

# SVD recap w/ accuracy of Least Squares

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Recall: SVD for full-rank, tall matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$   
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 implication:  $n$  # of singular values (non-zero)

$$\begin{matrix} n \\ \boxed{A} \\ m \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} & & & n \\ & & & \boxed{V^T} \\ m & & & \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} & & & n \\ & & & \boxed{V^T} \\ m & & & \end{matrix}$$

full SVD
reduced SVD

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i \begin{matrix} | \\ \boxed{u_i} \\ | \end{matrix} \boxed{V^T}$$

Sum of rank 1

Terminology:  $u_i, v_i =$  singular vectors ( $\sim$  eigenvectors)

Q: In terms of SVD, what is  $P$ , the matrix which projects onto  $P(A)$ .  
 What sing. vals of  $P$  &  $A^+$ ?

$$A^+ = \boxed{V} \boxed{\Sigma^+} \boxed{U^T}$$

$$\Sigma^+ = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sigma_1 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & 1/\sigma_n & \\ & & & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Recall:  $P(A) = \text{span}(u_1, \dots, u_n)$  (since  $\text{rank}(A) = n$ )  
 orthobasis.

$$P = \sum_{i=1}^n u_i u_i^T = \boxed{U} \boxed{U^T} = \sum_{i=1}^n 1 \cdot u_i u_i^T$$

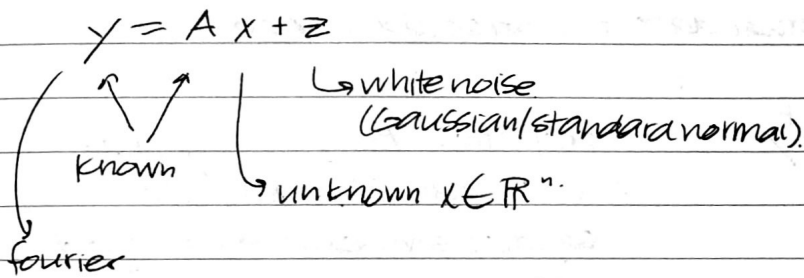
P has sing vals  $\sigma_1 = \sigma_2 = \dots = \sigma_n = 1$ .

$$A^+ = V \Sigma^+ U^T = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_i} v_i u_i^T$$

sing values of  $A^+$ :  $\frac{1}{\sigma_n}, \frac{1}{\sigma_{n-1}}, \dots, \frac{1}{\sigma_1}$ , where  $\frac{1}{\sigma_n} > \frac{1}{\sigma_{n-1}}$

Accuracy of least squares assuming noisy linear model.

↳ not on final other than understanding of SVD.

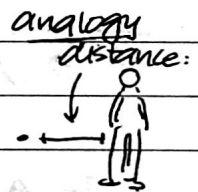


Def: Given a random scalar  $g$ ,  $\mathbb{E}g$  is the expected value  
 $\rightarrow$  expected value

$\mathbb{E}z_i = 0 \rightarrow$  expected value of  $z$ 's entries of noise

$\mathbb{E}z_i^2 = \text{noise level} = 1$ .  $\therefore$  note:  $(\mathbb{E}z_i)^2 \neq \mathbb{E}z_i^2$

$\rightarrow$  S.D. (standard deviation)



Lemma: Let  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times m}$

$$\rightarrow \mathbb{E} \|Bz\|^2 = \sum_i \sigma_i^2(B)$$

$\uparrow$  white noise       $\underbrace{\hspace{2cm}}$  function of B

Pf (MVB-way)

B's SVD

$$\mathbb{E} \|Bz\|^2 = \mathbb{E} \|U \Sigma V^T z\|^2 = \mathbb{E} \|z\|^2$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{2cm}}$  diagonal case (reduces to this)

$\therefore$  noise  $z$  does not change

behaviour after rotation ( $V^T z$ )

$\therefore$  orthogonal matrix  $U$  preserves norm.

$$= \mathbb{E} \sum_i (\sigma_i z_i)^2$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i^2 \mathbb{E} z_i^2$$

Now, assume  $m \geq n$ ,  $m$   $\begin{matrix} n \\ \boxed{A} \end{matrix}$ ,  $\text{rank}(A) = n$ ,

Let  $\hat{x} = \text{argmin} \|Ax - y\|$  be least squares estimate,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Goal: Determine  $\mathbb{E} \|\hat{x} - x\|^2$ , also  $\mathbb{E} \|A\hat{x} - Ax\|^2$

~ how precise is my MRI image?

↳ on average, how large is the difference

between my actual data and perceived image.

Recall:  $\hat{x} = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T y = A^+ y$   
 (from  $A^T A \hat{x} = A^T y$ )  
 $= A^+ (Ax + z)$   
 $= x + A^+ z$

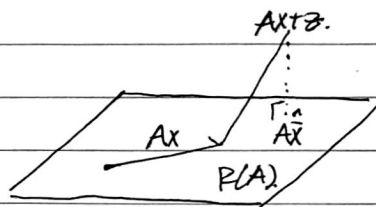
∴ projection:  $A\hat{x}$

∴ when  $\text{rank}(A) \neq \text{full}$ , <sup>multiple</sup>  $\hat{x}$  least squares solns exist → not good estimate

so,  $\mathbb{E} \|\hat{x} - x\|^2 = \mathbb{E} \|x + A^+ z - x\|^2$   
 $= \mathbb{E} \|A^+ z\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (\sigma_i(A^+))^2$  by lemma,  
 $= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_i^2(A)}$

Pmk: If  $A$  has small s.v.'s, it blows up the noise ~ badly conditioned  $A$

Next,  $\mathbb{E} \|A\hat{x} - Ax\|^2$



∴ worst case: noise lying in  $P(A)$

∴ best case: noise orthogonal to  $P(A)$

∴  $A\hat{x} \sim \text{proj}_{P(A)}(Ax + z)$

$= \mathbb{E} \| \underbrace{Ax + AA^+ z}_{\downarrow P} - Ax \|^2$

∴ if noise is highly dimensional, it is likely orthogonal to lower dimensional subspace

$= \mathbb{E} \|Pz\|^2$

$= \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i(P)^2$

$= \sum_{i=1}^n 1^2 = n = \dim(P(A))$

$$\mathbb{E} \|z\|^2 = m, \quad \mathbb{E} \|Ax - Ax\|^2 = m \cdot \frac{n}{m}$$

Elaboration on related research:

$$y = Ax + z, \quad x \in K$$

(Can we define  $\sigma_i(A|_K)$  <sup>A non-restricted to  $K$ ?</sup>)

→ projecting onto smaller-dimensional sub space,  $R(A)$ . → kills noise  
Intuition,  $K=S$  = subspace.

Is a sub space continuous? Yes, as it is defined by a set having  
close enough points (non-discrete)



Next class: RWV class w/ techniques on  $R(A)$ ,  $N(A)$  "intuitions."

Final - all-encompassing semi-proof test w/ more time