Singular Value Decomposition

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Rank of a matrix

For an $n \times m$ matrix A

Column Rank of A, col-rank(A) is the maximum number of linearly independent columns of A

Row Rank of A, row-rank(A) is the maximum number of linearly independent rows of A

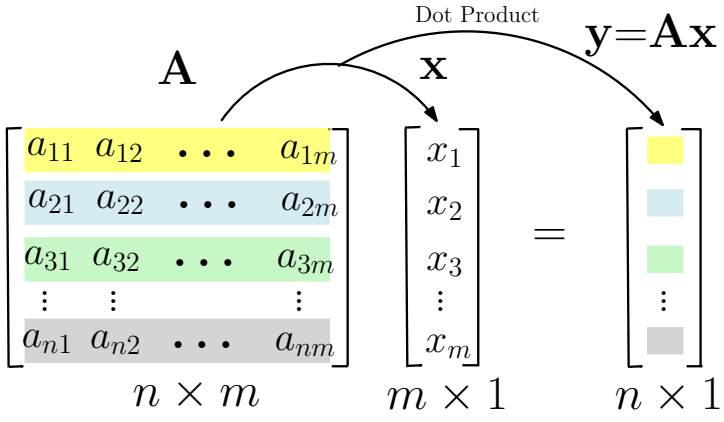
$rank(A) :=$ col-rank(A) $=$ row-rank(A)

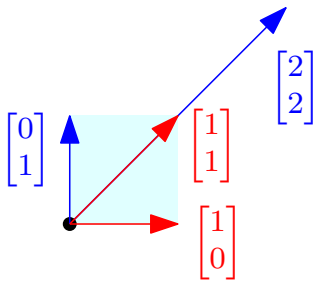
Rank of a matrix

For an $n \times m$ matrix A

Looking at A as a linear transformation i.e. $A : \mathbb{R}^m \mapsto \mathbb{R}^n$

$rank(A)$ is the true dimensionality of the range (output space) of A





columns of $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ are linearly dependent

If $rank(A) = k$ then output vectors live in k-d subspace

Rank of a matrix

Another definition of rank (aka decomposition rank)
An $n \times m$ matrix A has

Rank-0 if all its entries are 0

Rank-1 if it is outer product of an n and an $m \times 1$ vector, $A = \mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^T$

$$A = \mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^T = \begin{bmatrix} | \\ \mathbf{u} \\ | \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} — & \mathbf{v}^T & — \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & \dots & | \\ v_1\mathbf{u} & v_2\mathbf{u} & \dots & v_m\mathbf{u} \\ | & | & \dots & | \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} — & u_1\mathbf{v}^T & — \\ — & u_2\mathbf{v}^T & — \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ — & u_n\mathbf{v}^T & — \end{bmatrix}$$

Rank-2 if it is non-trivial sum of two rank-1 matrices $A = \mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}^T + \mathbf{w}\mathbf{x}^T$

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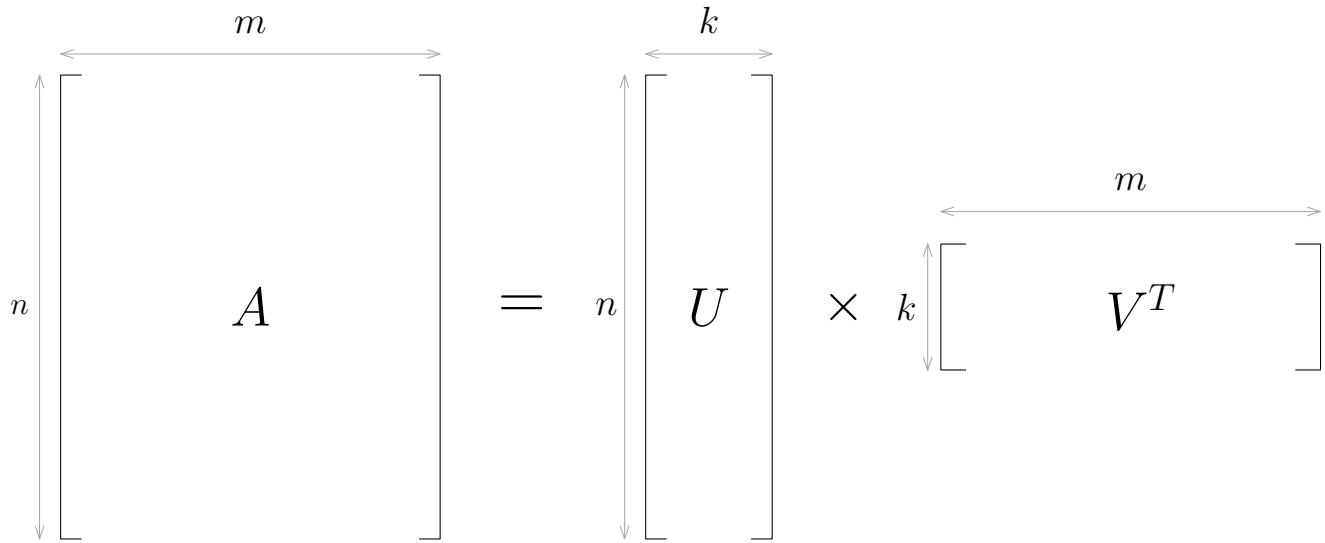
Rank-k if it is sum of k rank-1 matrices and cannot be written as sum of $k-1$ or fewer rank-1 matrices

Rank Factorization of a matrix

An $n \times m$ matrix A has rank-k
if A can be "factored into" the product of a tall and skinny $(n \times k)$ matrix U and a short and long $(k \times n)$ matrix V^T $A = UV^T$ A cannot be likewise factored into the product $n \times (k-1)$ and $(k-1) \times m$ matrices



- columns of U are the columns of the rank-1 factors $\mathbf{u}_i$'s
- rows of V^T are the rows of the rank-1 factors $\mathbf{v}_i$'s

All definitions of rank are equivalent - each implies the other

Rank Factorization of a matrix

- $n \times n$ matrix A is "full rank" if it has rank n
  - It uniquely maps $n \times 1$ vectors to $n \times 1$ vectors
  - A is a "bijection", A is invertible
- If $rank(A) < n$, then A is a singular matrix (rank deficient matrix)
  - The resulting dimensionality is $\leq n - 1$,
  - Cannot get pre-images from images – A is not invertible
- There cannot be any inverse for a non-square matrix

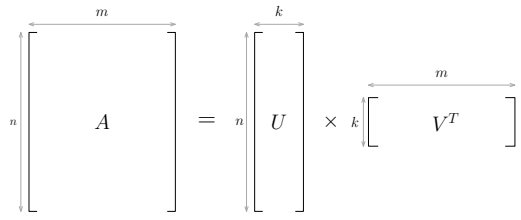
Low rank data matrix

A: a $n \times m$ data matrix (rows: data points – columns: features)

If A has rank k, then $A = UV^T$

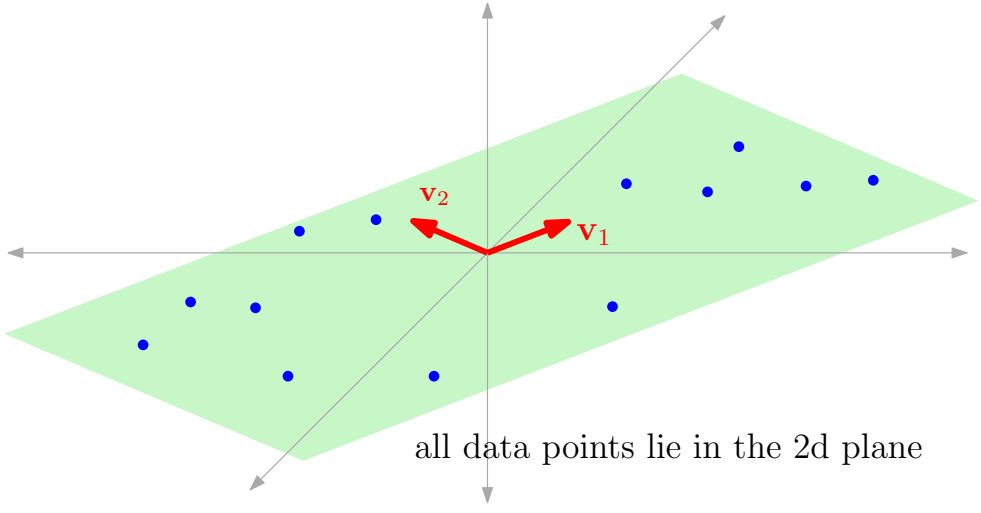
$U : n \times k$ matrix $\qquad V : k \times m$ matrix

Each row (data point) of A can be represented as a linear combination of $\mathbf{v}_1, \ldots, \mathbf{v}_k$



$\mathbf{a}_i = \sum_{j=1}^{k} u_{ij}\mathbf{v}_j$, u_{ij} are projection lengths of $\mathbf{a}_i$ on $\mathbf{v}_j$

Geometrically, all data lie in a k-d subspace (spanned by $\mathbf{v}_1, \ldots, \mathbf{v}_k$)



Data Compression:

Space reqtt for A: $n \times m$

Store the matrix U and V

Space reqtt: $k(n+m)$

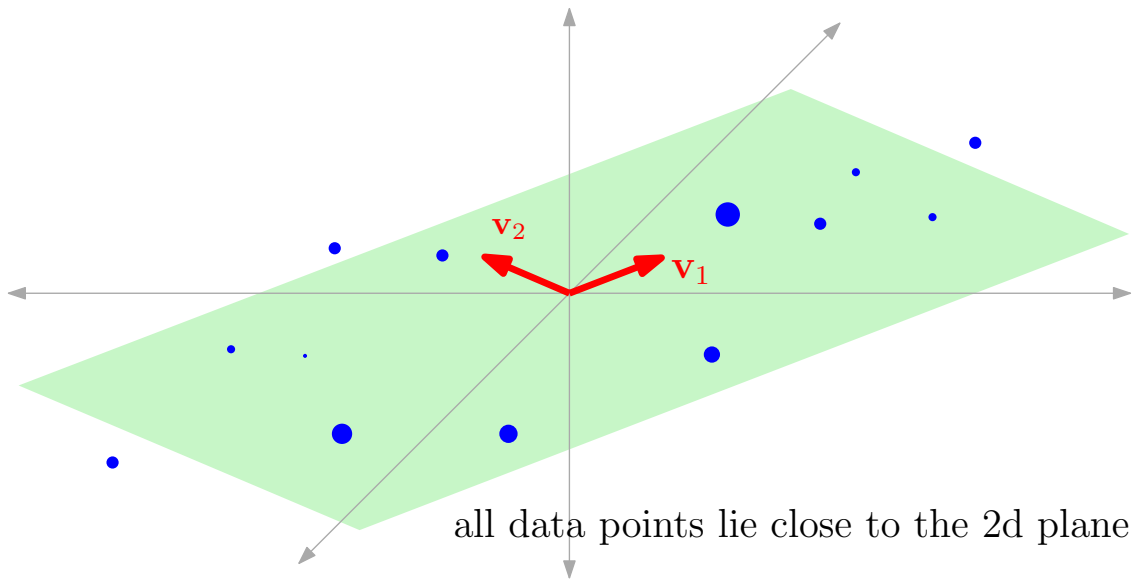
Low rank approximation

Data may not be in a k-d subspace,

but it may be lying 'close by' to a low dimensional subspace

We say data is approximately low rank

We may not get $A = UV^T$ – would like to find U and V so $A \simeq UV^T$



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Need a goodness measure to assess $A \simeq UV^T$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \|\mathbf{a}_i - \sum_{j=1}^{k} u_{ij}\mathbf{v}_j\|^2 \;=:\; \|A - UV^T\|_F^2$$

For a matrix M, $\|M\|_F = \sqrt{\sum_{i,j} M_{ij}^2}$ is the Frobenius norm of M

The optimization problem of finding the best low rank approximation for A

$$\underset{V \in \mathbb{R}^{k\times m},\, U \in \mathbb{R}^{n\times k}}{\arg\min} \|A - UV^T\|_F^2$$

Why expect low rank structure

Data is not necessarily described by the attributes in which it is measured
I am going to show you two examples with dependencies between columns.
These examples are adapted from real-world data

Why expect low rank structure

Housing Data

ID	Beds	Baths	Living sq-ft	Lot sq-ft	Floors	Garage Cars	List Price	Sale Price
1	1	1	870	1100	1	0	31630	31544
2	1	1	1080	1400	1	0	35920	35916
3	2	1	1250	1500	1	0	48250	48025
4	2	1	1285	1550	1	0	48965	48738
5	2	2	1460	1800	2	1	67540	67633
6	3	2	1560	1800	1	0	68440	68763
7	3	2	1630	1900	2	1	79870	79533
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Housing Data : Rank of this matrix is not 8 Some linear dependencies are shown (there may be others including non-linear)

$$\textbf{List-Price} = 10k\times \textbf{ bed } +5k\times\textbf{baths } +9\times \textbf{ liv-sqFT } +8\times \textbf{ Lot } +10k\times \textbf{ Cars}$$

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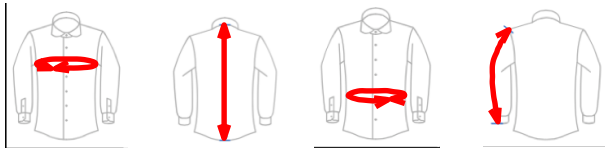
$$\textbf{Sale Price} = (1 \pm 0.02) \times \textbf{List Price}$$

Why expect low rank structure

Shirt Dimension Many measurements (chest and waist circumferences, sleeve and back lengths) for shirt
In market shirts are marked with collar measurement only

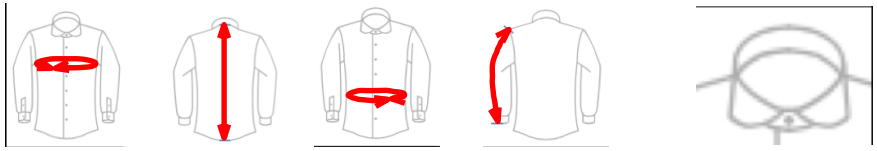


Chest	Back	Waist	Sleeve
104	81	98	67
107	81	100	67
110	82	102	67
113	82	104	67
116	83	106	68
120	83	110	68
124	84	114	68
128	84	118	68
132	85	122	68
136	85	126	68

Why expect low rank structure

Shirt Dimension The collar feature is a linear combination of other features. The data actually lies in a one dimensional space

$$\textbf{Collar} = 0.44\times \textbf{Chest} + 0.015\times \textbf{Back} - 0.2\times \textbf{Waist} + 0.153\times \textbf{Sleeve}$$



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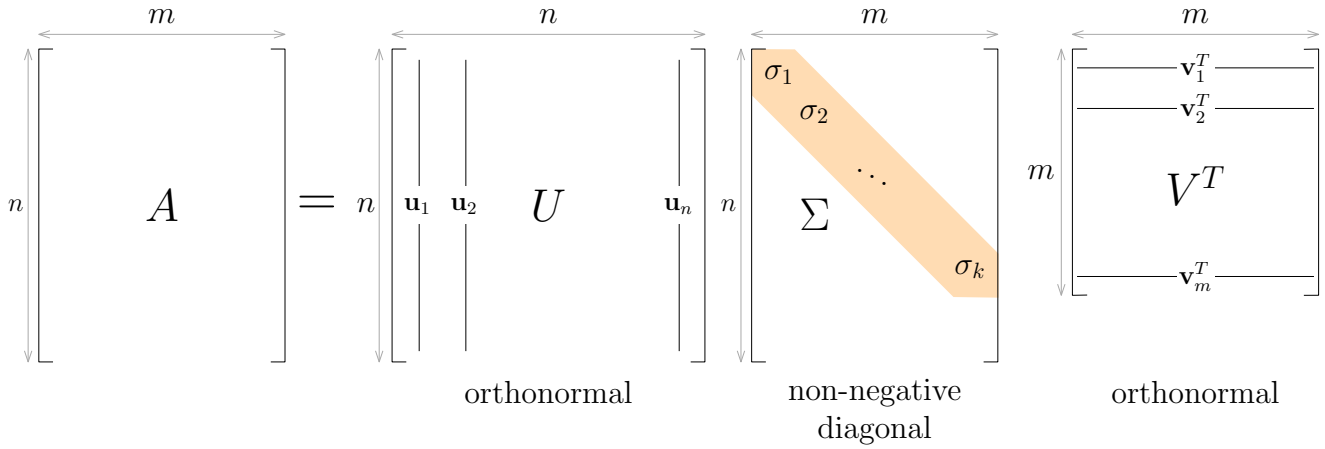
Singular Value Decomposition

Theorem

Any $n \times m$ matrix can be written as a product of three matrices, $A = U\Sigma V^T$

- *U is a $n \times n$ orthogonal matrix (columns are orthonormal)*
- *V is a $m \times m$ orthogonal matrix*
- *Σ is a $n \times m$ diagonal matrix, with non-negative entries and entries at the main diagonal are sorted from highest value to lowest*



Singular Value Decomposition

Compact SVD

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Any $n \times m$ matrix with rank $r \leq \min\{m, n\}$ can be written as a product of three matrices, $A = U\Sigma V^T$

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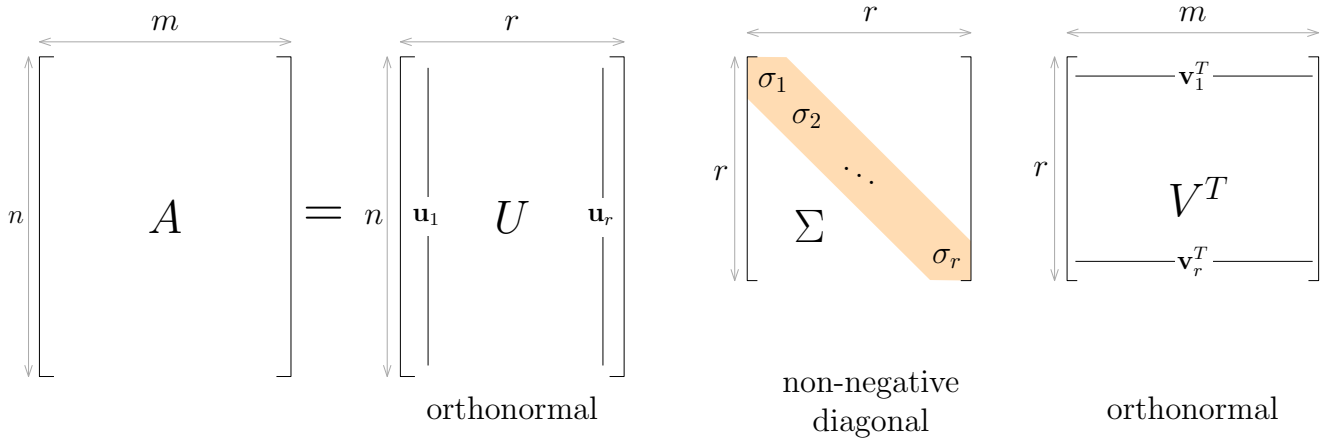
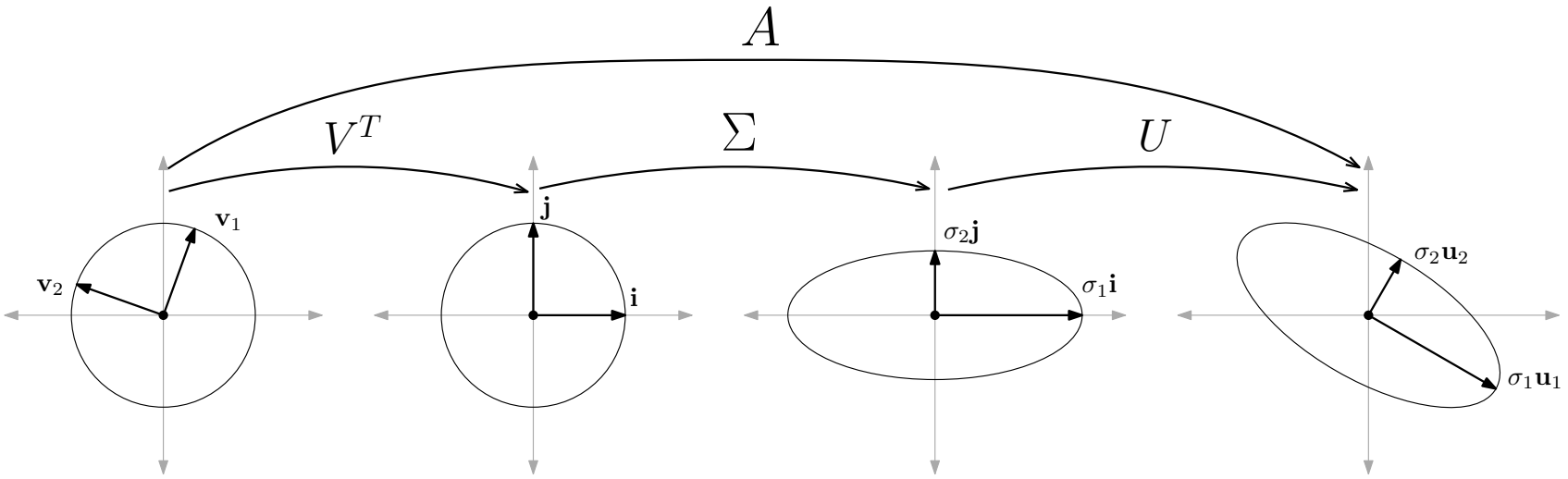


Singular Value Decomposition

SVD $A = U\Sigma V^T$

- U is orthogonal – its columns are called left singular vectors
- V is orthogonal – its columns are called right singular vectors
- Diagonal entries of Σ are called singular values

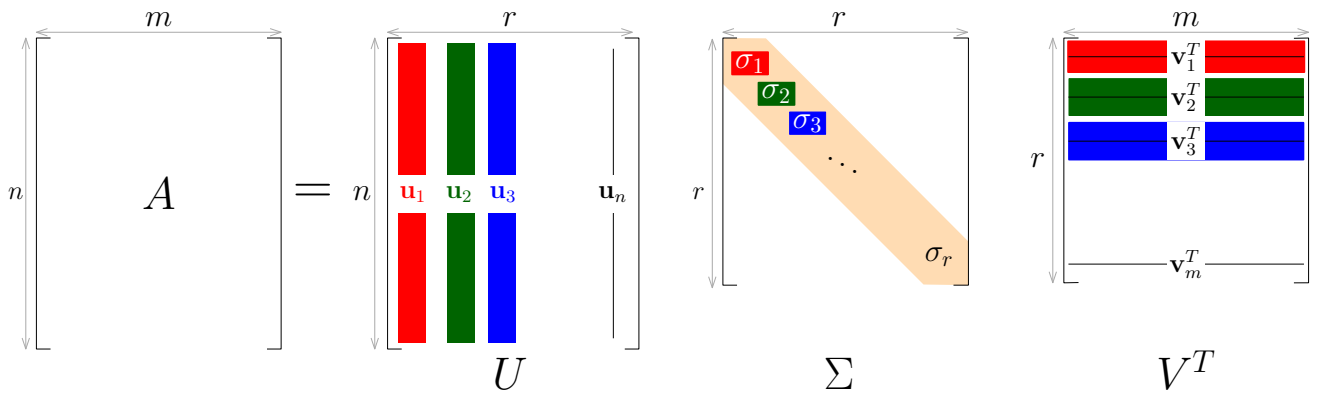
Any transformation is a rotation followed by scaling followed by a rotation

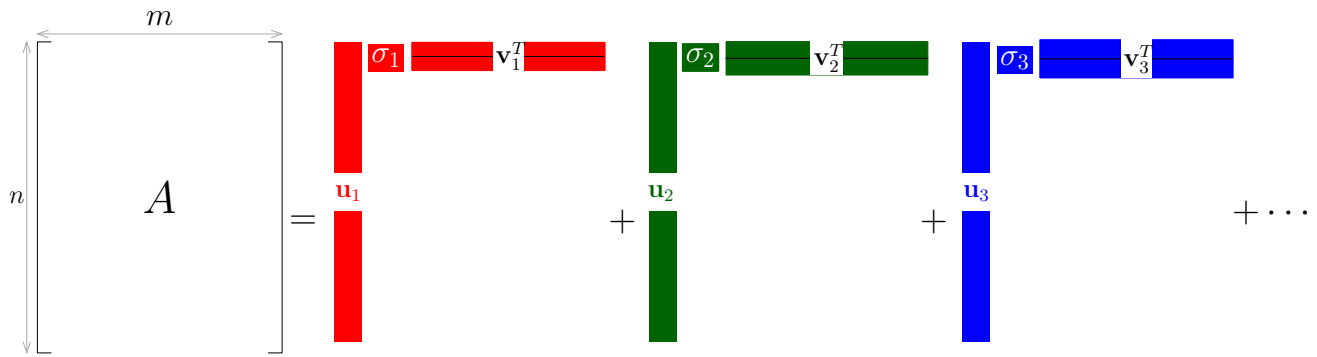


Spectral decomposition of a matrix

From SVD of $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ we can get spectral decomposition of A
i.e. Express A as linear combination of r rank-1 matrices (outer products of singular vectors) – coefficients are the corresponding singular values

$$A = U\Sigma V^T \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad A = \sum_{\ell=1}^{\min\{m,n\}} \sigma_\ell \, \mathbf{u}_\ell \circ \mathbf{v}_\ell^T$$





Truncated SVD

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

$$A_k = \sum_{\ell=1}^{k} \sigma_\ell \mathbf{u}_\ell \circ \mathbf{v}_\ell^T + \sum_{\ell=k+1}^{r} \sigma_\ell \mathbf{u}_\ell \circ \mathbf{v}_\ell^T$$

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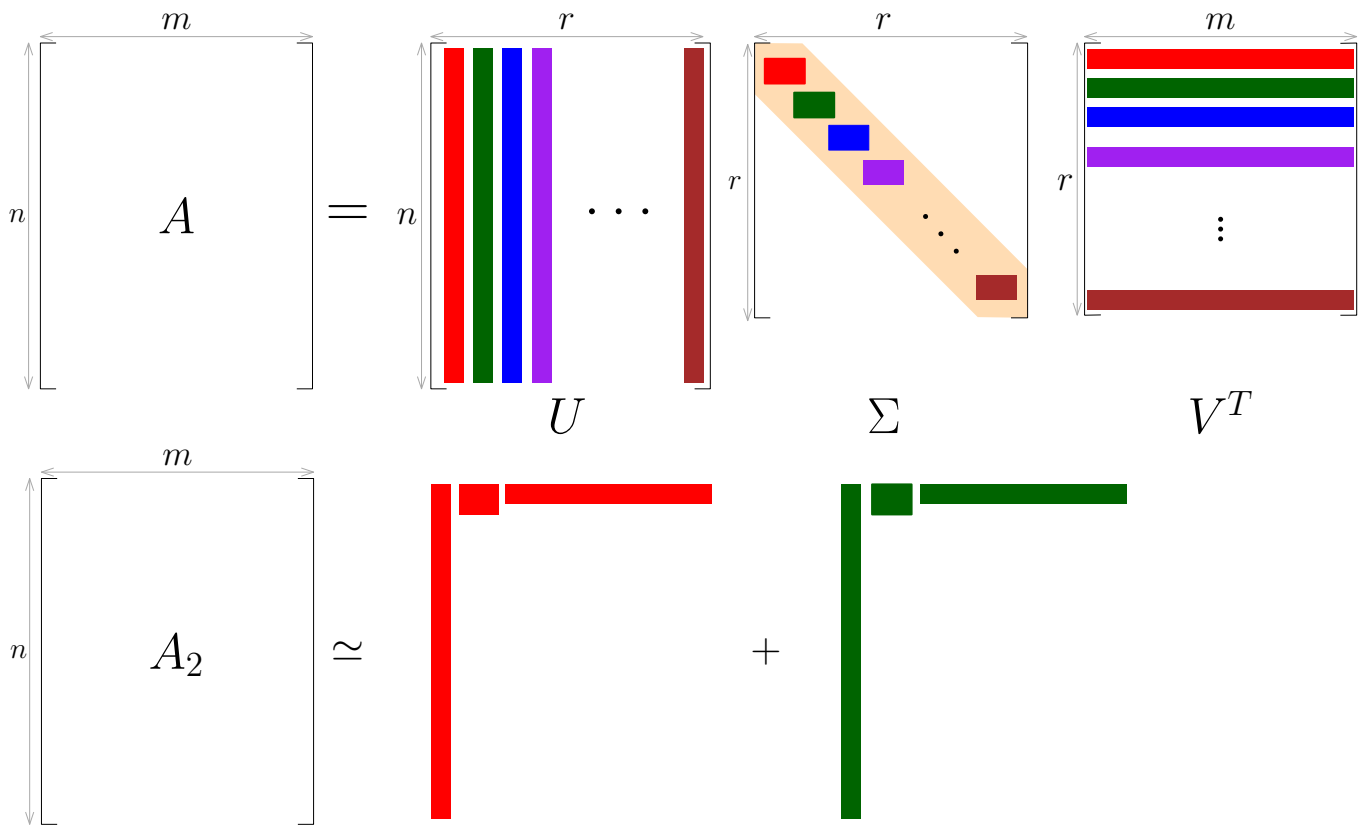

Set to 0 (truncate) the last $r - k$ singular values (σ_{k+1} to σ_r)

Truncated SVD

- $U_k \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k}$: the first k left singular vectors (the first k columns of U)
- $\Sigma_k \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k}$: the first k singular values
- V_k^T be the first k right singular vectors

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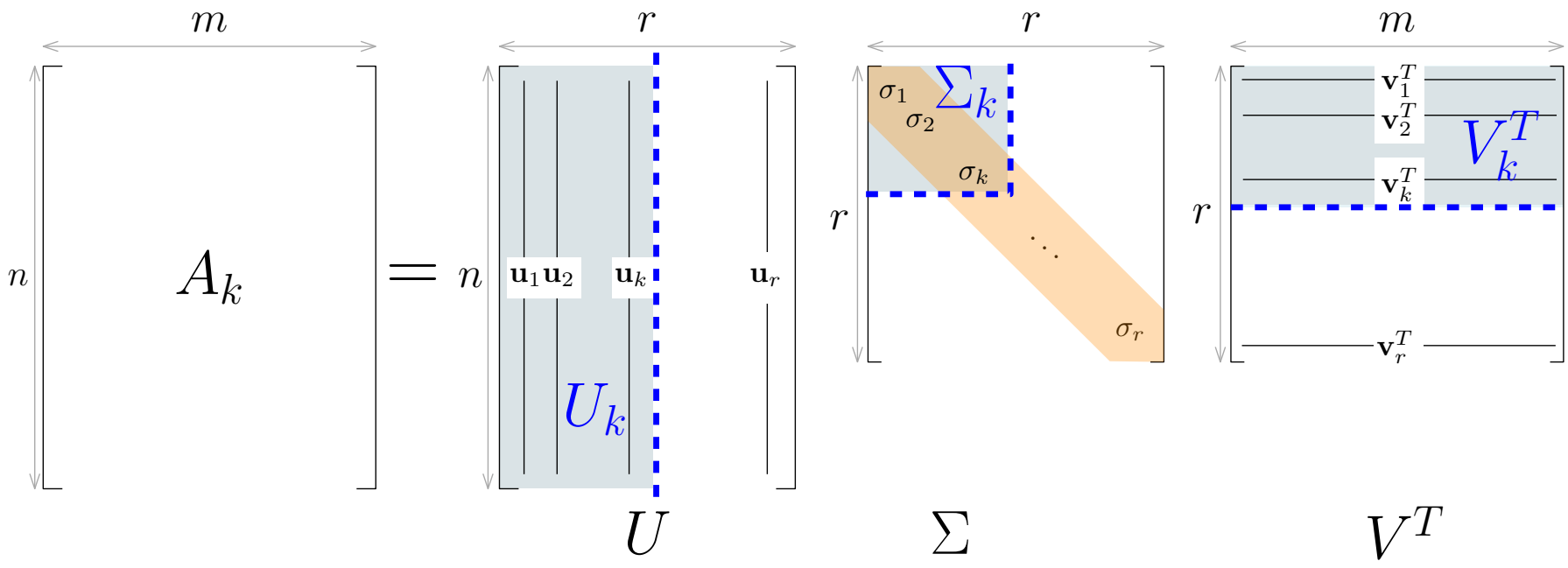

Rank-k approximation from Truncated SVD

The optimization problem of finding the best low rank approximation for A

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Theorem

A_k is the best rank-k approximation to A, i.e. it is the solution to the above optimization problem

More formally,

- the U in the above problem would be $U_k\sqrt{\Sigma_k}$
- and V would be $\sqrt{\Sigma_k}V_k^T$

If k is not part of input, then k can be chosen as we discussed for number of principal components (scree plot, elbow method etc.)

SVD Application

Matrix Completion - extrapolate missing values of a matrix

Interpretation of SVD

Approximate A in terms of k "concepts" or "latent factors"

Singular vectors U_k and V_k^T are numeric representations of rows and columns of concepts

Singular values Σ_k measure strength of these concepts

- ith row of U represents a data item (ith row of A) as a linear combination of the rows of concepts (with coefficients Σ)
- jth column of V^T represents a dimension (jth columns of A) as a linear combination of the columns of concepts (with coefficient Σ)

SVD Application

Recall the recommendation system problem

Given a rating matrix R – users (rows) ratings for products (columns), predict $R(i, j)$

	p_1	p_2	p_3						p_j									p_m
u_1	1		2	1		4			2		3	2		5				2
u_2		1				2		1			2			1				3
u_3		1	1	2				1							1		2	
				3		2			5			2			3	4		
		1			2									5				
u_i			3	2	1		4	5	?	1		3	1		2			1
			4													4		
			5			1										5		
		1		4							1	3		5		1	2	
u_n			3		1	1		2	1					4				5

SVD Application

Matrix Factorization for Recommendation System ($R = PQ$)

- P is a k-d representation of users in a latent feature space $\mathbb{R}^k$
- Q is the k-d representation of movies latent feature space
- $P_i Q_j^T$: interaction between user i and movie j – approximation of R_{ij}

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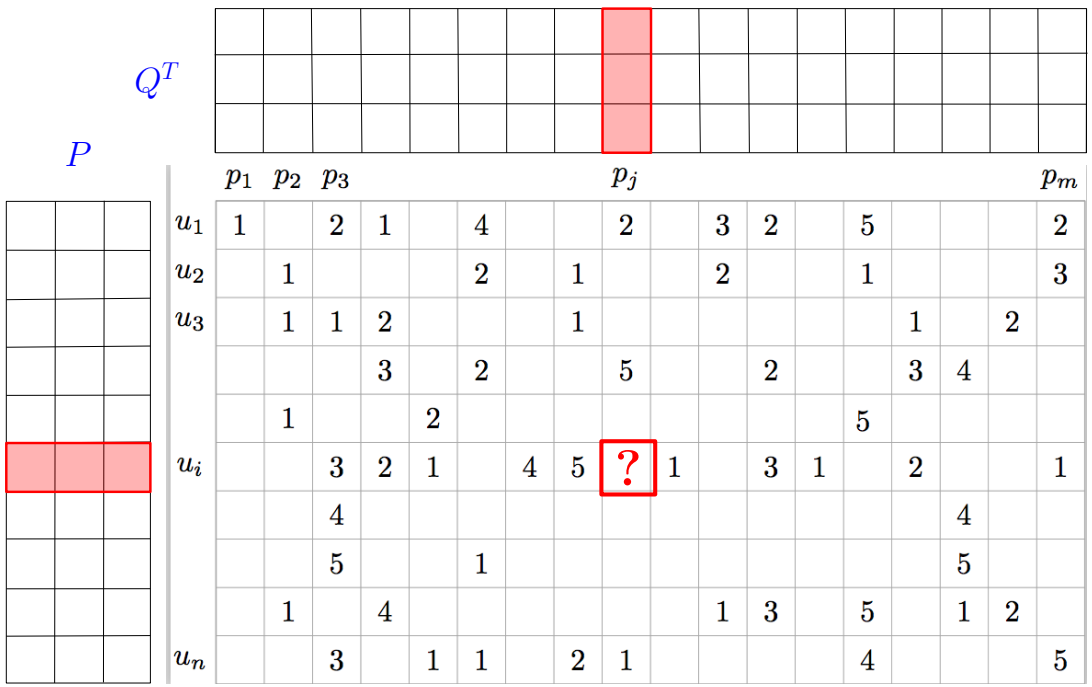

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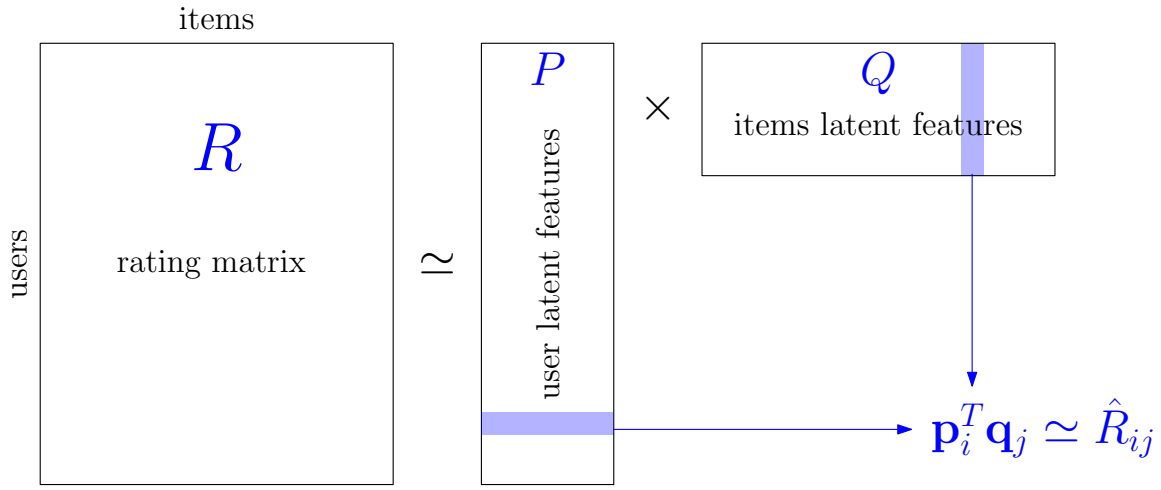

SVD Application

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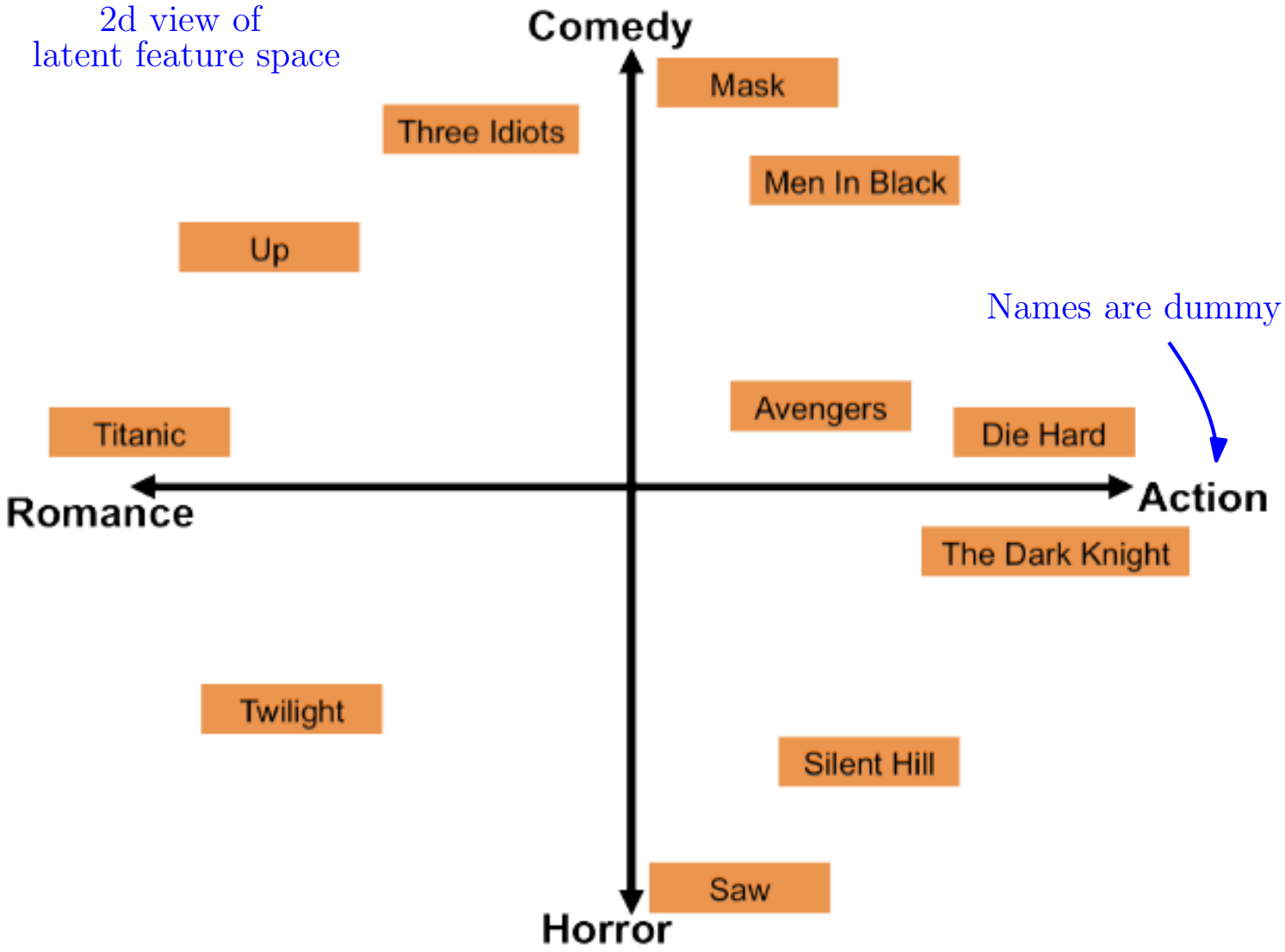

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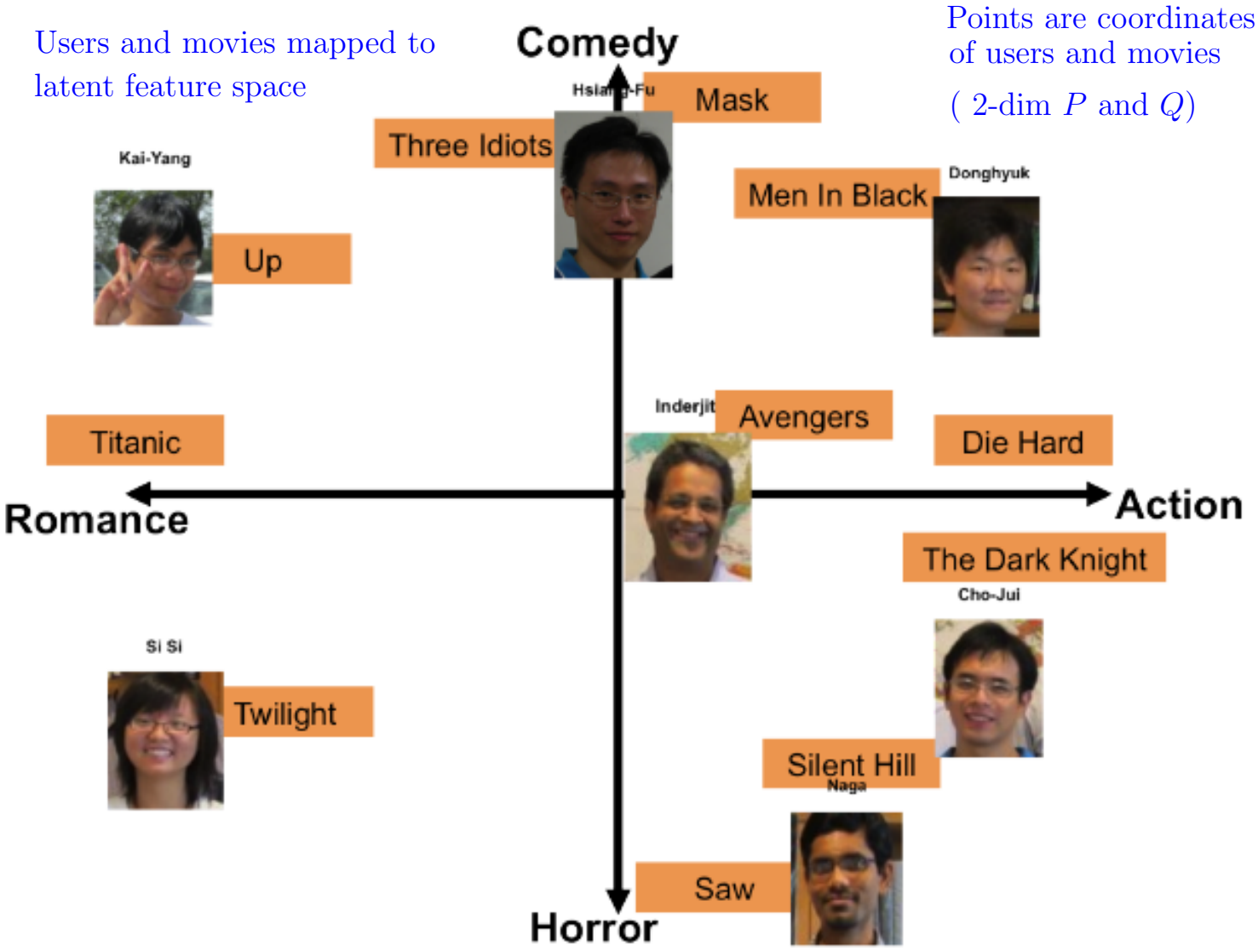

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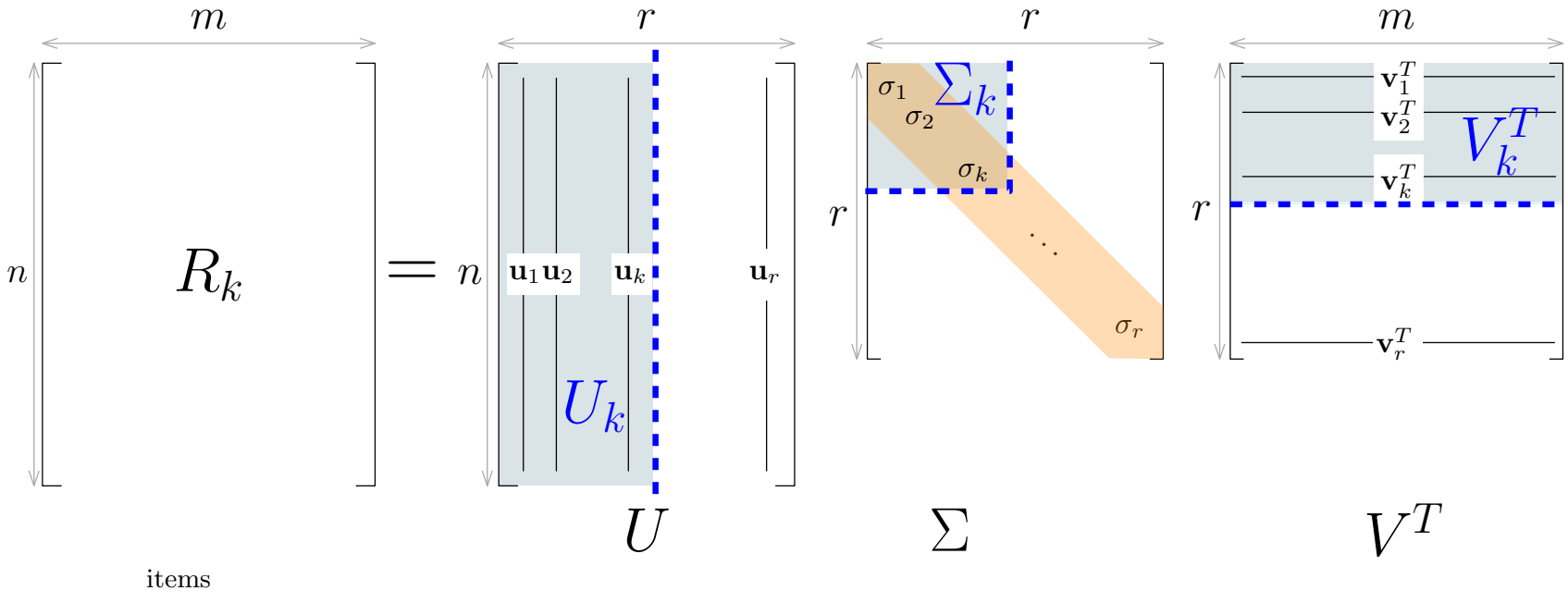
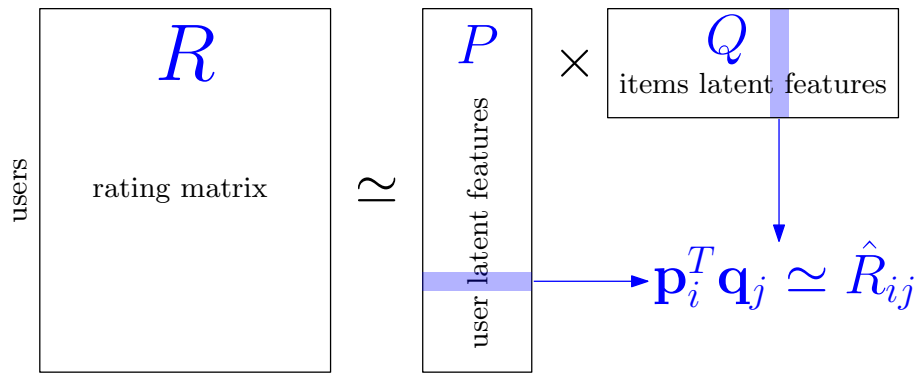
Using SVD to get $R = PQ$





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SVD Application

- SVD is not the best approach to factorize rating matrix
- Typically R will have majority values missing
- SVD will adjust U, Σ and V to the 0's or any default values
- One can try other default values
  - matrix average, row averages, column averages, ANOVA
- SVD only performs good if R is close to rank-k and not many missing values

SVD Application

A classic use of SVD is the Latent Semantic Analysis – the basis of Word Embedding (particularly word2vec) and Latent Semantic Indexing (when used in information retrieval). LSA is widely used in many text analytics applications.

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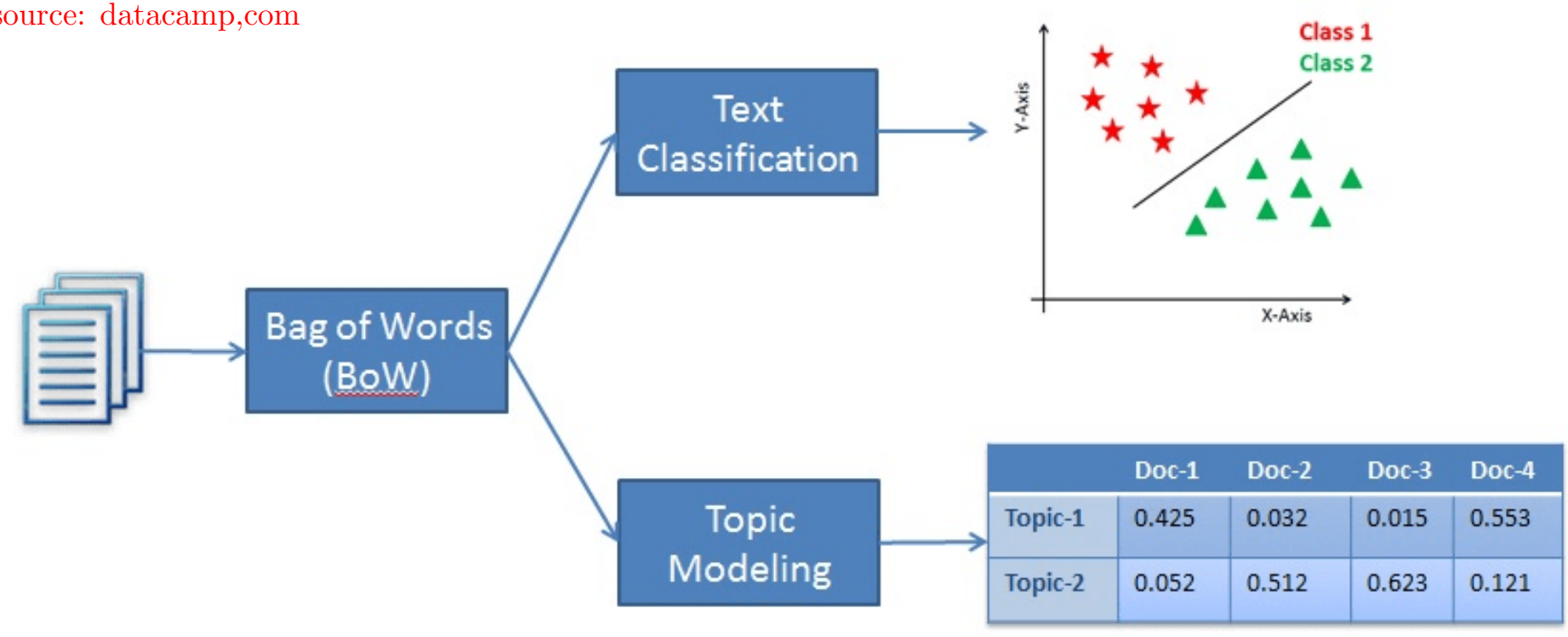
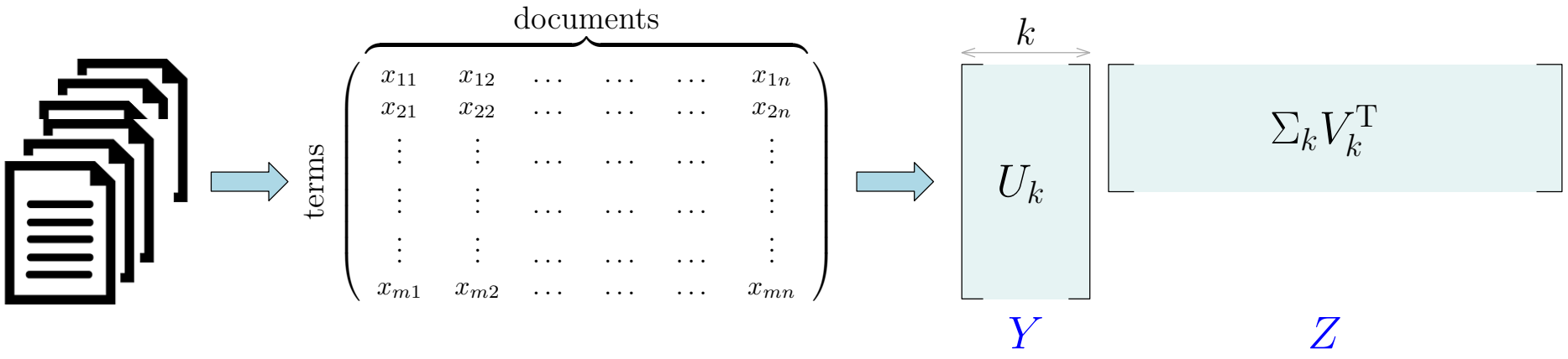


	Doc-1	Doc-2	Doc-3	Doc-4
Topic-1	0.425	0.032	0.015	0.553
Topic-2	0.052	0.512	0.623	0.121

SVD Application: LSA

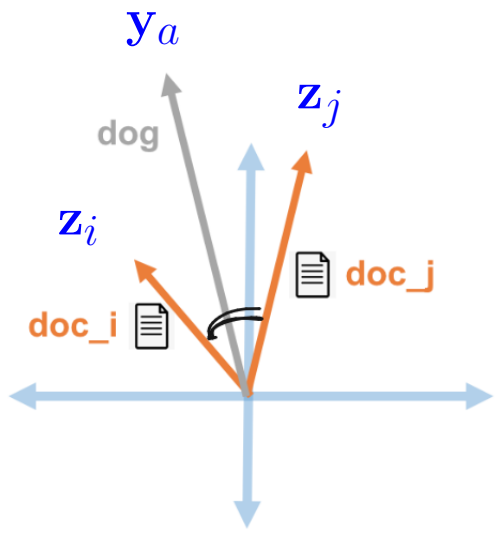


Term-Document Incidence Matrix, X

Low rank approximation of X via SVD

- $\|X - YZ^{\mathrm{T}}\|_F$ is minimum (amongst rank k matrices)
- On average every entry $X_{ij} \simeq \mathbf{y}_a i \mathbf{z}_i^{\mathrm{T}}$
- $\mathbf{y}_a \mathbf{z}_i^{\mathrm{T}} \simeq 1$ when doc_i contains $term_a$
- $\mathbf{y}_a$ and $\mathbf{z}_i$ is the ath row of Y and ith columns of Z^{T}

SVD Application: LSA

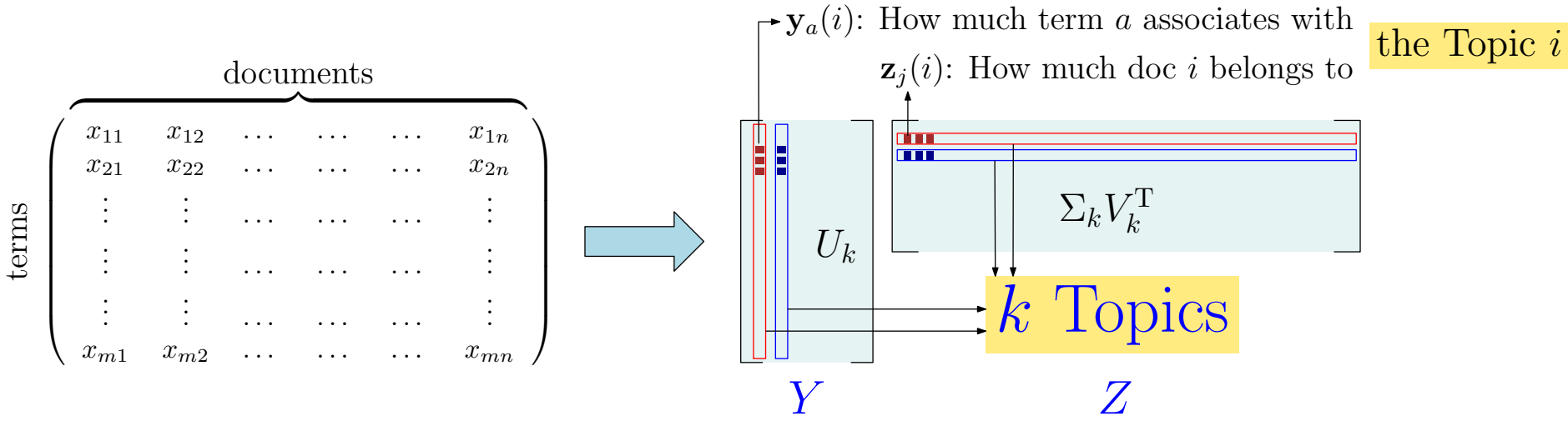


- doc_i and doc_j both contains $term_a \implies \mathbf{y}_a \mathbf{z}_i^{\mathrm{T}} \simeq \mathbf{y}_a \mathbf{z}_j^{\mathrm{T}} \simeq 1$
- $\mathbf{z}_i$ and $\mathbf{z}_j$ both have high dot product with $\mathbf{y}_a$ (low cosine distance)
- If doc_i and doc_j contain many terms, in common, they will have small angle between them (high dot-product)
- If terms a and b appear in many common documents, then $\mathbf{y}_a$ and $\mathbf{y}_b$ will have higher dot products

SVD Application: LSA

Alternative Interpretation:

- Y and Z represent k abstract concepts (latent factors)
- the ath row of Y represent term a as linear combin. of the k concepts
- Columns of Z^T represent docs as linear combin. of the k concepts



Term-Document Incidence Matrix, X

Low rank approximation of X via SVD

SVD Application

LSA embeds terms into the k-d space (rows of Y are the representation)

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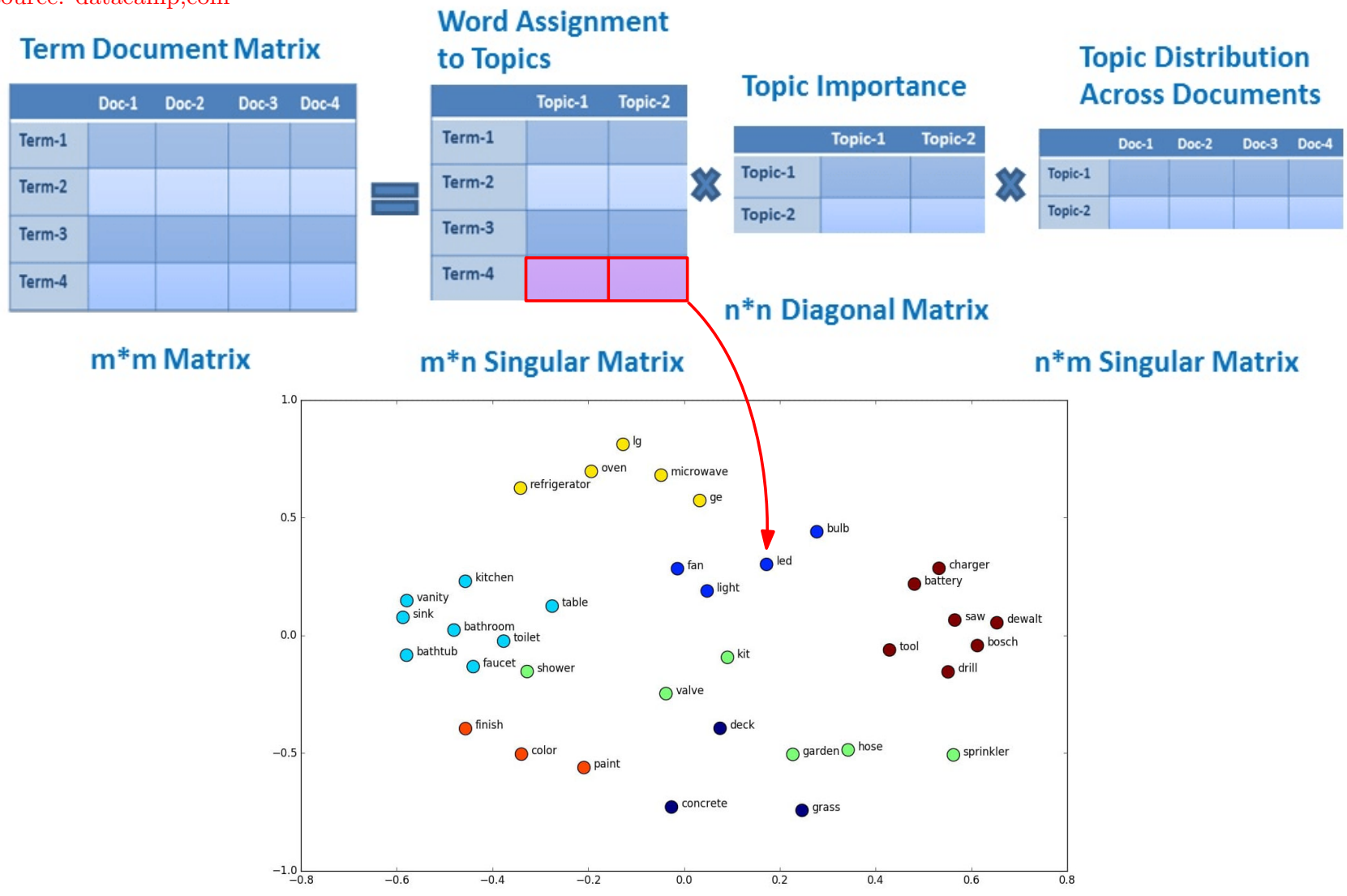


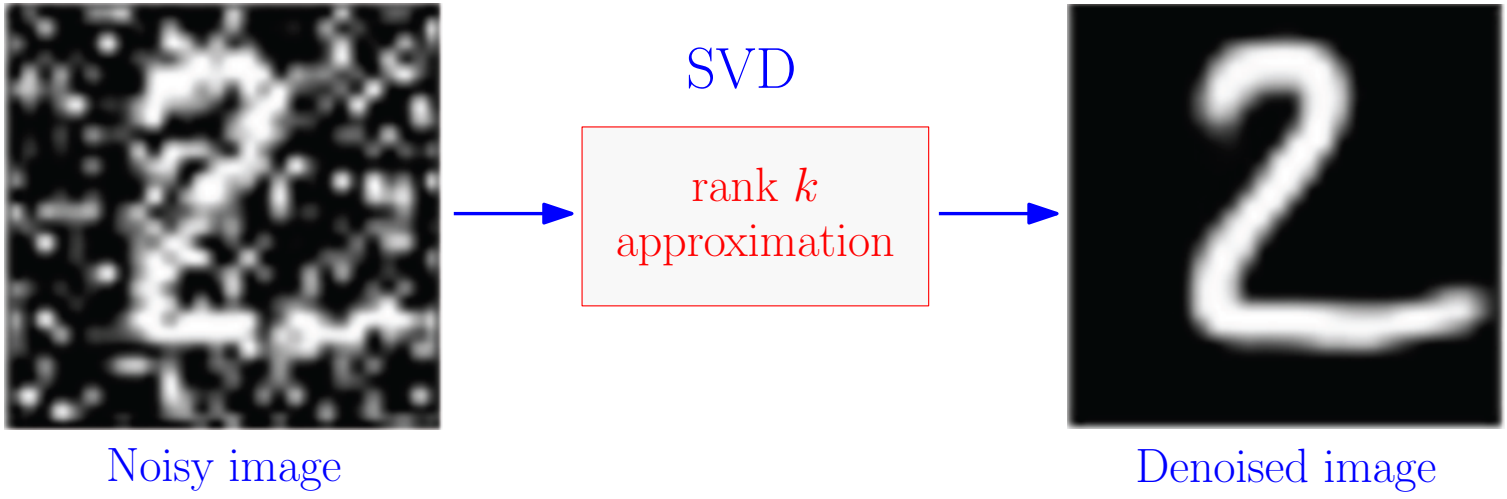
SVD Application

Data denoising

If true underlying data in A is low-rank Truncated SVD of A might throw out a significant amount of noise and little ground truth data (the signal)

The resulting approximate data might be a cleaner, more informative and better version of A

Especially, if singular values have a good elbow structure, (smaller singular values will more likely correspond to the added noise in data)



SVD and Eigendecomposition

SVD and eigen-decomposition are related but there are differences

- Not every matrix has an eigen-decomposition (not even every square matrix). Any matrix (even rectangular) has an SVD
- In eigen-decomposition $A = X\Lambda X^{-1}$, that is, the eigen-basis is not always orthogonal. The basis of singular vectors is always orthogonal
- In SVD we have two singular-spaces (right and left)
- Computing the SVD of a matrix is more numerically stable

SVD and Eigendecomposition

For $n \times n$ real symmetric real matrix A

$$A = U\Sigma V^T \qquad A = X\Lambda X^{-1}$$

In this case we must have the following

- U, V, X are orthonormal matrices
- Λ and Σ are diagonal matrices with values in decreasing orders (eigenvalues and singular values, respectively)
- U and V are the left and right singular matrices of A, respectively
- X are eigenvectors of A

SVD and Eigendecomposition

PCA using SVD

$$A^{\mathrm{T}}A = (U\Sigma V^{\mathrm{T}})^{\mathrm{T}}U\Sigma V^{\mathrm{T}} = (V^{\mathrm{T}})^{\mathrm{T}}\Sigma^{\mathrm{T}}U^{\mathrm{T}}U\Sigma V^{\mathrm{T}} = V\Sigma\Sigma V^{T} = V\Sigma^{2}V^{\mathrm{T}}$$

- V contains eigenvectors of $C = A^{T}A$
- Note we get it directly from $A = U\Sigma V^{T}$ without having to explicitly compute the covariance matrix.
- For large dataset and large dimensions computing C is already computationally expensive
- So SVD provides another way of computing the principal components
- Recall that principal components are eigenvectors of $A^{T}A$ (if A is the data matrix with each data point as a row and each dimension as a column). Eigenvalues are just the square roots of the singular values