

Review

Last time: we did the outer product form SVD

$A: m \times n$ of rank r

$$A = \sigma_1 u_1 v_1^T + \dots + \sigma_r u_r v_r^T$$

- $\sigma_1 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_r \geq 0$ are the singular values
- $\{v_1, \dots, v_r\}$ is an orthonormal set in \mathbb{R}^n
 - called the right singular vectors
 - forms a basis for $\text{Row}(A)$
 - orthonormal eigenvectors of $A^T A$:

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The singular vectors are related by

$$A v_i = \sigma_i u_i$$

$$A^T u_i = \sigma_i v_i$$

SVD of A^T is

$$A^T = \sigma_1 v_1 u_1^T + \dots + \sigma_r v_r u_r^T$$

NB: If A is a wide matrix ($m < n$) then

$$A^T A : n \times n \quad A A^T : m \times m \leftarrow \text{smaller}$$

So it's easier to compute eigenvalues & eigenvectors of $A A^T$!

If A is wide, compute the SVD of A^T .

Eg: $A = \begin{pmatrix} -10 & 10 & -10 & 10 \\ 10 & 5 & 10 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$

$$A^T A = \begin{pmatrix} 200 & -50 & 200 & -50 \\ -50 & 125 & -50 & 125 \\ 200 & -50 & 200 & -50 \\ -50 & 125 & -50 & 125 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{yikes!}$$

Let's compute the SVD of A^T instead.

$$A A^T = \begin{pmatrix} 400 & -100 \\ -100 & 200 \end{pmatrix} \quad \rho(\lambda) = (\lambda - 450)(\lambda - 200)$$

$$\lambda_1 = 450 \Rightarrow \sigma_1 = \sqrt{450} = 15\sqrt{2} \quad u_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad v_1 = \frac{1}{\sigma_1} A^T u_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\lambda_2 = 200 \Rightarrow \sigma_2 = \sqrt{200} = 10\sqrt{2} \quad u_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad v_2 = \frac{1}{\sigma_2} A^T u_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow A^T = 15\sqrt{2} v_1 u_1^T + 10\sqrt{2} v_2 u_2^T$$

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$\rightarrow u_i$ are right-singular vectors of $A^T \rightarrow$ left-singular vectors of A

SVD: Matrix Form

Let A be an $m \times n$ matrix of rank r .

Then $A = U \Sigma V^T$ where: (square with orthonormal columns)

• $U = \begin{pmatrix} | & & | \\ u_1 & \dots & u_m \\ | & & | \end{pmatrix}$ is an $m \times m$ orthogonal matrix

• $V = \begin{pmatrix} | & & | \\ v_1 & \dots & v_n \\ | & & | \end{pmatrix}$ is an $n \times n$ orthogonal matrix

• $\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1 & \dots & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & \sigma_r & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ is an $m \times n$ diagonal matrix.

$\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_r > 0$ are the singular values

Where did u_1, \dots, u_m and v_1, \dots, v_n come from??

They're orthonormal bases for the other two fundamental subspaces!

$\text{Col}(A): \{u_1, \dots, u_r\}$

$\text{Null}(A^T): \{u_{r+1}, \dots, u_m\}$

$\text{Row}(A): \{v_1, \dots, v_r\}$

$\text{Null}(A): \{v_{r+1}, \dots, v_n\}$

Procedure to Compute $A = U\Sigma V^T$:

(1) Compute the singular values and singular vectors

$$\{u_1, \dots, u_r\} \quad \{u_1, \dots, u_r\} \quad \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_r$$

as before (eigenvectors for nonzero eigenspaces of $A^T A, A A^T$)

(2) Find orthonormal bases

$$\{u_{r+1}, \dots, u_m\} \quad \text{for } \text{Nul}(A^T) = \text{Nul}(A A^T) = 0\text{-eigenspace } A A^T$$

$$\{v_{r+1}, \dots, v_n\} \quad \text{for } \text{Nul}(A) = \text{Nul}(A^T A) = 0\text{-eigenspace } A^T A$$

using Gram-Schmidt.

$$(3) \quad U = \begin{pmatrix} | & & | & | & & | \\ u_1 & \dots & u_r & u_{r+1} & \dots & u_m \\ | & & | & | & & | \end{pmatrix} \quad V = \begin{pmatrix} | & & | & | & & | \\ v_1 & \dots & v_r & v_{r+1} & \dots & v_n \\ | & & | & | & & | \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1 & \dots & \sigma_r & 0 & & \\ & \sigma_r & & 0 & & \\ 0 & & 0 & \dots & 0 & \end{pmatrix} \quad (\text{same size as } A)$$

Proof: Use the outer product version of matrix mult:

$$U\Sigma V^T = \begin{pmatrix} | & & | \\ u_1 & \dots & u_m \\ | & & | \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1 & \dots & \sigma_r & 0 & & \\ & \sigma_r & & 0 & & \\ 0 & & 0 & \dots & 0 & \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} - & v_1 & - \\ & \vdots & \\ - & v_n & - \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} | & & | \\ u_1 & \dots & u_m \\ | & & | \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} - & \sigma_1 u_1 & - \\ & \vdots & \\ - & \sigma_r u_r & - \\ & 0 & \\ - & 0 & - \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \sigma_1 u_1 v_1^T + \dots + \sigma_r u_r v_r^T + 0 + \dots + 0 \quad \checkmark$$

Eg: $A = \begin{pmatrix} -10 & 10 & -10 & 10 \\ 10 & 5 & 10 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$

(1) $A = 15\sqrt{2} u_1 v_1^T + 10\sqrt{2} u_2 v_2^T$ for

$$u_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad v_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \begin{pmatrix} -2 \\ 1 \\ -2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$u_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad v_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

(2) $\text{Nul}(A^T) = \{0\}$ because $r=m$

$$\text{Nul}(A): \begin{pmatrix} -10 & 10 & -10 & 10 \\ 10 & 5 & 10 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{\text{ref}} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{PVE}} \text{Span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$$

[already
orthogonal -
usually need
Gram-Schmidt]

$$\xrightarrow{\text{normalize}} v_3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad v_4 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

(3) So $A = U \Sigma V^T$ for

$$U = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad \Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 15\sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 10\sqrt{2} & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$V = \begin{pmatrix} -2/\sqrt{10} & 1/\sqrt{10} & -1/\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{10} & 2/\sqrt{10} & 0 & -1/\sqrt{2} \\ -2/\sqrt{10} & 1/\sqrt{10} & 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{10} & 2/\sqrt{10} & 0 & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

NB: $A = U \Sigma^T V^T$ contains full orthogonal diagonalizations of $A^T A$ and of $A A^T$:

$$A^T A = V \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & & & 0 \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & \sigma_r^2 & \\ 0 & & & 0 \end{pmatrix} V^T \quad A A^T = U \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & & & 0 \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & \sigma_r^2 & \\ 0 & & & 0 \end{pmatrix} U^T$$

It also contains orthonormal bases for all four subspaces:

$$U = \begin{pmatrix} \underbrace{| \quad | \quad |}_{\text{o.n. basis for Col}(A)} & \underbrace{| \quad | \quad |}_{\text{o.n. basis for Nul}(A^T)} \\ u_1 & \dots & u_r & u_{r+1} & \dots & u_m \\ | \quad | \quad | & | \quad | \quad | \end{pmatrix}$$

$$i \leq r \quad \begin{array}{l} A v_i = \sigma_i u_i \uparrow \\ \downarrow A^T u_i = \sigma_i v_i \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} A v_i = 0 \uparrow \\ \downarrow A^T u_i = 0 \end{array} \quad i > r$$

$$V = \begin{pmatrix} \underbrace{| \quad | \quad |}_{\text{o.n. basis for Row}(A)} & \underbrace{| \quad | \quad |}_{\text{o.n. basis for Nul}(A)} \\ v_1 & \dots & v_r & v_{r+1} & \dots & v_n \\ | \quad | \quad | & | \quad | \quad | \end{pmatrix}$$

NB: SVD of A^T is

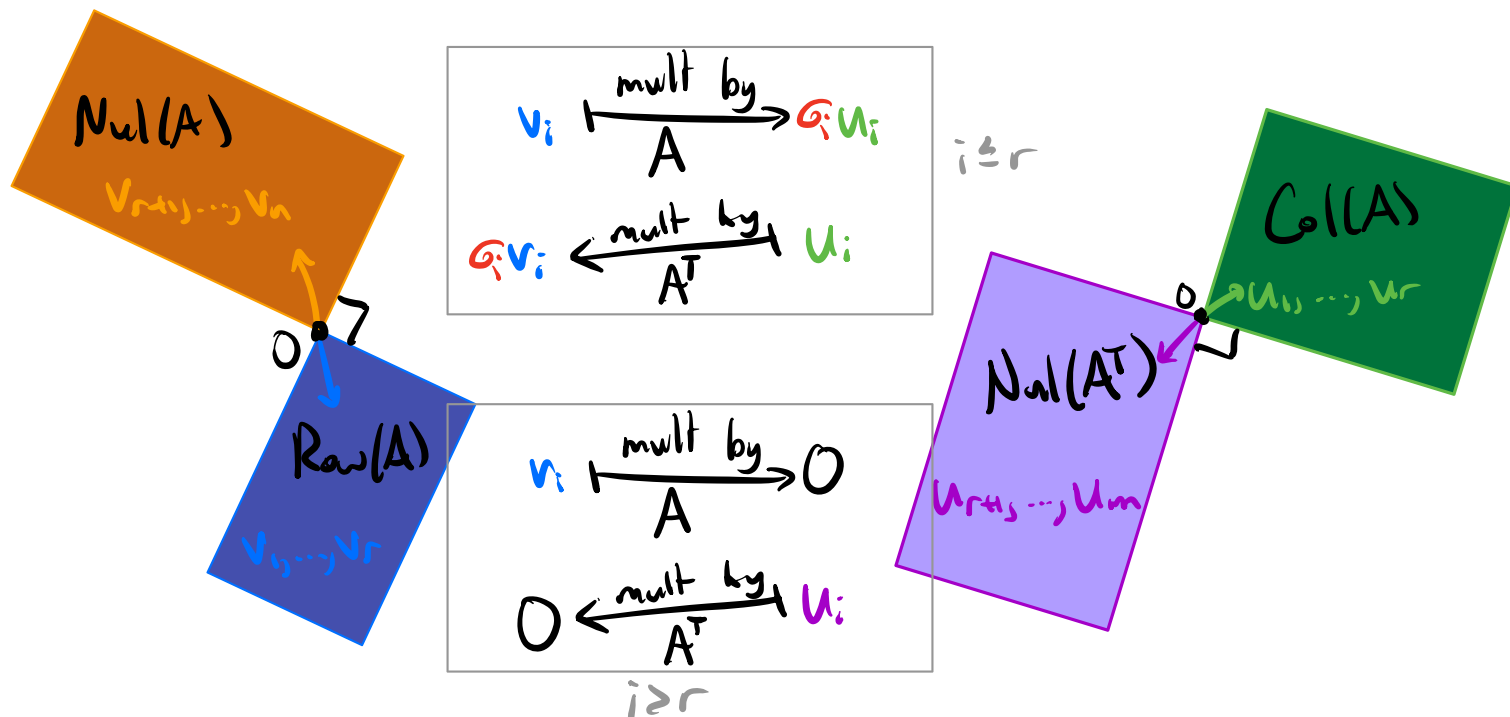
$$A^T = V \Sigma^T U^T$$

The Big Picture Revisited

for an $m \times n$ matrix A of rank r

Row Picture: \mathbb{R}^n

Column Picture: \mathbb{R}^m



Geometry of the SVD: Matrix Form

We have drawn pictures of a triple product decomposition before.

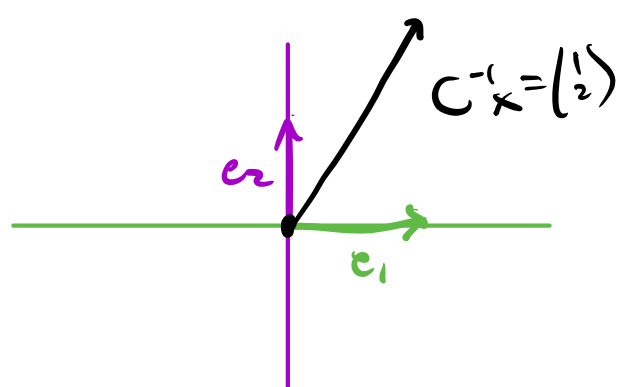
Diagonalization:

$$A = \frac{1}{10} \begin{pmatrix} 11 & 6 \\ 9 & 14 \end{pmatrix} = CDC^{-1}$$

$$\text{for } C = \begin{pmatrix} \overset{w_1}{2} & \overset{w_2}{-1} \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad D = \begin{pmatrix} \overset{\lambda_1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & \overset{\lambda_2}{1/2} \end{pmatrix}$$

To evaluate $Ax = CDC^{-1}x$:

(1) multiply by C^{-1} (2) multiply by D (3) multiply by C

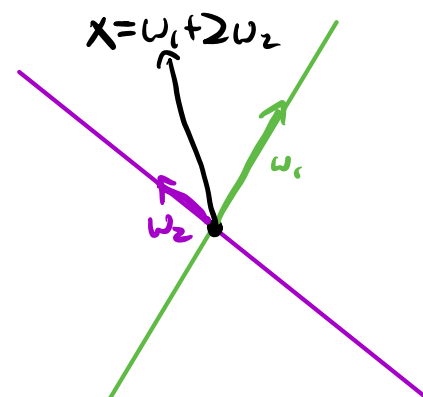


(1) C^{-1}

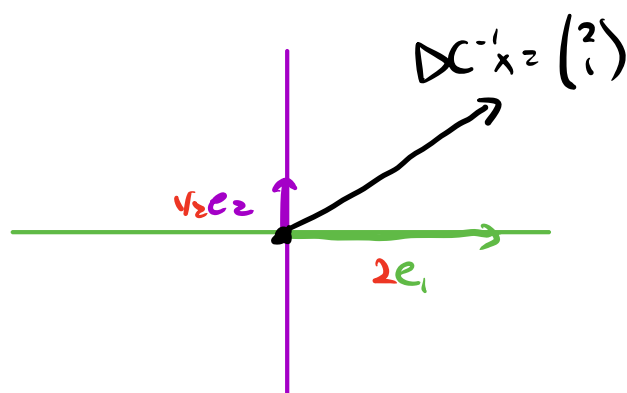
$$C^{-1}w_1 = e_1$$

$$C^{-1}w_2 = e_2$$

$$C^{-1}x = \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



(2) $\downarrow D$



(3) C

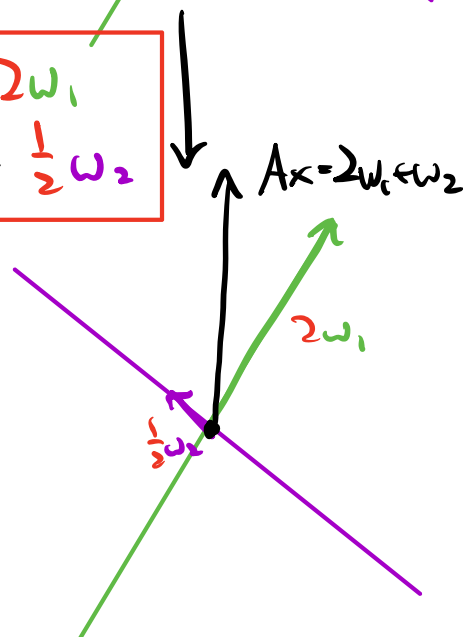
$$Ce_1 = w_1$$

$$Ce_2 = w_2$$

$$C\begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} = 2w_1 + w_2$$

$$Aw_1 = 2w_1$$

$$Aw_2 = \frac{1}{2}w_2$$



SVD: $A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 4 & 5 \end{pmatrix} = U \Sigma V^T$ for

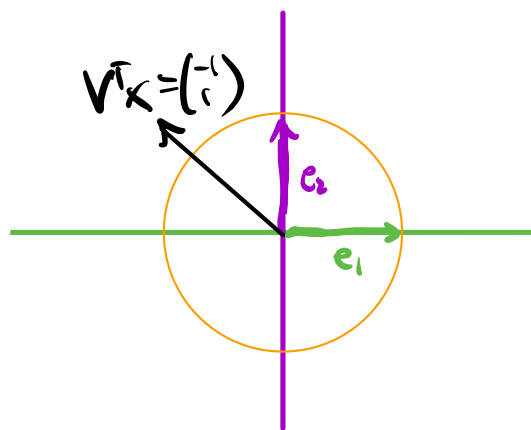
$$U = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \begin{pmatrix} u_1 & u_2 \\ 1 & -3 \end{pmatrix} \quad V = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{pmatrix} v_1 & v_2 \\ 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1 & \sigma_2 \\ 3\sqrt{5} & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{5} \end{pmatrix}$$

To evaluate $Ax = U \Sigma V^T x$:

(1) multiply by V^T (2) multiply by Σ (3) multiply by U

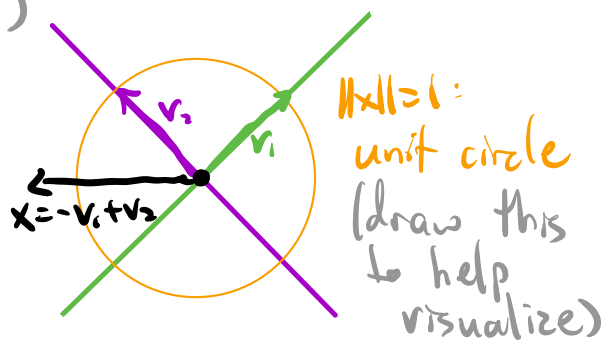
But U and V^T are orthogonal, so these just rotate/flip.

$Ax =$ (1) rotate/flip (2) stretch (3) rotate/flip

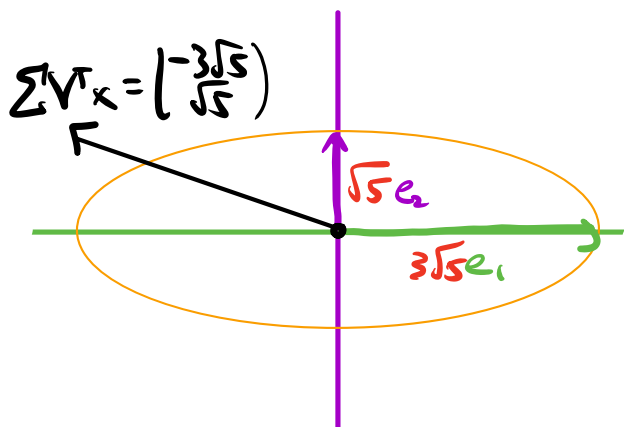


(rotate CW 45°)

$$\begin{aligned} V^T &= V^{-1} \\ \overleftarrow{V^T v_1} &= e_1 \\ V^T v_2 &= e_2 \\ V^T x &= \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$



(stretch) $\downarrow \Sigma$

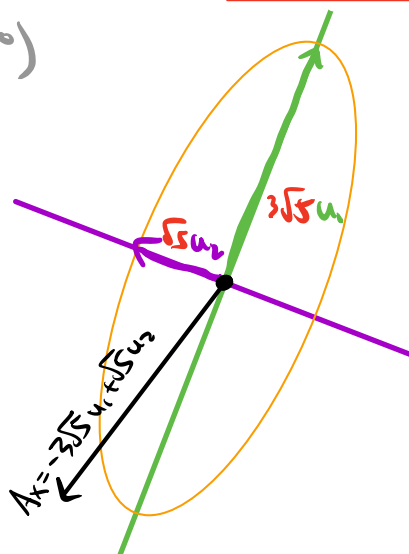


$A \downarrow$

$$\begin{aligned} A v_1 &= 3\sqrt{5} u_1 \\ A v_2 &= \sqrt{5} u_2 \end{aligned}$$

(rotate CCW by $\arctan(3/1) \approx 75^\circ$)

$$\begin{aligned} U & \\ U e_1 &= u_1 \\ U e_2 &= u_2 \end{aligned}$$

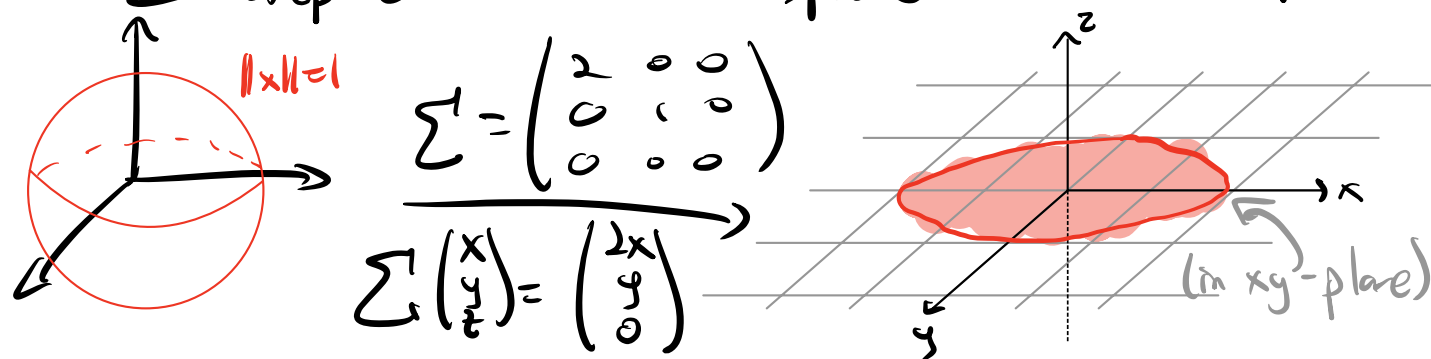


Notes / caveats:

- **Diagonalization:** start & end in $\{w_1, w_2\}$ basis
SVD: start with $\{v_1, v_2\}$ & end with $\{u_1, u_2\}$ basis
→ Different bases!

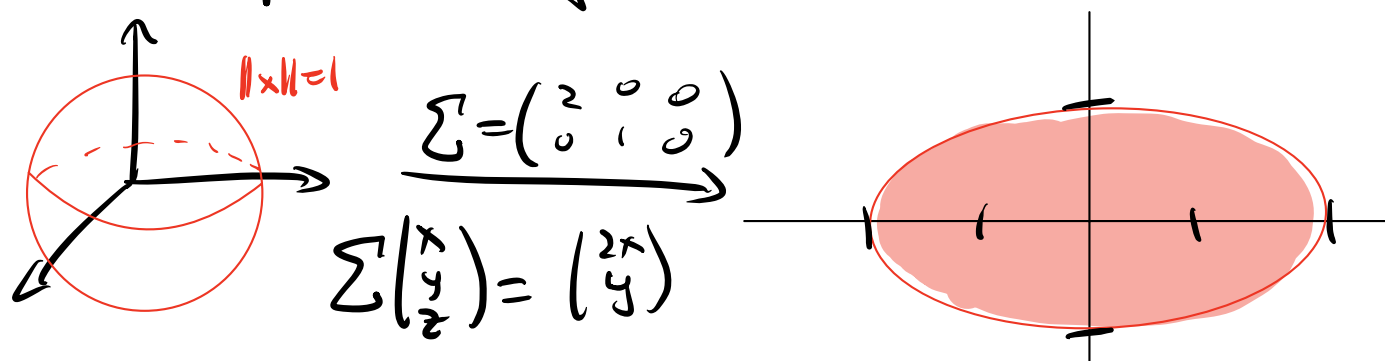
- The V^T & U steps preserve **lengths & angles** (rotations / flips) → easier to **visualize**.

- The Σ step can flatten a sphere in the same \mathbb{R}^n :



"project onto the xy-plane, then stretch"

- The Σ step can change dimensions:



"project onto the xy-plane, forget the z-coordinate, then stretch"

Geometry of the SVD: Outer Product Form

Here is a geometric interpretation of the SVD that will be useful for the PCA. Let

$$A = (d_1 \dots d_n) \quad \text{SVD} \quad A = \sigma_1 u_1 v_1^T + \dots + \sigma_r u_r v_r^T$$
$$\Rightarrow A v_i = \sigma_i u_i \quad A^T u_i = \sigma_i v_i$$

Expand out $A^T u_i = \sigma_i v_i$:

$$\sigma_i v_i = A^T u_i = \begin{pmatrix} -d_1^T \\ \vdots \\ -d_n^T \end{pmatrix} u_i = \begin{pmatrix} d_1 \cdot u_i \\ \vdots \\ d_n \cdot u_i \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \sigma_i u_i v_i^T &= u_i (\sigma_i v_i)^T = u_i (d_1 \cdot u_i \dots d_n \cdot u_i) \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} (d_1 \cdot u_i) u_i & \dots & (d_n \cdot u_i) u_i \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

NB: $(d \cdot u_i) u_i =$ **orthogonal projection** of d onto $\text{Span}\{u_i\}$ (since $u_i \cdot u_i = \|u_i\|^2 = 1$).

The columns of $\sigma_i u_i v_i^T$ are the **orthogonal projections** of the columns of A onto $\text{Span}\{u_i\}$.

Now look at the sum:

$$A = \sigma_1 u_1 v_1^T + \dots + \sigma_r u_r v_r^T$$

The i^{th} column of this sum is:

$$\text{the } i^{\text{th}} \text{ col of } A \rightarrow d_i = (d_i \cdot u_1)u_1 + \dots + (d_i \cdot u_r)u_r$$

Since $\{u_1, \dots, u_r\}$ is an orthonormal basis of $\text{Col}(A)$, this is just the **projection formula** as applied to d_i : the projection of d_i onto $\text{Col}(A)$ is just d_i since $d_i \in \text{Col}(A)$ (it is the i^{th} column of A).

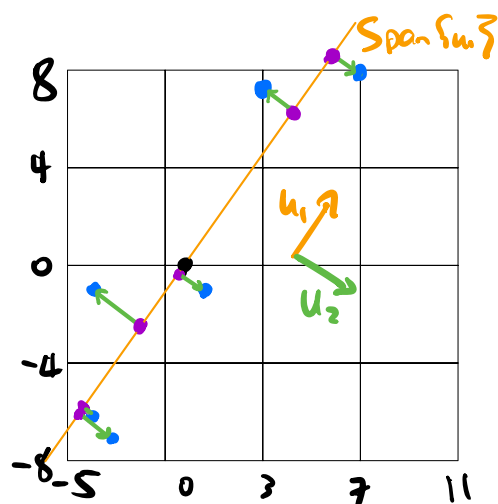
Eg: $A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & -4 & 7 & 1 & -4 & -3 \\ 7 & -6 & 8 & -1 & -1 & -7 \end{pmatrix} \quad r=2$

$$A = \sigma_1 u_1 v_1^T + \sigma_2 u_2 v_2^T$$

$$\sigma_1 \approx 16.9 \quad \sigma_2 \approx 3.92$$

$$u_1 \approx \begin{pmatrix} 0.561 \\ 0.828 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$u_2 \approx \begin{pmatrix} 0.828 \\ -0.561 \end{pmatrix}$$



• = $d_i = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 7 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ -6 \end{pmatrix}, \dots$ (columns)

• = columns of $\sigma_1 u_1 v_1^T$
= projections of • onto $\text{Span}\{u_1\}$

↗ = columns of $\sigma_2 u_2 v_2^T$
= projections of • onto $\text{Span}\{u_2\}$

NB: • = • + ↗

So SVD "pulls apart" the columns of A in u_1, \dots, u_r -components

