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An important matrix factorization is the famous SVD,
 $A = U\Sigma V^T$. It joins our other important factorizations: $PA = LU$
(Gaussian Elimination), $A = QR$ (Gram-Schmidt), $A = S\Lambda S^{-1}$,
and, when A is symmetric $A = Q\Lambda Q^T$.

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The SVD chooses the bases U and V in a special way. They are more than just orthonormal. When A multiplies a column v_i of V , it produces σ_i times a column of U . That comes directly from $AV = U\Sigma$, looked at a column at a time.

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Eigenvalues and singular values generally cannot be computed precisely in a finite number of steps, even in the absence of floating point error. All algorithms for computing eigenvalues and singular values are therefore necessarily iterative, unlike the algorithms introduced in chapters 5 and 6.

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- ▶ You will only be tested on second category of methods, the methods related to the power method described below.

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when (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n) is a basis of \mathbb{R}^n of eigenvectors of A .

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- ▶ Corresponding eigenvectors:

$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 5 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix}, v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

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- ▶ $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k = c_1 v_1 = \frac{1}{20} \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ 5 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 35\% \\ 25\% \\ 40\% \end{bmatrix}$.

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#ALGORITHM: Power Method p. 222.
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- ▶ Then use a computer to generate more iterations noting that $\frac{87}{113} = .77 \approx .75$.

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is introduced so that we do have our computers store massive numbers and risk roundoff errors.

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The inverse power method is a clever twist on the power method:

#ALGORITHM: Inverse Iteration p. 228 when $\alpha = 0$ to find

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For an eigenvalue that is not greatest or lowest but you have a good approximation.

```
#ALGORITHM: Inverse Iteration p. 228 for approximate alpha
import numpy as np
```

```
# matrix A. Looking for dominant eigenvector v so that Av = alpha v
A = np.array([[0.7, 0.1, 0.2],
              [0.2, 0.4, 0.2],
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```

```
v = np.array([1,0,0]) # initial guess for dominant eigenvector
alpha = 0.44 # eigenvalue approximate
for k in range(20):
    v = np.linalg.solve(A - alpha*eye(3),v)
    v = v / np.linalg.norm(v)
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The QR factorization shows that we can always decompose a matrix A into a matrix Q whose columns are orthogonal and an upper triangular matrix R . The SVD factorization is similar. We factorize A into two orthogonal matrices U and V^T and a diagonal matrix Σ . In total

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- ▶ Watch Gilbert Strang's video 29 from MIT's linear algebra course to learn more about the SVD. There is a link to Strang's videos on our coursepage.

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# matrix A. Use numpy svd code to find the svd of matrix A
A = np.array([[0,1],
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U,S,V = np.linalg.svd(A)

print(U)
print(S)
print(V)
```