

Math 110
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Singular Value Decomposition 2 (SOLUTIONS)

1.

$$T^*T = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & -3 \\ -3 & 5 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The eigenvalues are solutions to $(5 - \lambda)^2 - 9 = 0$ so $\lambda = 8, 2$. To find eigenvectors of T^*T , solve

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 8a \\ 8b \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2a \\ 2b \end{pmatrix}$$

to get

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \lambda = 8 \text{ and } \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \lambda = 2.$$

Normalize these to get v_1 and v_2 :

$$v_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, v_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Both of these have nonzero eigenvalues, so set

$$w_1 = \frac{T(v_1)}{\sqrt{8}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$w_2 = \frac{T(v_2)}{\sqrt{2}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The singular values are $\sqrt{8}$ and $\sqrt{2}$.

2.

$$T^*T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

is an orthonormal eigenbasis with the vectors corresponding to the nonzero eigenvalues first. Then

$$T(v_1) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Set

$$w_1 = \frac{T(v_1)}{\sqrt{1}} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since $T(v_2) = 0$, you don't construct w_2 in this way. Simply extend w_1 to an orthonormal basis (w_1, w_2) , i.e. let

$$w_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The singular values are 1 and 0.

3.

$$T^*T = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 5 \\ 5 & 5 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The eigenvalues are solutions to $(\lambda - 5)^2 - 25$, so they are 10 and 0. An eigenvector corresponding to 10 is

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

and an eigenvector for 0 is

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Normalize these to get v_1 and v_2 :

$$v_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad v_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Set

$$w_1 = \frac{T(v_1)}{\sqrt{10}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since v_2 corresponds to a zero eigenvalue, define w_2 so that (w_1, w_2) is an orthonormal basis. So let

$$w_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The singular values are $\sqrt{10}$ and 0.

4.

$$T^*T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The eigenvalues are 3, 1, and 0. By solving

$$a + b = \lambda a$$

$$a + 2b + c = \lambda b$$

$$b + c = \lambda c$$

for $\lambda = 3, 1, 0$ you get three eigenvectors which, when normalized, are

$$v_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad v_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad v_3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Set

$$w_1 = \frac{T(v_1)}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$w_2 = \frac{T(v_2)}{\sqrt{1}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since (w_1, w_2) forms a basis of \mathbb{R}^2 , no more w_i s are necessary. The singular values are $\sqrt{3}$ and 1.

5. Since (w_1, \dots, w_n) is an orthonormal basis of W and (v_1, \dots, v_n) is an orthonormal basis of V , you can write

$$T^*w_i = \sum_j a_j v_j.$$

Take an inner product with v_k on each side to see that

$$a_k = \langle T^*w_i, v_k \rangle = \langle w_i, Tv_k \rangle.$$

But since $T(v_k) = s_k w_k$, then

$$\langle w_i, Tv_k \rangle = \langle w_i, s_k w_k \rangle = \overline{s_k} \langle w_i, w_k \rangle$$

which (note that the singular values are real) is s_i if $i = k$ and 0 otherwise. Hence

$$T^*w_i = s_i v_i.$$

Hence the singular vectors for T^* are (w_1, \dots, w_m) and (v_1, \dots, v_n) and the singular values are $s_1, \dots, s_{\min(m,n)}$. These are the same as for T , except the roles of v_i and w_i are switched.