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$$= \|\Sigma V^T x\|_2 \quad \text{by unitary invariance}$$

$$= \|\Sigma y\|_2 \quad \text{with } \|y\|_2 = 1$$

$$= \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_i^2 y_i^2}$$

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$$\|Ux\|_2^2 = x^T U^T U x$$
$$= x^T x = \|x\|_2^2$$

$$y = V^T x$$
$$x^T y = x^T x = 1$$

$$\sigma_i \geq \sigma_i \quad \forall i$$

$$\|Ax\|_2 = \sigma_i$$

now take $x = v_i$

$$Ax = U \Sigma V^T v_i = U \Sigma \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = u_i \sigma_i$$

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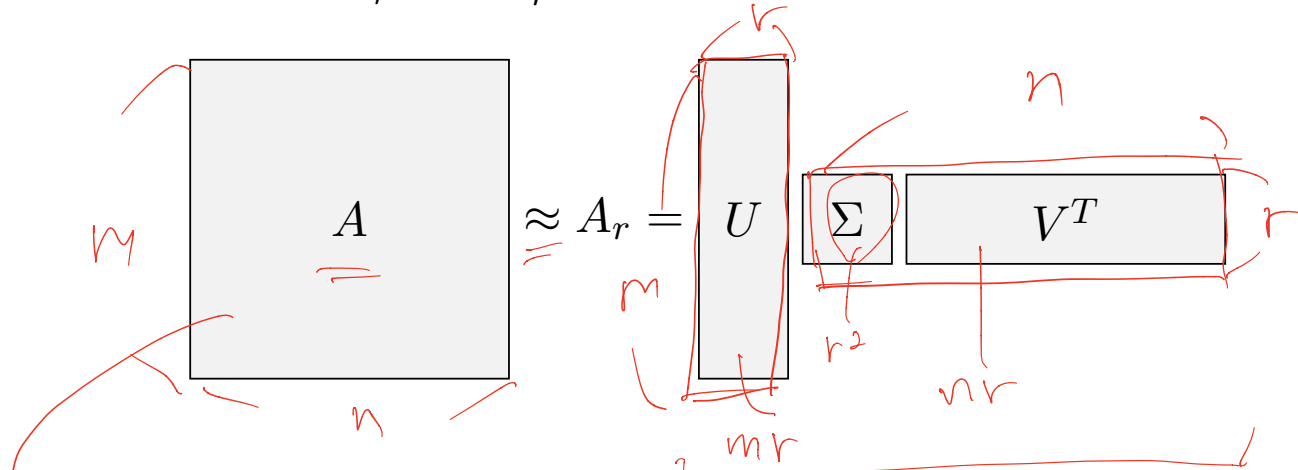
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matrix
unit. inv. norm
for any
 $\|A\| = \|Q A W\|$
orth. $Q = U^T$
 $W = V$
 $= \|\Sigma\|$
 $= \|\sigma_{\max}\|$

Frobenius norm: $\|A\|_F = \sqrt{\sum_i \sum_j |A_{ij}|^2} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (\sigma_i(A))^2}$
(exercise)

Low-rank approximation of a matrix

Given $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$, find A_r such that



► Storage savings (data compression)

mn vs. $(m+n)r$ to store.
 $r \approx 10, 100$
 10^6 if $r < \min(m, n)$

10^{12}

10^7

Optimal low-rank approximation by SVD

$C \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \text{---} \\ \text{---} \end{bmatrix}^T$
 $\text{rank}(C) \leq r$

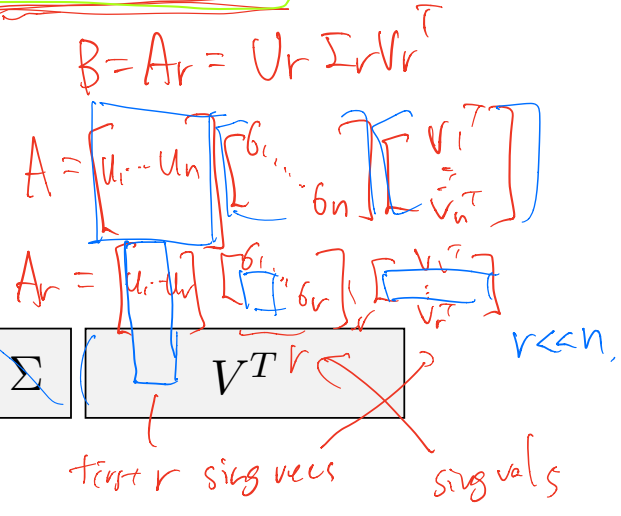
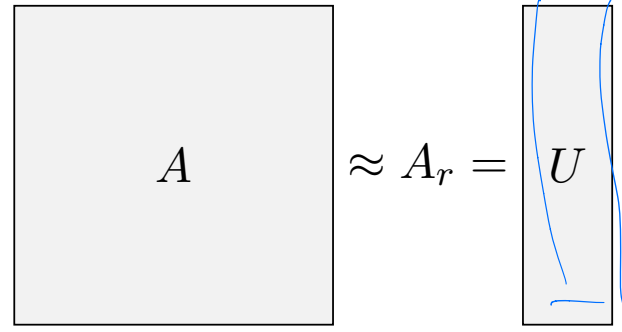
Truncated SVD: $A_r = U_r \Sigma_r V_r^T$, $\Sigma_r = \text{diag}(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_r)$

$\|A - A_r\|_2 = \sigma_{r+1} = \min_{\text{rank}(B)=r} \|A - B\|_2$

$\| \begin{bmatrix} u_{r+1} \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{r+1} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \sigma_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_{r+1}^T \\ \vdots \\ v_n^T \end{bmatrix} \|$

relative error $\frac{\sigma_{r+1}}{\sigma_1}$

Good approximation if $\sigma_{r+1} \ll \sigma_1$:



Horn & Johnson,

- ▶ Optimality holds for any unitarily invariant norm
- ▶ Prominent application: PCA
- ▶ Many matrices have explicit or hidden low-rank structure (nonexaminable)

$\|A - A_r\|_F = \sqrt{\sum_{i=r+1}^n \sigma_i^2}$
 $\|A - B\|_F$
 $\text{rank}(B) = r$

~~$\begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & & \\ & \sigma_2 & \\ & & \sigma_3 \end{bmatrix}$~~ low-rank!
 ~~$\begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & & \\ & \sigma_2 & \\ & & \sigma_3 \end{bmatrix}$~~ rank-1!

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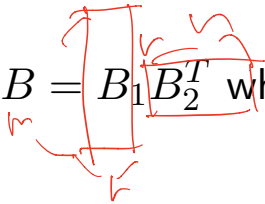
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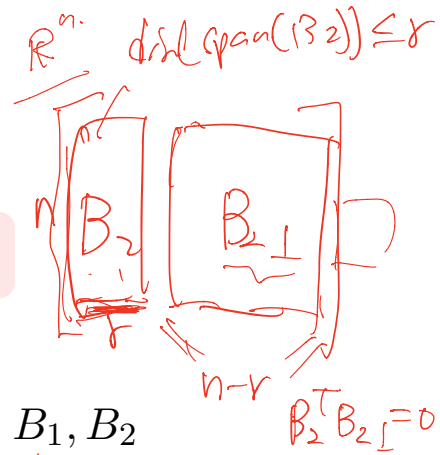
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► There exists orthogonal $W \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times (n-r)}$ s.t. $BW = 0$. Then

$$\|A - B\|_2 \geq \|(A - B)W\|_2 = \|AW\|_2 = \|U\Sigma(V^*W)\|_2.$$

$BW = 0$ if $B_2^T W = 0$.

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if $m < n$, $\exists x \neq 0$ s.t. $Ax = 0$

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$\exists \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \neq 0$ s.t.

$0 \neq Wx_1 = [v_1 \dots v_{r+1}] x_2$

$\|Wx_1\| = \|x_2\|$

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$A_r = U_r \Sigma_r V_r^T$ then $\|A - A_r\|_2 = \left\| \begin{bmatrix} U_{r+1} & \dots & U_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{r+1} & & \\ & \dots & \\ & & \sigma_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_{r+1}^T \\ \vdots \\ v_n^T \end{bmatrix} \right\|_2$

$\geq \left\| \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{r+1} \\ \vdots \\ \sigma_n \end{bmatrix} \right\|_2$

$\geq \sigma_{r+1}$

$\forall B \leq V$

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▶ Then scale $x_1 \neq 0$ to have unit norm, and $\|x_1\|_2 = 1$. $\|U \Sigma V^* W x_1\|_2 = \|U \Sigma_{r+1} y_1\|_2$, where $\|y_1\|_2 = 1$ and Σ_{r+1} is the leading $r + 1$ part of Σ . Then $\|U \Sigma_{r+1} y_1\|_2 \geq \sigma_{r+1}$ can be verified directly.

$\|A - B\|_2 \geq \sigma_{r+1}$

$\|(A - B)x_1\|_2 \geq \sigma_{r+1}$

$\|x_1\|_2 = 1$

$[u_1 \dots u_{r+1}]$

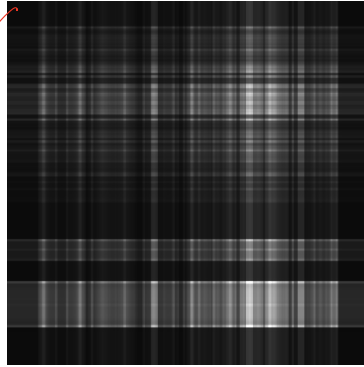
Low-rank approximation: image compression

grayscale image=matrix

σ_i (most) decay rapidly. e.g.
 $\sigma_{\text{image}} \quad \sigma_i \geq \sigma_r \gg \sigma_{6000}$



original *(m,n)*



rank 1 *with*



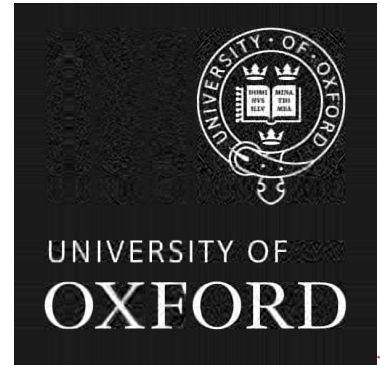
rank 5



rank 10



rank 20



rank 50