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Cone-Constrained Singular Value Problems

The singular values of a matrix A of size $m \times n$ can be seen as the critical values of the bilinear form $\langle u, Av \rangle$ with u and v ranging over the unit spheres of \mathbb{R}^m and \mathbb{R}^n , respectively. If u and v are further restricted by closed convex cones P and Q, respectively, then the criticality conditions are: $P \ni u \perp (Av - \sigma u) \in P^*$, $Q \ni v \perp (A^{\top}u - \sigma v) \in Q^*$. This is a coupled system of complementarity problems involving a pair of cones and their dual cones. The parameter σ is called a singular value of A relative to (P, Q). The purpose of our work is to study this new concept of singular value. The analysis of such a coupled system is motivated by a number of applications. By way of illustration, we consider a nonnegative Principal Component Analysis problem.

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