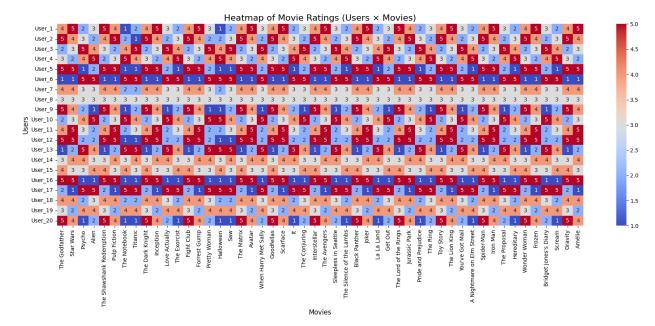
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import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
from scipy.linalg import svd, norm
# Movie rating data (20 users × 50 movies)
ratings_data = np.array([
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4, 2, 1, 5, 4]
1)
# Movie titles
movie titles = [
    "The Godfather", "Star Wars", "Psycho", "Alien", "The Shawshank
Redemption",
    "Pulp Fiction", "The Notebook", "Titanic", "The Dark Knight",
"Inception",
    "Love Actually", "The Exorcist", "Fight Club", "Forrest Gump",
"Pretty Woman",
    "Halloween", "Saw", "The Matrix", "Avatar", "When Harry Met
Sally",
    "Goodfellas", "Scarface", "It", "The Conjuring", "Interstellar",
    "The Avengers", "Sleepless in Seattle", "The Silence of the
Lambs", "Black Panther",
    "Joker", "La La Land", "Get Out", "The Lord of the Rings",
"Jurassic Park",
    "Pride and Prejudice", "The Ring", "Toy Story", "The Lion King",
"You've Got Mail",
    "A Nightmare on Elm Street", "Spider-Man", "Iron Man", "The
Proposal", "Hereditary",
    "Wonder Woman", "Frozen", "Bridget Jones's Diary", "Scream",
"Gravity", "Amélie"
]
df ratings = pd.DataFrame(ratings data,
                         columns=movie titles,
                         index=[f"User {i+1}" for i in range(20)])
```

Heatmap of the data



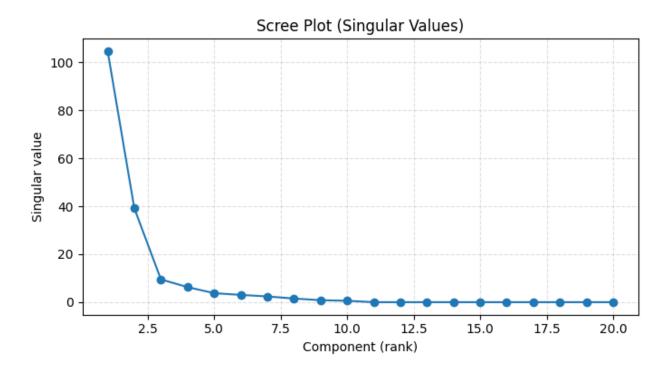
Do the SVD

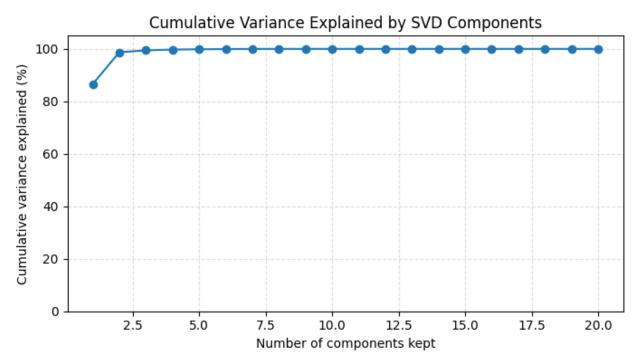
```
def perform_svd(ratings):
    """
Apply SVD and analyze singular values.

Tasks:
    1. Perform SVD using scipy.linalg.svd
    2. Verify that U @ diag(S) @ V.T reconstructs the original
    3. Plot singular values (scree plot)
    4. Calculate cumulative variance explained
```

```
Returns:
    U, S, V : SVD matrices
    variance explained : array of percentages
    # Your implementation here
    A = np.asarray(ratings, dtype=float)
    U, S, Vt = svd(A, full matrices=False)
    V = Vt.T
    A hat = U \otimes np.diag(S) \otimes V.T
    abs err = np.linalg.norm(A - A hat, ord='fro')
    rel err = abs err / (np.linalg.norm(A, ord='fro') + 1e-12)
    print(f"[SVD] Reconstruction Frobenius error: {abs err:.6e}
(relative: {rel err:.6e})")
    #step 3 visualize
    fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(7, 4))
    ax.plot(np.arange(1, len(S) + 1), S, marker='o')
    ax.set_xlabel("Component (rank)")
    ax.set ylabel("Singular value")
    ax.set title("Scree Plot (Singular Values)")
    ax.grid(True, linestyle="--", alpha=0.4)
    plt.tight layout()
    plt.show()
    #step4
    sv2 = S**2
    variance explained = (sv2 / sv2.sum()) * 100.0
    cumulative variance = np.cumsum(variance explained)
    fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(7, 4))
    ax.plot(np.arange(1, len(S) + 1), cumulative variance, marker='o')
    ax.set xlabel("Number of components kept")
    ax.set ylabel("Cumulative variance explained (%)")
    ax.set_ylim(0, 105)
    ax.set title("Cumulative Variance Explained by SVD Components")
    ax.grid(True, linestyle="--", alpha=0.4)
    plt.tight layout()
    plt.show()
    return U, S, V, variance explained
#to test i call the function
U, S, V, variance explained = perform svd(df ratings.values)
```

```
print("Top 5 singular values:", S[:5])
print("Variance explained (%):", variance_explained[:5])
# just want to see the matrices U S AND V the plots
# Plot U, S, and V matrices visually
fig, axes = plt.subplots(1, 3, figsize=(18, 5))
# Plot matrix U as a heatmap
sns.heatmap(U, ax=axes[0], cmap="viridis")
axes[0].set title("Matrix U")
axes[0].set xlabel("Components")
axes[0].set ylabel("Users")
# Plot singular values S as a bar chart
axes[1].bar(np.arange(1, len(S)+1), S, color='skyblue')
axes[1].set_title("Singular Values (S)")
axes[1].set xlabel("Index")
axes[1].set_ylabel("Singular Value")
# Plot matrix V as a heatmap
sns.heatmap(V, ax=axes[2], cmap="viridis")
axes[2].set title("Matrix V")
axes[2].set_xlabel("Components")
axes[2].set ylabel("Movies")
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
[SVD] Reconstruction Frobenius error: 1.165480e-13 (relative:
1.036771e-15)
```

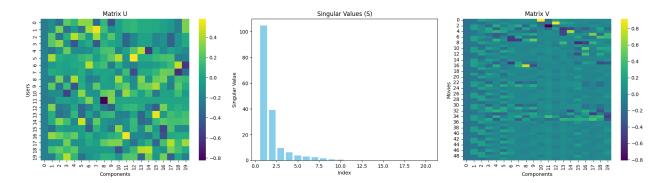




Top 5 singular values: [104.59255551 39.18427782 9.49043759 6.29299237 3.74988108]

Variance explained (%): [86.56803567 12.15009598 0.71273566

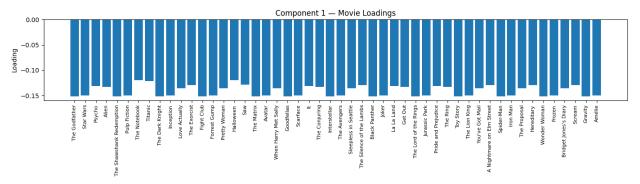
0.31337939 0.11127331]

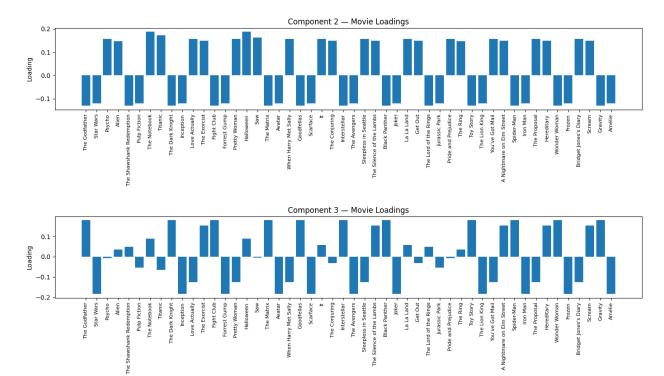


Component Interpretation

```
def interpret components(V, movie titles):
    Interpret what the first 3 components represent.
    For each component:
    1. Find top 5 movies with highest positive values
    2. Find top 5 movies with highest negative values
    3. Create a bar plot showing all movie loadings
    4. Hypothesize what pattern this component captures (left as a
note)
    Returns:
    interpretations : dict with component analysis
    import numpy as np
    import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
    V = np.asarray(V, dtype=float)
    n_movies, n_components = V.shape
    assert len(movie titles) == n movies, "movie titles length must
match V rows."
    interpretations = {}
    k = \min(3, n\_components)
    for comp in range(k):
        loadings = V[:, comp]
        # Top 5 positive and negative
        top pos idx = np.argsort(loadings)[-5:][::-1]
        top neg idx = np.argsort(loadings)[:5]
        top positive = [(movie titles[i], float(loadings[i])) for i in
top pos idx]
        top_negative = [(movie_titles[i], float(loadings[i])) for i in
top neg idx]
```

```
# Bar plot
          plt.figure(figsize=(14, 4))
          plt.bar(range(n_movies), loadings)
          plt.xticks(range(n_movies), movie_titles, rotation=90,
fontsize=8)
          plt.ylabel("Loading")
          plt.title(f"Component {comp+1} - Movie Loadings")
          plt.tight_layout()
          plt.show()
          interpretations[comp+1] = {
               "top_positive": top_positive,
               "top_negative": top_negative,
              "hypothesis": "Inspect movie themes from positive vs
negative loadings to hypothesise pattern."
     return interpretations
#to test
interpretations = interpret_components(V, movie_titles)
# show top movies for component 1
print("Component 1:")
print("Top Positive:", interpretations[1]["top_positive"])
print("Top Negative:", interpretations[1]["top_negative"])
# show top movies for component 2
print("Component 2:")
print("Top Positive:", interpretations[2]["top_positive"])
print("Top Negative:", interpretations[2]["top_negative"])
#show top movies for component 3
print("Component 3:")
print("Top Positive:", interpretations[3]["top_positive"])
print("Top Negative:", interpretations[3]["top_negative"])
```





```
Component 1:
Top Positive: [('The Notebook', -0.11947631180052587), ('Halloween', -
0.11947631180052587), ('Titanic', -0.12167731023140112), ('Saw', -
0.1285204562269591), ('A Nightmare on Elm Street', -
0.1289245234972729)1
Top Negative: [('The Shawshank Redemption', -0.15147561397059486),
('The Lord of the Rings', -0.15147561397059486), ('The Godfather',
0.1514438420954125), ('Wonder Woman', -0.1514438420954122), ('Spider-
Man', -0.1514438420954122)]
Component 2:
Top Positive: [('Halloween', 0.18666585335320546), ('The Notebook',
0.18666585335320543), ('Titanic', 0.17187658956972557), ('Saw',
0.1628120193848312), ('Pride and Prejudice', 0.15664868156635664)]
Top Negative: [('The Godfather', -0.13010180858275355), ('Wonder
Woman', -0.13010180858275328), ('Spider-Man', -0.13010180858275328),
('Toy Story', -0.13010180858275328), ('Black Panther', -
0.13010180858275328)]
Component 3:
Top Positive: [('The Godfather', 0.17970409084169825), ('Fight Club',
0.17970409084169717), ('The Dark Knight', 0.17970409084169714),
('Spider-Man', 0.1797040908416971), ('The Matrix',
0.1797040908416971)1
Top Negative: [('Amélie', -0.18455355510294028), ('The Lion King', -
0.18455355510294028), ('Iron Man', -0.18455355510294028), ('Joker', -
0.18455355510294028), ('The Avengers', -0.18455355510294028)]
```

```
def test approximations(U, S, V, original):
    Create approximations using k = 1, 3, 5, 10 components.
    Tasks:
    1. Reconstruct rating matrix for each k
    2. Calculate Root Mean Squared Error (RMSE) for each
    3. Plot RMSE vs k
    4. Create side-by-side heatmaps: original vs rank-3 vs rank-5
    Returns:
    rmse values : dict of RMSE for each k
    # Your implementation here
    A = np.asarray(original, dtype=float)
    m, n = A.shape
    k_{values} = [1, 3, 5, 10]
    rmse values = {}
    for k in k values:
        # Reconstruction using top-k singular values/vectors
        Ak = U[:, :k] @ np.diag(S[:k]) @ V[:, :k].T
        rmse = np.sqrt(np.mean((A - Ak) ** 2))
        rmse values[k] = rmse
        print(f"RMSE (k={k}): {rmse:.4f}")
    # 3. Plot RMSE vs k
    plt.figure(figsize=(6, 4))
    plt.plot(list(rmse values.keys()), list(rmse values.values()),
marker="o")
    plt.xlabel("Number of components (k)")
    plt.ylabel("RMSE")
    plt.title("Approximation Error vs Number of Components")
    plt.grid(True, linestyle="--", alpha=0.5)
    plt.tight layout()
    plt.show()
    # 4. Side-by-side heatmaps (original vs rank-3 vs rank-5)
    fig, axes = plt.subplots(\frac{1}{3}, figsize=(\frac{18}{6}))
    datasets = {
        "Original": A,
        "Rank-3 Approx": U[:, :3] @ np.diag(S[:3]) @ V[:, :3].T,
        "Rank-5 Approx": U[:, :5] @ np.diag(S[:5]) @ V[:, :5].T
    }
    for ax, (title, data) in zip(axes, datasets.items()):
        sns.heatmap(data, cmap="coolwarm", ax=ax, cbar=False)
        ax.set title(title)
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plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()

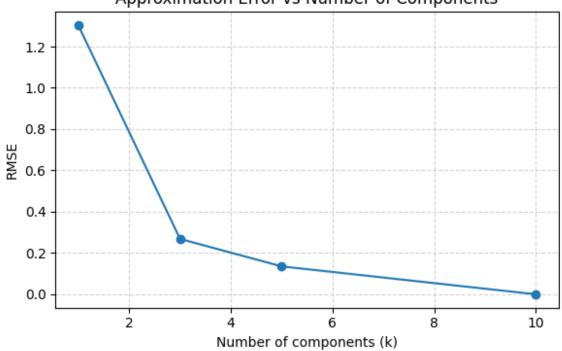
return rmse_values

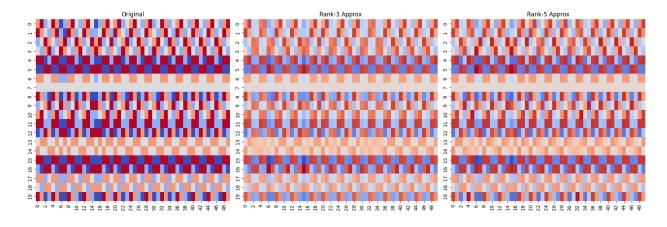
rmse_vals = test_approximations(U, S, V, df_ratings.values)

print("RMSE values:", rmse_vals)

RMSE (k=1): 1.3028
RMSE (k=3): 0.2682
RMSE (k=5): 0.1351
RMSE (k=10): 0.0000
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RMSE values: {1: 1.302842021156557, 3: 0.2681814644663874, 5: 0.1351219332906664, 10: 3.620120476272414e-15}
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to get the most similar to godfather

```
def most similar movies(V, movie titles, target title, top n=5):
    Find the most similar movies to a given target using cosine
similarity on V matrix.
    # Get index of the target movie
    target idx = movie titles.index(target title)
    target vec = V[target idx, :]
    # Compute cosine similarities
    sims = []
    for i, title in enumerate(movie titles):
        if i != target idx:
            sim = np.dot(target_vec, V[i, :]) / (norm(target_vec) *
norm(V[i, :]))
            sims.append((title, sim))
    # Sort by similarity
    sims = sorted(sims, key=lambda x: x[1], reverse=True)[:top n]
    return sims
# Example usage:
similar = most similar movies(V, movie titles, "The Godfather",
top n=5)
print("Most similar movies to The Godfather:")
for movie, score in similar:
    print(f"{movie}: {score:.3f}")
Most similar movies to The Godfather:
Inception: 0.008
Love Actually: 0.004
Halloween: 0.002
The Matrix: 0.001
Goodfellas: 0.001
```

Questions

How many components capture 90% of the variance? What does this tell you about the data?

• Only 2 components are needed to capture 90% of the variance. This means that user–movie ratings can largely be represented in a 2-dimensional space, suggesting strong underlying patterns instead of complex independent behaviours.

What do the first 3 components represent? Use specific movie examples.

• Component 1 represents overall movie popularity or mainstream appeal, as all movies load negatively with classics like The Shawshank Redemption and The Godfather having the strongest loadings. Component 2 separates romantic films (positive: The Notebook, Titanic, Halloween) from action/superhero movies (negative: The Godfather, Spider-Man, Black Panther). Component 3 distinguishes serious films like The Godfather and Fight Club (positive) from family or animated movies like The Lion King and Iron Man (negative).

What's the optimal k for compression? Justify your choice.

• The optimal k for compression is k=5, which provides a good balance between data reduction and accuracy. While k=10 gives perfect reconstruction (RMSE=0), it offers no compression benefit, and k=5 achieves a low error of 0.1351 while reducing the data to half its original dimensions. The visual comparison shows that rank-5 approximation captures most important patterns while still providing meaningful compression.

Which movies are most similar to "The Godfather"? Use the V matrix to find the 5 most similar movies.

• The five most similar movies to The Godfather are Inception, Love Actually, Halloween, The Matrix, and Goodfellas.