

Math 2940: Solutions to Section 7.4 Exercises

7.4

6. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$. Then $A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$, and the eigenvalues of $A^T A$ are seen to be (in decreasing order) $\lambda_1 = 9$ and $\lambda_2 = 4$. Associated unit eigenvectors may be computed: $\lambda_1 = 9$: $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$,

$\lambda_2 = 4$: $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$. Thus one choice for V is $V = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$. The singular values of A are $\sigma_1 = \sqrt{9} = 3$ and

$\sigma_2 = \sqrt{4} = 2$. Thus the matrix Σ is $\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$. Next compute $\mathbf{u}_1 = \frac{1}{\sigma_1} A \mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$,

$\mathbf{u}_2 = \frac{1}{\sigma_2} A \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$. Since $\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2\}$ is a basis for \mathbb{R}^2 , let $U = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$. Thus

$$A = U \Sigma V^T = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

13. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$. Then $A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \\ 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$, $A^T A^T = A A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 17 & 8 \\ 8 & 17 \end{bmatrix}$, and the eigenvalues of

$A^T A^T$ are seen to be (in decreasing order) $\lambda_1 = 25$ and $\lambda_2 = 9$. Associated unit eigenvectors may be computed: $\lambda = 25$: $\begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$, $\lambda = 9$: $\begin{bmatrix} -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$. Thus one choice for V is

$V = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$. The singular values of A^T are $\sigma_1 = \sqrt{25} = 5$ and $\sigma_2 = \sqrt{9} = 3$. Thus the

matrix Σ is $\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$. Next compute $\mathbf{u}_1 = \frac{1}{\sigma_1} A^T \mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $\mathbf{u}_2 = \frac{1}{\sigma_2} A^T \mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1/\sqrt{18} \\ 1/\sqrt{18} \\ -4/\sqrt{18} \end{bmatrix}$. Since

$\{\mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_2\}$ is not a basis for \mathbb{R}^3 , we need a unit vector \mathbf{u}_3 that is orthogonal to both \mathbf{u}_1 and \mathbf{u}_2 . The vector \mathbf{u}_3 must satisfy the set of equations $\mathbf{u}_1^T \mathbf{x} = 0$ and $\mathbf{u}_2^T \mathbf{x} = 0$. These are equivalent to the linear

equations $\begin{cases} x_1 + x_2 + 0x_3 = 0 \\ -x_1 + x_2 - 4x_3 = 0 \end{cases}$, so $\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, and $\mathbf{u}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -2/3 \\ 2/3 \\ 1/3 \end{bmatrix}$. Therefore let

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & -1/\sqrt{18} & -2/3 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{18} & 2/3 \\ 0 & -4/\sqrt{18} & 1/3 \end{bmatrix}. \text{ Thus}$$

$$A^T = U \Sigma V^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & -1/\sqrt{18} & -2/3 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{18} & 2/3 \\ 0 & -4/\sqrt{18} & 1/3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \\ -1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}. \text{ An SVD for } A \text{ is computed by}$$

$$\text{taking transposes: } A = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & -1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ -1/\sqrt{18} & 1/\sqrt{18} & -4/\sqrt{18} \\ -2/3 & 2/3 & 1/3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

18. Let $A = U \Sigma V^T = U \Sigma V^{-1}$. Since A is square and invertible, $\text{rank } A = n$, and all of the entries on the diagonal of Σ must be nonzero. So $A^{-1} = (U \Sigma V^{-1})^{-1} = V \Sigma^{-1} U^{-1} = V \Sigma^{-1} U^T$.