Singular Value Decomposition

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Fundamental Theorem of Linear Algebra

- Applies to any $m \times n$ matrix A.
- ightharpoonup Symmetry of A and A^T .

Where \vec{x} lives:

- ▶ Row space $C(A^T) \subset R^n$.
- ▶ (Right) Nullspace $N(A) \subset R^n$.
- $\qquad \qquad \mathbf{dim} \; C(A^T) + \mathbf{dim} \; N(A) = r + (n-r) = n$
- ▶ Orthogonality: $C(A^T) \otimes N(A) = R^n$

Where \vec{b} lives:

- ▶ Column space $C(A) \subset R^m$.
- ▶ Left Nullspace $N(A^T) \subset R^m$.
- $\blacktriangleright \ \dim C(A) + \dim N(A^T) = r + (m-r) = m$
- ▶ Orthogonality: $C(A) \bigotimes N(A^T) = R^m$

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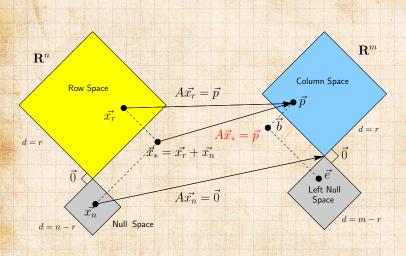
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Best solution \vec{x}_* when $\vec{b} = \vec{p} + \vec{e}$:



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Now we see:

 Each of the four fundamental subspaces has a 'best' orthonormal basis

▶ The \hat{v}_i span R^n

▶ We find the \hat{v}_i as eigenvectors of A^TA .

ightharpoonup The \hat{u}_i span R^m

▶ We find the \hat{u}_i as eigenvectors of AA^T .

Happy bases

 $ightharpoonup \{\hat{v}_1,\ldots,\hat{v}_r\}$ span Row space

 $lackbox{} \{\hat{v}_{r+1},\ldots,\hat{v}_n\}$ span Null space

 $ightharpoonup \{\hat{u}_1,\dots,\hat{u}_r\}$ span Column space

igl| $\{\hat{u}_{r+1}, \dots, \hat{u}_m\}$ span Left Null space

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How $A\vec{x}$ works:

$$\boxed{ \overrightarrow{A} \hat{v}_i = \sigma_i \hat{u}_i } \text{ for } i = 1, \dots, r.$$

and

$$\boxed{ \overrightarrow{A\hat{v}_i} = \hat{\mathbf{0}} } \text{ for } i = r+1, \dots, n.$$

Matrix version:

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

- ▶ A sends each $\hat{v}_i \in C(A^T)$ to its partner $\hat{u}_i \in C(A)$ with a positive stretch/shrink factor $\sigma_i > 0$.
- ▶ *A* is diagonal with respect to these bases.
- ▶ When viewed in the right way, every A is a diagonal matrix Σ .

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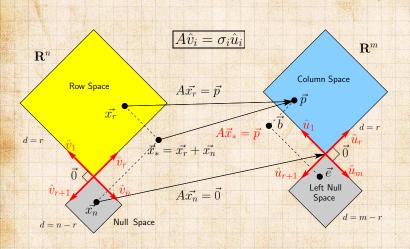
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The complete big picture:



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Idea: allow nodes in a knowledge network to have two attributes:

1. Authority: how much knowledge, information, etc., held by a node on a topic.

2. Hubness (or Hubosity or Hubbishness or Hubtasticness): how well a node 'knows' where to find information on a given topic.

- Original work due to the legendary Jon Kleinberg.
- Best hubs point to best authorities.
- Recursive: Hubs authoritatively link to hubs, authorities hubbishly link to other authorities.
- More: look for dense links between sets of 'good' hubs pointing to sets of 'good' authorities.
- ► Known as the HITS algorithm (Hyperlink-Induced Topics Search).

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- Give each node two scores:
 - 1. x_i = authority score for node i
 - 2. y_i = hubtasticness score for node i
- We connect the scores of neighboring nodes.
- I: a good authority is linked to by good hubs.
- ► Means x_i should increase as $\sum_{j=1}^{N} a_{ji} y_j$ increases.
- Note: indices are ji meaning j has a directed link to i.
- II: good hubs point to good authorities.
- ▶ Means y_i should increase as $\sum_{i=1}^{N} a_{ij}x_j$ increases.
- ► Linearity assumption:

 $\vec{x} \propto A^T \vec{y}$ and $\vec{y} \propto A \vec{x}$

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So let's say we have

$$\vec{x} = c_1 A^T \vec{y} \text{ and } \vec{y} = c_2 A \vec{x}$$

where c_1 and c_2 must be positive.

► Above equations combine to give

$$\vec{x} = c_1 A^T c_2 A \vec{x} = \lambda A^T A \vec{x}.$$

where
$$\lambda = c_1 c_2 > 0$$
.

▶ It's all good: we have the heart of singular value decomposition before us...

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We can do this:

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 $ightharpoonup A^T A$ is symmetric.

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 $ightharpoonup A^T A$ is semi-positive definite so its eigenvalues are all > 0.

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 $ightharpoonup A^T A$'s eigenvalues are the square of A's singular values.

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- $ightharpoonup A^T A'$ s eigenvectors form a joyful orthogonal basis.
- ▶ The splendid Perron-Frobenius theorem tells us that only the dominant eigenvalue's eigenvector can be chosen to have non-negative entries.
- ▶ So: linear assumption leads to a solvable system.
- ▶ What would be very good: find networks where we have independent measures of node 'importance' and see how importance is actually distributed.







Image approximation (80x60)

Idea: use SVD to approximate images

- ▶ Interpret elements of matrix *A* as color values of an image.
- ▶ Truncate series SVD representation of *A*:

$$A = U\Sigma V^T = \sum_{i=1}^{r} \sigma_i \hat{u}_i \hat{v}_i^T$$

- ▶ Use fact that $\sigma_1 \ge \sigma_2 \ge ... \ge \sigma_r > 0$.
- ▶ Rank $r \leq \min(m, n)$.
- ▶ Rank $r \le \#$ of pixels on shortest side.
- ▶ For color: approximate 3 matrices (RGB).

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