Principal Component Analysis

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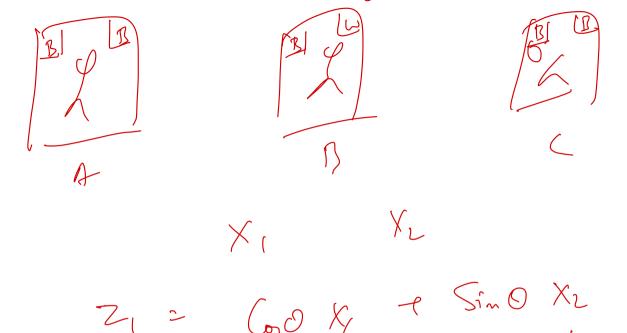
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Covariance

• Variance and Covariance are a measure of the "spread" of a set of points around their center of mass (mean)

• Variance is a measure of the deviation from the mean for points in one dimension e.g. variance in the measuring the length of the same object by different people.

• **Covariance** is a measure of how much each of the dimensions vary from the mean with respect to each other.



Covariance

• Covariance is measured between 2 dimensions to see if there is a relationship between the 2 dimensions e.g. number of hours studied & marks obtained.

• The covariance between one dimension and itself is the variance

Covariance

$$\sum_{k=1}^{N} \left(\frac{x^{2}}{x^{2}} - \frac{x}{x} \right) \left(\frac{x^{2}}{x^{2}} - \frac{x}{x} \right)$$

Covariance(X, Y) =
$$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (X - \overline{X}) (Y - \overline{Y})}{n}$$

- For a 3-dimensional data set (x, y, z), one can measure the covariance between:
 - x and y dimensions,
 - y and z dimensions, and
 - x and z dimensions.

• Covariance is symmetrical: Cov(X, Y) = Cov(Y, X)

Covariance Matrix

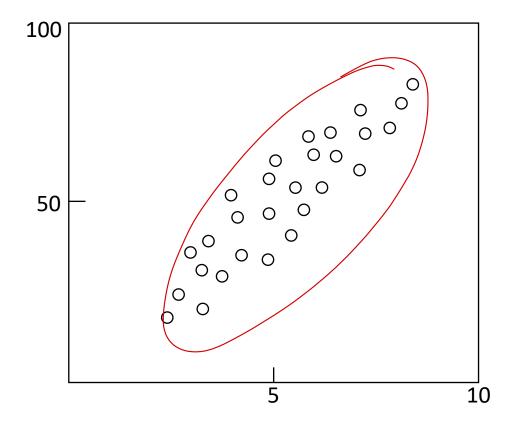
• Covariance between various dimensions is typically represented as a 2D covariance matrix (C). For a 3-dimensional data (X, Y, Z):

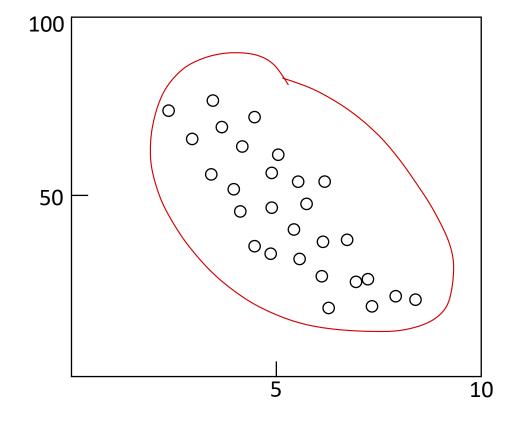
$$C = \begin{bmatrix} Cov(X,X) & Cov(X,Y) & Cov(X,Z) \\ Cov(Y,X) & Cov(Y,Y) & Cov(Y,Z) \\ Cov(Z,X) & Cov(Z,Y) & Cov(Z,Z) \end{bmatrix}$$

• Diagonal elements are the variances of X, Y and Z.

ullet The covariance matrix C is is symmetrical about the diagonal

- Example: A 2-dimensional data set.
 - x: number of hours studied for a subject
 - y: marks obtained in that subject





 A positive value of covariance indicates both dimensions increase or decrease together e.g. as the number of hours studied increases, the marks in that subject increase.

• A negative value indicates while one increases the other decreases, or viceversa e.g. number of hours on facebook vs performance in CS dept.

• If covariance is zero: the two dimensions are independent of each other e.g. heights of students vs the marks obtained in a subject

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A. Covariance calculations are used to find relationships between dimensions in high dimensional data sets (usually greater than 3) where visualization is difficult.

PCA

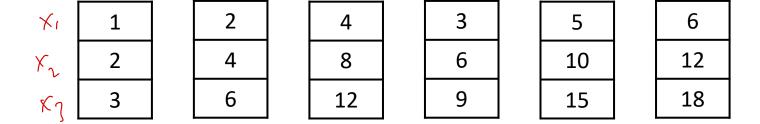
 Principal components analysis (PCA) is a technique that can be used to simplify a dataset

• It is a linear transformation that chooses a new coordinate system for the data set such that greatest variance by any projection of the data set comes to lie on the first axis (then called the first principal component), the second greatest variance on the second axis, and so on.

 PCA can be used for reducing dimensionality by eliminating the later principal components.

PCA: Toy Example

Consider following 3D points:



• Number of integers to be stored: 18

PCA: Toy Example

How about the following representation?



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$$\begin{array}{c|c}
2 \\
4 \\
6
\end{array}
= 2 * \boxed{1} \\
2 \\
3$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 8 \\ 12 \end{bmatrix} = 4 * \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

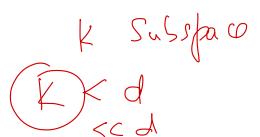
$$\begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} = 3 * \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 10 \\ 15 \end{bmatrix} = 5 * \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 12 \\ 18 \end{bmatrix} = 6 * \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

• Number of integers to be stored: 9





Geometrical Interpretation

• View each point in 3D space. But in this example, all the points happen to belong to a line: a 1D subspace of the original 3D space.

 Consider a new coordinate system where one of the axes is along the direction of the line.

• In this coordinate system, every point has only one non-zero coordinate.

We only need to store the direction of the line (3 integers) and the non-zero coordinate for each of the 6 points (6 integers).

Principal Component Analysis

• Given a set of points, how do we know if they can be compressed like in the previous example?

The answer is to look into the correlation between the points

The tool for doing this is called PCA

Principal Component Analysis

• By finding the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the covariance matrix, we find that the eigenvectors with the largest eigenvalues correspond to the dimensions that have the strongest correlation in the dataset.

This is the principal component.

- PCA is a useful statistical technique that has found applications in:
 - fields such as face recognition and image compression
 - finding patterns in data of high dimension.





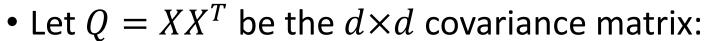
PCA Theorem

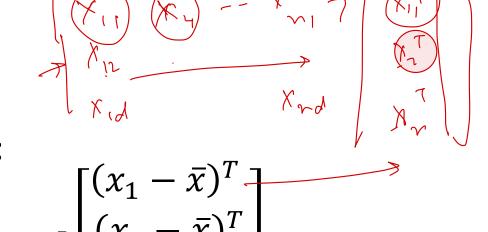
• Let $x_1, x_2, ..., x_n$ be a set of $n, d \times 1$ vectors and let \bar{x} be their average:

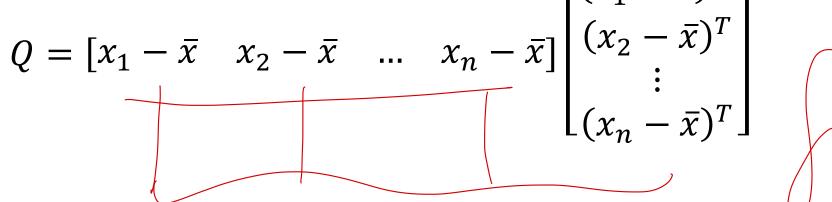
$$x_{i} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{i1} \\ x_{i2} \\ \vdots \\ x_{id} \end{bmatrix} \qquad \bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{i=n} \begin{bmatrix} x_{i1} \\ x_{i2} \\ \vdots \\ x_{id} \end{bmatrix}$$

• Let X be the $d \times n$ matrix with columns: $[x_1 - \bar{x} \quad (x_2 - \bar{x}) \quad ... \quad x_n - \bar{x}]$

Covariance Matrix





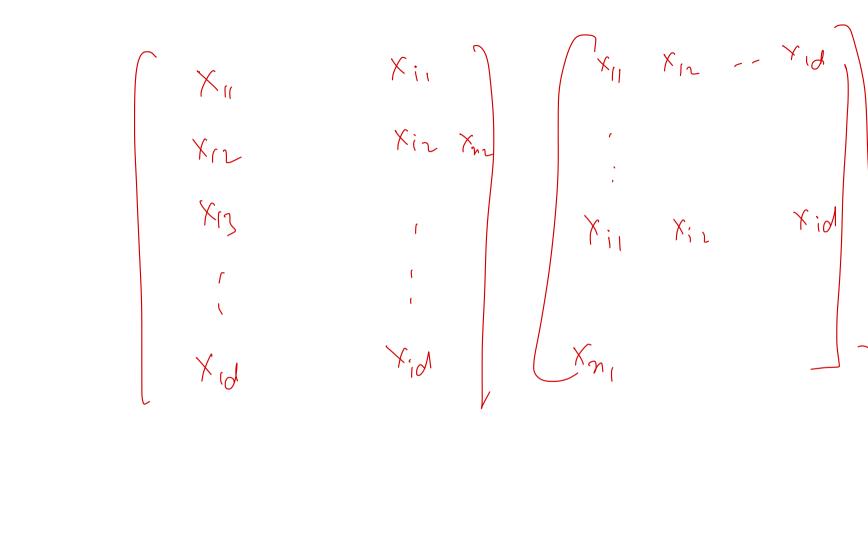


• Also called **Scatter Matrix** in the context of PCA.

ullet Q is square as well as symmetric



• Q can be very large (in vision, d is often the number of pixels in an image!)



PCA Theorem

Theorem:

Each x_j can be written as: $x_j = (\bar{x}) + (\sum_{i=1}^{i=d} g_{ji} e_i)$ where e_i are the d eigenvectors of Q with non-zero eigenvalues.

• The eigenvectors e_1, e_2, \dots, e_d span an **eigenspace**.

• e_1, e_2, \dots, e_d are $d \times 1$ orthonormal vectors.







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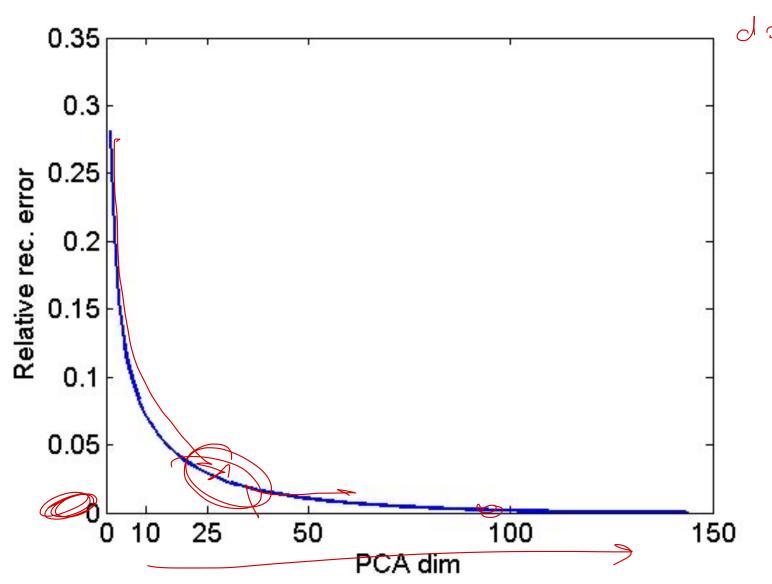
Using PCA to Compress Data

- Expressing x in terms of e_1 , ... e_d has not changed the size of the data
- If the points are highly correlated many of the coordinates of x will be zero or close to zero (if they indeed lie in a lower-dimensional linear subspace)
- Sort the eigenvectors e_i according to their eigenvalue: $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \cdots \lambda_d$

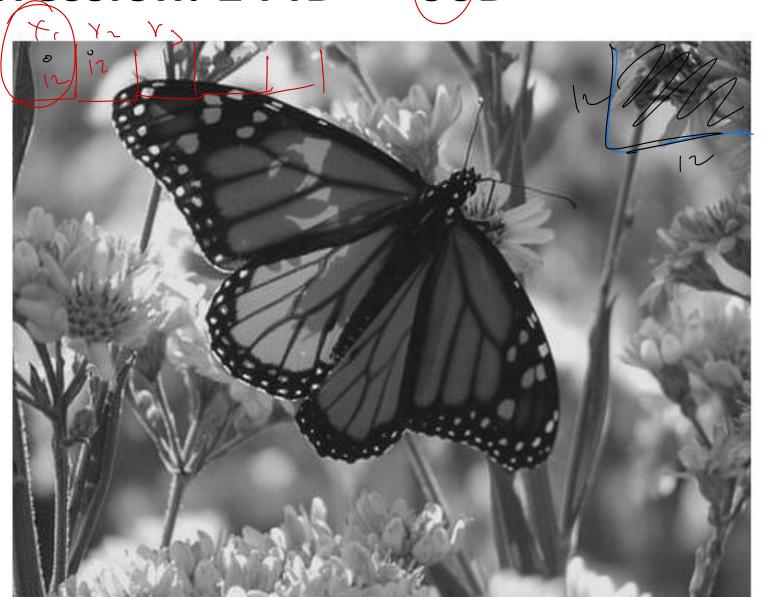
• Assuming
$$\lambda \approx 0$$
, if $i > k$: $x_j \approx \bar{x} + \sum_{i=1}^{i=k} g_{ji} e_i$

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L₂ error and PCA dim



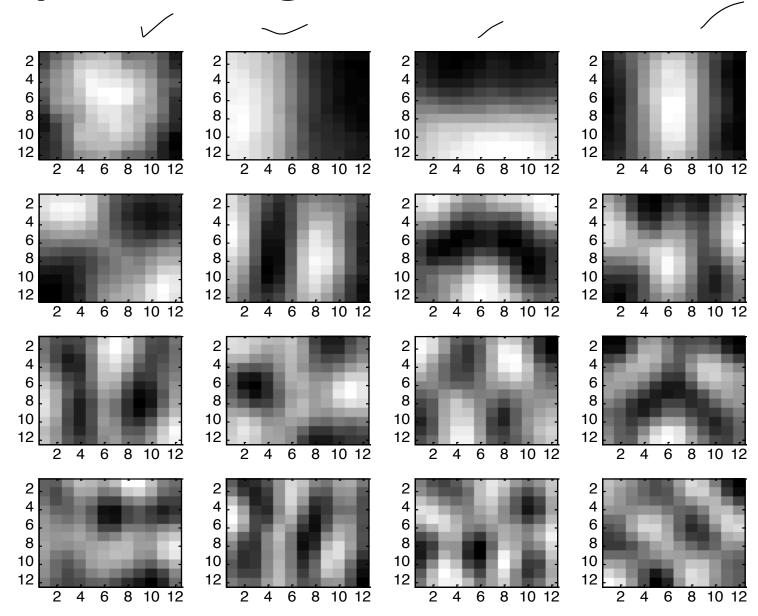
PCA compression: 144D → 60D



PCA compression: 144D → 16D



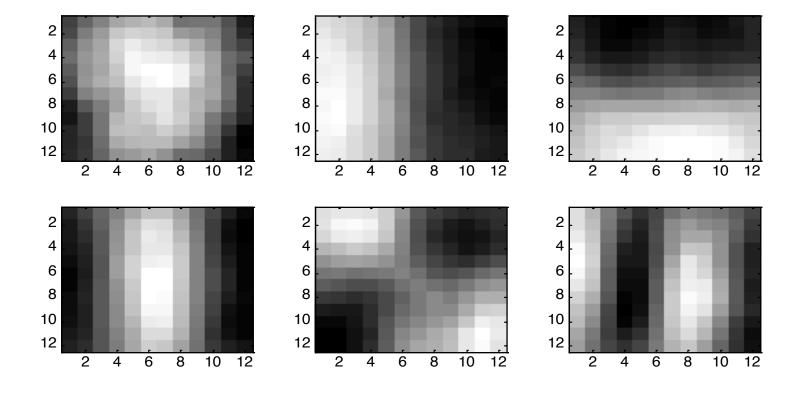
16 most important eigenvectors



PCA compression: 144D → 6D



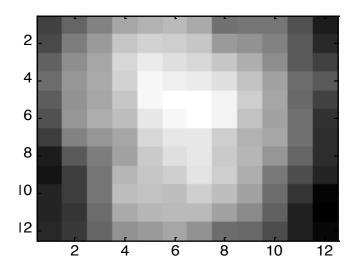
6 most important eigenvectors

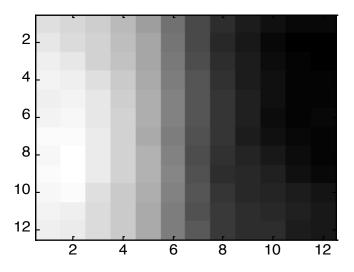


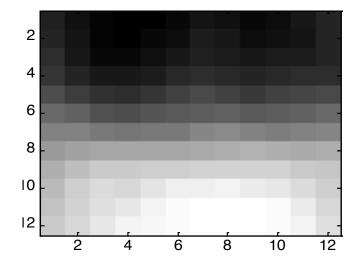
PCA compression: 144D → 3D



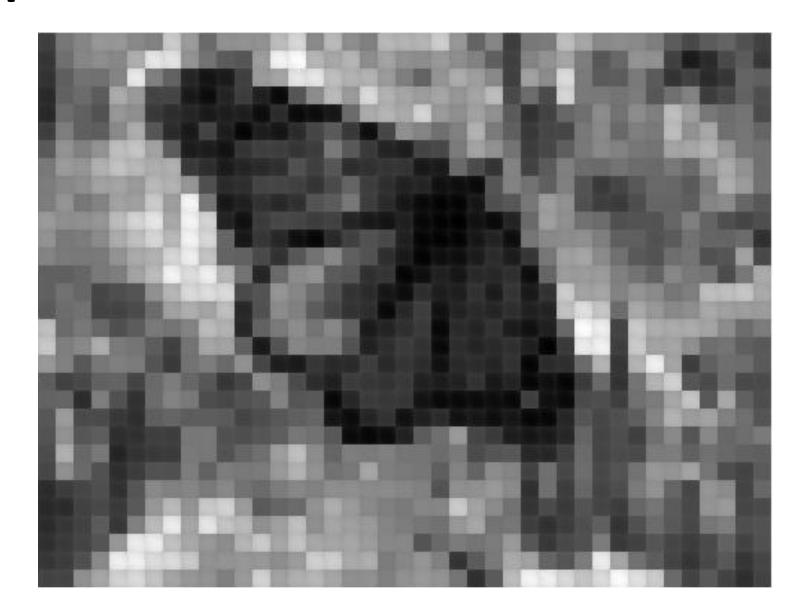
3 most important eigenvectors





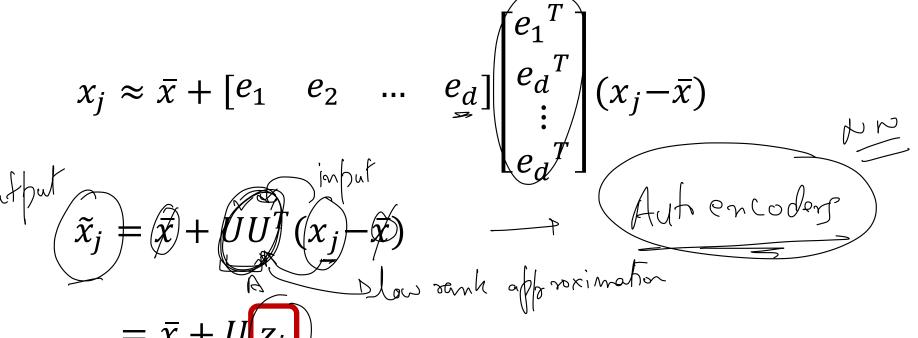


PCA compression: $144D \rightarrow 1D$

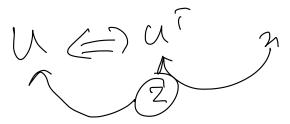


PCA in Matrix Form





~ ~ ~ ~ Low dimensional representation of x_j



PCA as Minimizing Reconstruction Error

• It can be shown that PCA minimizes the reconstruction error:

$$\min_{U} \sum_{j=1}^{N} ||x_j - \tilde{x}_j||^2 = \sum_{j=1}^{N} ||x_j - Uz_j||^2$$
Assuming zero mean

$$\min_{U} ||X - UZ||_{F}$$

 $||A||_F$ shows Frobenius norm, sum of elements-wise squares

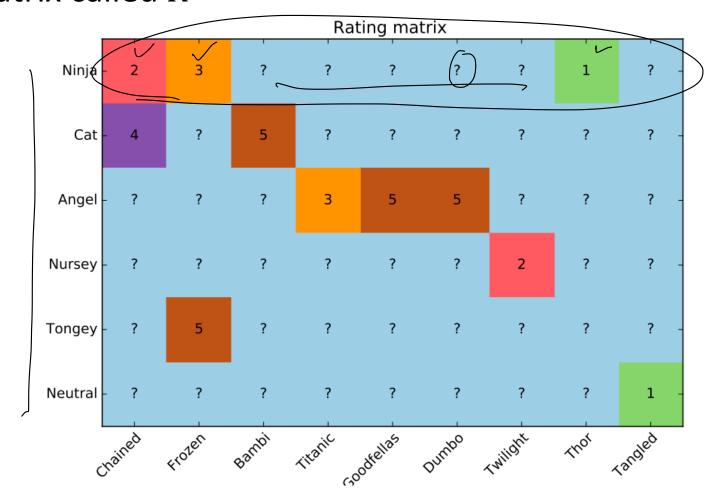
Matrix Completion/Recommender Systems

- The Netflix problem
 - Movie recommendation: Users watch movies and rate them as good/bad.
 - Because users only rate a few items, one would like to infer their preference for unrated items



User	Movie	Rating
	Thor	* * * * *
•	Chained	* * * * *
•	Frozen	****
	Chained	****
	Bambi	****
	Titanic	****
	Goodfellas	****
	Dumbo	****
i	Twilight	* * * * *
3	Frozen	****
•	Tangled	* * * * *

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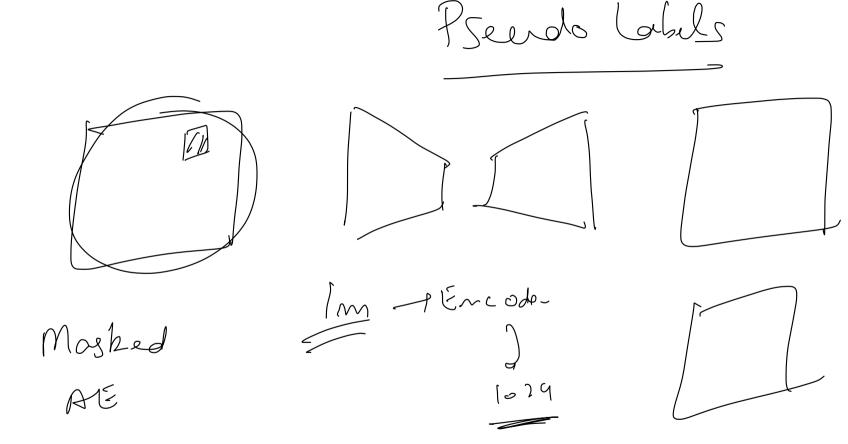
• Data: Users rate some movies. R matrix is very sparse.

• Task: Predict missing entries, i.e. how a user would rate a movie they haven't previously rated

• Evaluation Metric: Squared error (used by Netflix Competition)

- Let the representation of user i in the K-dimensional space be u_i and the representation of movie j be z_i
 - Intuition: maybe the first entry of u_i says how much the user likes horror films, and the first entry of z_i says how much movie j is a horror film. Frobenius

• Assume the rating user i gives to movie j is given by a dot product:



-> Supervised -> Un- Supervised wedry Supervised > Reinforcement Cearming Semii - supervised

• In matrix form: $U^T = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & u_2 & ... & u_N \end{bmatrix}$

• In matrix form: $Z^T = \begin{bmatrix} z_1 & z_2 & \dots & z_M \end{bmatrix}$

• $R = UZ^T$

• Matrix completion problem: $\min_{U,Z} |\widehat{R} - UZ^T|_{R}$

• Frobenius norm computed over only observed values.

Autoencoders as Non-Linear Factorization

Reconstructed input data Decoder **Features** Encoder Input data 2514 256

Autoencoders can reconstruct data, and can learn features to initialize a supervised model

Features capture factors of variation in training data. Can we generate new images from an autoencoder?