

# Image Compression using Singular Value Decomposition (SVD)

- Introduction
- Problem Statement: How can we transmit 1 million numbers ( $1000 \times 1000$  matrix) from a satellite to a laboratory on Earth?
- Approach/Methods: Singular Value Decomposition

# Singular Value Decomposition:

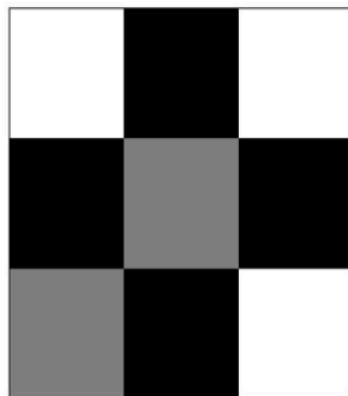
- Effective tool for minimizing data storage and data transfer.
- SVD exists for *any* and *all* matrices: square, non-square, large, small. So, no matter what kind of term by document matrix the internet yields, we know it has a singular value decomposition.
- Takes a matrix and divides it into two orthogonal matrices and a diagonal matrix. This allows us to rewrite our original matrix as a sum of much simpler rank one matrices.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = USV^T$$
$$= \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \\ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{3} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{6}}{6} & -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} \\ -\frac{\sqrt{6}}{3} & 0 & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} \\ \frac{\sqrt{6}}{6} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3} \end{bmatrix}^T$$

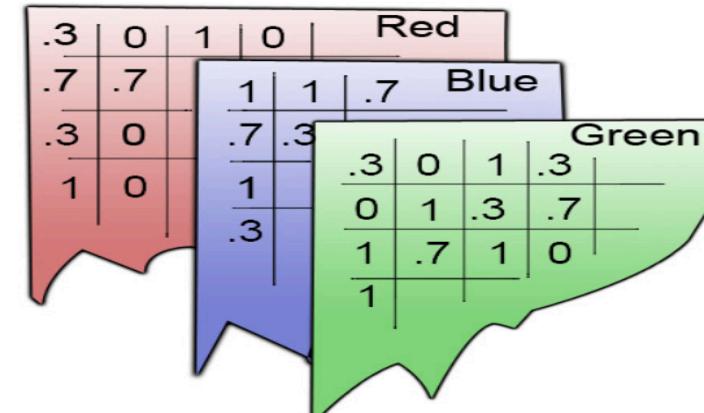
$$A = USV^T = s_{1,1}\mathbf{u}_1\mathbf{v}_1^T + s_{2,2}\mathbf{u}_2\mathbf{v}_2^T + \cdots + s_{k,k}\mathbf{u}_k\mathbf{v}_k^T.$$

# Images as matrices

- We can represent images as matrices. Once it's understood how an image is represented as a matrix, it can be understood how useful **SVD** is
  - Gray scale images (one number per pixel) can be represented as a  $n \times m$  matrix
  - Every subsequent value inside the matrix tells the computer how bright to display the corresponding pixel
  - *Color images*, in turn, can be represented by three matrices. Each matrix specifies the amount of **Red**, **Green** and **Blue** (RGB) that makes up the image.
  - Each color can be represented as a  $n \times 3m$  matrix       $A = [A_{\text{red}}, A_{\text{green}}, A_{\text{blue}}]$



$$= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & .5 & 0 \\ .5 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$



- Problem Statement :Transmit 1 million numbers:

- A grayscale image of size  $1000 \times 1000$ , must be transmitted from a satellite to a laboratory on Earth which equal to **1 million numbers** (one for each pixel).
- SVD decomposition  $A = USV^T$

It's enough that the satellite sends;

- 20 first columns of  $U$
- 20 first **numbers**  $s_{i,i}$
- 20 first columns of  $V$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} U & S & V \\ (\text{Totaling } 20 \times 1000 + 20 + 20 \times 1000 = \mathbf{40,020 \text{ numbers}}) \end{array}$$

- By receiving 40,020 numbers data, the laboratory on Earth calculates the matrix

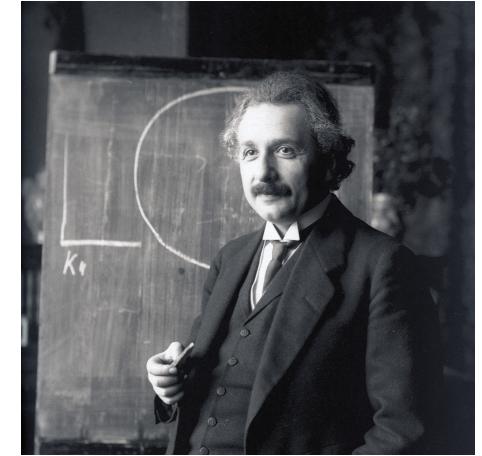
$$s_{1,1}\mathbf{u}_1\mathbf{v}_1^T + s_{2,2}\mathbf{u}_2\mathbf{v}_2^T + \cdots + s_{20,20}\mathbf{u}_{20}\mathbf{v}_{20}^T.$$

that will give an approximation of the original image

# SVD Application: Image Compression

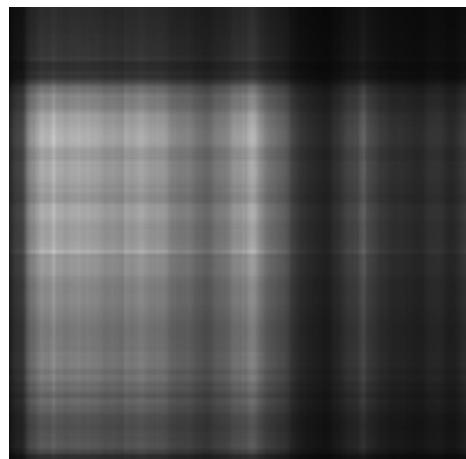
$$s_{1,1}\mathbf{u}_1\mathbf{v}_1^T + s_{2,2}\mathbf{u}_2\mathbf{v}_2^T + \cdots + s_{r,r}\mathbf{u}_r\mathbf{v}_r^T \text{ for } r = 1, 5, 10 \text{ and } 20.$$

- Generate approximations to the original image
- Original image corresponds to the case  $r = 1024$
- $1024 \times 1024 = \mathbf{1,048,579}$
- $r=20 \rightarrow 20 \times 1024 + 20 + 20 \times 1024 = \mathbf{40,980} \quad (\%3.9)$



Albert Einstein (1879 – 1955)  
 $1024 \times 1024 \times 3$

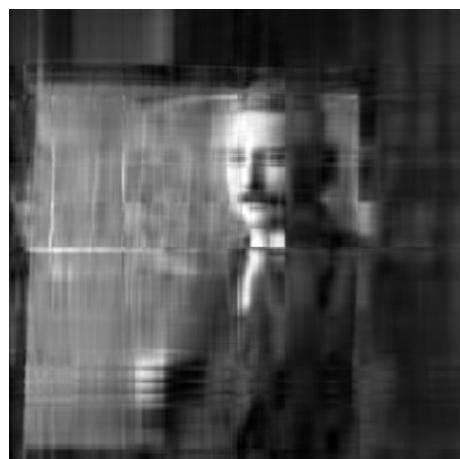
$r = 1$



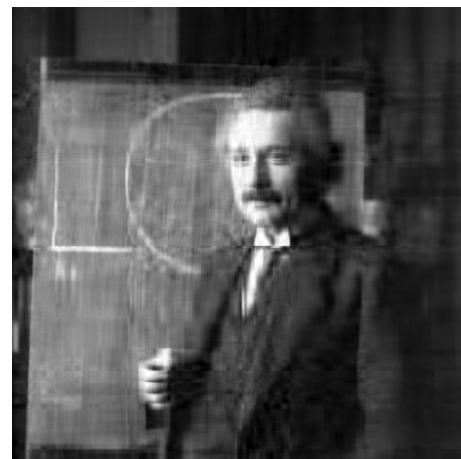
$r = 5$



$r = 10$



$r = 20$



# SVD Application: Image Compression

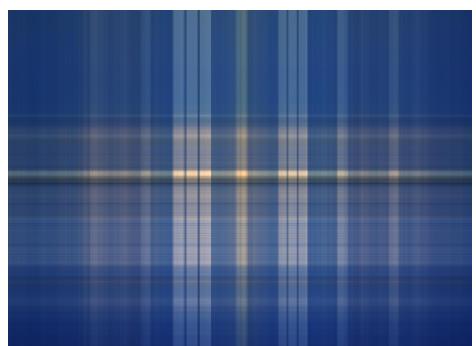
$s_{1,1}\mathbf{u}_1\mathbf{v}_1^T + s_{2,2}\mathbf{u}_2\mathbf{v}_2^T + \cdots + s_{r,r}\mathbf{u}_r\mathbf{v}_r^T$  for  $r = 1, 5, 10$  and  $20$ .

- Generate approximations to the original image
- Original image corresponds to the case



International Space Station  
2849 x 4288 x 3

$r = 1$



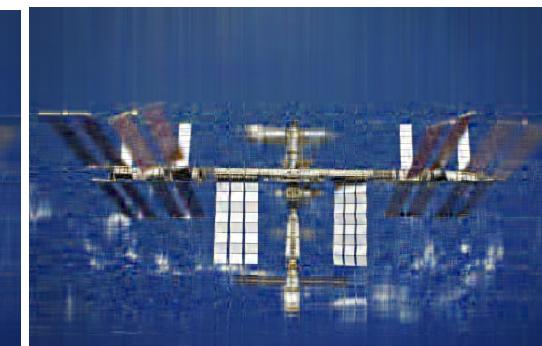
$r = 5$



$r = 10$



$r = 20$



$r = 50$



# SVD: Other Application

## Rank, Range, and Null space

- The range of matrix A is The left singular vectors of U corresponding to the non-zero singular values.
- The rank of matrix A can be calculated from SVD by the number of nonzero singular values.
- The null space of matrix A is The right singular vectors of V corresponding to the zeroed singular values.

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

Range

Rank

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 4 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sqrt{5} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \sqrt{0.2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \sqrt{0.8} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sqrt{0.8} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \sqrt{0.2} \end{bmatrix}$$

Null Space

## Digital Signal Processing (DSP)

- SVD is used as a method for noise reduction.
- Let a matrix  $A$  represent the noisy signal:
  - compute the SVD,
  - and then discard small singular values of  $A$ .
- It can be shown that the small singular values mainly represent the noise, and thus the rank- $k$  matrix  $A_k$  represents a filtered signal with less noise.

# SVD was discovered by the following people:



E. Beltrami  
(1835 – 1900)



M. Jordan  
(1838 – 1922)



J. Sylvester  
(1814 – 1897)



E. Schmidt  
(1876-1959)



H. Weyl  
(1885-1955)

## Question & Answer

## Thank you