# Math 4/896: Seminar in Mathematics Topic: Inverse Theory

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### Outline

- Chapter 4: Rank Deficiency and Ill-Conditioning
  - Properties of the SVD



# Basic Theory of SVD

#### Theorem

(Singular Value Decomposition) Let G be an  $m \times n$  real matrix. Then there exist  $m \times m$  orthogonal matrix U,  $n \times n$  orthogonal matrix V and  $m \times n$  diagonal matrix S with diagonal entries  $\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \ldots \geq \sigma_q$ , with  $q = \min\{m, n\}$ , such that  $U^T GV = S$ . Moreover, numbers  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \ldots, \sigma_q$  are uniquely determined by G.

#### Definition

With notation as in the SVD Theorem, and  $U_p$ ,  $V_p$  the matrices consisting of the first p columns of U, V, respectively, and  $S_p$  the first p rows and columns of S, where  $\sigma_p$  is the last nonzero singular value, then the **Moore-Penrose pseudoinverse** of G is

$$G^{\dagger} = V_{\rho} S_{\rho}^{-1} U_{\rho}^{T} \equiv \sum_{j=1}^{\rho} \frac{1}{\sigma_{j}} \mathbf{V}_{j} \mathbf{U}_{j}^{T}.$$

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### Matlab Knows It

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Carry out these calculations in Matlab:
> n = 6
> G = hilb(n);
> svd(G)
> [U,S,V] = svd(G);
>U'*G*V - S
> [U,S,V] = svd(G,'econ');
> % try again with n=16 and then G=G(1:8)
> % what are the nonzero singular values of G?
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# Applications of the SVD

Use notation above and recall that the null space and column space (range) of matrix G are  $N(G) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid Gx = 0\}$  and

$$R(G) = \{ \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^m \,|\, \mathbf{y} = G\mathbf{x}, \, \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \} = \operatorname{span} \{ \mathbf{G}_1, \mathbf{G}_2, \dots, \mathbf{G}_n \}$$

#### Theorem

(1) rank (G) = 
$$p$$
 and  $G = \sum_{j=1}^{p} \sigma_j \mathbf{U}_j \mathbf{V}_j^T$ 

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$$(3)N\left(G^{T}\right) = \operatorname{span}\left\{\mathbf{U}_{p+1}, \mathbf{U}_{p+2}, \dots, \mathbf{U}_{m}\right\}, R\left(G\right) =$$

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(4)  $\mathbf{m}_{\dagger} = G^{\dagger}\mathbf{d}$  is the least squares solution to  $G\mathbf{m} = \mathbf{d}$  of minimum 2-norm.



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