

# Lecture 5 Matrix Factorization

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- Basic ways of working with matrices
- matrix, rank, norms
  - Recall: matrix  $M \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  is of rank  $r$ , if
$$M = \sum_{i=1}^r u_i v_i^T$$
  - In ML, often assume matrix is close to low rank. (e.g. in topic model  $M = AW$ )
  - how to measure closeness?

- Def: Frobenius norm  $\|M\|_F = \sqrt{\sum_{i,j} M_{i,j}^2}$

Spectral/operator norm

$$\|M\| = \max_{\|u\|=\|v\|=1} u^T M v = \max_{\|u\|=1} \|Mu\|$$

- Q: How to find the closest low rank matrix?

- Singular Value Decomposition

Def: The SVD of  $M$  has form

$$M = U D V^T = \sum_i \sigma_i u_i v_i^T$$

$U, V$  orthonormal,  $D = \text{diag}(\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_n)$   
 $\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \sigma_3 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_n \geq 0$

- Optimization view of SVD

$$\sigma_1 = \max_{\|u\|=\|v\|=1} u^T M v \quad (u_1, v_1) = \arg \max$$

$$\forall i > 1 \quad \sigma_i = \max_{\substack{\|u\|=\|v\|=1 \\ \forall j < i, u \perp u_j \\ v \perp v_j}} u^T M v \quad (u_i, v_i) = \arg \max$$

- Relationship to eigenvalue and eigenvectors.

(Recall: if  $Av = \lambda v$ , then  $\lambda$  is eigenvalue,  $v \neq 0$  is eigenvector)

$u_i$ 's are eigenvectors of  $MM^T$ , with eigenvalues  $\sigma_i^2$

$v_i$ 's are eigenvectors of  $M^T M$ , with eigenvalues  $\sigma_i^2$ .

- Eckart Young: Let  $M_K = \sum_{i=1}^K \sigma_i u_i u_i^T$  be the truncated SVD

$$\|M - M_K\|_F = \min_{\text{rank}(A) \leq K} \|M - A\|_F = \sqrt{\sum_{i=K+1}^n \sigma_i^2}$$

$$\|M - M_K\| = \min_{\text{rank}(A) \leq K} \|M - A\| = \sigma_{K+1}$$

- Computing SVD: the Power Method.

- SVD can be computed in  $O(n^3)$  time.

- rank- $K$  SVD takes  $O(n^2 k)$  time.

Power method: initialize  $u^{(0)}$  = random Gaussian  

$$u^{(t+1)} = \frac{(MM^T)u^{(t)}}{\|(MM^T)u^{(t)}\|}$$

Lemma: If  $\frac{\sigma_1^2}{\sigma_2^2} \geq 1 + \rho$ , then after  $O\left(\frac{\ln \frac{n}{\epsilon \delta}}{\min(1, \rho)}\right)$  iterations  
 w.p.  $1 - \delta$ ,  $u$  becomes  $\epsilon$ -close to  $u_1$  (in  $l_2$  norm)

Proof: Since matrix multiplication is linear, can do normalization at the end.

write  $u^{(0)}$  in the singular value basis.

$$u^{(0)} = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i^{(0)} u_i$$

$$u^{(t+1)} = (MM^T)u^{(t)} = \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i^{(t)} c_i^{(t)} u_i$$

therefore.  $c_i^{(t+1)} = \sigma_i^t c_i^{(0)}$

with probability  $\geq 1 - \delta$ ,  $\frac{c_1^{(t)}}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=2}^n c_i^{(0)2}}} \geq \frac{0.1 \delta}{\sqrt{n}}$   
 (anti-concentration)

$$\frac{c_1^{(t)}}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=2}^n c_i^{(t)2}}} \geq \left(\frac{\sigma_1^2}{\sigma_2^2}\right)^t \frac{c_1^{(0)}}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=2}^n c_i^{(0)2}}} \geq (1 + \rho)^t \cdot \frac{0.1 \delta}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$\geq \frac{10}{\epsilon} \text{ for large } t. \square$$

- Finding top  $k$  singular vector

- Method 1: Deflation

after finding  $\hat{u}_i \approx u_i, \hat{v}_i \approx v_i, \hat{\sigma}_i \approx \sigma_i$

after finding  $U_i \approx u_i, V_i \approx v_i, \sigma_i \approx \sigma_i$

$$M \leftarrow M - \hat{\sigma}_i \hat{U}_i \hat{V}_i^T$$

recursively find top  $k-1$  singular vectors

Pros: can find each singular vector with good accuracy

Cons: error might accumulate

often needs spectral gap between all  $\sigma_i, \sigma_{i+1} (i \leq k)$

- Method 2: Subspace Iteration

$U^{(0)}$  = random Gaussian  $n \times k$  matrix

$$U^{(t+1)} = \text{orthonormalize}((MM^T)U^{(t)})$$

orthonormalize ( $U$ ) tries to find  $R$  such that

$$(UR)^T(UR) = I$$

can be done by QR factorization

(search Gram-Schmidt)

Pros: finds top  $k$  subspace in one shot

only require  $\sigma_k > \sigma_{k+1}$

Cons: usually no guarantee on individual vectors.