

Procedure for computing SVD by hand  
when  $A$  has linearly independent columns

(1) Form  $ATA$  which is symmetric, positive definite

(2) Find the eigenvalues  $(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k)$  and eigen vectors  $\vec{w}_1, \dots, \vec{w}_k$  of  $ATA$

(3) The singular values are  $\sigma_i = \sqrt{\lambda_i}$  and the singular vectors are  $\vec{v}_i = \frac{\vec{w}_i}{\|\vec{w}_i\|}$  and

the right singular vectors are automatically orthogonal

(4)  $V = [\vec{v}_1 \vec{v}_2 \dots \vec{v}_k]$  is automatically orthogonal  $\vec{u}_i = \frac{A\vec{v}_i}{\sigma_i}$

(5) The left singular vectors are  $\vec{u}_i$  since  $ATA$  is positive definite  
(note  $\sigma_i > 0$ )

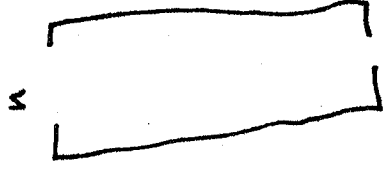
(6)  $U = [\vec{u}_1 \dots \vec{u}_j]$  and  $\Sigma = \text{diag}(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_k)$

NOTE This works for non-square  $A$  as long as its columns are linearly independent  
yields reduced SVD

Example

$A$  is  $m \times n$

$m > n$  with  $n$  ind col



$A^T A$  is  $(n \times m) \cdot (m \times n) = n \times n$

So there are  $n$   $\lambda$ 's and thus  $n$   $\sigma$ 's

Thus  $\Sigma$  is  $n \times n$  and  $\sqrt{\Sigma}$  is  $n \times n$

But  $\frac{A^T A}{\sigma_i}$  will be a  $m \times n$  vector so

$$[ ] = [ ] \hat{U}$$

$\hat{U}$  will be  $m \times n$

we write  $\hat{U}$  since it is

not full  $n \times n$

This is reduced or Thin SVD

and will be discussed in the next lecture.