

# Singular Value Decomposition (SVD)

$$A^T \quad A \\ m \times n \quad n \times m$$

$A$   $n \times m$  matrix

$A^T A$  square symmetric  $m \times m$  matrix  $\Rightarrow$  orth. diagonalizable

$\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_r > 0 \quad \lambda_{r+1} = 0, \dots, \lambda_m = 0$  eigenvals of  $A^T A$

$\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2, \dots, \vec{v}_r, \dots, \vec{v}_m$  orthonormal eigenvecs of  $A^T A$

$\frac{A\vec{v}_1}{\sqrt{\lambda_1}}, \frac{A\vec{v}_2}{\sqrt{\lambda_2}}, \dots, \frac{A\vec{v}_r}{\sqrt{\lambda_r}} \rightarrow$  orthonormal

$\sigma_1 = \sqrt{\lambda_1}, \sigma_2 = \sqrt{\lambda_2}, \dots$  singular values of  $A$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} | & & | \\ \frac{A\vec{v}_1}{\sigma_1} & \dots & \frac{A\vec{v}_r}{\sigma_r} \\ | & & | \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \sigma_r & 0 \\ 0 & & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \text{---} \vec{v}_1 \text{---} \\ \text{---} \vec{v}_2 \text{---} \\ \vdots \\ \text{---} \vec{v}_m \text{---} \end{bmatrix}$$

$\downarrow$   $n \times n = U$        $\downarrow$   $n \times m = \Sigma$        $\downarrow$   $m \times m = V^T$

$\frac{A\vec{v}_1}{\sigma_1} \downarrow$       complete to orth. basis

# Algorithm to compute SVD $A \ n \times \ m$

- ① Find  $A^T A$
- ② Find eigenvalues of  $A^T A$
- ③ Find an orthonormal basis for  $\mathbb{R}^m$  of eigenvectors of  $A^T A$ ,  $\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_r, \dots, \vec{v}_m$   
→ orthogonal
- ④ Use Gram-Schmidt to complete  $A\vec{v}_1, \dots, A\vec{v}_r$  to an orthogo. basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$  & then normalize to get an orthonormal basis

$\underbrace{A\vec{v}_1, \dots, A\vec{v}_r}_{\text{spans all of } \mathbb{R}^n}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

①  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  Find SVD of  $A$   $A^T = U \Sigma V^T$

Hint: Instead, find SVD of  $A^T \Rightarrow A = V \Sigma^T U^T$

①  $(A^T)^T A^T = A A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$

②  $\det \begin{bmatrix} 2-t & 1 \\ 1 & 2-t \end{bmatrix} = (2-t)^2 - 1 = 4 - 4t + t^2 - 1$

$= t^2 - 4t + 3$

$= (t-3)(t-1)$

Eigenvalues: 3, 1

Singular values:  $\sqrt{3}, \sqrt{1}$

③ Eigenspace 3:  $E_3 = \text{span}\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

$\begin{bmatrix} 2-3 & 1 \\ 1 & 2-3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} x_1 = x_2 \\ x_2 \text{ free} \end{matrix}$

orthonormal basis for  $\mathbb{R}^2$ :  $\begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$

Eigenspace 1:  $E_1 = \text{span}\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$

$\begin{bmatrix} 2-1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2-1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \rightsquigarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$   
 $x_1 = -x_2$   $x_2$  free

$$\textcircled{4} \quad A^T \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (A^T [1]) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} [1] \right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^T \begin{bmatrix} -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (A^T [-1]) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} [-1] \right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}}{\begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \frac{1}{6} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 \\ -1/3 \\ 1/3 \end{bmatrix}$$

ortho basis for  $\mathbb{R}^3$ :  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 \\ -1/3 \\ 1/3 \end{bmatrix}$

orthonormal basis:  $\begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{6} \\ 1/\sqrt{6} \\ 1/\sqrt{6} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{3} \\ -1/\sqrt{3} \\ 1/\sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix}$

$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{6} & -1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{3} \\ 2/\sqrt{6} & 0 & -1/\sqrt{3} \\ 1/\sqrt{6} & 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3} & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{1} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \\ -1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$U$                        $\Sigma$  same shape as  $A^T$                        $V^T$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{1} & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{6} & 2/\sqrt{6} & 1/\sqrt{6} \\ -1/\sqrt{2} & 0 & 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{3} & -1/\sqrt{3} & 1/\sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3} & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{6} & 2/\sqrt{6} & 1/\sqrt{6} \\ -1/\sqrt{2} & 0 & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

reduced SVD

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

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

$$\begin{aligned} A &= (A^T)^T = (U \Sigma V^T)^T \\ &= (V^T)^T \Sigma^T U^T \\ &= V \Sigma^T U^T \end{aligned}$$