## Problem 1 (20 pts)

- (a) (5 pts) Define a *unitary* matrix and an *orthogonal* matrix and describe their difference.
- **Answer:** The difference is that the unitarity is for complex-valued matrices and the orthogonality is for real-valued matrices. They are defined as follows.
  - Let  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times m}$ . Then A is a unitary matrix if  $A^*A = AA^* = I_{m \times m}$ . Alternatively, you can say that the columns of A constitute an orthonormal basis for  $\mathbb{C}^m$ .
  - Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ . Then A is an orthogonal matrix if  $A^T A = AA^T = I_{m \times m}$ . Alternatively, you can say that the columns of A constitute an orthonormal basis for  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .
- (b) (7 pts) Let A be a matrix of size  $m \times n$ . Let P be any unitary matrix of size  $m \times m$ . Prove that  $||A||_2 = ||PA||_2$ .

**Answer:** Consider any  $x \in \mathbb{C}^n$ . Then

$$\|PA\mathbf{x}\|_{2}^{2} = \langle PA\mathbf{x}, PA\mathbf{x} \rangle$$
  
=  $(PA\mathbf{x})^{*}(PA\mathbf{x})$   
=  $\mathbf{x}^{*}A^{*}P^{*}PA\mathbf{x}$   
=  $\mathbf{x}^{*}A^{*}A\mathbf{x}$  since *P* is unitary;  
=  $\langle A\mathbf{x}, A\mathbf{x} \rangle$   
=  $\|A\mathbf{x}\|_{2}^{2}$ .

Hence,

$$||PA||_2 = \max_{\|\boldsymbol{x}\|_2=1} ||PA\boldsymbol{x}||_2 = \max_{\|\boldsymbol{x}\|_2=1} ||A\boldsymbol{x}||_2 = ||A||_2.$$

- (c) (8 pts) Let A be a matrix of size  $m \times n$ . Let Q be any unitary matrix of size  $n \times n$ . Prove that  $||A||_2 = ||AQ||_2$ .
- Answer: Consider any  $x \in \mathbb{C}^n$ . Then let  $y = Qx \in \mathbb{C}^n$ . Since Q is unitary,  $||y||_2 = ||Qx||_2 = ||x||_2$  with the same argument in Part (a). Now, we have

$$||AQ||_2 = \max_{||\mathbf{x}||_2=1} ||AQ\mathbf{x}||_2 = \max_{||\mathbf{y}||_2=1} ||Ay||_2 = ||A||_2.$$

Problem 2 (20 pts) Consider the following matrix.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \epsilon & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \epsilon & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \epsilon \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $\epsilon = 10^{-2}$ . Using the 2-digit floating-point arithmetic, compute the reduced QR factorization of *A* using the *modified* Gram-Schmidt procedure. Note that reduced QR factorization means that Q is of size  $4 \times 3$  and *R* is of size  $3 \times 3$ . You can also use the following approximation:  $fl(\sqrt{2}) = 1.4$ ,  $fl(1/\sqrt{2}) = 0.71$ ,  $fl(\sqrt{1.5}) = 1.2$ ,  $fl(1/\sqrt{1.5}) = 0.82$ ,  $fl(0.71^2) = 0.50$ , fl(1/0.71) = 1.4, fl(1/1.2) = 0.83.

Answer: Let us proceed step by step. Let  $a_j$ , j = 1, 2, 3 be the column vectors of A.

**Step 1:** Normalize  $a_1$  to get  $q_1$ , i.e.,

$$r_{11} = \|\boldsymbol{a}_1\|_2 = f \, l(\sqrt{1 + \epsilon^2}) = 1.$$
$$\boldsymbol{q}_1 = \boldsymbol{a}_1 / r_{11} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\ \epsilon\\ 0\\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\\ 0.010\\ 0\\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Step 2:** Remove the  $q_1$  component from  $a_2$  and  $a_3$  immediately. Thus, we have:

$$r_{12} = \langle \boldsymbol{q}_1, \boldsymbol{a}_2 \rangle = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \epsilon & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \epsilon \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = 1. \quad \tilde{\boldsymbol{a}}_2 = \boldsymbol{a}_2 - r_{12} \boldsymbol{q}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \epsilon \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \epsilon \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -\epsilon \\ \epsilon \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$
$$r_{13} = \langle \boldsymbol{q}_1, \boldsymbol{a}_3 \rangle = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \epsilon & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \epsilon \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = 1. \quad \tilde{\boldsymbol{a}}_3 = \boldsymbol{a}_3 - r_{13} \boldsymbol{q}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \epsilon \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \epsilon \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -\epsilon \\ \epsilon \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Step 3:** Normalize  $\tilde{a}_2$  to get  $q_2$ . Then immediately subtract the  $q_2$  component from  $\tilde{a}_3$ .

$$r_{22} = \|\tilde{\boldsymbol{a}}_2\|_2 = fl(\epsilon \cdot \sqrt{2}) = 0.014. \quad \boldsymbol{q}_2 = \tilde{\boldsymbol{a}}_2/r_{22} = fl(1/0.014) \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0\\ -\epsilon\\ \epsilon\\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0\\ -0.71\\ 0.71\\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$r_{23} = \langle \boldsymbol{q}_2, \tilde{\boldsymbol{a}}_3 \rangle = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -0.71 & 0.71 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -0.010 \\ 0 \\ 0.010 \end{bmatrix} = 0.0071.$$

$$\tilde{\boldsymbol{a}}_{3} \leftarrow \tilde{\boldsymbol{a}}_{3} - r_{23}\boldsymbol{q}_{2} = fl \left( \begin{bmatrix} 0\\ -0.010\\ 0\\ 0.010 \end{bmatrix} - 0.0071 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0\\ -0.71\\ 0.71\\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = 0.010 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0\\ fl(-1+\cdot 0.71^{2})\\ fl(-0.71^{2})\\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = 0.010 \begin{bmatrix} 0\\ -0.50\\ -0.50\\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Step 4:** Normalize  $\tilde{a}_3$  to get  $q_3$ .

$$r_{33} = \|\tilde{\boldsymbol{a}}_3\|_2 = f l(0.010 \cdot \sqrt{0.5^2 + 0.5^2 + 1}) = 0.010 \cdot f l(\sqrt{1.5}) = 0.012.$$
$$\boldsymbol{q}_3 = \tilde{\boldsymbol{a}}_3 / r_{33} = f l \left( 0.010 / 0.012 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -0.50 \\ -0.50 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -0.42 \\ -0.42 \\ 0.83 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Step 5: Finally, we can form the reduced QR factorization as

$A = \widehat{Q}\widehat{R} =$	1 0.010	0 -0.71	0 -0.42	$\begin{bmatrix} 1\\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$	1	1	
	00	0.71 0	-0.42 0.83	0	0.014	0.012	•

**Problem 3** (20 pts) Let  $P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .

(a) (5 pts) Show P is a projector, but not an orthogonal projector.

**Answer:** First of all, *P* is a square matrix. Now we need to show  $P^2 = P$ . But this is easy:

$$P^{2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = P.$$

Therefore, *P* is a projector. However, *P* is not an orthogonal projector because it is clear that  $P^T \neq P$  in this case.

(b) (5 pts) Show that  $\mathbb{R}^2 = \mathcal{R}(P) \oplus \mathcal{N}(P)$ . Moreover, show that  $\mathcal{R}(P)$  is not orthogonal to  $\mathcal{N}(P)$ . [Hint: Obtain the spanning sets of  $\mathcal{R}(P)$  and  $\mathcal{N}(P)$ .]

**Answer:** Let  $\boldsymbol{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$  be any vector in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Then,

$$P\boldsymbol{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 - x_2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = (x_1 - x_2) \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $x_1, x_2$  are arbitrary. Therefore, clearly,  $\Re(P) = \operatorname{span}\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ .

Now take any  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{N}(P)$ . Then from  $P\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$ , we immediately see that  $x_1 = x_2$ . In other words,  $\mathcal{N}(P) = \operatorname{span}\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1\\1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ . Since  $\begin{bmatrix} 1\\0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} 1\\1 \end{bmatrix}$  are linearly independent, but not mutually orthogonal, we clearly have:

$$\mathbb{R}^2 = \mathcal{R}(P) \oplus \mathcal{N}(P),$$

but  $\mathcal{R}(P)$  and  $\mathcal{N}(P)$  are not orthogonal.

(c) (5 pts) Show that  $\mathbb{R}^2 = \mathcal{R}(P^T) \stackrel{\perp}{\oplus} \mathcal{N}(P)$ . Note that you need to show that  $\mathcal{R}(P^T)$  is orthogonal to  $\mathcal{N}(P)$ . [Hint: Obtain the spanning sets of  $\mathcal{R}(P^T)$  and  $\mathcal{N}(P)$ .]

**Answer:** We do similarly with Part (b). Let  $\boldsymbol{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}$  be any vector in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

$$P^{T}\boldsymbol{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ -x_1 \end{bmatrix} = x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

So,  $\mathcal{R}(P^T) = \operatorname{span}\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ . From Part (b), we already know that  $\mathcal{N}(P) = \operatorname{span}\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ . Because  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  are linearly independent, and mutually orthogonal, we clearly have:

$$\mathbb{R}^2 = \mathcal{R}(P^T) \stackrel{\perp}{\oplus} \mathcal{N}(P).$$

(d) (5 pts) Show that  $\mathbb{R}^2 = \mathcal{R}(P) \stackrel{\perp}{\oplus} \mathcal{N}(P^T)$ . Note that you need to show that  $\mathcal{R}(P)$  is orthogonal to  $\mathcal{N}(P^T)$ . [Hint: Obtain the spanning sets of  $\mathcal{R}(P)$  and  $\mathcal{N}(P^T)$ .]

**Answer:** We still need to compute  $\mathcal{N}(P^T)$ . For any  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{N}(P^T)$ , we have  $P^T \mathbf{x} = x_1 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{0}$ . Thus, we must have  $x_1 = 0$ . But  $x_2$  is arbitrary. So,  $\mathcal{N}(P^T) = \operatorname{span}\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$ . We already know that  $\mathcal{R}(P) = \operatorname{span}\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$  from Part (b). Because  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$  are linearly independent, and mutually orthogonal, we clearly have:

$$\mathbb{R}^2 = \mathcal{R}(P) \stackrel{\perp}{\oplus} \mathcal{N}(P^T).$$

Problem 4 (20 pts) Consider the following matrix:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

(a) (10 pts) Compute the *full* SVD of A.

**Answer:** If  $A = U\Sigma V^T$ , then  $A^T A = V\Sigma^T U^T U\Sigma V^T = V\Sigma^T \Sigma V^T$ . From this, we have  $A^T A V = V\Sigma^T \Sigma$ , or  $A^T A \mathbf{v}_j = \sigma_j^2 \mathbf{v}_j$ , j = 1, 2 in this case. So, we need to solve the eigenvalue problem for  $A^T A$ .

$$A^{T}A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 10 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Hence,

$$\det(A^T A - \lambda I) = \det\left( \begin{bmatrix} 2 - \lambda & -1 \\ -1 & 2 - \lambda \end{bmatrix} \right) = (2 - \lambda)^2 - (-1)^2 = \lambda^2 - 4\lambda + 3 = (\lambda - 3)(\lambda - 1) = 0 \Longrightarrow \lambda = 3, 1.$$

Since all the singular values must be nonnegative, we have  $\sigma_1 = \sqrt{3}$  and  $\sigma_2 = 1$ . Now let us compute  $\mathbf{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$ .

$$(A^{T}A - 3I)\mathbf{v}_{1} = \mathbf{0} \Longleftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -x - y \\ -x - y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Longleftrightarrow y = -x.$$

In other words,  $\mathbf{v}_1 = x \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ . But we must have  $\|bv_1\|_2 = 1$ . So,  $\mathbf{v}_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Now, let us compute  $\mathbf{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$ .

$$(A^T A - I)\mathbf{v}_1 = \mathbf{0} \iff \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x - y \\ -x + y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \iff y = x.$$

In other words, we have  $\mathbf{v}_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

From  $A = U\Sigma V^T$ , we have  $AV = U\Sigma$ . In other words,  $A\mathbf{v}_j = \sigma_j \mathbf{u}_j$ , j = 1, 2. So,

$$\sqrt{3}\mathbf{u}_1 = A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0\\ 1 & -1\\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\\ -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} \Longleftrightarrow \mathbf{u}_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \begin{bmatrix} -1\\ 2\\ -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\mathbf{u}_{2} = A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0\\ 1 & -1\\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} -1\\ 0\\ 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

We still need to find  $\mathbf{u}_3$  that is orthogonal to both  $\mathbf{u}_1$  and  $\mathbf{u}_2$  and that has a unit length. Let  $\mathbf{u}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$ .

$$\langle \mathbf{u}_1, \mathbf{u}_3 \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} (-x + 2y - z) = 0; \quad \langle \mathbf{u}_2, \mathbf{u}_3 \rangle = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (-x + z) = 0; \quad \Longleftrightarrow x = y = z$$

Thus, we have  $\mathbf{u}_3 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \begin{bmatrix} 1\\1\\1 \end{bmatrix}$ . Finally, we have the following full SVD of *A*:

$A = \left[ \right.$	$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}$ $\frac{2}{\sqrt{6}}$ $-\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}$	$-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ $0$ $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$	$\frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}}$ $\frac{\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}}{\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}}$	$\begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} 0\\1\\0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix}.$
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(**b**) (5 pts) Compute the rank 1 approximation  $A_1$  of A.

Answer: By definition of the rank 1 approximation of *A*, we have

$$A_{1} = \sigma_{1} \mathbf{u}_{1} \mathbf{v}_{1}^{T} = \sqrt{3} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \begin{bmatrix} -1\\2\\-1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1\\2 & -2\\-1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2}\\1 & -1\\-\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}.$$

(c) (5 pts) Compute the error of the rank 1 approximation using the Frobenius norm, i.e.,  $||A - A_1||_F$ .

**Answer:** We know that for a general *A* of size  $m \times n$ 

$$\|A-A_1\|_F = \sqrt{\sigma_2^2 + \cdots \sigma_n^2}.$$

But in our particular A, n = 2. So,

$$\|A - A_1\|_F = \sqrt{\sigma_2^2} = 1.$$

Alternative Solution:

$$A - A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 & -1 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Hence,

$$||A - A_1||_F = \sqrt{\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2} = 1.$$

- **Problem 5** (20 pts) Consider the following documents consisting of titles of some actual mathematical papers.
  - **D1:** Neural network and regression spline value function approximations for stochastic dynamic programming
  - D2: Hardy inequalities and dynamic instability of singular Yamabe metrics
  - D3: Boundedness of weak solutions of nondiagonal singular parabolic system equations
  - **D4:** On one nonlinear analogue of the mean value property and its application to the investigation of the nonlinear Goursat problem
  - D5: Atomic decompositions of weak Hardy spaces of *B*-valued martingales
  - **D6:**  $\delta$ -sequence approach to a two-point boundary value problem using Daubechies wavelets
  - D7: Decomposition strategies for large-scale continuous location-allocation problems

Now, let us consider the following terms:

- **T1:** decomposition, decompositions
- T2: singular
- T3: value, values, valued
- (a) (5 pts) Construct the *Term-by-Document Matrix* from the terms and documents above. Note that the terms are *not* case sensitive.
- Answer: We just need to count the occurrences of each term in each document. Thus, we have

	D1	D2	D3	D4	D5	D6	D7
T1	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
T2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
T3	1	0	0	1	1	1	0

(b) (5 pts) Let  $q = (1, 1, 1)^T$  be your query vector. Compute  $\cos \theta_j$ , j = 1, ..., 7 where  $\theta_j$  is an angle between q and  $d_j$ , i.e., the *j*th column vector of the term-by-document matrix you obtained in Part (a). Then, find the best matching document to your query.

**Answer:** We can compute  $\cos \theta_i$  as

$$\cos\theta_j = \frac{\langle \boldsymbol{q}, \boldsymbol{d}_j \rangle}{\|\boldsymbol{q}\|_2 \|\boldsymbol{d}_j\|_2}, \quad j = 1, \dots, 7,$$

where  $d_j$  is the *j*th column vector of the term-by-document matrix *A* computed in Part (a). Now,  $\|\boldsymbol{q}\|_2 = \sqrt{3}$  and  $\|\boldsymbol{d}_j\|_2$  is 1, 1, 1, 1,  $\sqrt{2}$ , 1, 1 for j = 1, ..., 7. Hence

$$(\cos\theta_j)_{j=1}^7 = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right).$$

Therefore, the best match to this query is **D5**.

- (c) (10 pts) Describe why SVD is helpful for searching documents containing a given set of terms for a large term-by-document matrix. (Note: No need to compute the SVD of the term-by-document matrix of Part (a).)
- **Answer:** There are at least two advantages to use SVD, in particular, the low rank approximation of a large term-by-document matrix *A*.
- (1) A contains a lot of noise (variation and ambiguity in the use of vocabulary, etc.). Thus, the low rank approximation via SVD can filter out such noise.
- (2) The computation of the match via  $\cos\theta_j$  can be faster thanks to the low rank approximation. In fact, let  $A_k = \sum_{j=1}^k \sigma_j \mathbf{u}_j \mathbf{v}_j^T$  be the rank *k* approximation of *A* where  $1 < k \ge \operatorname{rank}(A)$ . Let us write

$$A_k = U_k \Sigma_k V_k^T = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1 & \cdots & \mathbf{u}_k \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \sigma_k \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_1^T \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{v}_k^T \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then, the better (and computationally faster) version of the measure of match is:

$$\cos\phi_j = \frac{\langle \boldsymbol{q}, A_k \boldsymbol{e}_j \rangle}{\|\boldsymbol{q}\|_2 \|A_k \boldsymbol{e}_j\|_2}.$$

This version is faster than the original version because

$$\|A_k \boldsymbol{e}_j\|_2 = \|U_k \Sigma_k V_k^T \boldsymbol{e}_j\|_2$$
  
=  $\|U_k S_k \boldsymbol{e}_j\|_2$  by setting  $S_k = \Sigma_k V_k^T$ ;  
=  $\|U_k \boldsymbol{s}_j\|_2$   $\boldsymbol{s}_j$  is the *j*th column of  $S_k$ ;  
=  $\|\boldsymbol{s}_j\|_2$  since  $U_k$ 's columns are orthonormal,

and consequently we have

$$\cos\phi_j = \frac{\langle \boldsymbol{q}, U_k \boldsymbol{s}_j \rangle}{\|\boldsymbol{q}\|_2 \|\boldsymbol{s}_j\|_2}$$

Now, we only need  $U_k, \Sigma_k, V_k$  separately without explicitly forming  $A_k = U_k \Sigma_k V_k^T$ , and moreover,  $s_j$ 's do not depend on a query vector  $\boldsymbol{q}$  so that they can be precomputed for a given A.

**Problem 6** (20 pts) Let  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$  and its SVD be  $A = U\Sigma V^*$ . Let us assume that rank(A) = r. Let us now define the *pseudoinverse* of A as:

$$A^{\dagger} = V\Sigma^{\dagger}U^{*}, \quad \Sigma^{\dagger} = \begin{bmatrix} D_{r \times r}^{-1} & O_{r \times (m-r)} \\ O_{(n-r) \times r} & O_{(n-r) \times (m-r)} \end{bmatrix}, \quad D_{r \times r}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sigma_{1}} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{\sigma_{2}} & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & \frac{1}{\sigma_{r}} \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $O_{k \times \ell}$  denotes  $k \times \ell$  matrix whose entries are all zeros.

(a) (10 pts) Suppose  $r = n \le m$ . Then show that  $A^{\dagger} = (A^*A)^{-1}A^*$ .

**Answer:** Because  $r = n \le m$ , the  $\Sigma$  part of the SVD of *A* is of the form

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & \sigma_n \\ \hline & O_{(m-n) \times n} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}.$$

Therefore,

$$A^*A = V\Sigma^*U^*U\Sigma V^* = V\Sigma^*\Sigma V^* = V\begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & \cdots & 0\\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots\\ 0 & \cdots & \sigma_n^2 \end{bmatrix} V^*.$$

Thus,

$$(A^*A)^{-1} = V \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sigma_1^2} & \cdots & 0\\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots\\ 0 & \cdots & \frac{1}{\sigma_n^2} \end{bmatrix} V^*.$$

Finally, we have

$$(A^*A)^{-1}A^* = V \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sigma_1^2} & \cdots & 0\\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots\\ 0 & \cdots & \frac{1}{\sigma_n^2} \end{bmatrix} V^*V\Sigma^*U^*$$

$$= V \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sigma_1^2} & \cdots & 0\\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots\\ 0 & \cdots & \frac{1}{\sigma_n^2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & \cdots & 0\\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots\\ 0 & \cdots & \sigma_n \end{bmatrix} \quad O_{n \times (m-n)}$$

$$= V \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sigma_1} & \cdots & 0\\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots\\ 0 & \cdots & \frac{1}{\sigma_n} \end{bmatrix} \quad O_{n \times (m-n)}$$

$$= V\Sigma^{\dagger}U^*$$

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$$= A^{\dagger}.$$

(b) (10 pts) Prove  $AA^{\dagger}$  is an orthogonal projector onto  $\Re(A)$ . Hint: You can use that  $A^{\dagger}$  satisfies the following *Moore-Penrose* condition:

$$AA^{\dagger}A = A \qquad A^{\dagger}AA^{\dagger} = A^{\dagger}$$
$$(AA^{\dagger})^{*} = AA^{\dagger} \qquad (A^{\dagger}A)^{*} = A^{\dagger}A$$

- **Answer:** To show  $AA^{\dagger}$  is an orthogonal projector onto  $\mathcal{R}(A)$ , we need to show the following four items.
- (1)  $AA^{\dagger}$  is a square matrix of size  $m \times m$ : This is obvious because  $A \in \mathbb{C}^{m \times n}$  and  $A^{\dagger} \in \mathbb{C}^{n \times m}$  from its definition.
- (2)  $(AA^{\dagger})^2 = AA^{\dagger}$ :

This can be easily show as follows.

$$(AA^{\dagger})^{2} = AA^{\dagger}AA^{\dagger} = (AA^{\dagger}A)A^{\dagger} = AA^{\dagger},$$

using the first of the Moore-Penrose condition.

(3)  $(AA^{\dagger})^* = AA^{\dagger}$ :

This is simply the third of the Moore-Penrose condition listed above.

(4) For any  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{R}(A)$ ,  $AA^{\dagger}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}$ :

Because  $x \in \mathcal{R}(A)$ , there exists  $y \in \mathbb{C}^n$  such that x = Ay. Now,

$$AA^{\dagger}\boldsymbol{x} = AA^{\dagger}A\boldsymbol{y} = A\boldsymbol{y} = \boldsymbol{x},$$

where the first of the Moore-Penrose condition was used again.

Therefore,  $AA^{\dagger}$  is an orthogonal projector onto  $\mathcal{R}(A)$ .