
INFO 2950: Intro to Data Science

Lecture 23
2023-11-15

Agenda

1. Singular value decomposition
 - a. recommendations
 - b. image compression
 - c. penguin compression
 - d. text compression
2. More text data!

Singular Value Decomposition

1	0
0	1

0	2	1	0	0
1	1	0	2	1

2	0
0	2
0	0
1	1
0	0

	4	2		
2	2		4	2
1	3	1	2	1

SVD gives us
components and
weights from a
matrix

Singular Value Decomposition

1	0
0	1

Σ

0	2	1	0	0
1	1	0	2	1

V^T

2	0
0	2
0	0
1	1
0	0

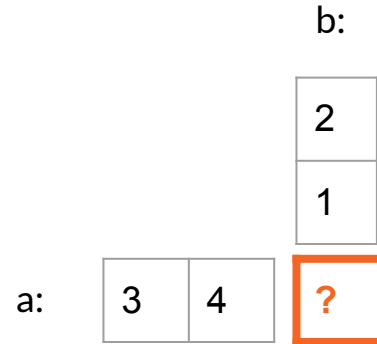
U

	4	2		
2	2		4	2
1	3	1	2	1

A

SVD gives us
components and
weights from a
matrix

Review: inner product $\langle a, b \rangle$



Review: inner product $\langle a, b \rangle$

b:

2
1

a:

3	4
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$3*2 + 4*1 = 10$

Review: inner product $\langle a, b \rangle$

		b:				
		2				
		0				
		0				
		1				
		3				
a:	0	2	1	0	1	?

Review: inner product $\langle a, b \rangle$

b:

2
0
0
1
3

a:

0	2	1	0	1
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$0+0+0+0+3 = \mathbf{3}$

Review: inner product $\langle a, b \rangle$

b:

7
4

a:

-4	7	?
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Are a and b
orthogonal?

Review: inner product $\langle a, b \rangle$

b:

7
4

a:

-4	7
----	---

$-4*7+7*4 = 0$

Inner product is 0,
a and b are orthogonal

Review: outer product $a \otimes b$

a:

1	
3	

b:

0	2
?	

Hint: ? is inner product of 0, 1

Review: outer product $a \otimes b$

b:

0	2
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a:

1	0	?
3	?	?

Top left: $1 * 0 = 0$

Review: outer product $a \otimes b$

b:

0	2
---	---

a:

1	0	2
3	0	6

Review: outer product $a \otimes b$

b:

0	2	1
---	---	---

a:

2
0
3

Fill in the matrix

What is nnz?

Review: outer product $a \otimes b$

b:

0	2	1
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a:

2
0
3

0	4	2
0	0	0
0	6	3

Number of non-zeros
(nnz) = 4

Review: product AB

A:

4	5
6	0

B:

1	3
0	2

?	

Hint: ? is inner product of orange inputs

Review: product AB

A:

4	5
6	0

B:

1	3
0	2

4	

Inner product of
orange inputs is
 $4*1 + 5*0 = 4$

Review: product AB

B:

1	3
0	2

Fill in the ?

A:

4	5
6	0

4	
?	

Review: product AB

A:

4	5
6	0

B:

1	3
0	2

$? = 6 * 1 + 0 * 0 = 6$

4	
6	

Review: product AB

B:

1	3
0	2

A:

4	5
6	0

4	?
6	?

Review: product AB

B:

1	3
0	2

$$4*3+5*2 = 22$$

A:

4	5
6	0

4	22
6	18

$$6*3+0*2 = 18$$

Does $AB = BA$?

A:

4	5
6	0

B:

1	3
0	2

A:

4	5
6	0

B:

4	22
6	18

A:

4	5
6	0

B:

1	3
0	2

A:

?	?
?	?

Does $AB = BA$?

A:

4

5

6

0

B:

1

3

0

2

4

22

6

18

A:

4

5

6

0

B:

1

3

0

2

22

5

12

0

No, order matters!

Can we do this product AB?

B:

1	3
0	2

A:

4	5	1
6	0	2

?	?
?	?

Can we do this product AB ?

B:		1	3
		0	2

A:	4	5	1	?	?
	6	0	2	?	?

No, you can't do an inner product of a 3-length vector with a 2-length vector!

Can we do this product AB ?

B:

1	3
0	2

A:

4	5
6	0
1	2

Can we do this product AB ?

B:

1	3
0	2

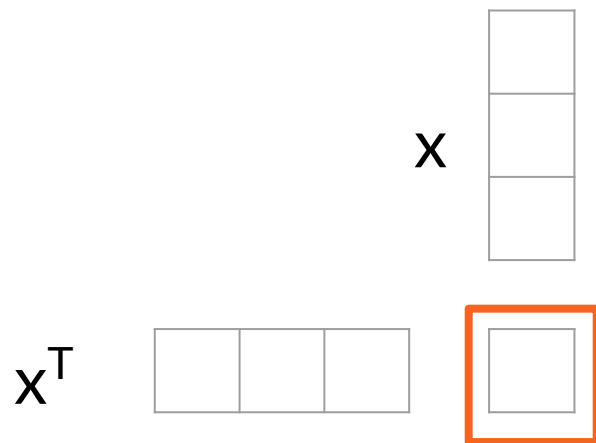
A:

4	5
6	0
1	2

4	22
6	18
1	7

Yes! We can multiply (3×2) with (2×2)
since the 2-dimension is shared

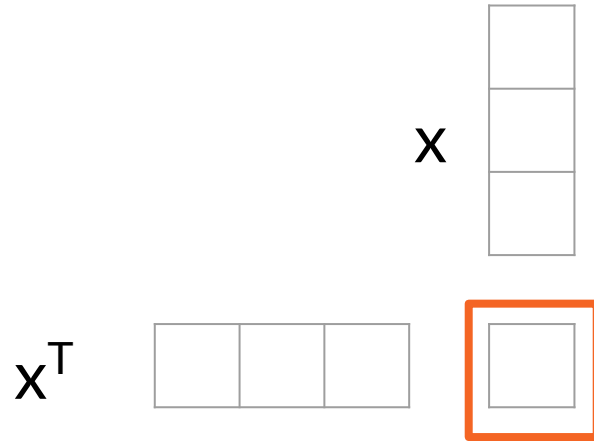
Review: What is this value?



Assume the vector x
has mean=0

What does $x^T x / 3$
calculate?

Review: What is this value?



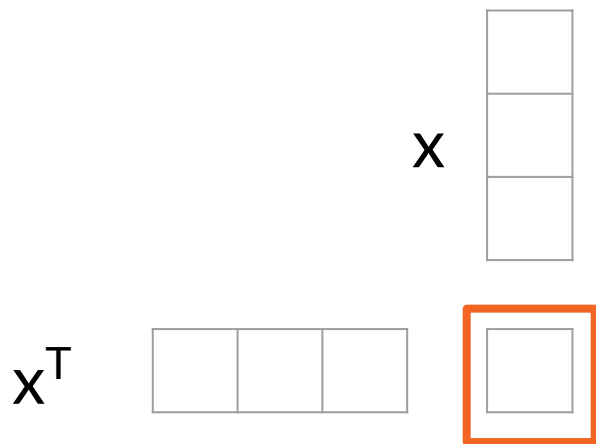
Assume the vector x
has mean=0

What does $x^T x / 3$
calculate?

Variance!

$$\frac{\sum (x_i - \mu)^2}{n}$$

Review: What is this value?



Remember, $x^T x$ gives you the sum of squared entries. We're given that $\mu=0$, and $\text{len}(x) = 3$.

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Variance!

$$\frac{\sum (x_i - \mu)^2}{n}$$

Review: What is this matrix?

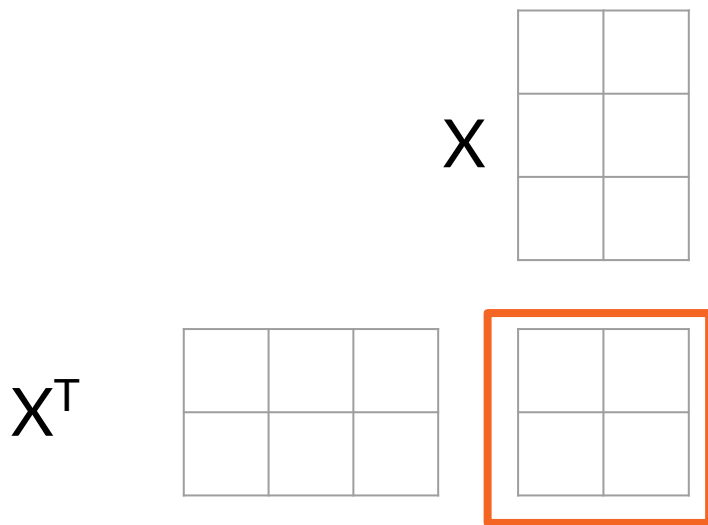
X

Assume the columns
of X represent
variables with
mean=0

X^T

What does $X^T X / 3$
calculate?

Review: What is this matrix?



Assume the columns of X represent variables with mean=0

What does $X^T X / 3$ calculate?
Covariance matrix!

$$\text{cov}(X, Y) = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{(x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{N}$$

Covariance matrix

X

Score	Age
68	29
60	26
58	30
40	35

$X^T X / 4 =$

X^T

68	60	58	40
29	26	30	35

Var(Score) = 104.75	cov(Score, Age) = -27
cov(Age, Score) = -27	Var(Age) = 10.5

Covariance matrix

$$\frac{\sum (x_i - \mu)^2}{n}$$

$\mu_{\text{Score}} = 56.5, n = 4$
 $[(68-56.5)^2 + (60-56.5)^2 + (58-56.5)^2 + (40-56.5)^2] / 4 =$
104.75

X

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X^T

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Covariance matrix

$$\frac{\sum (x_i - \mu)^2}{n}$$

$$\mu_{\text{Age}} = 30, n = 4$$

$$[(29-30)^2 + (26-30)^2 + (30-30)^2 + (35-30)^2]/4 = 10.5$$

X

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40	35

X^T

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0	0
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0	0

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A

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matrix

Goal: find a smaller representation that preserves similarity

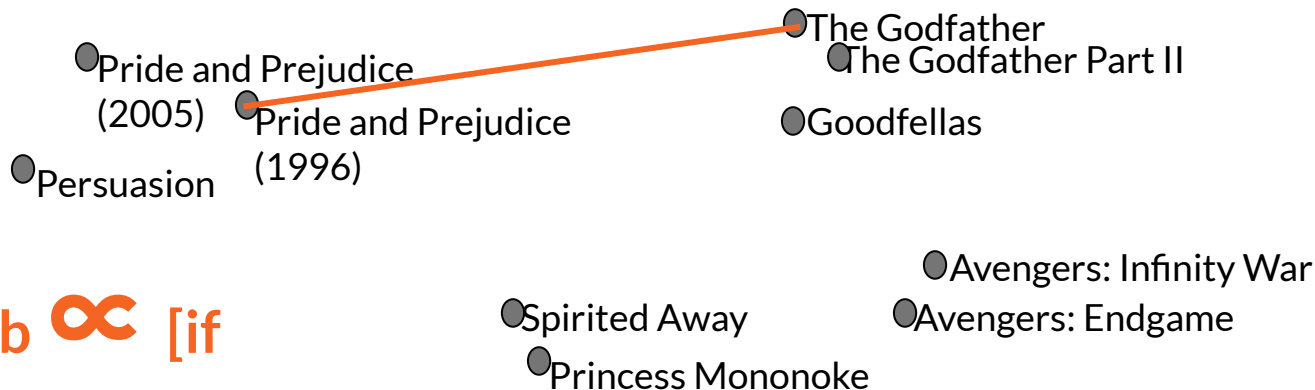


Goal: find a smaller representation that preserves similarity



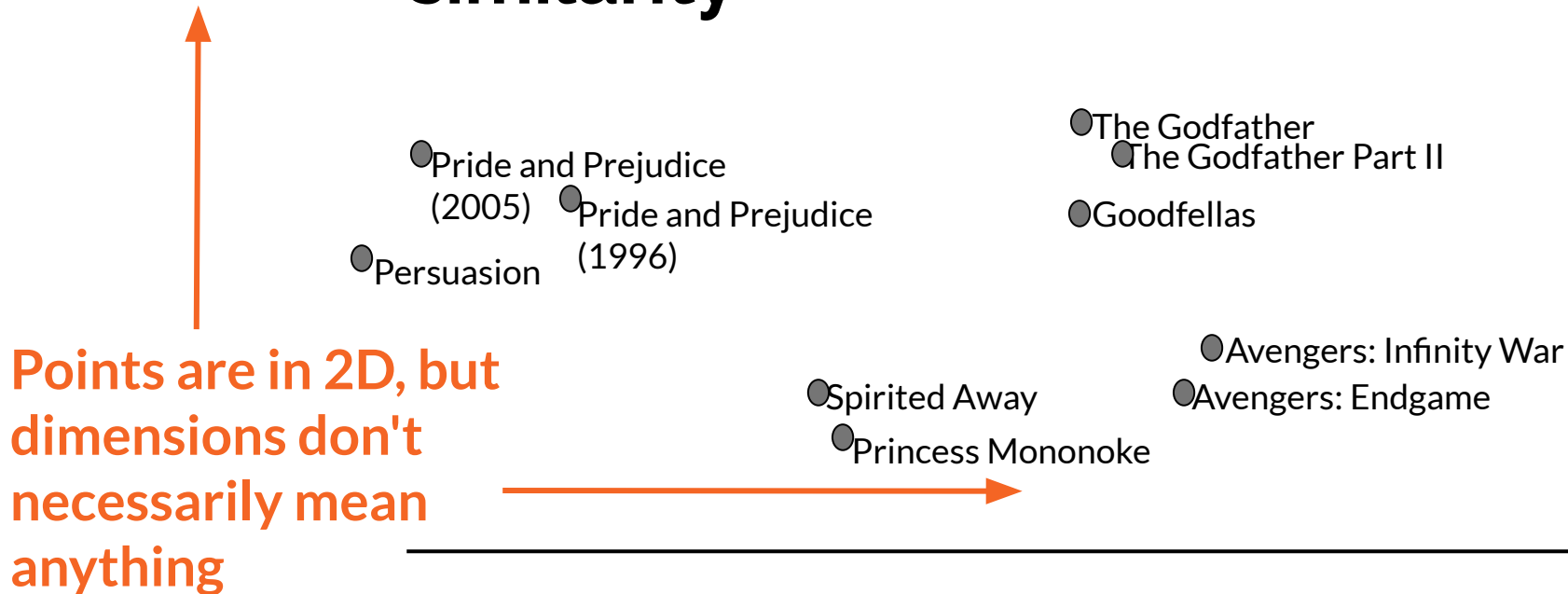
Distance a to b \propto [if
you like a, you would like
b]

Goal: find a smaller representation that preserves similarity



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you like a, you would like
b]

Goal: find a smaller representation that preserves similarity



Summarize user patterns

	User 1	User 2	User 3	User 4	...	User 13435
Airplane!	9	6		7		
Akira		4	7	8		8
Aladdin	6			7		
Alexander Nevsky				6		
...						
Zoolander			9	5		7

Summarize user patterns

	Axis 1	Axis 2	...
Airplane!	1.3	3.1	
Akira	-2.6	4.2	
Aladdin	-2.3	3.3	
Alexander Nevsky	1.8	-1.6	
...			
Zoolander	-0.02	-1.8	



Make recommendations

	Axis 1	Axis 2	...
Airplane!	1.3	3.1	
Akira	-2.6	4.2	
Aladdin	-2.3	3.3	
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...			
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How do we do this?



- By using the SVD!
 - SVD = singular value decomposition
- *“The SVD is like a matrix X-ray”*
 - Daniela Witten

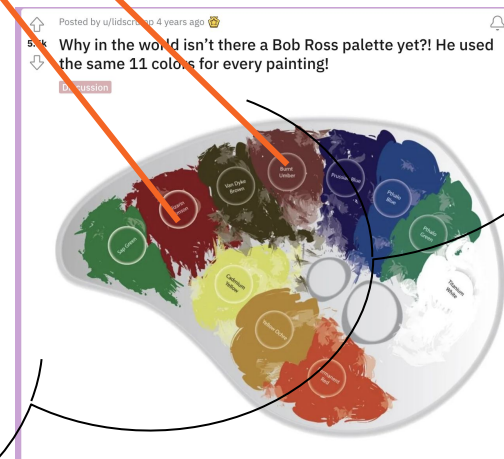
Parts of a matrix factorization

2	0
0	1

0	2	1	0	0
1	1	0	2	1

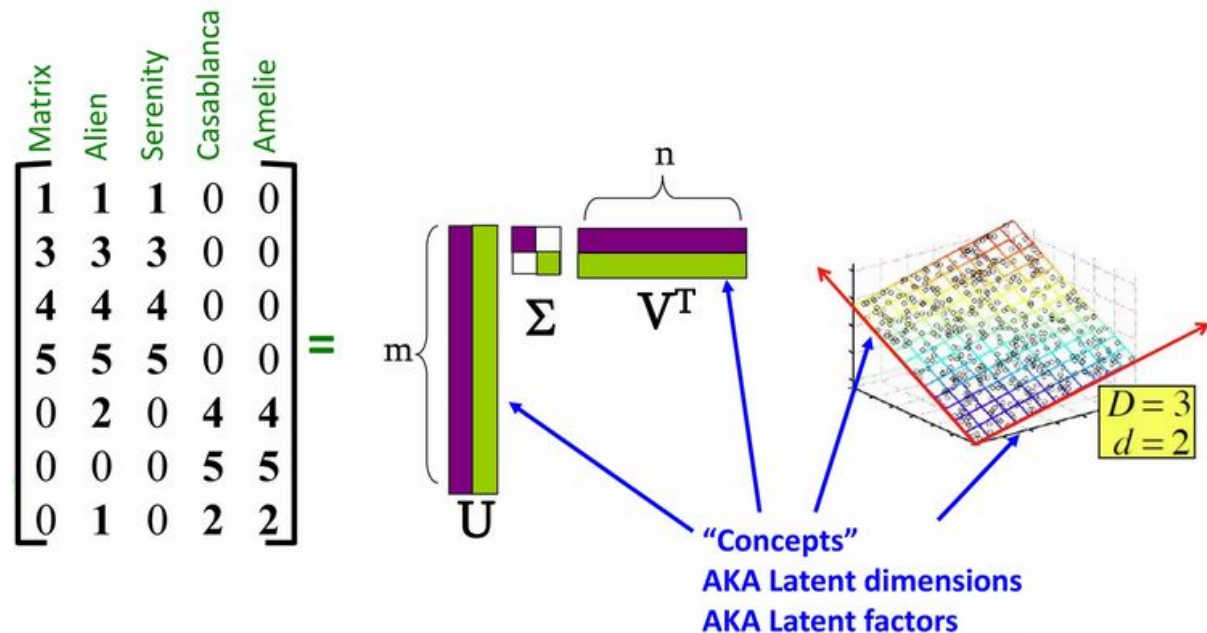
2	0
0	2
0	0
1	1
0	0

Components are like colors, component weights are how much of each color you are mixing



SVD: movie “concepts”

- $A = U \Sigma V^T$ - example: Users to Movies



SVD: movie “concepts”

$$A = U \Sigma V^T$$

The diagram illustrates the SVD decomposition of a movie rating matrix A into three matrices: U , Σ , and V^T . The matrix A is a 6x5 matrix of movie ratings. The matrix U is a 6x3 matrix of left singular vectors. The matrix Σ is a 3x3 matrix of singular values. The matrix V^T is a 5x5 matrix of right singular vectors. The decomposition is shown as $A = U \Sigma V^T$.

Matrix	Alien	Serenity	Casablanca	Amelie
1	1	1	0	0
3	3	3	0	0
4	4	4	0	0
5	5	5	0	0
0	2	0	4	4
0	0	0	5	5
0	1	0	2	2

$=$

0.13	0.02	-0.01
0.41	0.07	-0.03
0.55	0.09	-0.04
0.68	0.11	-0.05
0.15	-0.59	0.65
0.07	-0.73	-0.67
0.07	-0.29	0.32

\times

12.4	0	0
0	9.5	0
0	0	1.3

\times

0.56	0.59	0.56	0.09	0.09
0.12	-0.02	0.12	-0.69	-0.69
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5	5	5	0	0
0	2	0	4	4
0	0	0	5	5
0	1	0	2	2

U = User-to-concept similarity matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix}
 0.13 & 0.02 & -0.01 \\
 0.41 & 0.07 & -0.03 \\
 0.55 & 0.09 & -0.04 \\
 0.68 & 0.11 & -0.05 \\
 0.15 & -0.59 & 0.65 \\
 0.07 & -0.73 & -0.67 \\
 0.07 & -0.29 & 0.32
 \end{bmatrix}
 \begin{matrix}
 \text{User 1} \\
 \text{User 2} \\
 \text{User 3} \\
 \text{User 4} \\
 \text{User 5} \\
 \text{User 6} \\
 \text{User 7}
 \end{matrix}
 \begin{bmatrix}
 12.4 & 0 & 0 \\
 0 & 9.5 & 0 \\
 0 & 0 & 1.3
 \end{bmatrix}
 \times
 \begin{bmatrix}
 0.56 & 0.59 & 0.56 & 0.09 & 0.09 \\
 0.12 & -0.02 & 0.12 & -0.69 & -0.69 \\
 0.40 & -0.80 & 0.40 & 0.09 & 0.09
 \end{bmatrix}$$

SVD: movie “concepts”

$$A = U \Sigma V^T$$

U = User-to-concept similarity matrix

Matrix	Alien	Serenity	Casablanca	Amelie
1	1	1	0	0
3	3	3	0	0
4	4	4	0	0
5	5	5	0	0
0	2	0	4	4
0	0	0	5	5
0	1	0	2	2

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0.13 & 0.02 & -0.01 \\ 0.41 & 0.07 & -0.03 \\ 0.55 & 0.09 & -0.04 \\ 0.68 & 0.11 & -0.05 \\ 0.15 & -0.59 & 0.65 \\ 0.07 & -0.73 & -0.67 \\ 0.07 & -0.29 & 0.32 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 12.4 & 0 & 0 \\ 9.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 1.3 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 0.56 & 0.59 & 0.56 & 0.09 & 0.09 \\ 0.12 & -0.02 & 0.12 & -0.69 & -0.69 \\ 0.40 & -0.80 & 0.40 & 0.09 & 0.09 \end{bmatrix}$$

User 1
 User 2
 User 3
 User 4
 User 5
 User 6
 User 7

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$$A = U \Sigma V^T$$

Matrix	Alien	Serenity	Casablanca	Amelie
1	1	1	0	0
3	3	3	0	0
4	4	4	0	0
5	5	5	0	0
0	2	0	4	4
0	0	0	5	5
0	1	0	2	2

$$=$$

0.13	0.02	-0.01
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0.07	-0.29	0.32

\times

12.4	0	0
0	9.5	0
0	0	1.3

\times

Movie 1	Movie 2	Movie 3	Movie 4	Movie 5
0.56	0.59	0.56	0.09	0.09
0.12	-0.02	0.12	-0.69	-0.69
0.40	-0.80	0.40	0.09	0.09

V = Movie-to-concept similarity matrix

SVD: movie “concepts”

$$A = U \Sigma V^T$$

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4	4	4	0	0
5	5	5	0	0
0	2	0	4	4
0	0	0	5	5
0	1	0	2	2

 $=$

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Σ = Concept matrix

Concept 1	Concept 2	Concept 3
12.4	0	0
0	9.5	0
0	0	1.3

 \times

0.56	0.59	0.56	0.09	0.09
0.12	-0.02	0.12	-0.69	-0.69
0.40	-0.80	0.40	0.09	0.09

SVD: movie “concepts”

$$A = U \Sigma V^T$$

Matrix	Alien	Serenity	Casablanca	Amelie		
1	1	1	0	0	=	0.13
3	3	3	0	0		0.41
4	4	4	0	0		0.55
5	5	5	0	0		0.68
0	2	0	4	4		0.15
0	0	0	5	5		0.07
0	1	0	2	2		0.07

0.02	-0.01
0.07	-0.03
0.09	-0.04
0.11	-0.05
-0.59	0.65
-0.73	-0.67
-0.29	0.32

What rank is matrix A?

Concept 1

Concept 2

Concept 3

$$\begin{bmatrix} 12.4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 9.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1.3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.56 & 0.59 & 0.56 & 0.09 & 0.09 \\ 0.12 & -0.02 & 0.12 & -0.69 & -0.69 \\ 0.40 & -0.80 & 0.40 & 0.09 & 0.09 \end{bmatrix}$$

SVD: movie “concepts”

$$A = U \Sigma V^T$$

What rank is matrix A?

Rank 3 (there are 3 concepts)

Matrix	Alien	Serenity	Casablanca	Amelie
1	1	1	0	0
3	3	3	0	0
4	4	4	0	0
5	5	5	0	0
0	2	0	4	4
0	0	0	5	5
0	1	0	2	2

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Concept 1

Concept 2

Concept 3

SVD: movie “concepts”

$$A = U \Sigma V^T$$

SciFi-concept

(smaller magnitude → less effect)

Users
that tend
to watch
sci-fi
movies

Matrix	Alien	Serenity	Casablanca	Amelie
1	1	1	0	0
3	3	3	0	0
4	4	4	0	0
5	5	5	0	0
0	2	0	4	4
0	0	0	5	5
0	1	0	2	2

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0.68	0.11	-0.05
0.15	-0.59	0.65
-0.07	-0.73	-0.67
0.07	-0.29	0.32

x

12.4	0	0
0	9.5	0
0	0	1.3

x

0.56	0.59	0.56	0.09	0.09
0.12	-0.02	0.12	-0.69	-0.69
0.40	-0.80	0.40	0.09	0.09

SVD: movie “concepts”

$$A = U \Sigma V^T$$

Users that tend to watch romance movies

Matrix	Alien	Serenity	Casablanca	Amelie
1	1	1	0	0
3	3	3	0	0
4	4	4	0	0
5	5	5	0	0
0	2	0	4	4
0	0	0	5	5
0	1	0	2	2

SciFi-concept

Romance-concept

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0.13 & 0.02 & -0.01 \\ 0.41 & 0.07 & -0.03 \\ 0.55 & 0.09 & -0.04 \\ 0.68 & 0.11 & -0.05 \\ 0.15 & -0.59 & 0.65 \\ 0.07 & -0.73 & -0.67 \\ 0.07 & -0.29 & 0.32 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 12.4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 9.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1.3 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 0.56 & 0.59 & 0.56 & 0.09 & 0.09 \\ 0.12 & -0.02 & 0.12 & -0.69 & -0.69 \\ 0.40 & -0.80 & 0.40 & 0.09 & 0.09 \end{bmatrix}$$

SVD: movie “concepts”

$$A = U \Sigma V^T$$

	Matrix	Alien	Serenity	Casablanca	Amelie		SciFi-concept	Romance-concept			
	1	1	1	0	0	=	0.13	0.02	-0.01		
	3	3	3	0	0		0.41	0.07	-0.03		
	4	4	4	0	0		0.55	0.09	-0.04		
	5	5	5	0	0		0.68	0.11	-0.05		
	0	2	0	4	4		0.15	-0.59	0.65		
	0	0	0	5	5		0.07	-0.73	-0.67		
	0	1	0	2	2		0.07	-0.29	0.32		

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Some 3rd concept, unclear what – applies positively to Users 5 and 7 but negatively to User 6

SVD: movie “concepts”

$$A = U \Sigma V^T$$

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5	5	5	0	0
0	2	0	4	4
0	0	0	5	5
0	1	0	2	2

Movies that
seem to be SciFi

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SciFi-concept for movies

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Matrix	Alien	Serenity	Casablanca	Amelie
1	1	1	0	0
3	3	3	0	0
4	4	4	0	0
5	5	5	0	0
0	2	0	4	4
0	0	0	5	5
0	1	0	2	2

$$=$$

0.13	0.02	-0.01
0.41	0.07	-0.03
0.55	0.09	-0.04
0.68	0.11	-0.05
0.15	-0.59	0.65
0.07	-0.73	-0.67
0.07	-0.29	0.32

$$\times$$

12.4	0	0
0	9.5	0
0	0	1.3

$$\times$$

Romance-concept for movies

0.56	0.59	0.56	0.09	0.09
0.12	-0.02	0.12	-0.69	-0.69
0.40	-0.80	0.40	0.09	0.09

Movies that seem to be romance

SVD: movie “concepts”

$$A = U \Sigma V^T$$

Matrix	Alien	Serenity	Casablanca	Amelie
1	1	1	0	0
3	3	3	0	0
4	4	4	0	0
5	5	5	0	0
0	2	0	4	4
0	0	0	5	5
0	1	0	2	2

 $=$

0.13	0.02	-0.01
0.41	0.07	-0.03
0.55	0.09	-0.04
0.68	0.11	-0.05
0.15	-0.59	0.65
0.07	-0.73	-0.67
0.07	-0.29	0.32

Movies that seem to be romance

\times

12.4	0	0
0	9.5	0
0	0	1.3

\times

0.56	0.59	0.56	0.09	0.09
0.12	-0.02	0.12	-0.69	-0.69
0.40	-0.80	0.40	0.09	0.09

Some 3rd concept for movies that Matrix and Serenity are similar on, but other movies are quite different

SVD: movie “concepts”

$$A = U \Sigma V^T$$

Matrix Alien Serenity Casablanca Amelie

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 4 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & 5 & 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 4 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.13 & 0.02 & -0.01 \\ 0.41 & 0.07 & -0.03 \\ 0.55 & 0.09 & -0.04 \\ 0.68 & 0.11 & -0.05 \\ 0.15 & -0.59 & 0.65 \\ 0.07 & -0.73 & -0.67 \\ 0.07 & -0.29 & 0.32 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 12.4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 9.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1.3 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 0.56 & 0.59 & 0.56 & 0.09 & 0.09 \\ 0.12 & -0.02 & 0.12 & -0.69 & -0.69 \\ 0.40 & -0.80 & 0.40 & 0.09 & 0.09 \end{bmatrix}$$

SciFi-concept

“Strength” of scifi-concept

SVD: movie “concepts”

$$A = U \Sigma V^T$$

Matrix	Alien	Serenity	Casablanca	Amelie					
1	1	1	0	0	=	0.13	0.02	-0.01	
3	3	3	0	0		0.41	0.07	-0.03	
4	4	4	0	0		0.55	0.09	-0.04	
5	5	5	0	0		0.68	0.11	-0.05	
0	2	0	4	4		0.15	-0.59	0.65	
0	0	0	5	5		0.07	-0.73	-0.67	
0	1	0	2	2		0.07	-0.29	0.32	

Romance-concept

“Strength” of romance-concept

$$\begin{bmatrix} 12.4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 9.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1.3 \end{bmatrix}$$

x

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.56 & 0.59 & 0.56 & 0.09 & 0.09 \\ 0.12 & -0.02 & 0.12 & -0.69 & -0.69 \\ 0.40 & -0.80 & 0.40 & 0.09 & 0.09 \end{bmatrix}$$

SVD: movie “concepts”

$$A = U \Sigma V^T$$

Matrix	Alien	Serenity	Casablanca	Amelie								
1	1	1	0	0	=	0.13	0.02	-0.01	x	$\begin{bmatrix} 12.4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 9.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1.3 \end{bmatrix}$	x	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.56 & 0.59 & 0.56 & 0.09 & 0.09 \\ 0.12 & -0.02 & 0.12 & -0.69 & -0.69 \\ 0.40 & -0.80 & 0.40 & 0.09 & 0.09 \end{bmatrix}$
3	3	3	0	0		0.41	0.07	-0.03				
4	4	4	0	0		0.55	0.09	-0.04				
5	5	5	0	0		0.68	0.11	-0.05				
0	2	0	4	4		0.15	-0.59	0.65				
0	0	0	5	5		0.07	-0.73	-0.67				
0	1	0	2	2		0.07	-0.29	0.32				

“Strength” of unknown-3rd-concept

SVD: movie “concepts”

$$A = U \Sigma V^T$$

Matrix	Alien	Serenity	Casablanca	Amelie
1	1	1	0	0
3	3	3	0	0
4	4	4	0	0
5	5	5	0	0
0	2	0	4	4
0	0	0	5	5
0	1	0	2	2

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0.13 & 0.02 & -0.01 \\ 0.41 & 0.07 & -0.03 \\ 0.55 & 0.09 & -0.04 \\ 0.68 & 0.11 & -0.05 \\ 0.15 & -0.59 & 0.65 \\ 0.07 & -0.73 & -0.67 \\ 0.07 & -0.29 & 0.32 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 12.4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 9.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1.3 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 0.56 & 0.59 & 0.56 & 0.09 & 0.09 \\ 0.12 & -0.02 & 0.12 & -0.69 & -0.69 \\ 0.40 & -0.80 & 0.40 & 0.09 & 0.09 \end{bmatrix}$$

Σ = 3x3 concept matrix
indicating strength of concepts

SVD: movie “concepts”

$$A = U \Sigma V^T$$

Which matrix represents “user-to-concept”?

Which matrix represents “movie-to-concept”?

Matrix	Alien	Serenity	Casablanca	Amelie
1	1	1	0	0
3	3	3	0	0
4	4	4	0	0
5	5	5	0	0
0	2	0	4	4
0	0	0	5	5
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$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0.13 & 0.02 & -0.01 \\ 0.41 & 0.07 & -0.03 \\ 0.55 & 0.09 & -0.04 \\ 0.68 & 0.11 & -0.05 \\ 0.15 & -0.59 & 0.65 \\ 0.07 & -0.73 & -0.67 \\ 0.07 & -0.29 & 0.32 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\times \begin{bmatrix} 12.4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 9.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1.3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\times \begin{bmatrix} 0.56 & 0.59 & 0.56 & 0.09 & 0.09 \\ 0.12 & -0.02 & 0.12 & -0.69 & -0.69 \\ 0.40 & -0.80 & 0.40 & 0.09 & 0.09 \end{bmatrix}$$

SVD: movie “concepts”

$$A = U \Sigma V^T$$

Which matrix represents “user-to-concept”? U

Which matrix represents “movie-to-concept”? V

Matrix	Alien	Serenity	Casablanca	Amelie
1	1	1	0	0
3	3	3	0	0
4	4	4	0	0
5	5	5	0	0
0	2	0	4	4
0	0	0	5	5
0	1	0	2	2

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\times

$$\begin{bmatrix} 12.4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 9.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1.3 \end{bmatrix}$$

\times

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.56 & 0.59 & 0.56 & 0.09 & 0.09 \\ 0.12 & -0.02 & 0.12 & -0.69 & -0.69 \\ 0.40 & -0.80 & 0.40 & 0.09 & 0.09 \end{bmatrix}$$

(This is V^T , which is concept-to-movie)

SVD: movie “concepts”

$$A = U \Sigma V^T$$

Dimensions:

(7users x 3concepts)

x (3concepts x 3concepts)

x (3concepts x 5movies)

Matrix	Alien	Serenity	Casablanca	Amelie
1	1	1	0	0
3	3	3	0	0
4	4	4	0	0
5	5	5	0	0
0	2	0	4	4
0	0	0	5	5
0	1	0	2	2

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 0.13 & 0.02 & -0.01 \\ 0.41 & 0.07 & -0.03 \\ 0.55 & 0.09 & -0.04 \\ 0.68 & 0.11 & -0.05 \\ 0.15 & -0.59 & 0.65 \\ 0.07 & -0.73 & -0.67 \\ 0.07 & -0.29 & 0.32 \end{bmatrix}$$

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indicating strength of concepts

SVD: movie “concepts”

$$A = U \Sigma V^T$$

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4	4	4	0	0		0.55	0.09	-0.04
5	5	5	0	0		0.68	0.11	-0.05
0	2	0	4	4		0.15	-0.59	0.05
0	0	0	5	5		0.07	-0.73	-0.07
0	1	0	2	2		0.07	-0.29	0.13

X

\times

12.4	0	0
0	9.5	0
0	0	X

\times

0.56	0.59	0.56	0.09	0.09
0.12	-0.02	0.12	-0.69	-0.69
0.40	-0.02	0.40	-0.69	-0.69

X

What if we just get rid of the unknown concept with low “strength”?

Me: using SVD decomposition to reduce one dimension of my data

Deleted dimension:



SVD: reducing “concepts” dimension

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{New } U & \text{New } \Sigma & \text{New } V^T \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0.13 & 0.02 \\ 0.41 & 0.07 \\ 0.55 & 0.09 \\ 0.68 & 0.11 \\ 0.15 & -0.59 \\ 0.07 & -0.73 \\ 0.07 & -0.29 \end{bmatrix} & \times \begin{bmatrix} 12.4 & 0 \\ 0 & 9.5 \end{bmatrix} & \times \begin{bmatrix} 0.56 & 0.59 & 0.56 & 0.09 & 0.09 \\ 0.12 & -0.02 & 0.12 & -0.69 & -0.69 \end{bmatrix} \end{array}$$

Now we only have 2 concepts: scifi and romance

SVD: reducing “concepts” dimension

New U

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.13 & 0.02 \\ 0.41 & 0.07 \\ 0.55 & 0.09 \\ 0.68 & 0.11 \\ 0.15 & -0.59 \\ 0.07 & -0.73 \\ 0.07 & -0.29 \end{bmatrix}$$

New Σ

$$\times \begin{bmatrix} 12.4 & 0 \\ 0 & 9.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

New V^T

$$\times \begin{bmatrix} 0.56 & 0.59 & 0.56 & 0.09 & 0.09 \\ 0.12 & -0.02 & 0.12 & -0.69 & -0.69 \end{bmatrix}$$

New Dimensions:

(7users x 2concepts)

x (2concepts x 2concepts)

x (2concepts x 5movies)

Now we only have 2 concepts: scifi and romance

SVD: reducing “concepts” dimension

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{New } U & \text{New } \Sigma & \text{New } V^T \\ \begin{bmatrix} 0.13 & 0.02 \\ 0.41 & 0.07 \\ 0.55 & 0.09 \\ 0.68 & 0.11 \\ 0.15 & -0.59 \\ 0.07 & -0.73 \\ 0.07 & -0.29 \end{bmatrix} & \times \begin{bmatrix} 12.4 & 0 \\ 0 & 9.5 \end{bmatrix} & \times \begin{bmatrix} 0.56 & 0.59 & 0.56 & 0.09 & 0.09 \\ 0.12 & -0.02 & 0.12 & -0.69 & -0.69 \end{bmatrix} \end{array}$$

What rank is this new $U\Sigma V^T$?

SVD: reducing “concepts” dimension

New U

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.13 & 0.02 \\ 0.41 & 0.07 \\ 0.55 & 0.09 \\ 0.68 & 0.11 \\ 0.15 & -0.59 \\ 0.07 & -0.73 \\ 0.07 & -0.29 \end{bmatrix}$$

New Σ

$$\begin{bmatrix} 12.4 & 0 \\ 0 & 9.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

New V^T

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.56 & 0.59 & 0.56 & 0.09 & 0.09 \\ 0.12 & -0.02 & 0.12 & -0.69 & -0.69 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now we only have matrix *rank* 2 (only scifi and romance “concepts”)

SVD: reducing “concepts” dimension

New U

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.13 & 0.02 \\ 0.41 & 0.07 \\ 0.55 & 0.09 \\ 0.68 & 0.11 \\ 0.15 & -0.59 \\ 0.07 & -0.73 \\ 0.07 & -0.29 \end{bmatrix}$$

New Σ

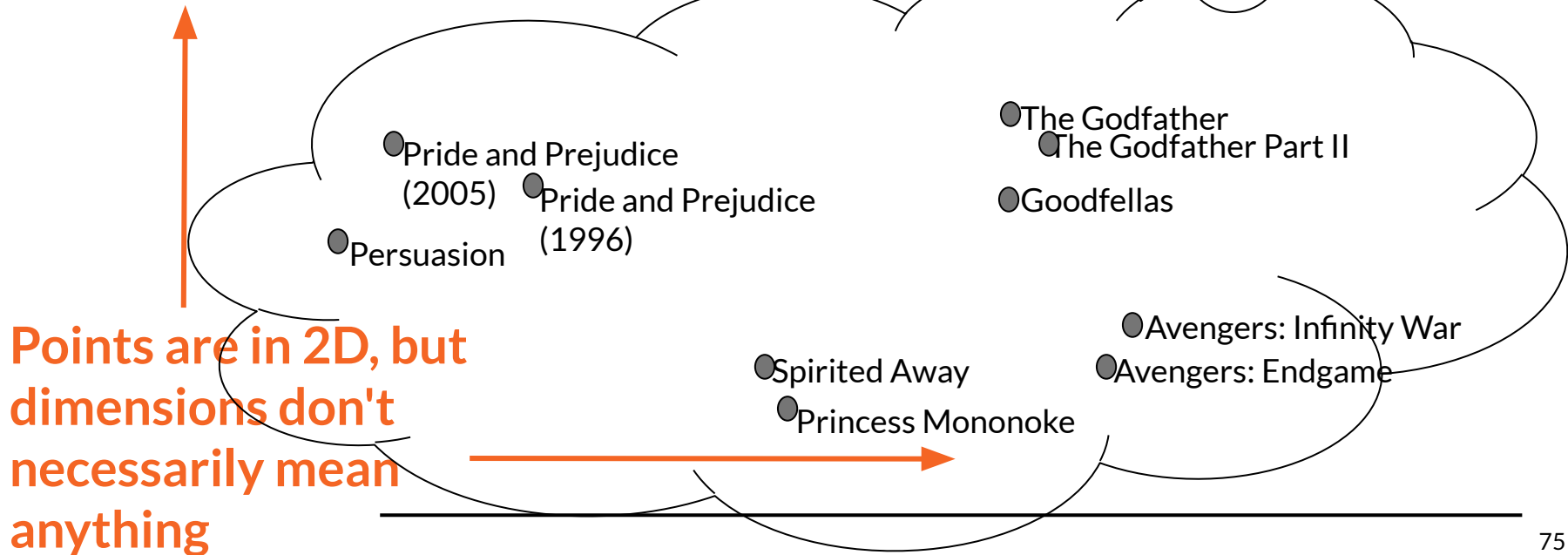
$$\begin{bmatrix} 12.4 & 0 \\ 0 & 9.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

New V^T

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.56 & 0.59 & 0.56 & 0.09 & 0.09 \\ 0.12 & -0.02 & 0.12 & -0.69 & -0.69 \end{bmatrix}$$

What does a “concept-to-movie” similarity *mean*?

Map to 2 “concepts” (e.g. maybe scifi and romance)



SVD: reducing “concepts” dimension

“Romance concept”

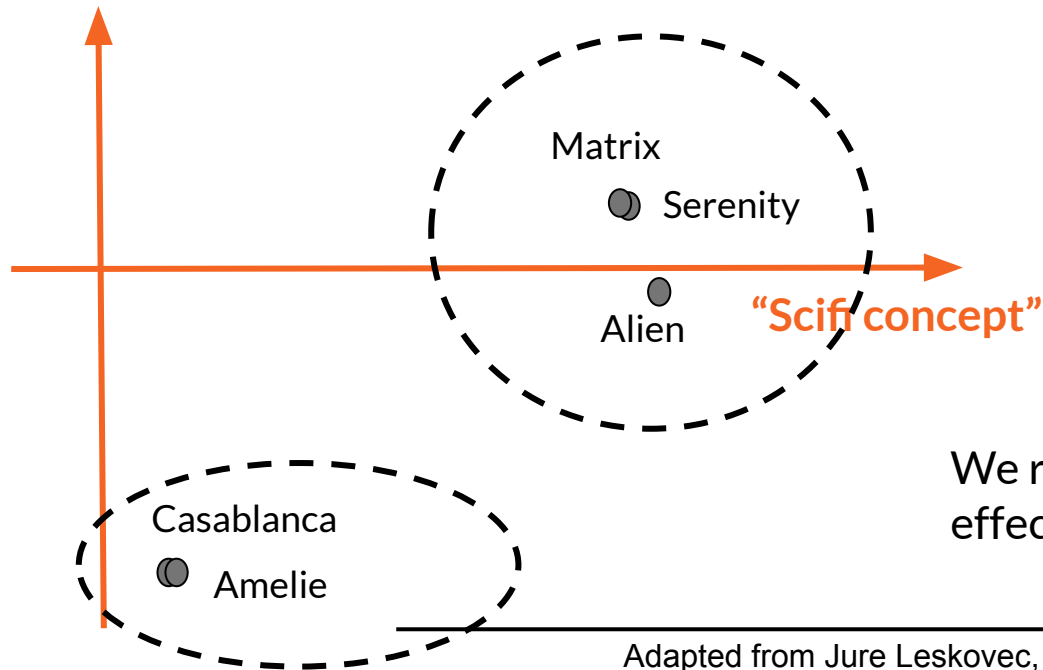


New V^T

Matrix	Alien	Serenity	Casablanca	Amelie
0.56	0.59	0.56	0.09	0.09
0.12	-0.02	0.12	-0.69	-0.69

SVD: reducing “concepts” dimension

“Romance concept”



New V^T

Matrix	Alien	Serenity	Casablanca	Amelie
0.56	0.59	0.56	0.09	0.09
0.12	-0.02	0.12	-0.69	-0.69

We reduced dimensions so we could effectively “cluster”!

SVD as a matrix X-ray

- SVD gives you the best way to **approximate** any matrix (by decomposing it)
- **Principal components analysis** (PCA) is simply SVD after you normalize columns to mean 0
- If your df is missing values at random, **fill in missing elements** using e.g. column means, compute SVD, replace missing elements with SVD approximation, and iterate until convergence

SVD as a matrix X-ray

Efficient!

- SVD gives you the best way to **approximate** any matrix (by decomposing it)

Interpretable!

- **Principal components analysis** (PCA) is simply SVD after you normalize columns to mean 0

Allows you to impute missing data!

- If your df is missing values at random, **fill in missing elements** using e.g. column means, compute SVD, replace missing elements with SVD approximation, and iterate until convergence

But... why would we want to reduce “concepts”?

- Sometimes we only really need a good-enough approximation of our data
- Efficient storage matters a lot in massive datasets!

SVD: reducing “concepts” dimension

New U New Σ New V^T

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.13 & 0.02 \\ 0.41 & 0.07 \\ 0.55 & 0.09 \\ 0.68 & 0.11 \\ 0.15 & -0.59 \\ 0.07 & -0.73 \\ 0.07 & -0.29 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 12.4 & 0 \\ 0 & 9.5 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 0.56 & 0.59 & 0.56 & 0.09 & 0.09 \\ 0.12 & -0.02 & 0.12 & -0.69 & -0.69 \end{bmatrix}$$

Note: In the original image, orange brackets group the first two columns of U and the first two rows of V^T. A green 'x' is placed to the left of the Sigma matrix and the second row of V^T.

What happens if we multiply these new decompositions together?

SVD: dimension reduction

Same matrix
shape as
original A

Matrix	Alien	Serenity	Casablanca	Amelie		sci-fi	romance	
1	1	1	0	0	user 1	.14	0	strength $\begin{bmatrix} 12.4 & 0 \\ 0 & 9.5 \end{bmatrix}$ $\begin{bmatrix} .58 & .58 & .58 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & .71 & .71 \end{bmatrix}$
3	3	3	0	0	user 2	.42	0	
4	4	4	0	0	user 3	.56	0	
5	5	5	0	0	user 4	.70	0	
0	0	0	4	4	user 5	0	.60	
0	0	0	5	5	user 6	0	.75	
0	0	0	2	2	user 7	0	.30	

Rank-2 Approximated A

U
(reduced)

Σ
(reduced)

V^T
(reduced)

SVD: original vs. approximation

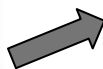
Matrix	Alien	Serenity	Casablanca	Amelie
1	1	1	0	0
3	3	3	0	0
4	4	4	0	0
5	5	5	0	0
0	2	0	4	4
0	0	0	5	5
0	1	0	2	2

Original A

SVD: original vs. approximation

Matrix	Alien	Serenity	Casablanca	Amelie
1	1	1	0	0
3	3	3	0	0
4	4	4	0	0
5	5	5	0	0
0	2	0	4	4
0	0	0	5	5
0	1	0	2	2

Use SVD to get
 U , Σ , and V^T



Original A

SVD: original vs. approximation

Matrix	Alien	Serenity	Casablanca	Amelie
1	1	1	0	0
3	3	3	0	0
4	4	4	0	0
5	5	5	0	0
0	2	0	4	4
0	0	0	5	5
0	1	0	2	2

Original A

Use SVD to get
 U , Σ , and V^T

Reduce rank to
get new U' , Σ' ,
and $V^{T'}$

SVD: original vs. approximation

Matrix	Alien	Serenity	Casablanca	Amelie
1	1	1	0	0
3	3	3	0	0
4	4	4	0	0
5	5	5	0	0
0	2	0	4	4
0	0	0	5	5
0	1	0	2	2

Original A

Use SVD to get
 U , Σ , and V^T

Reduce rank to
get new U' , Σ' ,
and V'^T

Multiply so
new $A' = U'$
 $\Sigma' V'^T$

SVD: original vs. approximation

Matrix	Alien	Serenity	Casablanca	Amelie
1	1	1	0	0
3	3	3	0	0
4	4	4	0	0
5	5	5	0	0
0	2	0	4	4
0	0	0	5	5
0	1	0	2	2

Original A

Use SVD to get
 U , Σ , and V^T

Reduce rank to
get new U' , Σ' ,
and V'^T

Multiply so
new $A' = U'$
 $\Sigma' V'^T$

Matrix	Alien	Serenity	Casablanca	Amelie
1	1	1	0	0
3	3	3	0	0
4	4	4	0	0
5	5	5	0	0
0	0	0	4	4
0	0	0	5	5
0	0	0	2	2

Rank-2 Approximated A

SVD: original vs. approximation

Matrix	Alien	Serenity	Casablanca	Amelie
1	1	1	0	0
3	3	3	0	0
4	4	4	0	0
5	5	5	0	0
0	2	0	4	4
0	0	0	5	5
0	1	0	2	2

Original A

Dimension
reduction loses
some information
but keeps the most
important features
intact (scifi,
romance)!

Matrix	Alien	Serenity	Casablanca	Amelie
1	1	1	0	0
3	3	3	0	0
4	4	4	0	0
5	5	5	0	0
0	0	0	4	4
0	0	0	5	5
0	0	0	2	2

Rank-2 Approximated A

SVD: dimension reduction

Now we get 0's
in our
prediction of A
(same matrix
shape though!)

Matrix	Alien	Serenity	Casablanca	Amelie		sci-fi	romance			
1	1	1	0	0	user 1	.14	0	strength	$\begin{bmatrix} 12.4 & 0 \\ 0 & 9.5 \end{bmatrix}$	$\begin{bmatrix} .58 & .58 & .58 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & .71 & .71 \end{bmatrix}$
3	3	3	0	0	user 2	.42	0			
4	4	4	0	0	user 3	.56	0			
5	5	5	0	0	user 4	.70	0			
0	0	0	4	4	user 5	0	.60			
0	0	0	5	5	user 6	0	.75			
0	0	0	2	2	user 7	0	.30			
Approximated A						U		Σ		V^T
						(reduced)		(reduced)		(reduced)

SVD: dimension reduction

Matrix	Alien	Serenity	Casablanca	Amelie		sci-fi	romance		
1	1	1	0	0	user 1	.14	0	strength	Less nnz storage is needed!
3	3	3	0	0	user 2	.42	0		
4	4	4	0	0	user 3	.56	0		
5	5	5	0	0	user 4	.70	0		
0	0	0	4	4	user 5	0	.60		
0	0	0	5	5	user 6	0	.75		
0	0	0	2	2	user 7	0	.30		
Approximated A						U	Σ	V^T	
						(reduced)	(reduced)	(reduced)	

SVD: dimension reduction recap

Item x subject matrix
(ISM)

	S1	S2	S3	S4	S5
dog	1	1	1	1	1
cat	1	1	0	1	0
cow	0	0	1	0	1
lion	0	0	1	1	0
tiger	1	1	0	0	1

Singular decomposition
analysis (SVD)

$$C_{m \times n} = U_{m \times r} \times \Sigma_{r \times r} \times V'_{r \times n}$$

Item vectors Singular values Subject vectors

Reducing dimensions
from r to k



$$\tilde{C}_{m \times n} = U_{m \times k} \times \Sigma_{k \times k} \times V'_{k \times n}$$

Item vectors Singular values Subject vectors

Example: image compression

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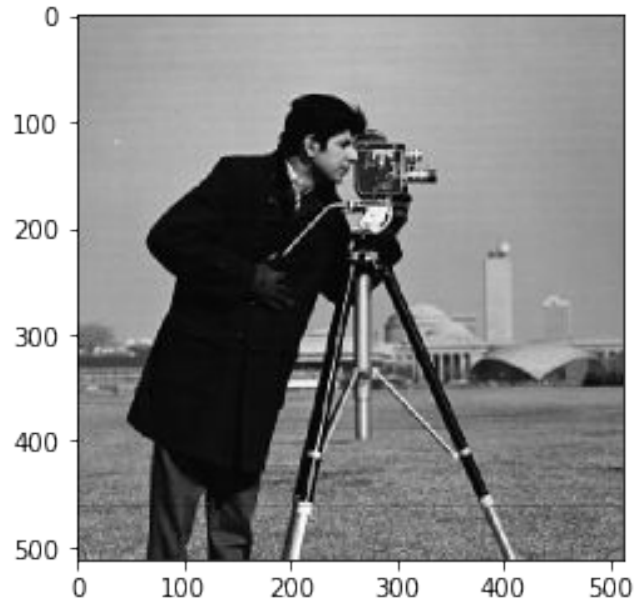
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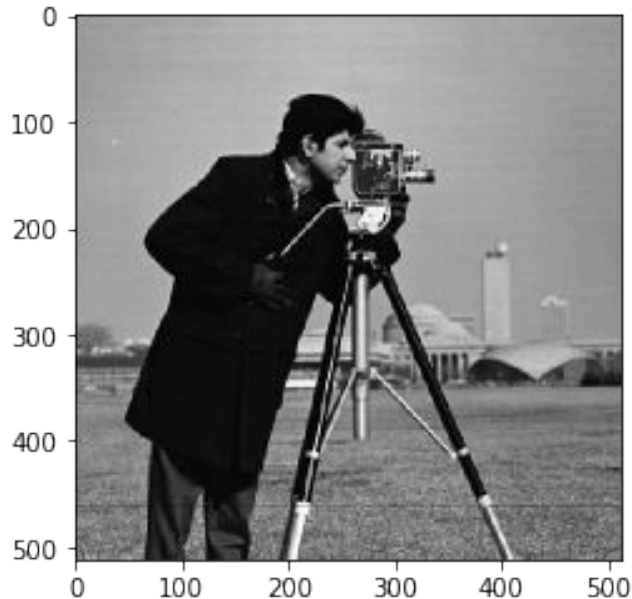
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Example: image compression

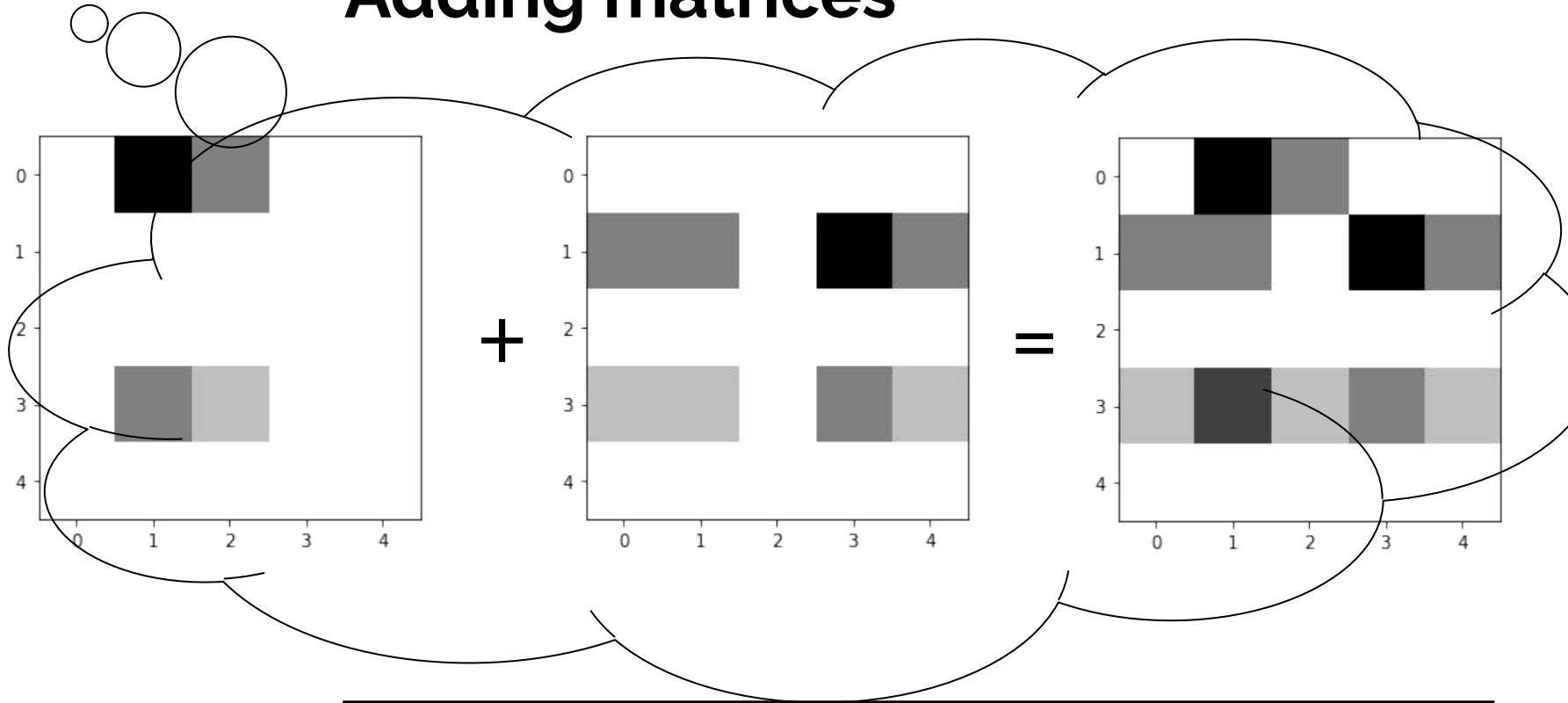


Example: image compression

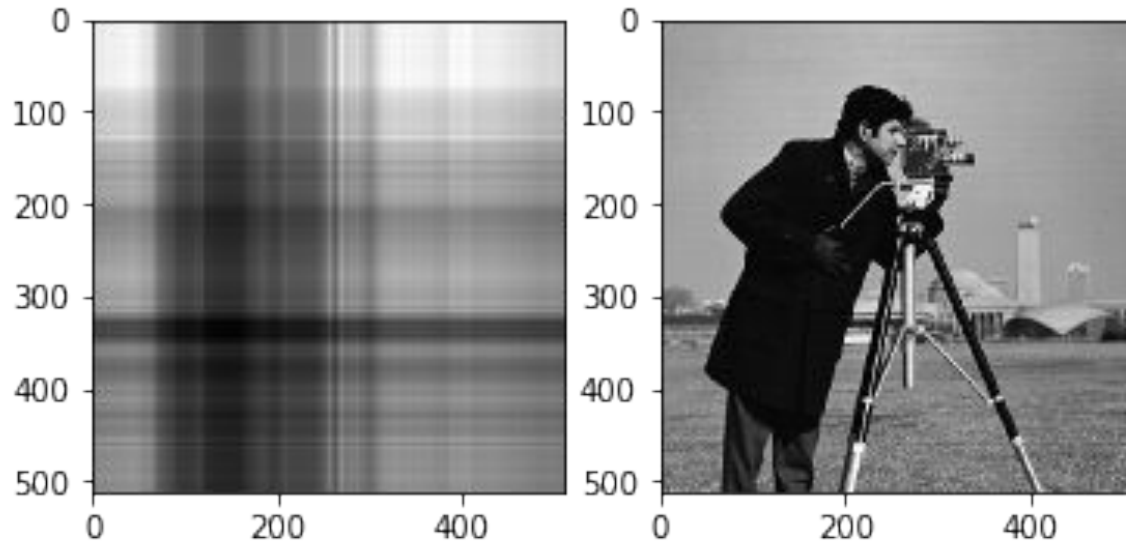


**512 x 512 pixels =
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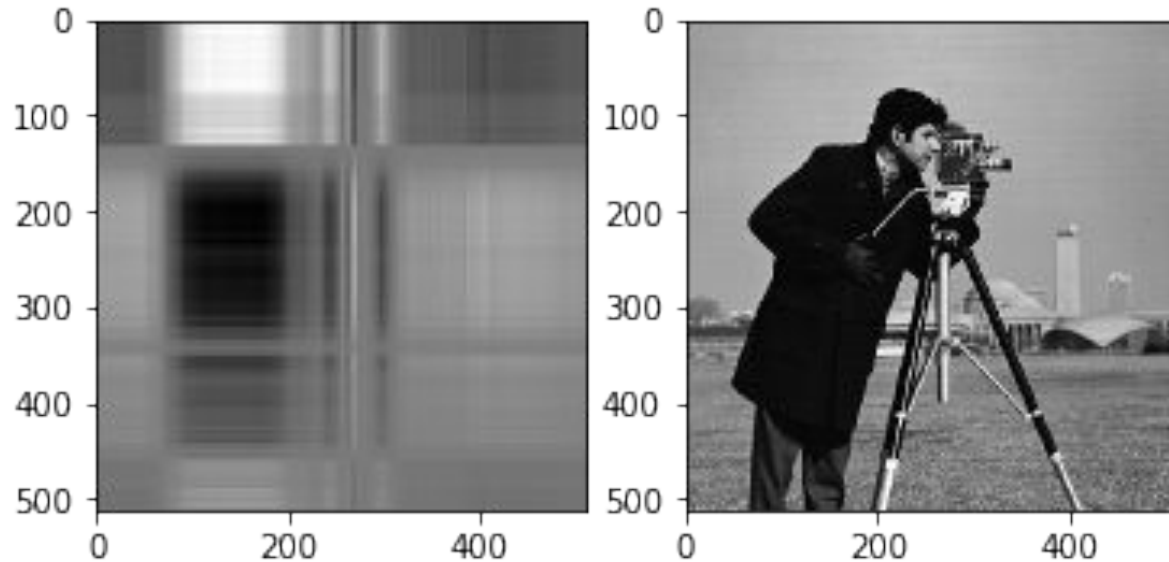
Adding matrices



Component #1



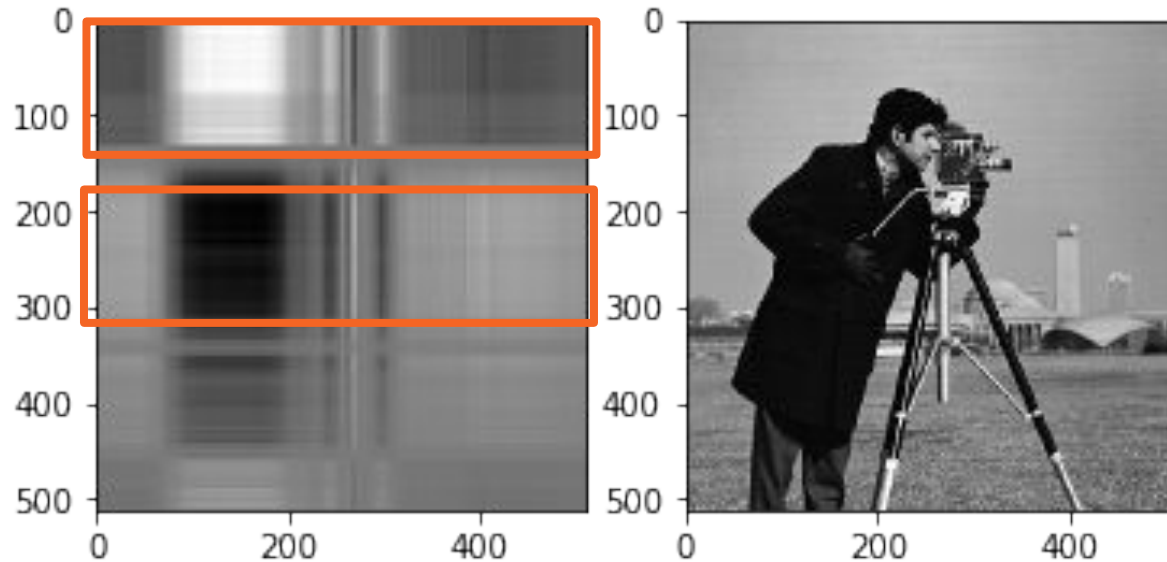
Component #2



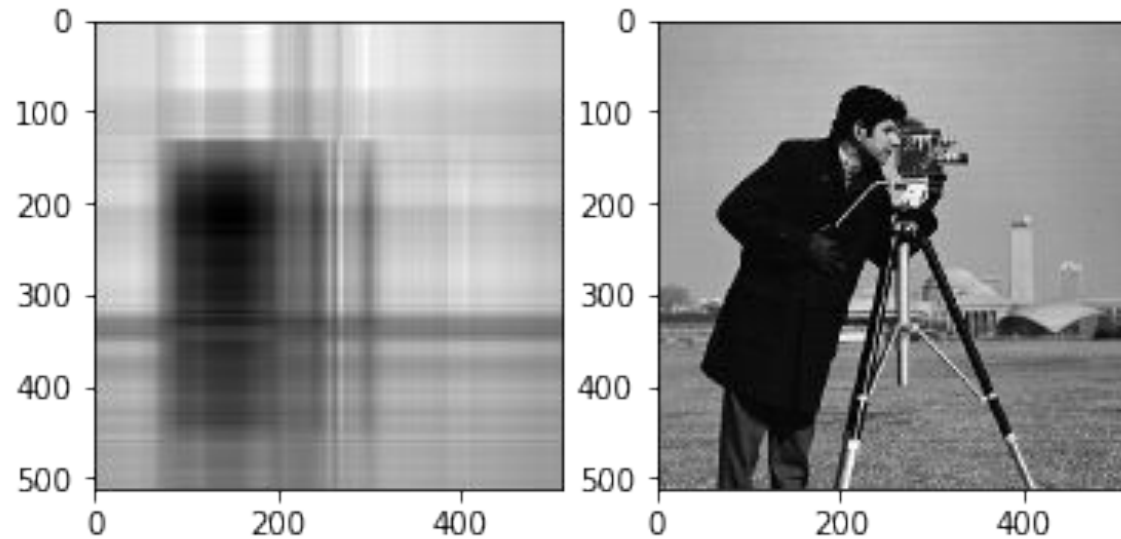
Component #2

Values can be
negative

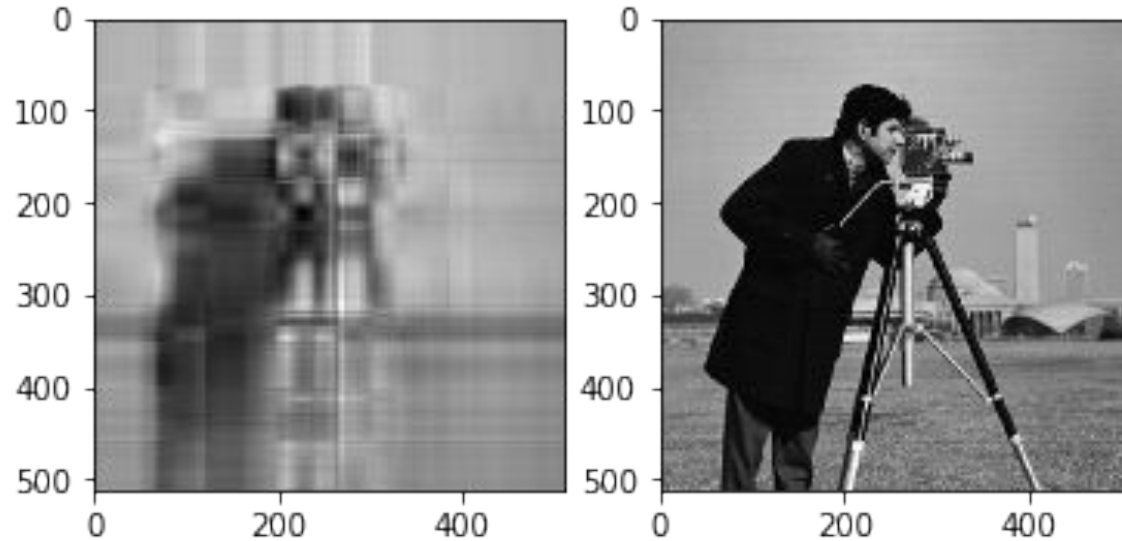
or positive



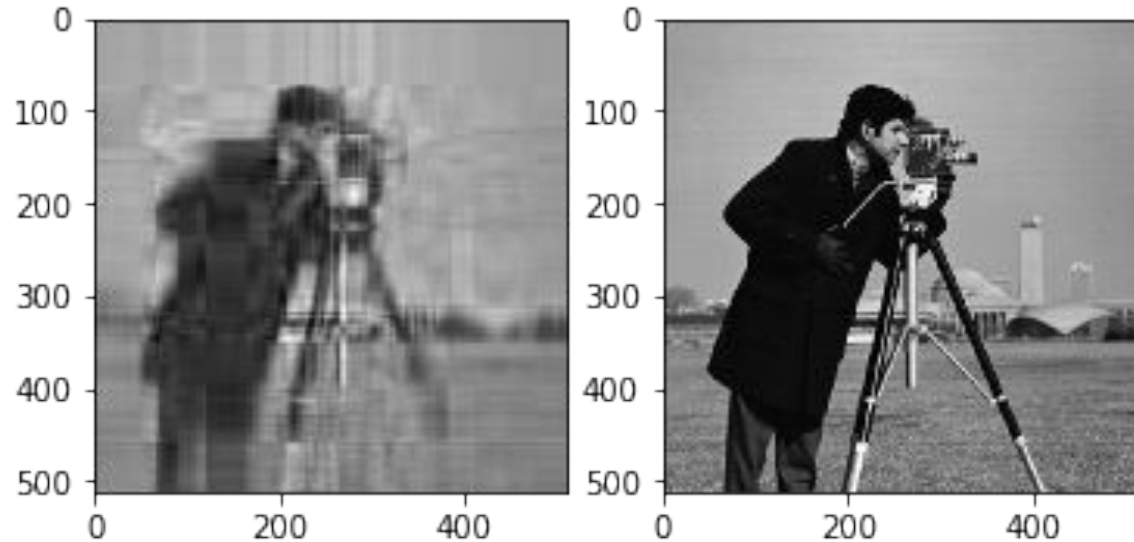
#1 + #2, rank 2 approximation



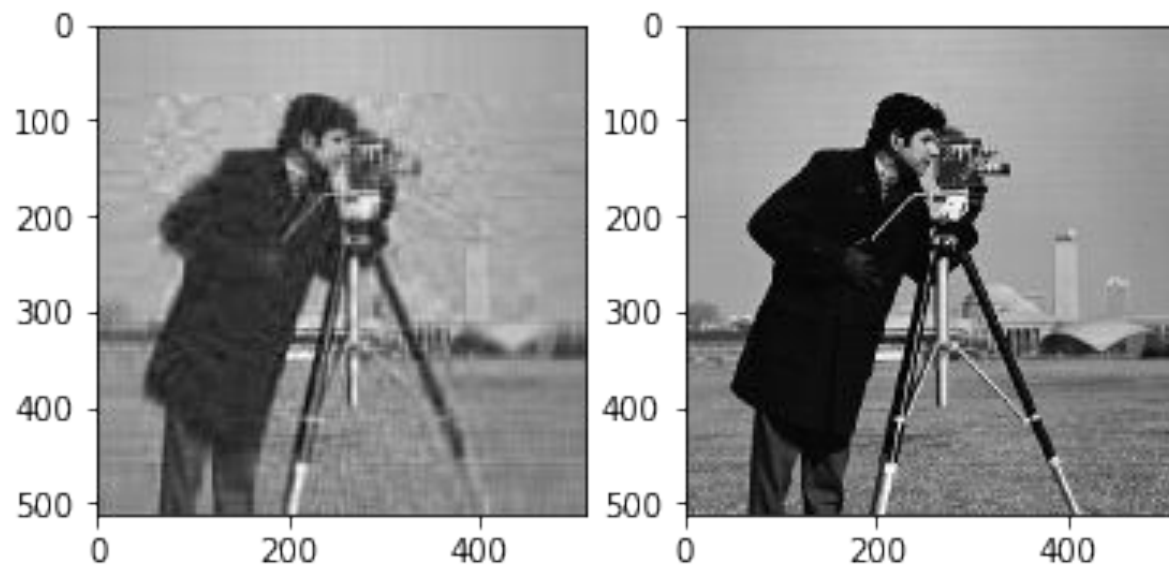
Rank 5 approximation



Rank 10 approximation



Rank 20

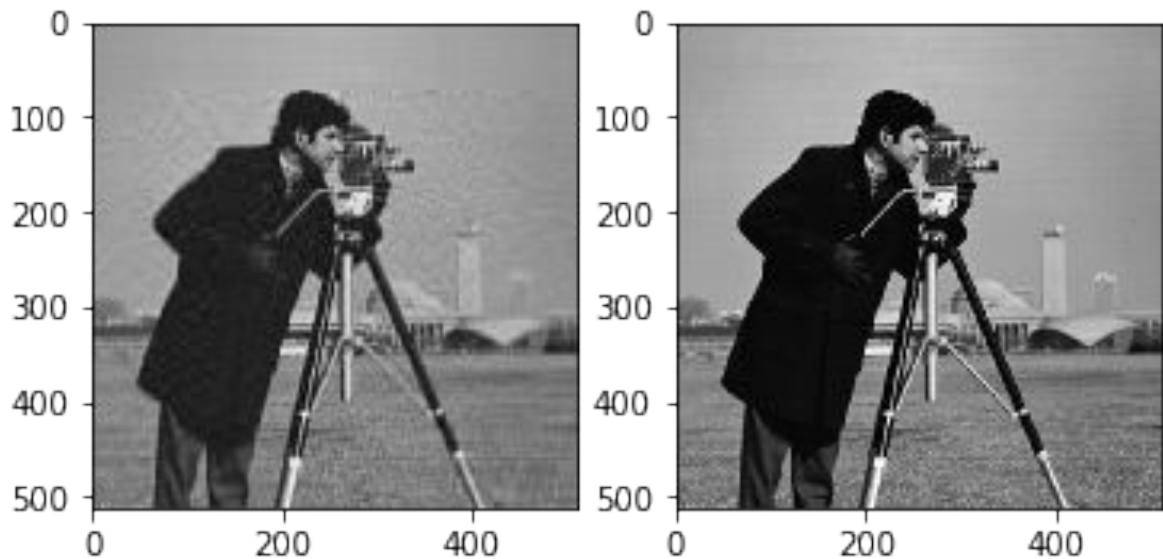


Rank 40

512 x 512 pixels =
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vs.

512 x 40 x 2 + 40
= 41,000 numbers



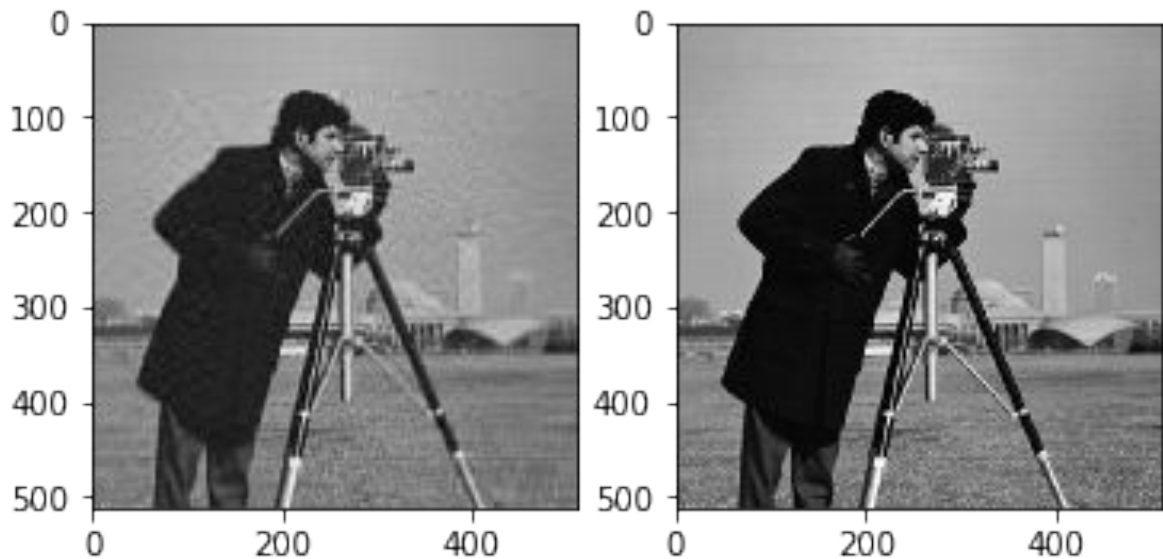
Rank 40

(40x 40) (40 x 512)



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$512 \times 40 \times 2 + 40$
 $= 41,000$ numbers



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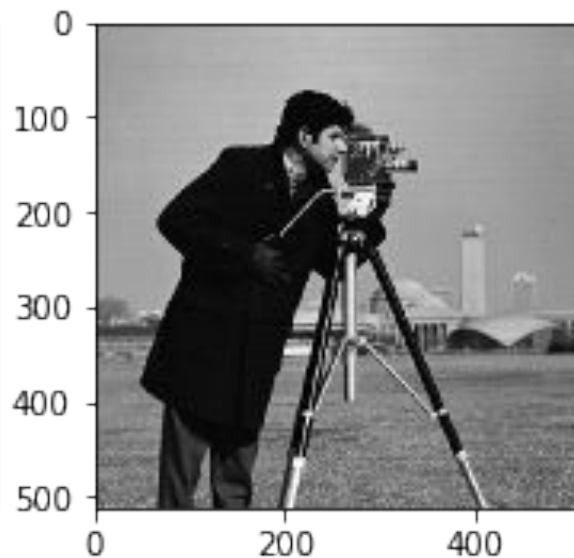
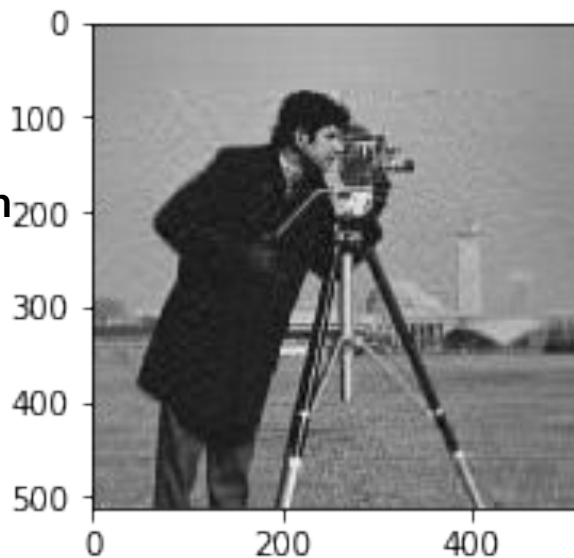
(40x 40) (40 x 512)



Only 40 nnz (on the diagonal)!

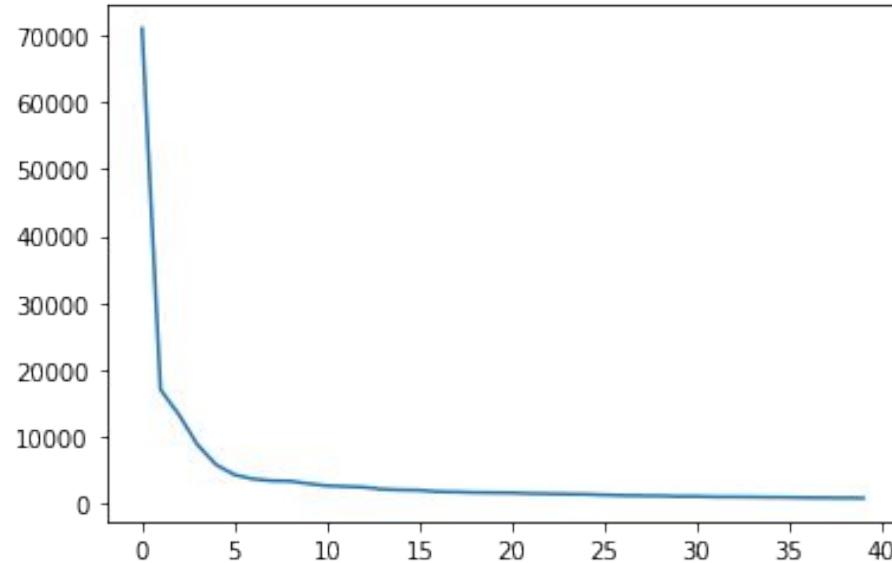
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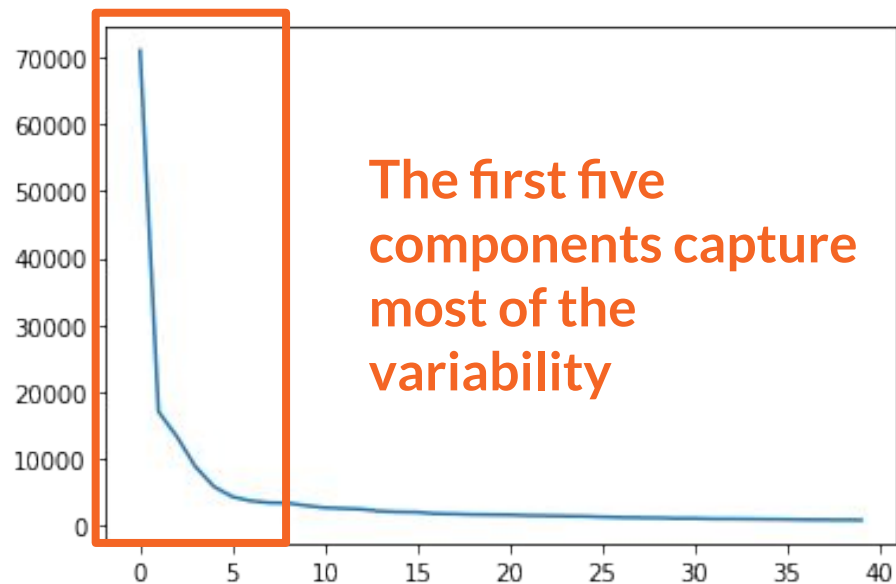
How much does each component contribute?

Weight Σ_i of
component

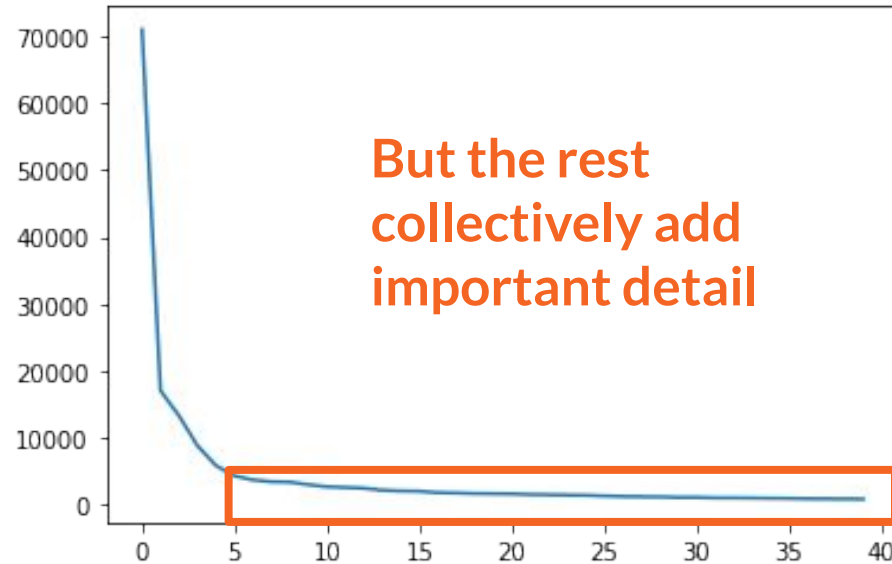


Index of i^{th} component

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On image ethics: *lenna.jpg*



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“This is one of the most widely used images in computer science. If you’ve ever taken a computer science class that worked with images, there’s a good chance you’ve used it. It also has a lesser-known, [controversial history](#). The image comes from a 1973 *Playboy* centerfold. **It was originally used in a computer science paper because a bunch of USC scientists were writing a paper in a hurry and just needed an image to add as an example, and someone happened to walk in with a *Playboy*.** The image has been widely used ever since then, and there have been complaints for decades that it’s sexist to use it as a standard test image.”

- Prof. Emma Pierson

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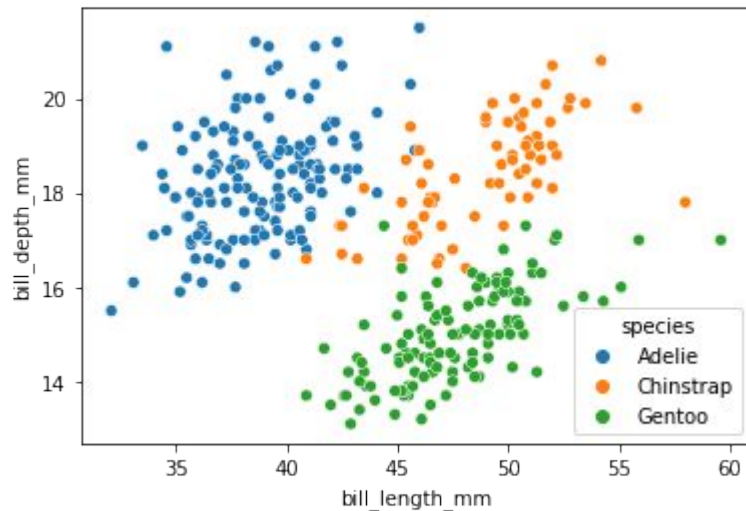
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1 min break & attendance



tinyurl.com/un2n4xuh

Example: penguins

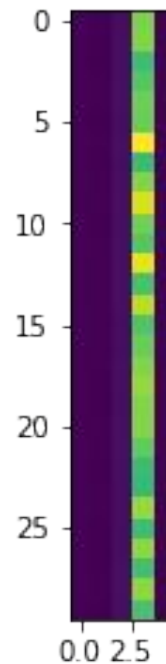


Can we show more information?

	species	island	bill_length_mm	bill_depth_mm	flipper_length_mm	body_mass_g	sex
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1	Adelie	Torgersen	39.5	17.4	186.0	3800.0	Female
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4	Adelie	Torgersen	36.7	19.3	193.0	3450.0	Female
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Data table as image

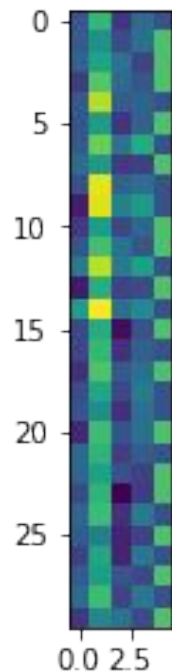
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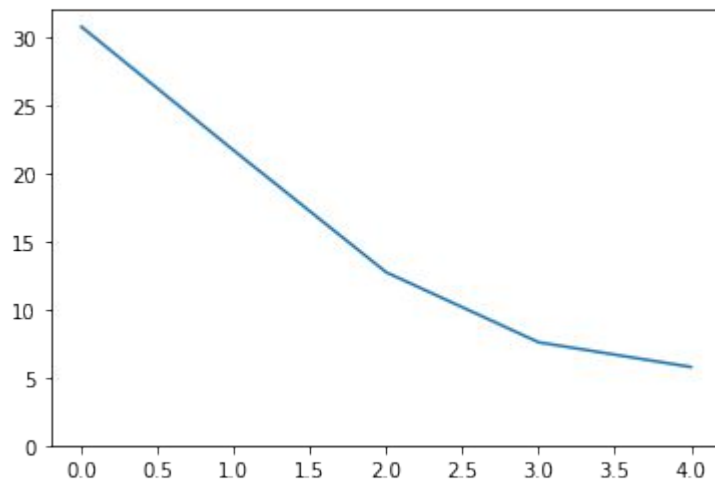
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Replace raw values
with z-scores



Component weights

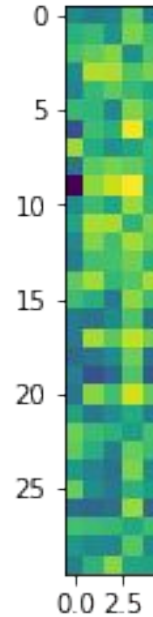
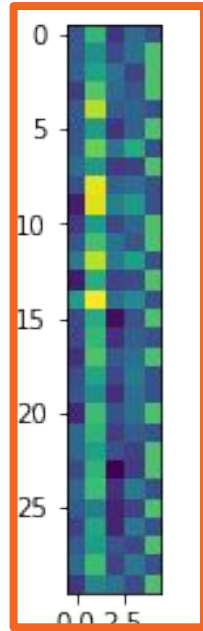


Original data is rank 5, so we can only get five components

Much less steep drop off than image!

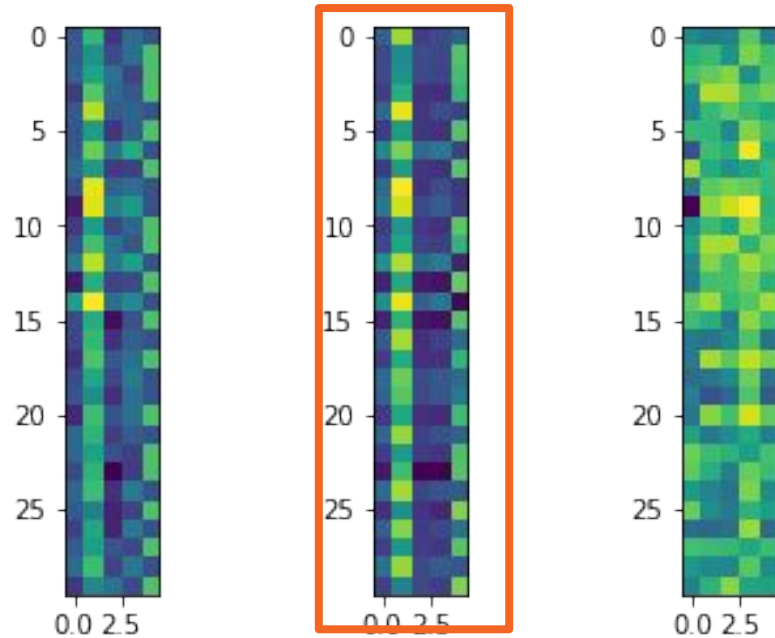
Visualizing approximate penguins

Real penguin
data

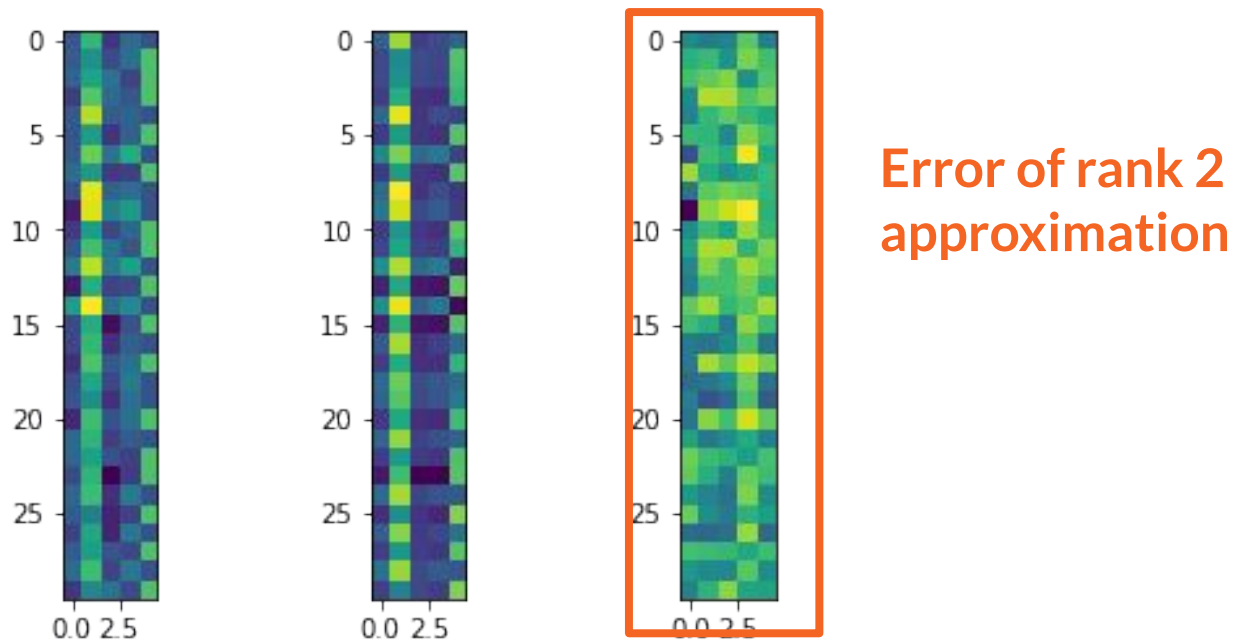


Visualizing approximate penguins

Rank 2
approximation
with SVD

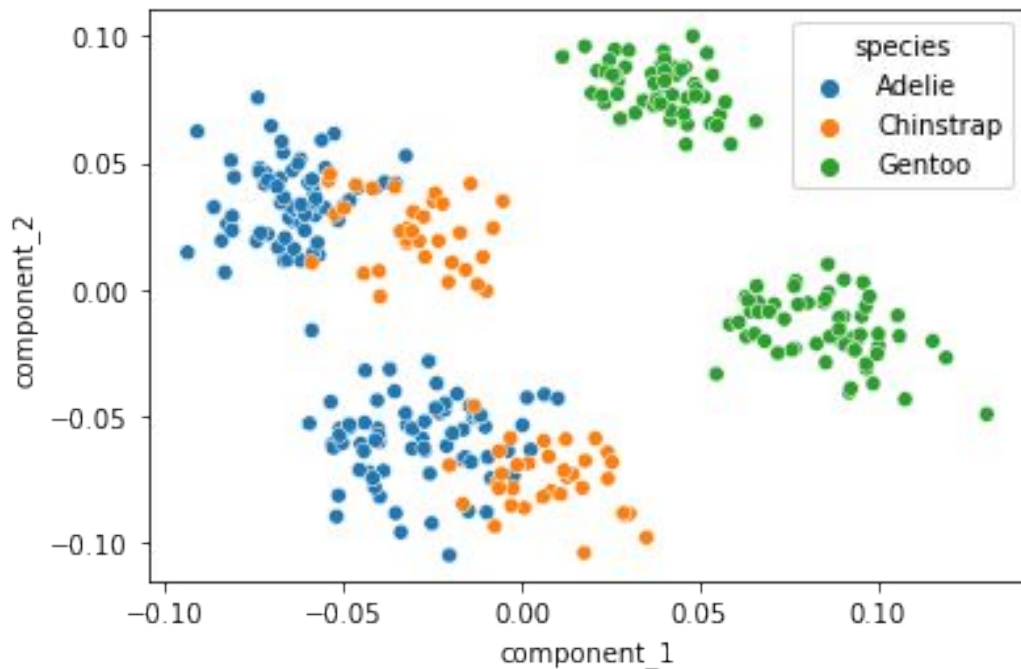


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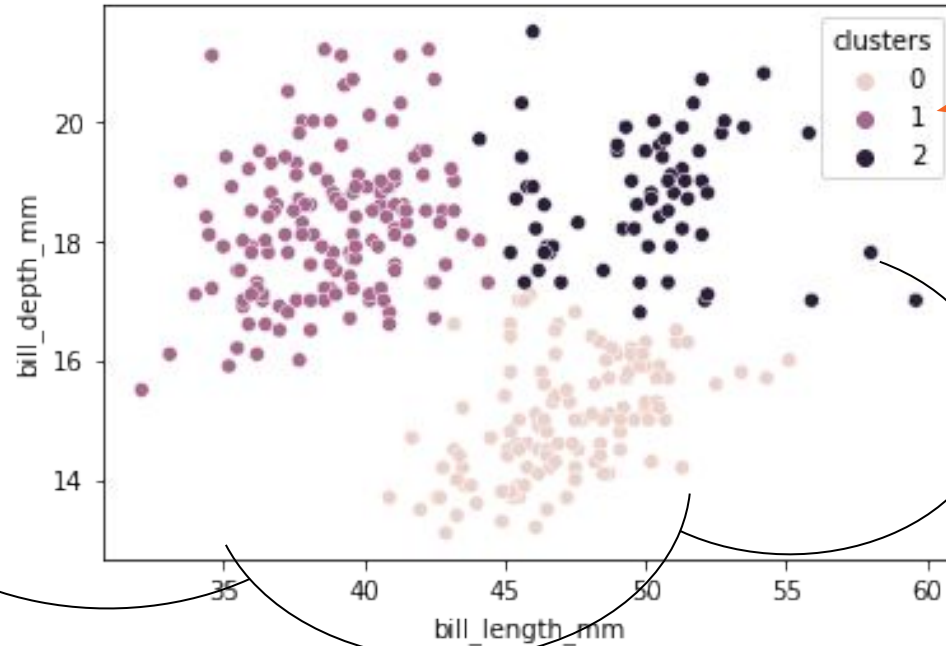


Penguin similarity at rank 2

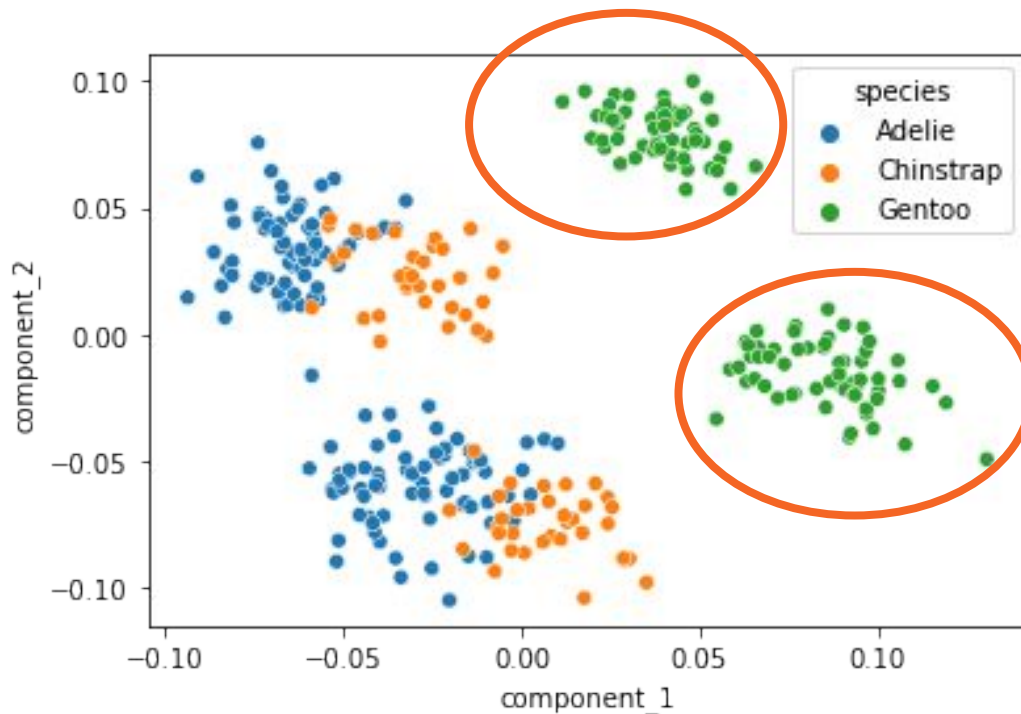
X, Y positions
now represent
five input
variables



Output: k-means clustering



Penguin similarity at rank 2



SVD
captures
much more
detail than
just $k=3$
clustering

Case study: Goodreads reviews

Can we use SVD to recommend books based on Goodreads user ratings?

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Goodreads Book Graph Datasets

Overview

These datasets were collected in late 2017 from [goodreads.com](https://www.goodreads.com), where we only scraped users' public shelves, i.e. everyone can see it on web without login. User IDs and review IDs are anonymized. We collected these datasets for academic use only. Please do not redistribute them or use for commercial purposes.

We collected three groups of datasets: (1) meta-data of the books, (2) user-book interactions (users' public shelves) and (3) users' detailed book reviews. These datasets can be merged together by joining on book/user/review ids.

Basic Statistics of the Complete Book Graph:

- 2,360,655 books (1,521,962 works, 400,390 book series, 829,529 authors)
- 876,145 users; 228,648,342 user-book interactions in users' shelves (include 112,131,203 reads and 104,551,549 ratings)

Download links to these datasets can be found in the [Datasets](#) section below.

Note the complete interaction dataset is very large! We extracted several medium-size subsets by genre and recommend using these subsets for experimentation first (see "By Genre" in the [Datasets](#) section for details).

How do we get the data?

- Scraping is difficult but possible
- Is it ethical to use user/social media data?
- Already scraped data exists (but is outdated): UCSD book graph

<https://mengtingwan.github.io/data/goodreads.html>

Users, books, and ratings

Decisions to make:

- What matrix do I want to start with?
- What constitutes an interaction?
 - On a shelf? Has read? Has rated? Has reviewed?
- Do I care about rating, or just binary interaction?

Goodreads User Ratings

	User 0	User 1	User 2	User 3	User 4	User N
Book 0	5			5	1		
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Values are ratings (out of 5)

Missing value == no rating

Issues with Goodreads data

Scale (in this dataset)

836,434 users

2,339,816 books

228,648,343 total interactions (4.3GB)

Sparsity (in this dataset)

Top book has 285k interactions

Median book has 5 user interactions

500000 books have one (!) interaction

Strategy for making recommendations

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400 MB

$(5,000 \times 10,000 \times 8) /$
1,000,000

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Value = [5, 5, 1, 2, 3, 3, 3, 2, 1, 1, 2]

Column_Index = [0, 1, 2, 0, 1, 3, 1, 2, 3, 0, 1]

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Row_Index is shorter than Column_Index!

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Compressed Sparse Row format

Length 8 →

Length 8 →

Length 6 →

Value = [2, 2, 4, 2, 1, 1, 2, 1]

Column_Index = [0, 1, 3, 4, 0, 1, 3, 4]

Row_Index = [0, 0, 4, 4, 8, 8]

Now we only
have to store
 $8+8+6=22$
numbers
instead of 25!

2	2		4	2
1	1		2	1

`A = np.array([[0,0,0,0,0],
[2,2,0,4,2],
[0,0,0,0,0],
[1,1,0,2,1],
[0,0,0,0,0]])`

4. Create sparse matrix

```
from scipy.sparse import csr_matrix
```

```
shape = (len(books), len(users)) (5000, 10000)
matrix = csr_matrix((data, (book_idx, user_idx)), shape=shape)
```

scipy.sparse.csr_matrix

```
class scipy.sparse.csr_matrix(arg1, shape=None, dtype=None, copy=False) \[source\]
```

Compressed Sparse Row matrix

```
csr_array((data, (row_ind, col_ind)), [shape=(M, N)])
```

where `data`, `row_ind` and `col_ind` satisfy the relationship `a[row_ind[k], col_ind[k]] = data[k]`.

5. Use approximate truncated SVD

sklearn.decomposition.TruncatedSVD

```
class sklearn.decomposition.TruncatedSVD(n_components=2, *, algorithm='randomized', n_iter=5, n_oversamples=10,  
power_iteration_normalizer='auto', random_state=None, tol=0.0)
```

[\[source\]](#)

Dimensionality reduction using truncated SVD (aka LSA).

```
from sklearn.decomposition import TruncatedSVD
```

```
svd = TruncatedSVD(n_components=50, n_iter=20)
```

```
truncated_matrix = svd.fit_transform(matrix)
```

Rank of transformed matrix: 50

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fit_transform is a two step method:

1. Fit the **TruncatedSVD** to our matrix
2. Transform the matrix to 50 components

```
fit_transform(X, y=None, **fit_params)
```

[\[source\]](#)

Fit to data, then transform it.

Fits transformer to \bar{X} and \bar{y} with optional parameters `fit_params` and returns a transformed version of \bar{X} .

Parameters: \bar{X} : array-like of shape $(n_samples, n_features)$

Input samples.

\bar{y} : array-like of shape $(n_samples,)$ or $(n_samples, n_outputs)$, default=None

Target values (None for unsupervised transformations).

****fit_params** : dict

Additional fit parameters.

Returns: X_new : ndarray array of shape $(n_samples, n_features_new)$

Transformed array.

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Weight of concept 1

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Weight of concept 2

5. Use **approximate** truncated SVD

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50
```

```
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```

Weight of concept 50

5. Use approximate truncated SVD

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As concept number
increases, concept weight
decreases

Analyzing concepts

```
truncated_df = pd.DataFrame(truncated_matrix)
truncated_df["book_title"] = titles ←—————

truncated_df[[0, "book_title"]].sort_values(by = 0)[:10]
truncated_df[[0, "book_title"]].sort_values(by = 0)[-10:]
```


Link the book
metadata (title) to
the new matrix

Be careful to not
mix up IDs!

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For the first concept, sort values in the first column (index 0) and get first and last sorted rows

Analyzing concepts

```
truncated_df = pd.DataFrame(truncated_matrix)
truncated_df["book_title"] = titles

truncated_df[[1, "book_title"]].sort_values(by = 1)[:10]
truncated_df[[1, "book_title"]].sort_values(by = 1)[-10:]
```



For the second concept, sort values
in the second column (index 1) and
get first and last sorted rows

Concept 1

2829.1



Weight of
concept 1

- 279.13 Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone (Harry Potter, #1)
- 271.89 The Hunger Games (The Hunger Games, #1)
- 253.5 Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows (Harry Potter, #7)
- 249.47 Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban (Harry Potter, #3)
- 248.07 Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire (Harry Potter, #4)
- 247.45 Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets (Harry Potter, #2)
- 244.24 Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince (Harry Potter, #6)
- 240.69 Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix (Harry Potter, #5)
- 236.33 Catching Fire (The Hunger Games, #2)
- 226.66 To Kill a Mockingbird

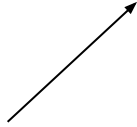
...

- 0.32 فلتغفري
- 0.29 قواعد العشق الأربعون: رواية عن جلال الدين الرومي
- 0.28 Perahu Kertas
- 0.26 في قلبي أنثى عبرية
- 0.26 أحبيبك أكثر مما ينبغي
- 0.25 1919
- 0.24 حرف 28
- 0.22 في ديسمبر تنتهي كل الأحلام
- 0.15 Kürk Mantolu Madonna
- 0.14 الخيميائي

Concept 1

2829.1

Concept 1 values by book



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Probably a mixture
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Concept 2

1624.4

What is captured by
concept 2?

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-60.13	Where the Wild Things Are
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97.17	One Foot in the Grave (Night Huntress, #2)
101.02	Fifty Shades Darker (Fifty Shades, #2)
101.99	Fifty Shades of Grey (Fifty Shades, #1)
103.33	Lover Revealed (Black Dagger Brotherhood, #4)
103.96	Halfway to the Grave (Night Huntress, #1)
105.18	Lover Unbound (Black Dagger Brotherhood, #5)
106.55	Beautiful Disaster (Beautiful, #1)
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Maybe
classics/assigned in
school and
dark/fantasy
romance novels

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Concept 3

1141.9

Many series
grouped together

(Remember, this is
all based on user
data!)

-80.98	Beautiful Disaster (Beautiful, #1)
-75.40	Hopeless (Hopeless, #1)
-74.79	Fallen Too Far (Rosemary Beach, #1; Too Far, #1)
-69.88	Never Too Far (Rosemary Beach, #2; Too Far, #2)
-69.25	The Fault in Our Stars
-68.37	Slammed (Slammed, #1)
-67.58	Real (Real, #1)
-65.18	Walking Disaster (Beautiful, #2)
-64.50	Rule (Marked Men, #1)
-64.32	Wait for You (Wait for You, #1)
...	
67.02	Magic Bleeds (Kate Daniels, #4)
67.66	Magic Strikes (Kate Daniels, #3)
67.75	Bone Crossed (Mercy Thompson, #4)
68.40	Magic Bites (Kate Daniels, #1)
70.51	Cry Wolf (Alpha & Omega, #1)
74.58	Dead Witch Walking (The Hollows, #1)
76.88	Silver Borne (Mercy Thompson, #5)
82.34	Blood Bound (Mercy Thompson, #2)
83.55	Moon Called (Mercy Thompson, #1)
83.56	Iron Kissed (Mercy Thompson, #3)

Concept 4

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-47.25	Motorcycle Man (Dream Man, #4)
-46.24	Mystery Man (Dream Man, #1)
-45.87	Own the Wind (Chaos, #1)
-45.86	Fifty Shades of Grey (Fifty Shades, #1)
-45.12	Knight (Unfinished Hero, #1)
-43.31	Fifty Shades Darker (Fifty Shades, #2)
-43.15	Reflected in You (Crossfire, #2)
-43.14	Real (Real, #1)
-42.70	Sweet Dreams (Colorado Mountain, #2)
-42.27	Law Man (Dream Man, #3)
...	
62.58	The Fault in Our Stars
63.04	Legend (Legend, #1)
63.17	Insurgent (Divergent, #2)
64.48	Cress (The Lunar Chronicles, #3)
65.71	Daughter of Smoke & Bone (Daughter of Smoke & Bone, #1)
66.34	Divergent (Divergent, #1)
69.35	Scarlet (The Lunar Chronicles, #2)
70.44	Matched (Matched, #1)
74.76	Graceling (Graceling Realm, #1)
81.43	Cinder (The Lunar Chronicles, #1)

Concept 5

893.7

-59.18	Ender's Game (Ender's Saga, #1)
-58.54	Good Omens
-56.01	Watchmen
-54.58	The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy (Hitchhiker's Guide, #1)
-53.42	Dune (Dune Chronicles #1)
-52.96	American Gods (American Gods, #1)
-51.27	The Name of the Wind (The Kingkiller Chronicle, #1)
-49.18	A Game of Thrones (A Song of Ice and Fire, #1)
-47.70	Neverwhere
-47.51	The Eye of the World (Wheel of Time, #1)
...	
42.63	Seven Up (Stephanie Plum, #7)
43.90	Hot Six (Stephanie Plum, #6)
44.33	Gone with the Wind
44.33	My Sister's Keeper
44.35	Four to Score (Stephanie Plum, #4)
45.10	Three to Get Deadly (Stephanie Plum, #3)
46.22	Water for Elephants
48.66	The Secret Life of Bees
51.41	One for the Money (Stephanie Plum, #1)
63.21	The Help

Concept 50

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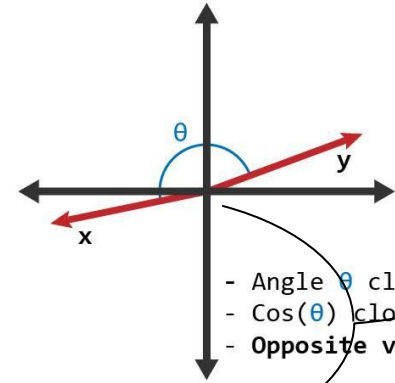
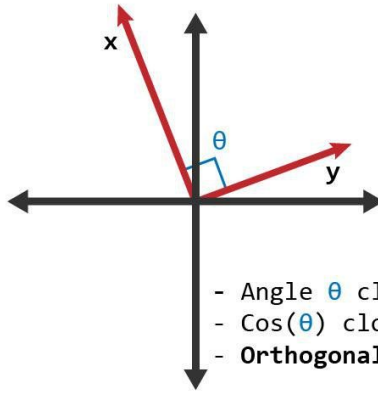
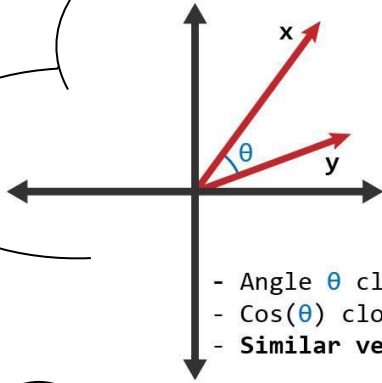
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-29.11	The Hunger Games (The Hunger Games, #1)
-26.08	Shadow Kiss (Vampire Academy, #3)
-25.99	Frostbite (Vampire Academy, #2)
-25.04	Blood Promise (Vampire Academy, #4)
-24.89	Caressed by Ice (Psy-Changeling #3)
-24.39	Vampire Academy (Vampire Academy, #1)
-23.93	Visions of Heat (Psy-Changeling #2)
-23.73	Slave to Sensation (Psy-Changeling #1)
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29.72	Ever After (The Hollows, #11)
30.30	A Perfect Blood (The Hollows, #10)
33.67	Black Magic Sanction (The Hollows, #8)
33.81	The Good, the Bad, and the Undead (The Hollows, #2)
33.93	A Fistful of Charms (The Hollows, #4)
34.04	Pale Demon (The Hollows, #9)
34.95	Every Which Way But Dead (The Hollows, #3)
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Get similarity of
a query vector to
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by lengths, and
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query	1
	2

4	5	?
6	0	?
1	2	?

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We assess cosine similarity across all 50 concepts!

Closest books by cosine similarity

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