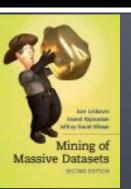
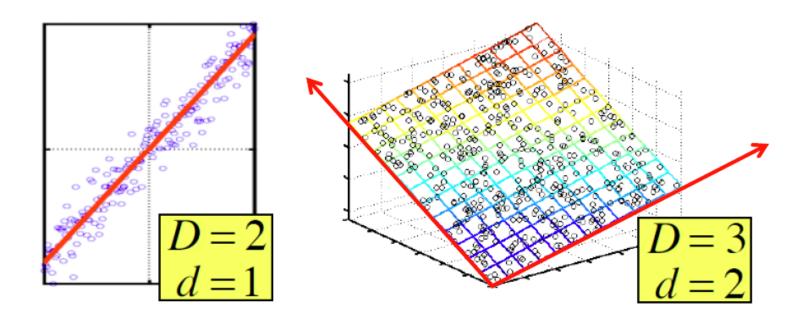
# Latent dimensions

A presentation of Ch. 11 of Lescovec et al., Mining of Massive Datasets



Slides adapted from Jure Leskovec's slides "Dimensionality Reduction by SVD"

# **Dimensionality Reduction**



- Assumption: Data lies on or near a low d-dimensional subspace
- Axes of this subspace are effective representation of the data

# Dimensionality Reduction

- Compress / reduce dimensionality:
  - 10<sup>6</sup> rows; 10<sup>3</sup> columns; no updates
  - Random access to any cell(s); small error: OK

$\mathbf{day}$	We	${f Th}$	$\mathbf{Fr}$	$\mathbf{Sa}$	$\mathbf{S}\mathbf{u}$
customer	7/10/96	7/11/96	7/12/96	7/13/96	7/14/96
ABC Inc.	1	1	1	0	0
DEF Ltd.	2	2	2	0	0
GHI Inc.	1	1	1	0	0
KLM Co.	5	5	5	0	0
$\mathbf{Smith}$	0	0	0	2	2
Johnson	0	0	0	3	3
Thompson	0	0	0	1	1

The above matrix is really "2-dimensional." All rows can be reconstructed by scaling [1 1 1 0 0] or [0 0 0 1 1]

### Rank of a Matrix

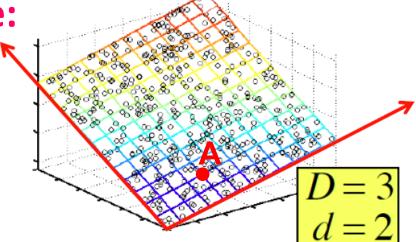
- Q: What is rank of a matrix A?
- A: Number of linearly independent columns of A
- For example:
  - Matrix  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -2 & -3 & 1 \\ 3 & 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  has rank  $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{2}$ 
    - Why? The first two rows are linearly independent, so the rank is at least 2, but all three rows are linearly dependent (the first is equal to the sum of the second and third) so the rank must be less than 3.
- Why do we care about low rank?
  - We can write A as two "basis" vectors: [1 2 1] [-2 -3 1]
  - And new coordinates of : [1 0] [0 1] [1 1]

# Rank is "Dimensionality"

Cloud of points 3D space:

Think of point positions as a matrix: [1 2 1] △

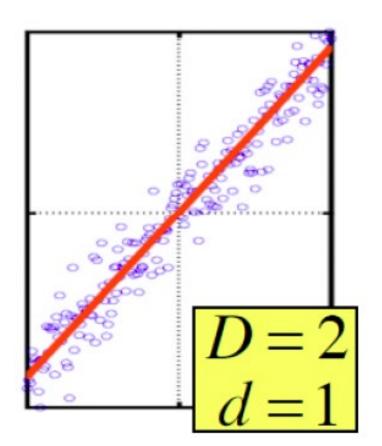
as a matrix:  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -2 & -3 & 1 \\ 3 & 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  A B C



- We can rewrite coordinates more efficiently!
  - Old basis vectors: [1 0 0] [0 1 0] [0 0 1]
  - New basis vectors: [1 2 1] [-2 -3 1]
  - Then A has new coordinates: [1 0]. B: [0 1], C: [1 1]
    - Notice: We reduced the number of coordinates!

# **Dimensionality Reduction**

Goal of dimensionality reduction is to discover the axis of data!



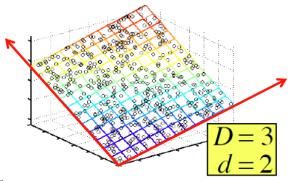
Rather than representing every point with 2 coordinates we represent each point with 1 coordinate (corresponding to the position of the point on the red line).

By doing this we incur a bit of **error** as the points do not exactly lie on the line

# Why Reduce Dimensions?

#### Why reduce dimensions?

- Discover hidden correlations/topics
  - Words that occur commonly together
- Remove redundant and noisy features
  - Not all words are useful
- Interpretation and visualization
- Easier storage and processing of the data



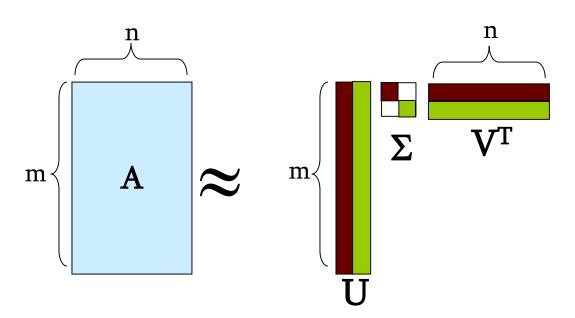
### **SVD - Definition**

$$\mathbf{A}_{[m \times n]} = \mathbf{U}_{[m \times r]} \sum_{[r \times r]} (\mathbf{V}_{[n \times r]})^{T}$$

- A: Input data matrix
  - m x n matrix (e.g., m documents, n terms)
- U: Left singular vectors
  - m x r matrix (m documents, r concepts)
- $\Sigma$ : Singular values
  - r x r diagonal matrix (strength of each 'concept')
     (r: rank of the matrix A)
- V: Right singular vectors
  - n x r matrix (n terms, r concepts)

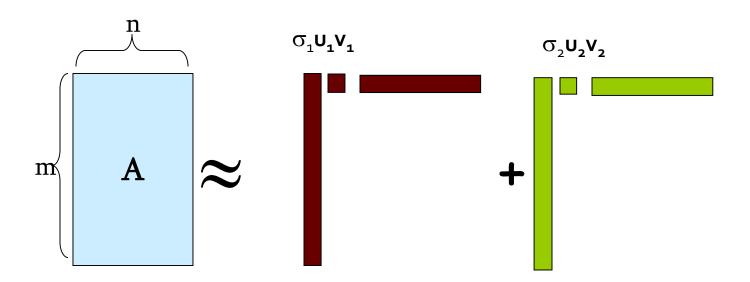
### SVD

$$\mathbf{A} pprox \mathbf{U} \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{V}^T = \sum_i \sigma_i \mathbf{u}_i \circ \mathbf{v}_i^{\scriptscriptstyle\mathsf{T}}$$



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 $\sigma_i$  ... scalar  $u_i$  ... vector

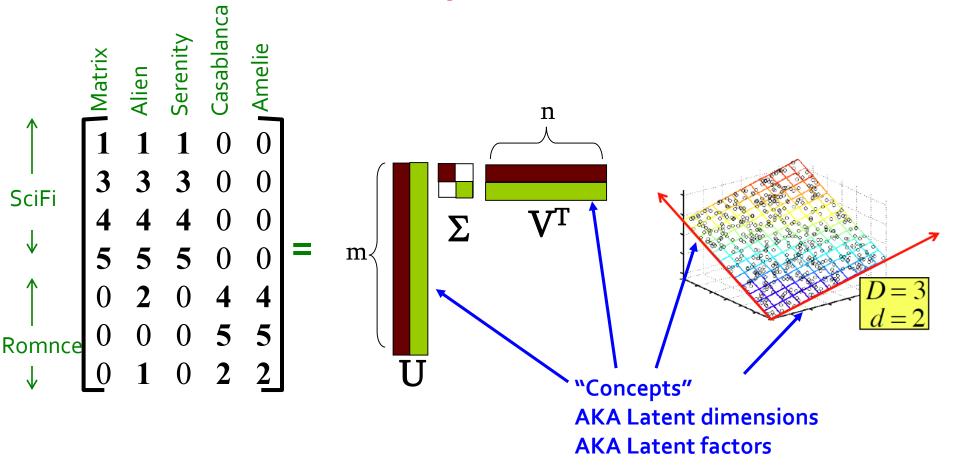
v<sub>i</sub> ... vector

# **SVD - Properties**

- It is **always** possible to decompose a real matrix  $\boldsymbol{A}$  into  $\boldsymbol{A} = \boldsymbol{U} \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \boldsymbol{V}^{\mathsf{T}}$ , where
- **U**, Σ, *V*: unique
- U, V: column orthonormal
  - $U^T U = I$ ;  $V^T V = I$  (I: identity matrix)
  - (Columns are orthogonal unit vectors)
- Σ: diagonal
  - Entries (singular values) are positive, and sorted in decreasing order  $(\sigma_1 \ge \sigma_2 \ge ... \ge 0)$

Nice proof of uniqueness: http://www.mpi-inf.mpg.de/~bast/ir-seminar-wso4/lecture2.pdf

### ■ A = U $\Sigma$ V<sup>T</sup> - example: Users to Movies

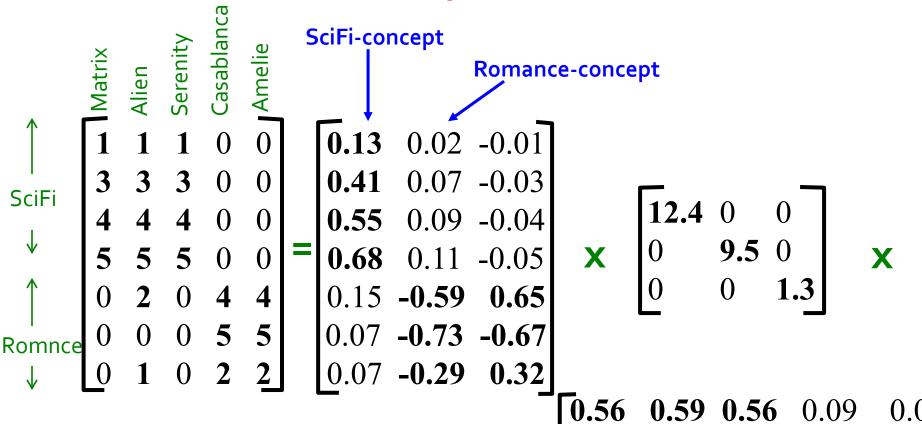


### - $A = U \sum V^T$ - example: Users to Movies

	Matrix	Alien	Serenity	Casablar	Amelie	
	1	1	1	0	0	
SciFi	3	3	3	0	0	
I	4	4	4	0	0	
<b>V</b>	5	5	5	0	0	•
	0	2	0	4	4	
ا Romnce	0	0	0	5	5	
$\downarrow$	0	1	0	2	2	

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

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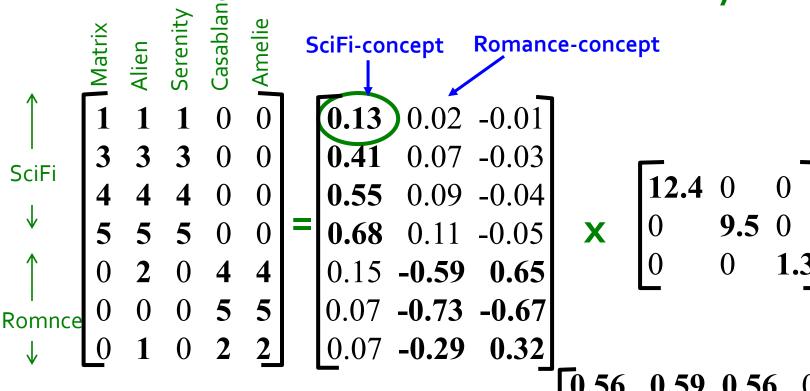
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### • $A = U \Sigma V^T$ - example:

*U* is "user-to-concept" similarity matrix

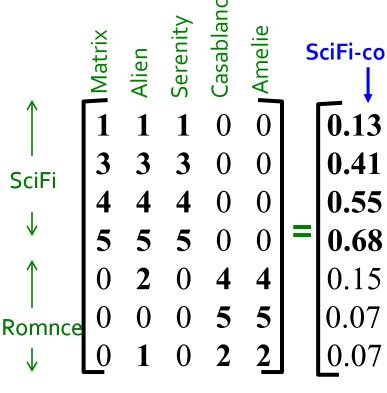


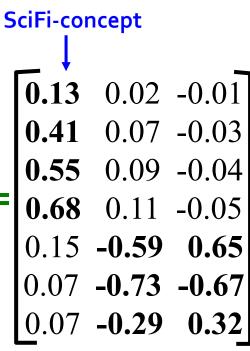
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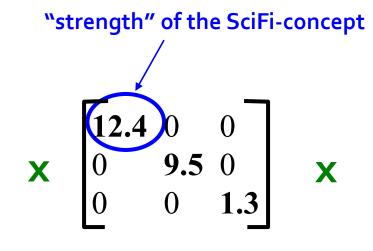
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### • $A = U \Sigma V^T$ - example:







# SVD – in practice, I

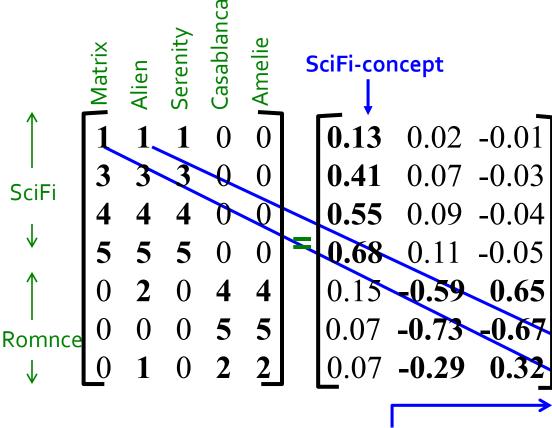
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45 ratings2 = np.array(ratings2)
46
47 print('data matrix ha shape ', ratings2.shape)
48
49 #split the matrix in the three components
50 u, s, vh = np.linalg.svd(ratings2, full matrices=False)
51
52
53 print('U has shape ', u.shape, s.shape, vh.shape)
55 \text{ sigma} = \text{np.diag(s)}
56 print('Sigma has shape ', sigma.shape)
58 print(sigma)
59 print('V^t has shape', vh.shape)
                                          sigma =
61 sigmavh = np.dot(sigma, vh)
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                                           [0.00000000e+00 9.50861406e+00 0.00000000e+00 0.00000000e+00 0.00000000e+00]
    A = U*Sigma*V^t
63#
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65 usigmavh = np.dot(u, sigmavh)
                                           [0.00000000e+00 0.00000000e+00 0.00000000e+00 0.00000000e+00 9.74452038e-33]]
67 print(usigmavh)
68
69# verify that the recombination is currect up to roundings
70 print(np.allclose(ratings2, usigmavh))
71
72
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34 \text{ ratings2} = [[1, 1, 1, 0, 0],
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# SVD – in practice, II

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56 print('Sigma has shape ', sigma.shape)
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58 print(sigma)
                                                                 59 print('V^t has shape ', vh.shape)
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63 \# A = U*Sigma*V^t
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### • $A = U \Sigma V^T$ - example:



V is "movie-to-concept" similarity matrix

SciFi-concept

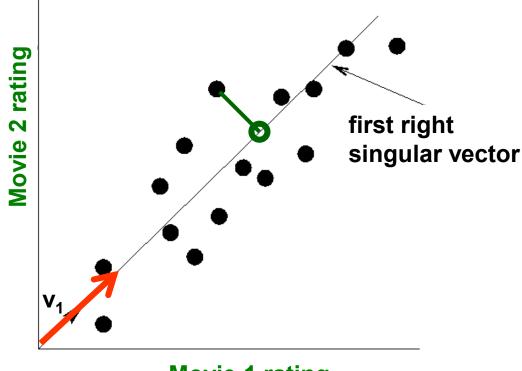
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### 'movies', 'users' and 'concepts':

- U: user-to-concept similarity matrix
- V: movie-to-concept similarity matrix
- Σ: its diagonal elements: 'strength' of each concept



# SVD – Dimensionality Reduction



Movie 1 rating

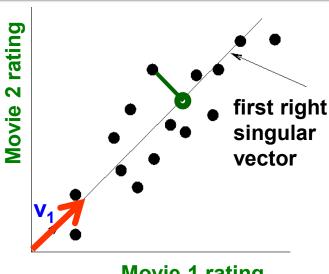
- Instead of using two coordinates (x, y) to describe point locations, let's use only one coordinate (z)
- Point's position is its location along vector  $v_1$
- How to choose  $v_1$ ? Minimize reconstruction error

# SVD – Dimensionality Reduction

Goal: Minimize the sum of reconstruction errors:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1}^{D} ||x_{ij} - z_{ij}||^2$$

• where  $x_{ij}$  are the "old" and  $z_{ij}$  are the "new" coordinates

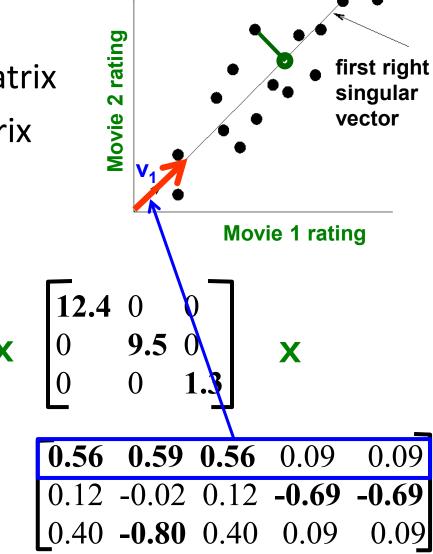


Movie 1 rating

- SVD gives 'best' axis to project on:
  - 'best' = minimizing the reconstruction errors
- In other words, minimum reconstruction error

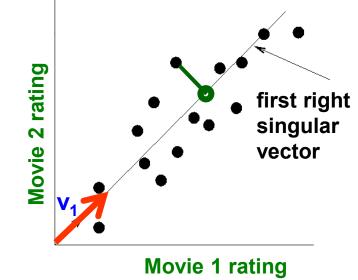
### • $A = U \Sigma V^T$ - example:

- V: "movie-to-concept" matrix
- U: "user-to-concept" matrix

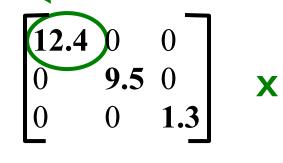




variance ('spread') on the v<sub>1</sub> axis

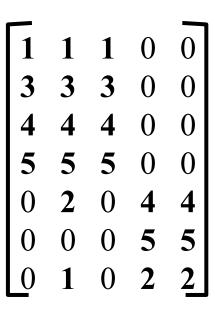


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4	4	4	0	0	
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0	2	0	4	4	
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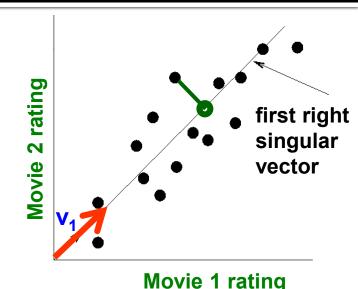


### $A = U \Sigma V^{T}$ - example:

 U Σ: Gives the coordinates of the points in the projection axis



Projection of users on the "Sci-Fi" axis  $(U \Sigma)^T$ :



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	1.61	0.19	-0.01
	5.08	0.66	-0.03
Ì	6.82	0.85	-0.05
	8.43	1.04	-0.06
	1.86	-5.60	0.84
	0.86	-6.93	-0.87
	0.86	-2.75	0.41

#### **More details**

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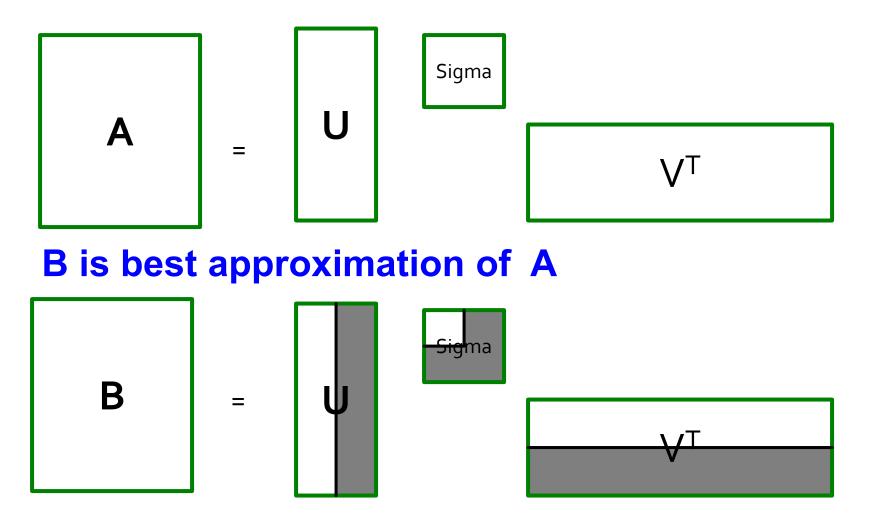
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4.82	<b>5.00</b>	4.82	0.03	0.03
0.70	0.53	0.70	4.11	4.11
-0.69	1.34	-0.69	4.78	4.78
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#### **Frobenius norm:**

$$\|\mathbf{M}\|_{\mathrm{F}} = \sqrt{\sum_{ij} M_{ij}}^2$$

$$\|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|_{F} = \sqrt{\Sigma_{ij} (\mathbf{A}_{ij} - \mathbf{B}_{ij})^{2}}$$
 is "small"

# SVD – Best Low Rank Approx.





### SVD – Best Low Rank Approx.

#### Theorem:

Let  $A = U \sum V^T$  and  $B = U S V^T$  where  $S = diagonal r_{x}r$  matrix with  $s_i = \sigma_i$  (i = 1...k) else  $s_i = 0$  then B is a **best** rank(B)=k approx. to A

### What do we mean by "best":

■ B is a solution to  $\min_{B} ||A-B||_{F}$  where  $\operatorname{rank}(B)=k$ 

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & \dots & x_{1n} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & \dots & \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \\ x_{m1} & & & x_{mn} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u_{11} & \dots & \\ \vdots & \ddots & \\ u_{m1} & & & \\ m \times n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{11} & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & \ddots & \\ \vdots & \ddots & \\ r \times r \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_{11} & \dots & v_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \\ r \times n \end{pmatrix}$$

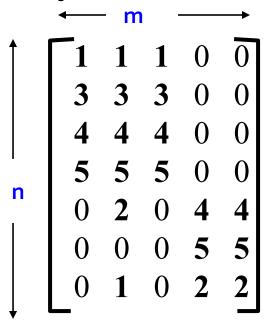
$$||A - B||_F = \sqrt{\sum_{ij} (A_{ij} - B_{ij})^2}$$
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#### Why is setting small $\sigma_i$ to 0 the right thing to do?

Vectors  $\mathbf{u}_{i}$  and  $\mathbf{v}_{i}$  are unit length, so  $\mathbf{\sigma}_{i}$ scales them.

So, zeroing small  $\sigma_i$  introduces less error.

Q: How many  $\sigma_s$  to keep?

A: Rule-of-a thumb:

keep 80-90% of 'energy' 
$$= \sum_i \sigma_i^2$$

### **SVD - Complexity**

- To compute SVD:
  - O(nm²) or O(n²m) (whichever is less)
- But:
  - Less work, if we just want singular values
  - or if we want first k singular vectors
  - or if the matrix is sparse
- Implemented in linear algebra packages like
  - LINPACK, Matlab, SPlus, Mathematica ...

### SVD - Conclusions so far

- SVD:  $A = U \Sigma V^T$ : unique
  - U: user-to-concept similarities
  - V: movie-to-concept similarities
  - lacksquare  $\Sigma$  : strength of each concept
- Dimensionality reduction:
  - keep the few largest singular values (80-90% of 'energy')
  - SVD: picks up linear correlations

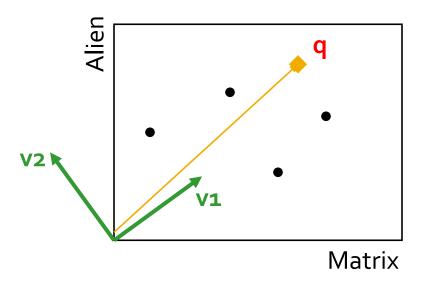
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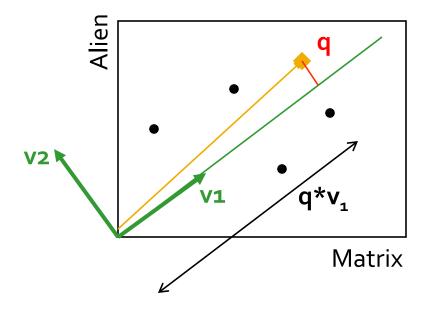
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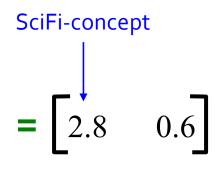
#### Compactly, we have:

$$q_{concept} = q V$$

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movie-to-concept similarities (V)



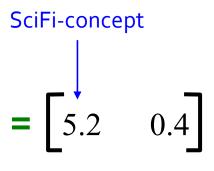
How would the user d that rated ('Alien', 'Serenity') be handled?

$$d_{concept} = d V$$

#### **E.g.:**

$$\mathbf{q} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 4 & 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.56 & 0.12 \\ 0.59 & -0.02 \\ 0.56 & 0.12 \\ 0.00 & 0.60 \\ 0.60$$





Observation: User d that rated ('Alien', 'Serenity') will be similar to user q that rated ('Matrix'), although d and q have zero ratings in common!

$$\mathbf{d} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 4 & 5 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 5.2 & 0.4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{q} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2.8 & 0.6 \end{bmatrix}$$
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### **SVD: Drawbacks**

- Optimal low-rank approximation in terms of Frobenius norm
- Interpretability problem:
  - A singular vector specifies a linear combination of all input columns or rows
- Lack of sparsity:
  - Singular vectors are dense!

