



Incremental Methods for Computing Extreme Singular Subspaces

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Dominant SVD

Definition



Singular Value Decomposition

The singular value decomposition of an $m \times n$ matrix A is

$$A = U \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} V^T$$

with orthogonal U and V , Σ diagonal with non-negative entries.

Dominant SVD

The dominant SVD refers to the vectors of U and V corresponding the **largest singular values**. It has use in numerous applications:

- model reduction
- data compression
- statistics

This is largely due to its optimality in approximating A .



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Computation



Computing the Dominant SVD

This can be done by:

- computing the full SVD and truncating (dense)
- computing the dominant eigenvectors of $A^T A$, AA^T or $[0, A^T; A, 0]$
- non-linear attacks on $f(U, V, \Sigma) = AV - U\Sigma = 0$
- **low-rank incremental SVD methods**

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- Basic Idea: given $B = U\Sigma V^T$ and B_+ , compute the SVD of $[B \ B_+]$.
- Do this for all columns of a matrix A and you get the SVD of A .
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- 3) Keep only the rank- k dominant part: $U_+\Sigma_+V_+^T$
 - Result is $U_+\Sigma_+V_+^T \approx [U\Sigma V^T \quad B_+] \approx \approx [B \quad B_+]$

A Low-Rank Incremental SVD Method

Input matrix A .

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Low-Rank Incremental SVD

Algorithmic Motivation



Benefits

- Reduced cost: rank- k IncSVD of $m \times n$ matrix in $O(mnk)$ flops.
- Reduced storage: $O(mk + nk)$, compared to $O(mn)$ for full SVD+trunc.
- Pass efficient: streaming access to A , for online analysis, distant storage
- The algorithm is rich in BLAS3 routines.
- Can be used to compute subordinate (smallest) SVD as well.

Downside

- The efficiency comes from truncating data, maintaining low rank.
- But truncated data introduces errors.
- The resulting factorization only approximates the dominant SVD.
- We would like to know:
 - 1 how well does it work?
 - 2 what exactly is it doing?



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What is it doing?



An Optimization Explanation [BGVD12]

- Consider the IncSVD of the matrix AD , for some orthogonal D :

$$D = [D_1 \quad D_2 \quad \cdots \quad D_b]$$

- At each step j , the method is shown to select V_j that **optimizes**

$$\text{RQ}(Y) = \text{trace}(Y^T A^T A Y),$$

for $Y \in \text{span}([V_{j-1} \quad D_j])$

- For “standard” $D = I$, this is a sweep over the coordinate axes:

$$D_j = [0 \quad \cdots \quad I \quad \cdots \quad 0]^T$$

- What else can we do with D ?



Restarting the IncSVD

A Multi-pass Method



Restarting with D

- Choosing $D = [V \ \cdots]$ allows the procedure to be restarted.
- Representing $D = I + WY^T$ (rank- k update) maintains **pass efficiency**.

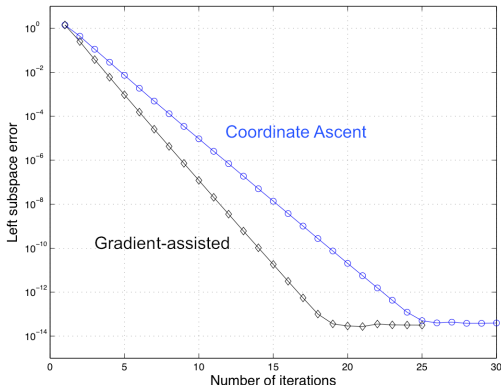
Accelerating with D

- Additionally, gradient information

$$\nabla RQ(Y) = A^T A V$$

can be injected into D to speed convergence.

- Limited information can be **efficiently** injected into D in this way.





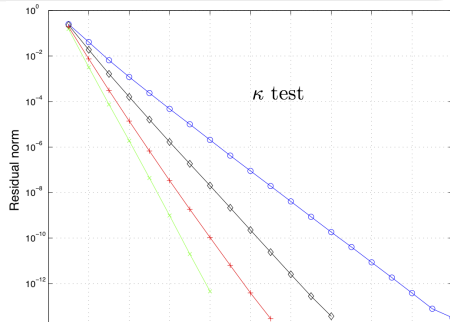
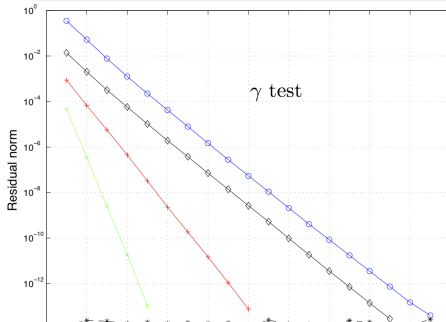
Convergence Properties

Does it work?



Provable Convergence [BGVD12]

- Global convergence, with stable convergence only to dominant subspaces.
 - Linear convergence, with a rate $c = \gamma/(\kappa^2 - 1)$, where:
 - γ concerns the subspace information of truncated data
 - $\kappa = \sigma_k/\sigma_{k+1}$ is the gap between dominant and dominated
- These are expected of an ascent method.





Best and Worse Case Performance

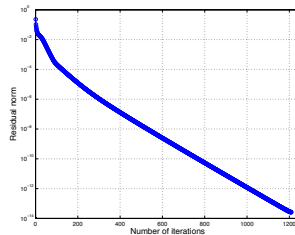


Best Case

- For certain classes of matrices, a single pass will **perfectly compute** the dominant singular values and subspaces.
- This occurs when $\sigma_{k+1} = \sigma_{k+2} = \dots = \sigma_n$.
- Analogous result holds for smallest singular values with $\sigma_1 = \dots = \sigma_{n-k}$
- Consequences:
 - $O(mnk)$ rank- $k + 1$ IncSVD is capable of identifying all $\sigma \in \sigma(A)$
 - ???

Worst Case

- The worst case performance seems to correspond to $\sigma_k = \sigma_{k+1}$, no gap.
- Current analysis doesn't apply.
- Convergence still seems to occur, albeit very slowly.





Extensions/Future Work



Extensions

- Other factorizations:
 - tensor SVD/higher-order SVD [O'Hara 2010]
 - CX factorization, where C samples columns of A (data-driven apps.)
 - symmetry-preserving SVD [Shah, Sorensen 2006], other structured SVDs
- Sparsification procedures:
 - If A is sparse and the factorization is sparsified, sub-linear $O(\alpha nk)$ work
 - See [O'Hara 2010]

Future Work

- Global convergence is nice, but fast convergence is nice, too.
- Would like tighter bounds on single pass error.
- Need good stopping criteria for multi-pass method.
- Wanted: application.