MAT3110-MAT4110, Autumn 2019, Compulsory assignment 2

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An 8-bit black and white image can be represented as an $n \times m$ matrix, consisting of integer values between 0 and 255 (or normalized to have values between 0 and 1) which define the greyscales of the pixels m_{ij} for all i and j. We will study how the SVD decomposition can be used to compress such an image. First download three example images and convert them to $n \times m$ matrices whose elements have values between 0 and 1.

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% Convert the images to grey scale
% https://pixabay.com/en/board-chess-chessboard-black-white-157165/
im1 = rgb2gray(imread('chessboard.png'));
% https://pixabay.com/en/jellyfish-under-water-sea-ocean-698521/
im2 = rgb2gray(imread('jellyfish.jpg'));
% https://pixabay.com/en/new-york-city-skyline-nyc-690868/
im3 = rgb2gray(imread('new_york.jpg'));
% Convert to double between 0 and 1.
im1 = im2double(im1);
im2 = im2double(im2);
im3 = im2double(im3);
% Plot the images
figure
imshow(im1, 'InitialMagnification',50)
title("Sjakkbrett")
figure
imshow(im2, 'InitialMagnification',50)
title("Manet")
figure
imshow(im3,'InitialMagnification',50)
title("New York")
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Recall that the singular values of an $n \times m$ matrix are $\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \cdots \geq 0$. Your task is to compress the images using the SVD decomposition of the matrices and by retaining only the first r singular values for some chosen r: a rank r approximation. If

$$\mbox{compression ratio} = \frac{\mbox{uncompressed size}}{\mbox{compressed size}},$$

what is the compression ratio as a function of n, m, and r?

For the three example images above, make a plot of the log of the singular values. Then, for each image, make a compressed image that you think is visually acceptable by choosing some appropriate r.

Your delivery should be a short report summarizing your work as a **single pdf file**, submitted through canvas.