

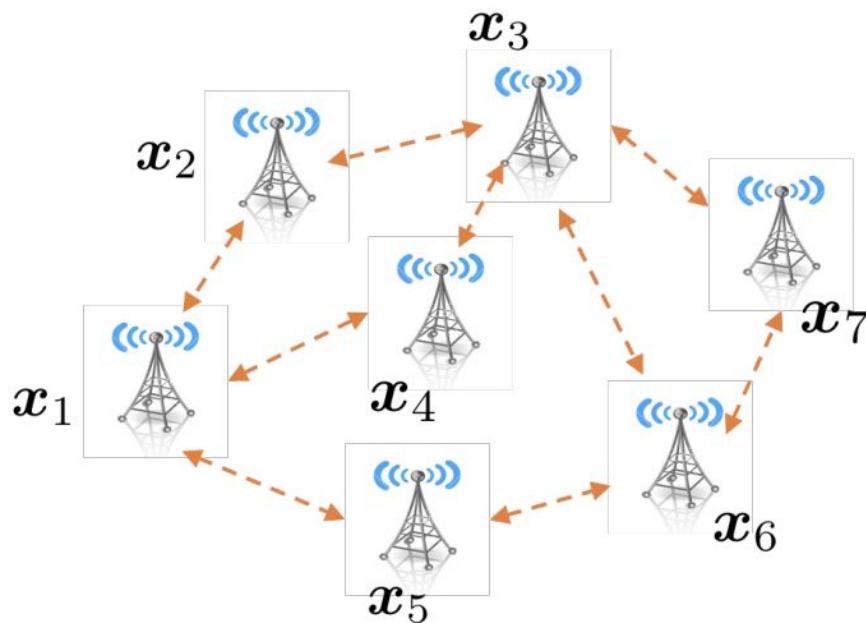
# Matrix Completion

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# Background



# Convex Relaxation

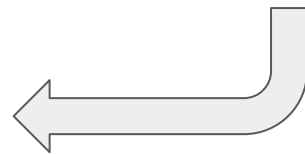
The problem we are considering is to recover matrix  $M$ . The goal is to find the lowest rank matrix  $X$  which matches the observed entries  $\Omega$  from  $M$ .

Define  $P_{\Omega}(X) = \begin{cases} X_{i,j}(i,j) \in \Omega \\ 0(i,j) \notin \Omega \end{cases}$ , which is the projection operator on the observed index set  $\Omega$ .

$$\begin{array}{lll} \min_X \text{rank}(X) & \xrightarrow{\hspace{1cm}} & \min_X \|X\|_* \\ \text{s.t. } X_{i,j} = M_{i,j} \forall (i,j) \in \Omega & & \text{s.t. } P_{\Omega}(X) = P_{\Omega}(M) \end{array} \quad \xrightarrow{\hspace{1cm}} \quad \begin{array}{l} \min_X \max_Y \langle X, Y \rangle \\ \text{s.t. } \begin{bmatrix} I & Y \\ Y^{\top} & I \end{bmatrix} \succeq 0 \\ P_{\Omega}(X) = P_{\Omega}(M) \end{array}$$

Define  $X = U\Sigma V^{\top}$ .  
 $W_1 = U\Sigma U^{\top}$   
 $W_2 = V\Sigma V^{\top}$

$$\begin{array}{l} \min_{W_1, W_2} \frac{1}{2} (\text{Tr}(W_1) + \text{Tr}(W_2)) \\ \text{s.t. } \begin{bmatrix} W_1 & X \\ X^{\top} & W_2 \end{bmatrix} \succeq 0 \\ P_{\Omega}(X) = P_{\Omega}(M) \end{array}$$



# Basic Theory

**Theorem 2.1.** [Vershynin \[2018\]](#) Consider fixed  $n \times n$  matrix  $X$  with  $\text{rank}(X) = r$ , where  $r \ll n$ . Each entry  $X_{ij}$  is revealed to us independently with probability  $p \in (0, 1)$ . We only observe matrix  $Y$ ,  $Y_{ij} = \delta_{ij} X_{ij}$ ,  $\delta_{i,j} \sim \text{Ber}(p)$ . Choose  $p = \frac{m}{n^2}$ . Let  $\hat{X}$  be a best rank  $r$  approximation to  $p^{-1}Y$ . Then

$$\mathbb{E} \frac{1}{n} \|\hat{X} - X\|_F \leq C \sqrt{\frac{rn \log n}{m}} \|X\|_\infty$$

**Theorem 2.3** ([Candès and Recht \[2009\]](#)). Let  $M$  be a  $n_1 \times n_2$  matrix of rank  $r$  satisfying assumption 2 and 3, choose  $n = \max(n_1, n_2)$ . Suppose we observe  $m$  entries of  $M$  with locations sampled uniformly at random. Then there exist constants  $C, c$ , such that if

$$m \geq C \max(\mu_1^2, \mu_0^{0.5} \mu_1, \mu_0 n^{0.25}) nr (\beta \log n)$$

for some  $\beta > 2$ , then the optimal solution to the norm minimization problem is unique and equal to  $M$  with probability at least  $1 - cn^{-\beta}$ . Furthermore, for low rank case  $r \leq \mu_0^{-1} n^{0.2}$ , with same probability provided that

$$m \geq C \mu_0 n^{1.2} r (\beta \log n).$$

# Singular Value Thresholding

Given matrix  $M$ , only observe  $M_{i,j}, (i,j) \in \Omega$

In order to recover matrix  $M$ , we need to solve

$$\min_{X \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}} F(X) = \frac{1}{2} \|P_{\Omega}(M) - P_{\Omega}(X)\|_F^2 + \lambda \|X\|_*$$

Introduce soft-thresholding operator,

$$S_{\lambda}(X) = U \Sigma_{\lambda} V^{\top}, \text{ where } X = U \Sigma V^{\top} \text{ is an SVD} \\ (\Sigma_{\lambda})_{ii} = \max\{\Sigma_{ii} - \lambda, 0\}$$

Thm: Suppose the sequence of step sizes obeys

$0 < \inf \delta_t \leq \sup \delta_t \leq 2$ , then the  $\{X_k\}$  converges to

the unique solution of

$$\min_X \lambda \|X\|_* + \frac{1}{2} \|X\|_F^2 \\ \text{s.t. } P_{\Omega}(X) = P_{\Omega}(M)$$

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## Algorithm 1 SVT Algorithm

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Input: observed entries  $P_{\Omega}(M)$ ,  
a sequence of positive step sizes  $\{\delta_k\}_{k \geq 0}$ ,  
a regularization parameter  $\lambda$ ,  
termination criteria

Initialize:  $Y_0 = 0_{n_1 \times n_2}$

**while** *termination criteria is not reached* **do**

$$\begin{aligned} [U_k, \Sigma_k, V_k] &= \text{svd}(Y_{k-1}) \\ X_{k+1} &= U_k \text{diag}(\{\sigma_i(\Sigma_k) - \lambda\}_i) V_k^{\top} \\ Y_{k+1} &= Y_k + \delta_k (P_{\Omega}(M) - P_{\Omega}(X_{k+1})) \\ k &= k + 1 \end{aligned}$$

**end**

Output:  $X_k$

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# Alternating Least Squares Minimization

Assumptions:

1.  $M$  is of rank  $k \ll \min\{m, n\}$

$$X = UV^T \text{ where } U \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times k}, V \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k}$$

2.  $M$  is  $\mu$ -incoherent

**Definition** ( $\mu$ -incoherence). A matrix  $M \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  is *incoherent* with parameter  $\mu$  if:

$$\|u^{(i)}\|_2 \leq \frac{\mu\sqrt{k}}{\sqrt{m}} \quad \forall i \in [m], \quad \|v^{(j)}\|_2 \leq \frac{\mu\sqrt{k}}{\sqrt{n}} \quad \forall j \in [n]$$

where  $M = U\Sigma V^\dagger$  is the SVD of  $M$  and  $u^{(i)}, v^{(j)}$  denote the  $i^{th}$  row of  $U$  and  $j^{th}$  row of  $V$  respectively.

$$\min_{U \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times k}, V \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k}} \|P_\Omega(UV^\dagger) - P_\Omega(M)\|_F^2$$

# Alternating Least Squares Minimization

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**Algorithm 3 AltMinComplete**

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Input: observed set  $\Omega$ , values  $P_\Omega(M)$

Partition  $\Omega$  into  $2T + 1$  subsets  $\Omega_0, \dots, \Omega_{2T}$  with each element of  $\Omega$  belonging to one of the  $\Omega_t$  with equal probability (sampling with replacement)

Initialize:  $\hat{U}^0 = SVD(\frac{1}{p}P_{\Omega_0}(M), k)$  i.e., top- $k$  left singular vectors of  $\frac{1}{p}P_{\Omega_0}(M)$

Clipping step: Set all elements of  $\hat{U}^0$  that have magnitude greater than  $\frac{2\mu\sqrt{k}}{\sqrt{n}}$  to zero and orthonormalize the columns of  $\hat{U}^0$

**for**  $t = 0, \dots, T-1$  **do**

$\hat{V}^{t+1} \leftarrow \operatorname{argmin}_{V \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k}} \|P_{\Omega_{t+1}}(\hat{U}^t V^\dagger - M)\|_F^2$   
     $\hat{U}^{t+1} \leftarrow \operatorname{argmin}_{U \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times k}} \|P_{\Omega_{T+t+1}}(U(\hat{V}^{t+1})^\dagger - M)\|_F^2$

**end**

Return  $X = \hat{U}^T(\hat{V}^T)^\dagger$

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# Alternating Least Squares Minimization

**Theorem 3.3.** Let  $M = U^* \Sigma^* V^{*\dagger} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  ( $n \geq m$ ) be a rank- $k$  incoherent matrix, i.e., both  $U^*$  and  $V^*$  are  $\mu$ -incoherent. Also, let each entry of  $M$  be observed uniformly and independently with probability,

$$p > C \frac{\left(\frac{\sigma_1^*}{\sigma_k^*}\right)^2 \mu^2 k^{2.5} \log n \log \frac{k \|M\|_F}{\epsilon}}{m \delta_{2k}^2},$$

where  $\delta_{2k} \leq \frac{\sigma_k^*}{12k\sigma_1^*}$  and  $C > 0$  is a global constant. Then with high probability for  $T = C' \log \frac{\|M\|_F}{\epsilon}$ , the outputs  $\hat{U}^T$  and  $V^T$  of AltMinComplete, with input  $(\Omega, P_\Omega(M))$  satisfy:  $\|M - \hat{U}^T (V^T)^\dagger\|_F \leq \epsilon$

- Requires  $O\left(\left(\frac{\sigma_1^*}{\sigma_k^*}\right)^4 \mu^2 k^{4.5} n \log n \log \frac{k \|M\|_F}{\epsilon}\right)$  matrix entries to be revealed
- Can recover  $M$  in  $O(\log \frac{1}{\epsilon})$  steps



# Numerical Experiments

# Simulation Process

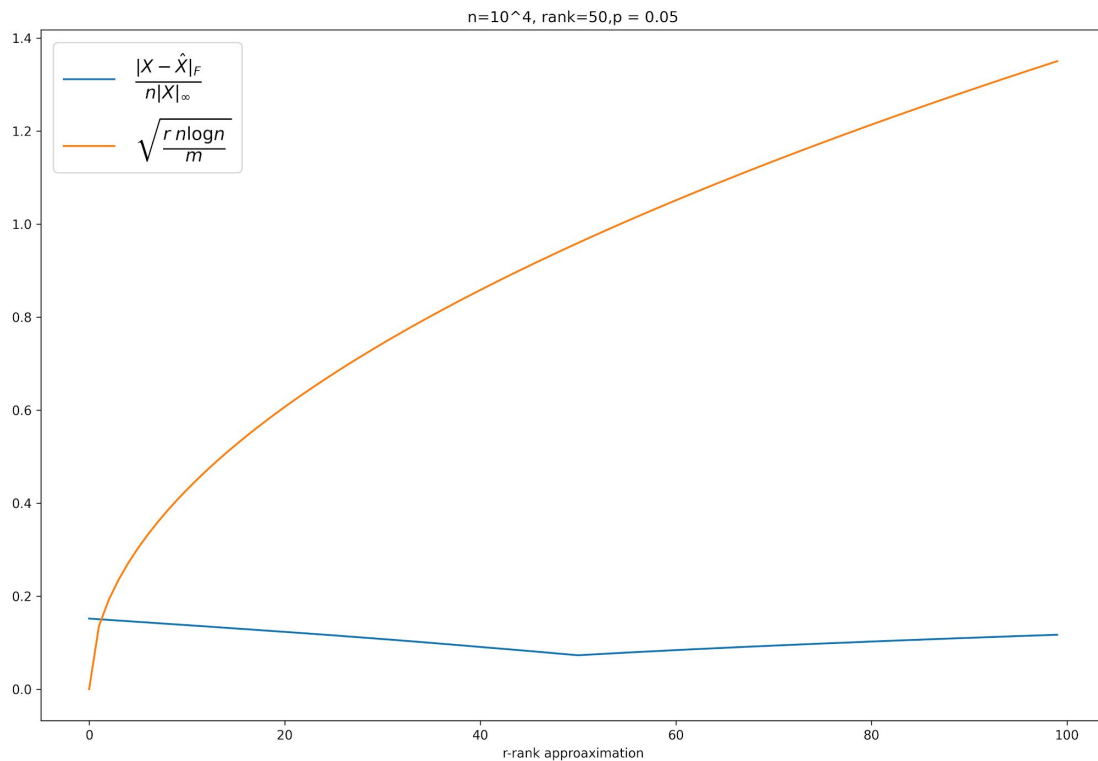
- K - rank matrix :
  - Sample  $U \sim R^{(m,k)}$ ,  $U_{ij} \sim \text{Normal}(0,1)$
  - Sample  $V \sim R^{(k,n)}$ ,  $V_{ij} \sim \text{Normal}(0,1)$
  - Return  $L * R$
- $P_{\Omega}(p) = \Delta^{(m,n)}$ ,  $\Delta_{ij} = 1$  with probability  $p$
- Reconstruction Error =  $\|P_{\Omega}(X - X_k)\|_F$

# Bound on k-rank approximation

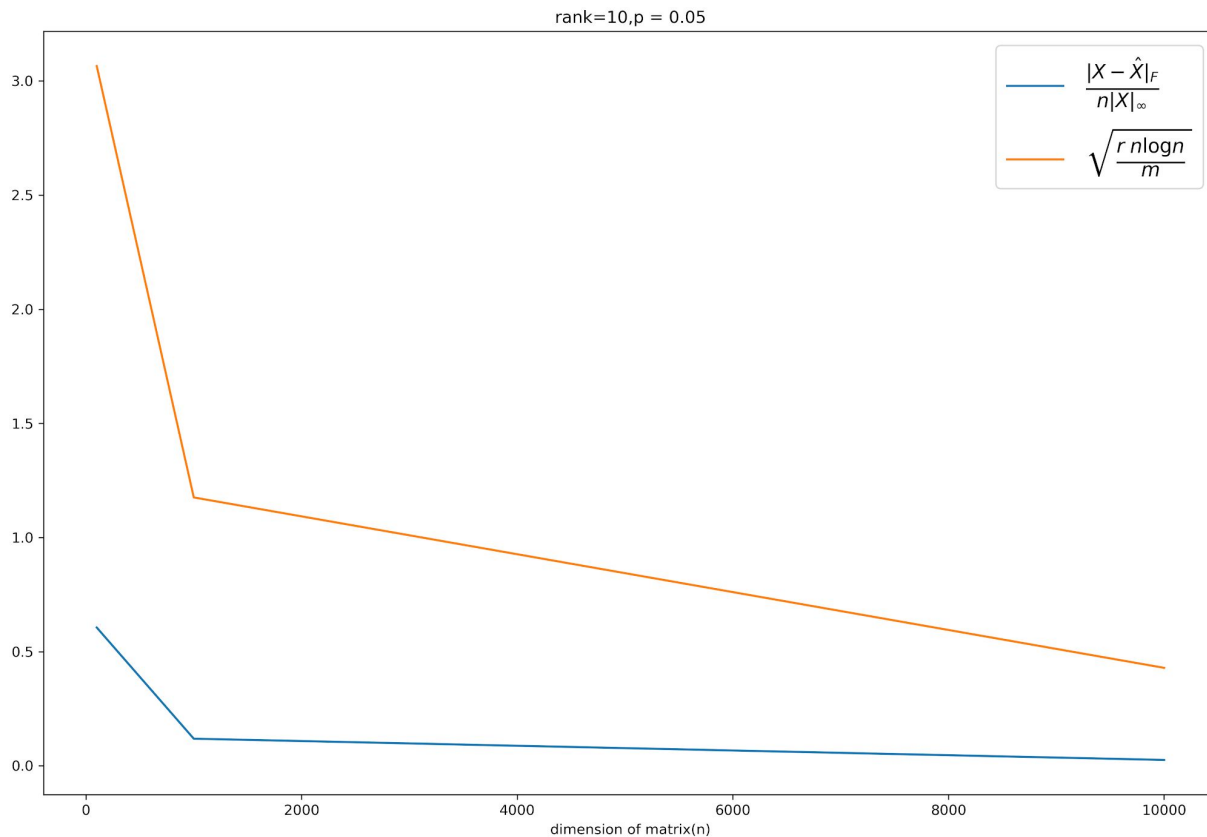
- $U, S, V = \text{svd}(p^{-1}Y)$
- Approximate  $X$  by  $X_k = \sum s_i u_i v_i^T$  (sum upto  $k$  terms)

$$\mathbb{E} \frac{1}{n} \|\hat{X} - X\|_F \leq C \sqrt{\frac{rn \log n}{m}} \|X\|_\infty,$$

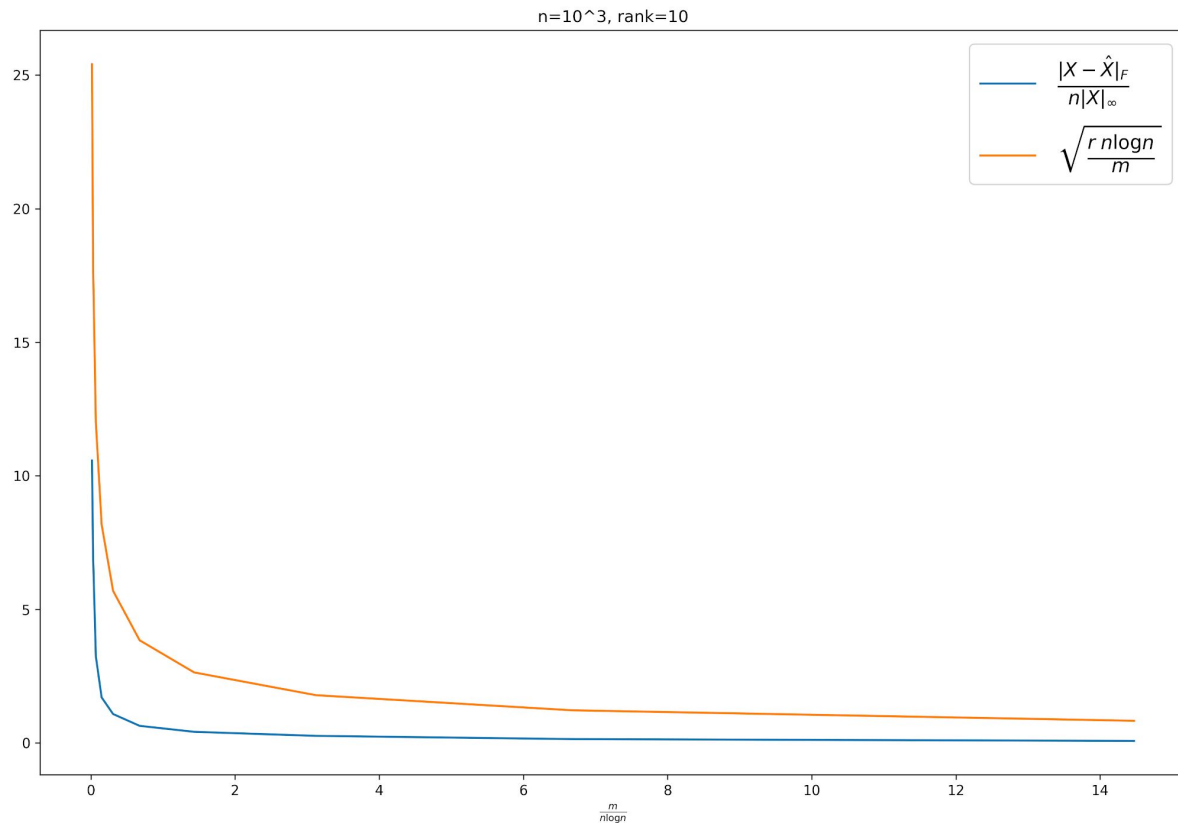
# Reconstruction Error for r-rank approximation



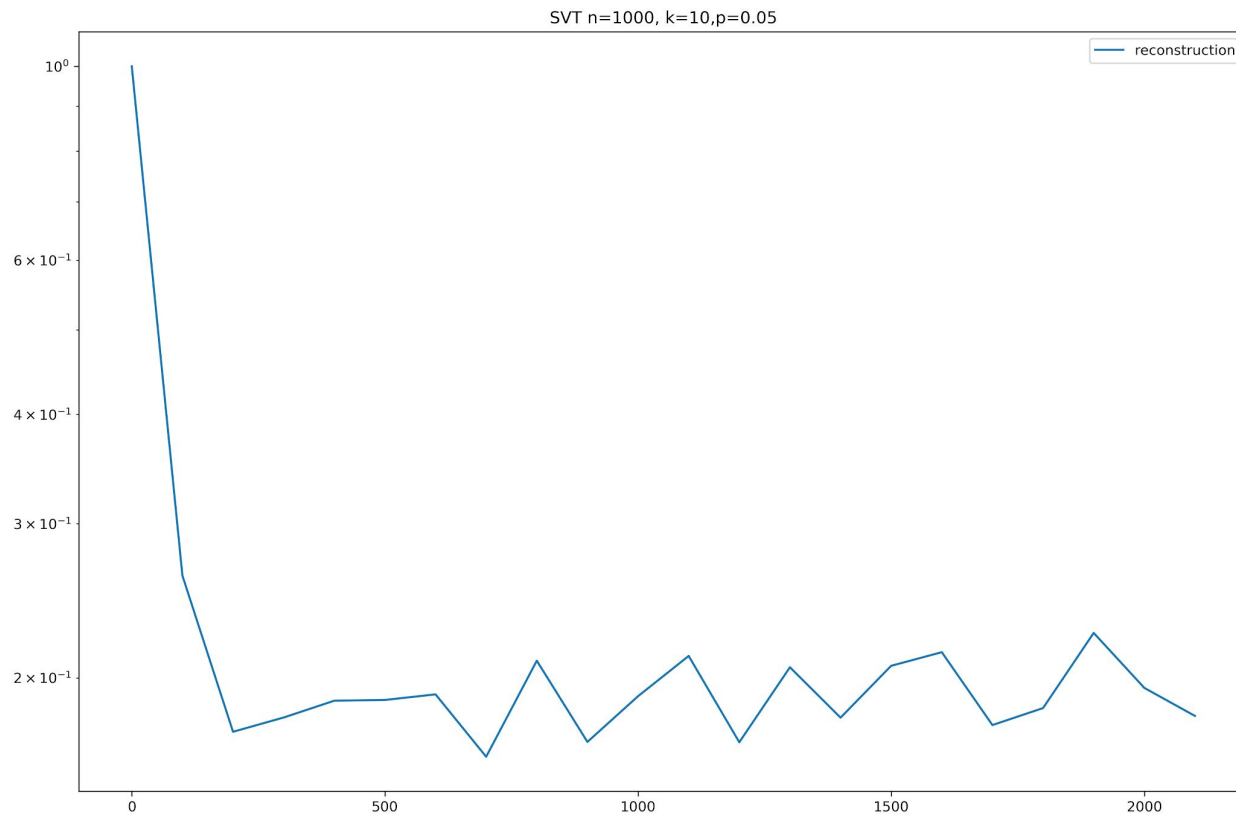
# Reconstruction Error vs dim(X)



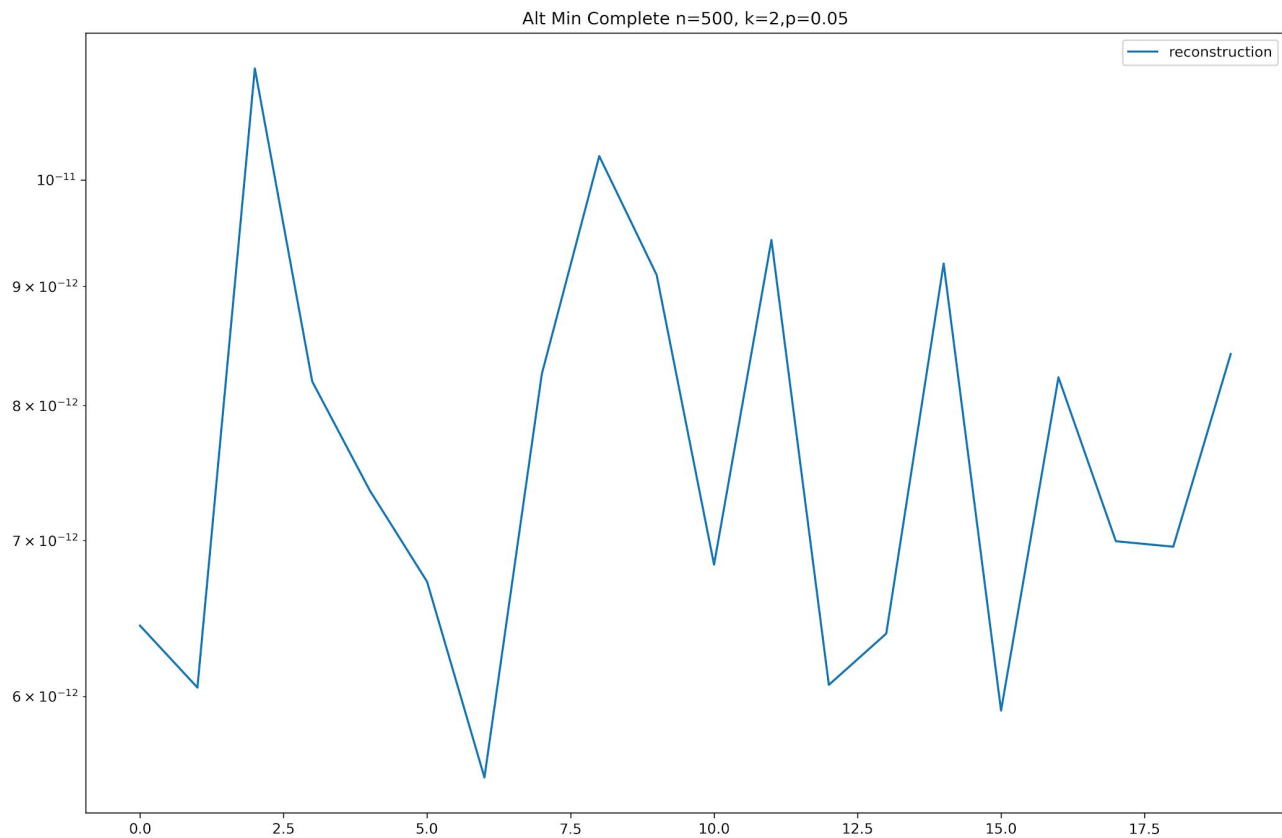
# Reconstruction error vs sparsity



# SVT Convergence



# Alt Min Complete



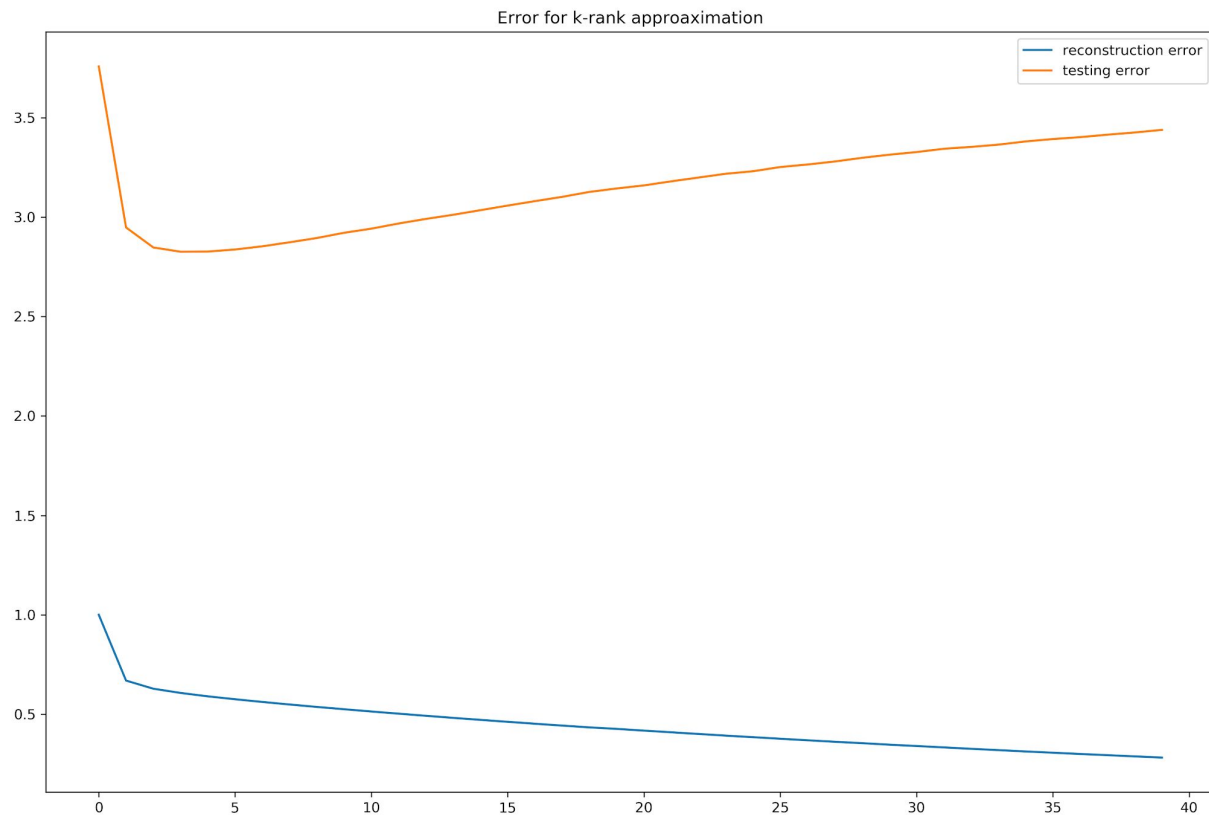


# Real World Application

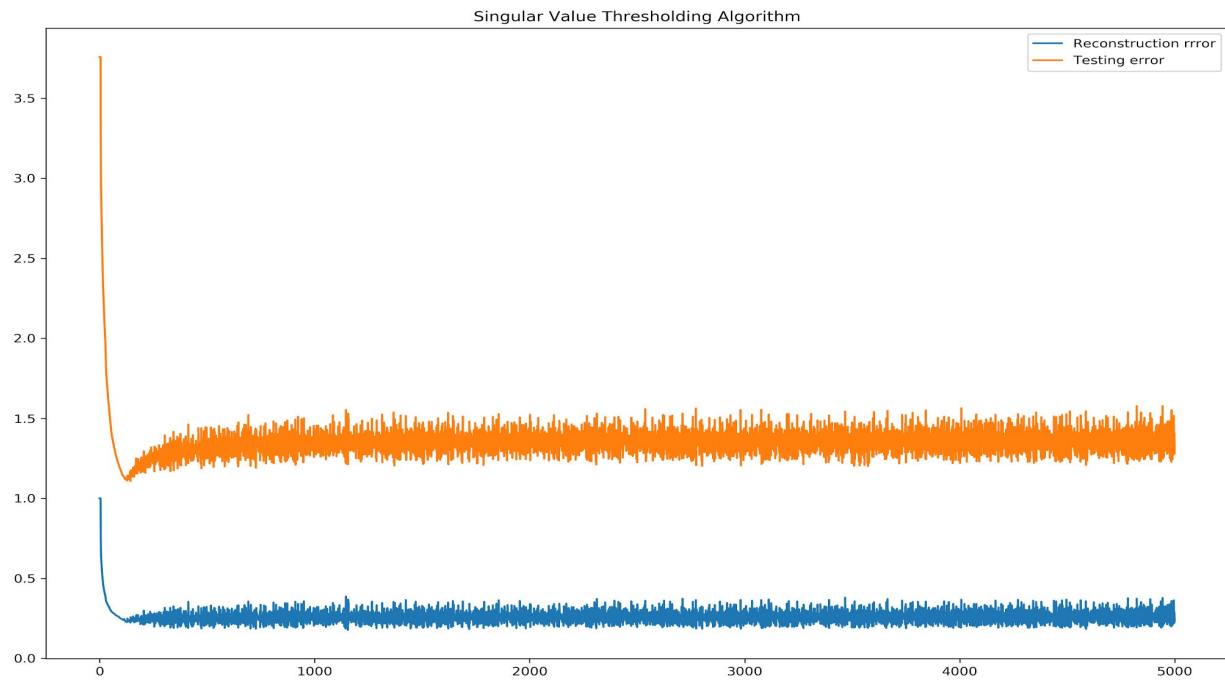
# Dataset

- MovieLens (100k)
  - 943 Users
  - 1682 Movies
  - 100000 total ratings
- Test dataset generated by removing ratings of 10 users from original dataset
- Train Error = reconstruction error of train matrix
- Test Error = MSE of predicted ratings

# K-rank approximation



# SVT



Thanks