## Homework Set 9 (Lecture 29)

Problem 2

**Example 15.** Compute the SVD of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 2 \\ 6 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Solution. (by hand; you will need to show all steps on the final exam)

• First, we need to diagonalize  $A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 6 \\ 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 2 \\ 6 & -2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 72 & -24 \\ -24 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$ .  $det \left( \begin{bmatrix} 72 - \lambda & -24 \\ -24 & 8 - \lambda \end{bmatrix} \right) = (72 - \lambda)(8 - \lambda) - 576 = \lambda^2 - 80\lambda = \lambda(\lambda - 80)$ Hence, the eigenvalues of  $A^T A$  are 0, 80.

$$\circ \quad \lambda = 0: \begin{bmatrix} 72 & -24 \\ -24 & 8 \end{bmatrix} \overset{R_2 + \frac{1}{3}R_1 \Rightarrow R_2}{\underset{\longrightarrow}{\longrightarrow}} \begin{bmatrix} 72 & -24 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \overset{\frac{1}{72}R_1 \Rightarrow R_1}{\underset{\longrightarrow}{\longrightarrow}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence, the 0-eigenspace has basis  $\begin{bmatrix} 1/3\\1 \end{bmatrix}$  or, easier for working by hand,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1\\3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

$$\circ \quad \lambda = 80: \begin{bmatrix} -8 & -24 \\ -24 & -72 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{R_2 - 3R_1 \Rightarrow R_2}{\rightsquigarrow} \begin{bmatrix} -8 & -24 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \stackrel{-\frac{1}{8}R_1 \Rightarrow R_1}{\rightsquigarrow} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence, the 80-eigenspace has basis  $\begin{bmatrix} -3\\1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Thus 
$$A^T A = PDP^T$$
 with  $D = \begin{bmatrix} 80 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $P = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

[We have to normalize the eigenvectors! Otherwise, we would only have a diagonalization  $PDP^{-1}$ .]

- Since  $A^T A = V \Sigma^2 V^T$ , we conclude that  $V = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1\\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{80} & 0\\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .
- From  $Av_i = \sigma_i u_i$ , we find  $u_1 = \frac{1}{\sigma_1} Av_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{80}} \begin{bmatrix} -6 & 2\\ 6 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \begin{bmatrix} -3\\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{800}} \begin{bmatrix} 20\\ -20 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1\\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ . We cannot obtain  $u_2$  in the same way because  $\sigma_2 = 0$ . Since for every vector  $u_2$ ,  $Av_2 = \sigma_2 u_2$ , we can choose  $u_2$  as we wish, as long as the columns of U are orthonormal in the end.

For instance,  $u_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1\\1 \end{bmatrix}$  so that  $U = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1&1\\-1&1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

In summary,  $A = U\Sigma V^T$  with  $U = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{80} & \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $V = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Solution.** (using Sage) We obtain the same solution (up to a sign in U and V):

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>>> A = matrix(RDF, [[-6,2],[6,-2]])
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>> U,S,V = A.SVD()
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>>> U

$$\left( egin{array}{c} -0.7071067811865472 & 0.7071067811865472 \\ 0.7071067811865472 & 0.7071067811865475 \end{array} 
ight)$$

 $\begin{array}{ccc} 8.944271909999161 & 0.0 \\ 0.0 & 2.1065000811460205 \times 10^{-16} \end{array}$ 

>>> V

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0.9486832980505138 - 0.31622776601683783 \\ -0.31622776601683783 - 0.9486832980505138 \end{pmatrix}
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**Example 16.** Compute the SVD of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} -7 & -1 \\ 5 & -5 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Solution. (by hand; you will need to show all steps on the final exam)

• First, we need to diagonalize  $A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} -7 & 5 & 1 \\ -1 & -5 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -7 & -1 \\ 5 & -5 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 75 & -15 \\ -15 & 35 \end{bmatrix}$ .  $\det\left(\begin{bmatrix} 75 - \lambda & -15 \\ -15 & 35 - \lambda \end{bmatrix}\right) = (75 - \lambda)(35 - \lambda) - 225 = \lambda^2 - 110\lambda + 2400 = (\lambda - 30)(\lambda - 80)$ Hence, the eigenvalues of  $A^T A$  are 20, 80.

Hence, the eigenvalues of  $A^T A$  are 30, 80.

$$\circ \quad \lambda = 30: \begin{bmatrix} 45 & -15 \\ -15 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 + \frac{1}{3}R_1 \Rightarrow R_2} \begin{bmatrix} 45 & -15 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\frac{1}{45}R_1 \Rightarrow R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{3} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence, the 30-eigenspace has basis  $\begin{bmatrix} 1/3\\1 \end{bmatrix}$  or, easier for working by hand,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1\\3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

$$\circ \quad \lambda = 80: \begin{bmatrix} -5 & -15 \\ -15 & -45 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{R_2 - 3R_1 \Rightarrow R_2} \begin{bmatrix} -5 & -15 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{-\frac{1}{5}R_1 \Rightarrow R_1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence, the 80-eigenspace has basis  $\begin{vmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \end{vmatrix}$ .

Thus  $A^T A = PDP^T$  with  $D = \begin{bmatrix} 80 \\ 30 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $P = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ . [We have to normalize the eigenvectors! Otherwise, we would only have a diagonalization  $PDP^{-1}$ .]

• Since  $A^T A = V \Sigma^2 V^T$ , we conclude that  $V = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1\\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{80} & 0\\ 0 & \sqrt{30}\\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

• From 
$$Av_i = \sigma_i u_i$$
, we find  $u_1 = \frac{1}{\sigma_1} Av_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{800}} \begin{bmatrix} -7 & -1 \\ 5 & -5 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{800}} \begin{bmatrix} 20 \\ -20 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .  
Likewise,  $u_2 = \frac{1}{\sigma_2} Av_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{30}} \begin{bmatrix} -7 & -1 \\ 5 & -5 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{300}} \begin{bmatrix} -10 \\ -10 \\ 10 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

We cannot obtain  $u_3$  like this because there is no  $\sigma_3$ . We need to choose  $u_3$  so that U is orthogonal. To find a vector that is orthogonal to  $u_1$  and  $u_2$ , we compute:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \overset{R_2+R_1 \Rightarrow R_2}{\longrightarrow} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \overset{-\frac{1}{2}R_2 \Rightarrow R_2}{\longrightarrow} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} \overset{R_1+R_2 \Rightarrow R_1}{\longrightarrow} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$
  
Therefore,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  or, easier for working by hand,  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$  is orthogonal to  $u_1$  and  $u_2$ .  
Normalizing  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$  to  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$ , we conclude that  $U = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & -1/\sqrt{3} & 1/\sqrt{6} \\ -1/\sqrt{2} & -1/\sqrt{3} & 1/\sqrt{6} \\ 0 & 1/\sqrt{3} & 2/\sqrt{6} \end{bmatrix}$ .  
In summary,  $A = U\Sigma V^T$  with  $U = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & -1/\sqrt{3} & 1/\sqrt{6} \\ -1/\sqrt{2} & -1/\sqrt{3} & 1/\sqrt{6} \\ 0 & 1/\sqrt{3} & 2/\sqrt{6} \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{80} & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{30} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $V = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \begin{bmatrix} -3 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ .

**Solution.** (using Sage) We obtain the same solution (up to a sign in U and V):

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>>> A = matrix(RDF, [[-7,-1],[5,-5],[1,3]])

>>> U,S,V = A.SVD()

>>> U

\begin{pmatrix} -0.7071067811865476 & -0.577350269189626 & 0.40824829046386296 \\ 0.7071067811865477 & -0.5773502691896258 & 0.4082482904638629 \\ -1.4525337733367862 \times 10^{-17} & 0.5773502691896257 & 0.816496580927726 \end{pmatrix}

>>> S

\begin{pmatrix} 8.944271909999157 & 0.0 \\ 0.0 & 5.477225575051662 \\ 0.0 & 0.0 \end{pmatrix}

>>> V

\begin{pmatrix} 0.9486832980505138 & 0.316227766016838 \\ -0.316227766016838 & 0.9486832980505138 \end{pmatrix}
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