec{v}^\top}_{m \times m} \underbrace{\vec{\omega}}_{m \times m} \vec{u}^\top \right)$

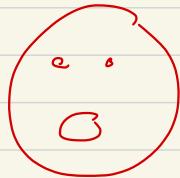
$$\operatorname{Tr}(BC) = \operatorname{Tr}(CB)$$

$$\operatorname{Tr}(\vec{u}^\top A \vec{\omega})$$

$$\operatorname{Tr}(\vec{u} \vec{u}^\top) = \operatorname{Tr}(\vec{u}^\top \vec{u})$$

$$\vec{v}^\top \vec{\omega} \quad (\vec{v} \cdot \vec{\omega})$$

So



2 real numbers are  
equal

$$(*) \quad \vec{u}^\top A \vec{w} = (\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w}) (\vec{u} \cdot \vec{u})$$

So!

(i) If  $\vec{w} \perp \vec{v}$  then  $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = 0$ ,

$$(A^\top \vec{u}) \cdot \vec{w} = (\vec{u}^\top A) \vec{w} = 0$$

so  $\vec{u}^\top A = \beta \vec{v}^\top$

$$A^\top \vec{u} = \beta \vec{v}$$

Find  $\beta$ !

$$(\vec{A}^T \vec{u}) \cdot \vec{v} = \beta (\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v})$$

$$\vec{u}^T \vec{A} \vec{v}$$

(\*)  $\downarrow$

$$\vec{u}^T \vec{A} \vec{w} = (\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v})(\vec{u} \cdot \vec{u})$$

$\vec{w} = \vec{v}$

$\Rightarrow$  if  $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v} = 0$

$$\beta = \vec{u} \cdot \vec{u}.$$

Hence :  $A - \vec{u}\vec{v}^\top$  via  $\vec{v} + \epsilon\vec{w}$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{A^\top \vec{u} = \beta \vec{v}}$$

↑  
 $\vec{u} = \vec{u}$

② Vary  $A - \underbrace{\vec{u}\vec{v}^\top}_{\vec{u} + \epsilon\vec{w}}$

and conclude ---

Break 4 minutes

For any  $\vec{w}'$

$$\text{tr}(A) = \underbrace{\vec{v}^T A \vec{w}'}_{\text{row}} = (\vec{u} \cdot \vec{w}') (\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v})$$

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$$\| A - \vec{u} \vec{v}^T \|_{\text{Frob}} = \| (A - \vec{u} \vec{v}^T)^T \|_{\text{Frob}}$$

$\text{Tr}(BB^T) = \text{Tr}(B^T B) = \sum |b_{ij}|^2$

$$\| A^T - \vec{v} \vec{u}^T \|_{\text{Frob}}$$

Make some conclusion

(reminiscent of LP duality)

$$A \rightarrow A^T, \quad \vec{v} \rightarrow \vec{u}, \quad \vec{u} \rightarrow \vec{v}$$

(2)

$$A \vec{v} = \alpha \vec{u}$$

↑

$$\vec{v} - \vec{v}$$

In particular:

$$A A^T \vec{u} = A \beta \vec{v}$$

$$(A A^T) \vec{u} = \beta A \vec{v} = \beta \alpha \vec{u}$$

symmetric

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$$(A A^T)^T = (A^T)^T A^T = A A^T$$

1  
extra

$$A^T \vec{u} = \beta \vec{v}$$

$$\beta = \vec{u} \cdot \vec{u}$$

$$(A A^T) \vec{u} = \underbrace{\beta \alpha}_{\sim} \vec{u}$$

$$\lambda \vec{u}$$

2  
extra

$$A \vec{v} = \alpha \vec{u}$$

$$\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v}$$

$$(A^T A) \vec{v} = \underbrace{\alpha \beta}_{\lambda} \vec{v}$$

Other approach:

$$(A A^T) \vec{u} = \lambda \vec{u}$$

$$\lambda = \alpha \cdot \beta$$

$$(A^T A) \vec{v} = \lambda \vec{v}$$

$$= (\vec{u} \cdot \vec{u}) (\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v})$$

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Claim!  $\lambda$  is the largest eigenvalue

of both  $A^T A$  and  $A A^T$ .

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"Reverse Engineering"  $A \in M_{m,n}(\mathbb{R})$

Look at  $B = A^T A$ .

$B$  is symmetric, has an basis

$$\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_n, \quad A^T A \vec{v}_i = \lambda_i \vec{v}_i$$

Claim:  $\lambda_i \geq 0$ :

$$(\lambda_i \vec{v}_i) \circ \vec{v}_i = (A^T A \vec{v}_i) \circ \vec{v}_i$$

$$= \vec{v}_i^T A^T A \vec{v}_i$$

$$\lambda_i (\vec{v}_i \circ \vec{v}_i)$$

$\underbrace{\phantom{0}}$   
positive

$$= (\vec{v}_i^T \bar{A}^T) (A \vec{v}_i)$$

$$= 1$$

$$= (A \vec{v}_i) \circ (A \vec{v}_i)$$

ON eigenvectors

$$\geq 0$$

$$\text{So } \lambda_i \geq 0$$

Arrange  $\lambda_i$ 's:

$$\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_n \geq 0$$

Def:

$$\sqrt{\lambda_i} \text{ denoted } \sigma_i$$

are the singular-values of A,

(1) Why SVD-decomposition

(2) Dimension reduction

$$\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_m \in \mathbb{R}^n \curvearrowright \mathbb{R}^{\text{low dim}}$$

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