

# Applied Text Analytics & Natural Language Processing

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*SVD and Co-occurrence Matrices*



# Learning Objectives

In this course, you will learn

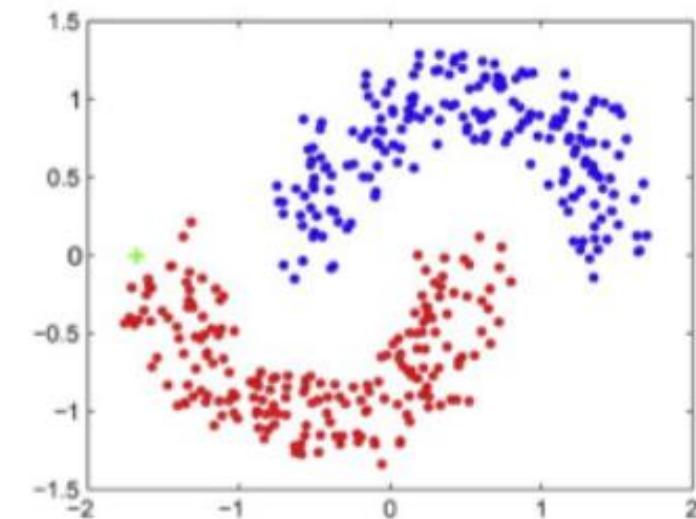
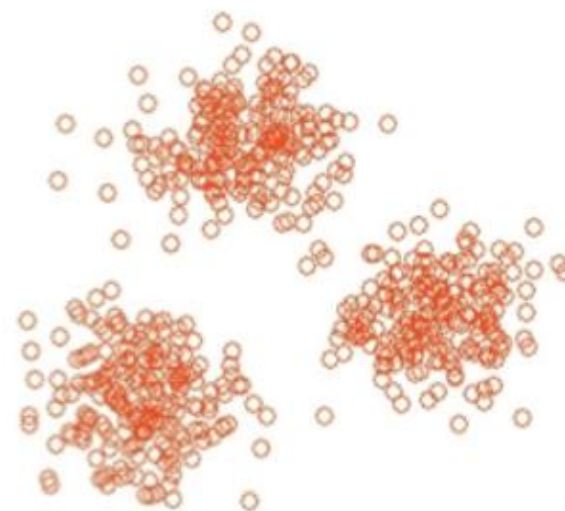
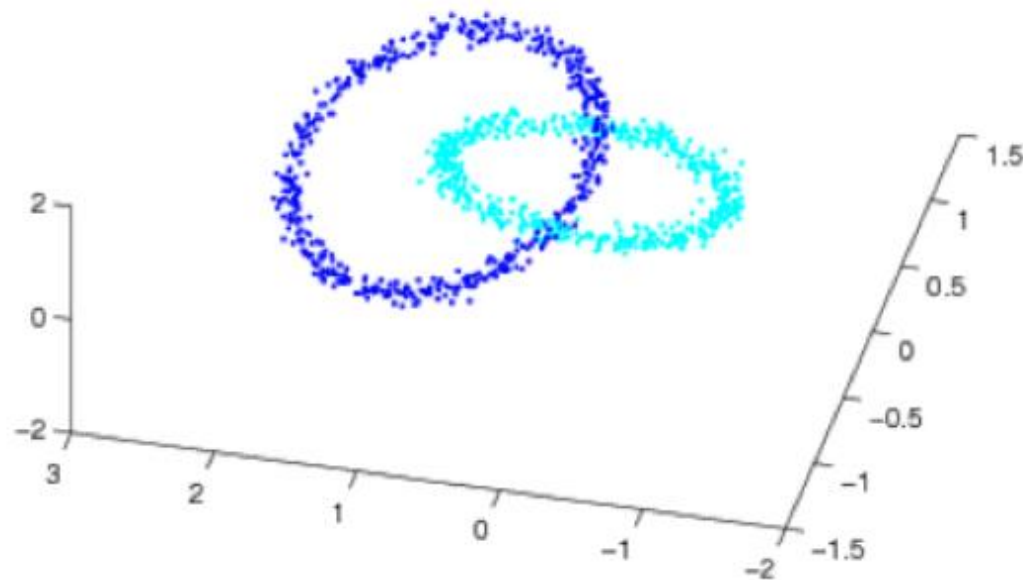
- Dimensionality reduction using Singular Value Decomposition
- Co-occurrence Matrix embeddings



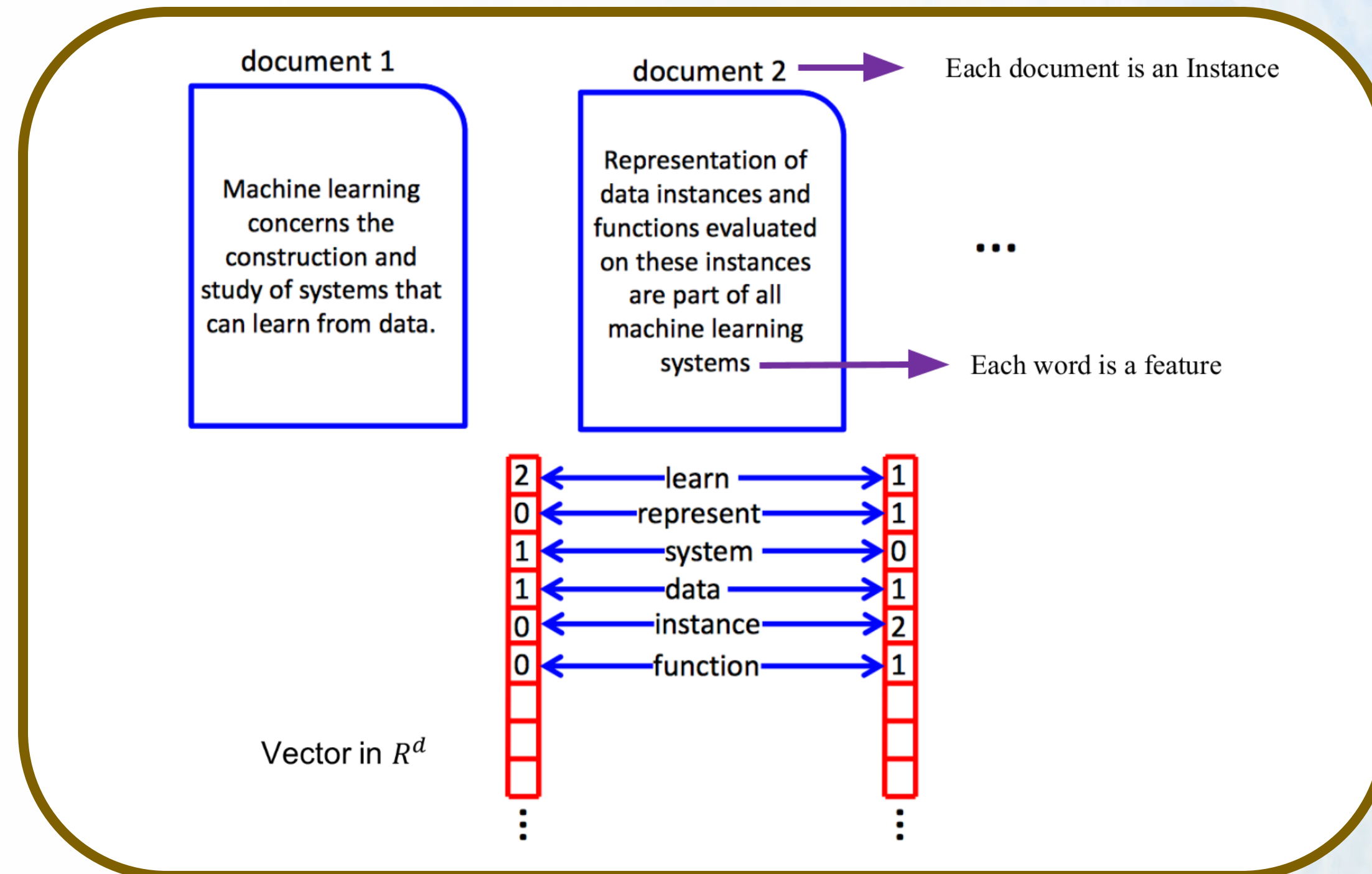


# Motivating Example: Dimensionality Reduction for Text

What are the relations between data points?



# Motivating Example: Bag of Words Representation





# Term-Document Data Matrix – Bag-of-words

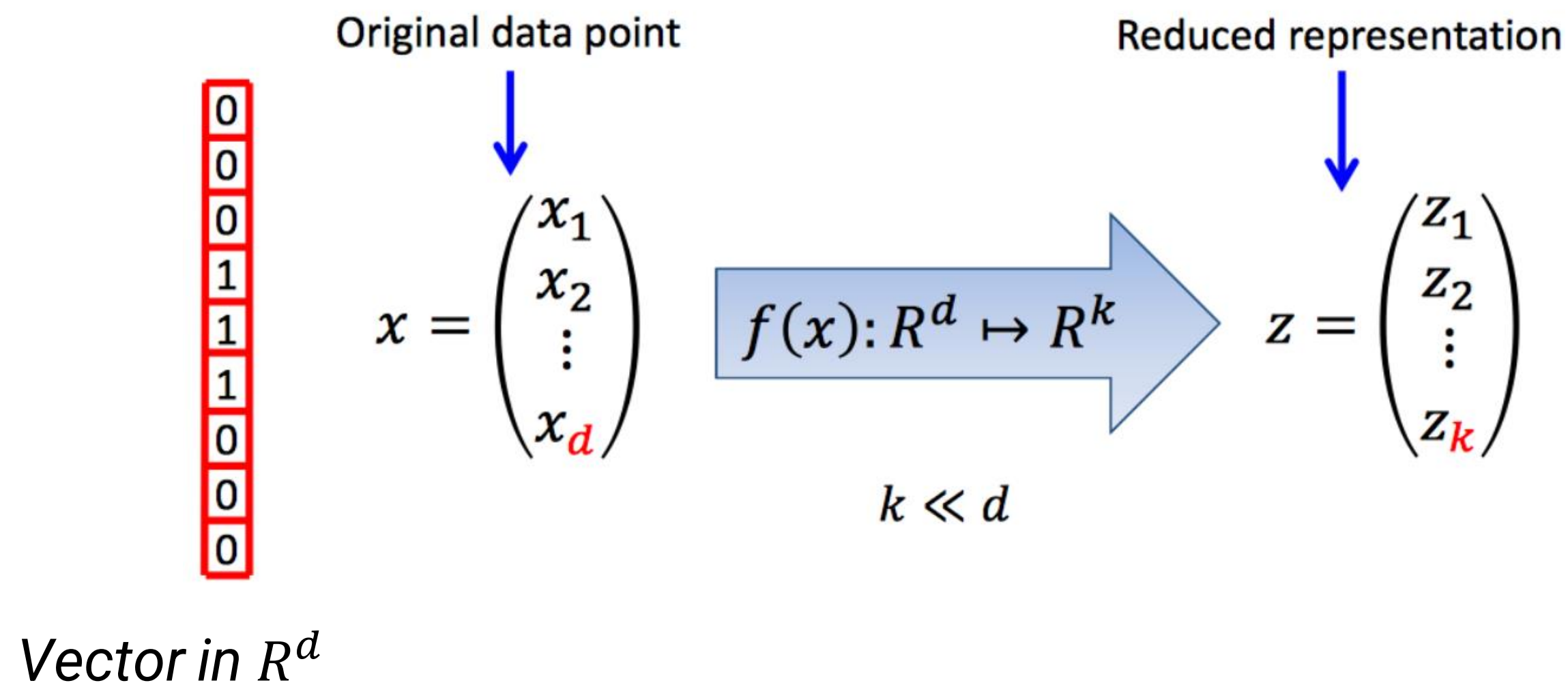
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d2	32	10	5	0	3	0
d3	12	16	5	0	0	0
d4	6	7	2	0	0	0
d5	43	31	20	0	3	0
d6	2	0	0	18	7	16
d7	0	0	1	32	12	0
d8	3	0	0	22	4	2
d9	1	0	0	34	27	25
d10	6	0	0	17	4	23

... Many more features

**Solution:**  
**Dimension Reduction**

# What is Dimensionality Reduction?

- The process of reducing random variables under consideration
  - One can combine, transform, or select variables
  - One can use linear or non linear operations





# Intuition

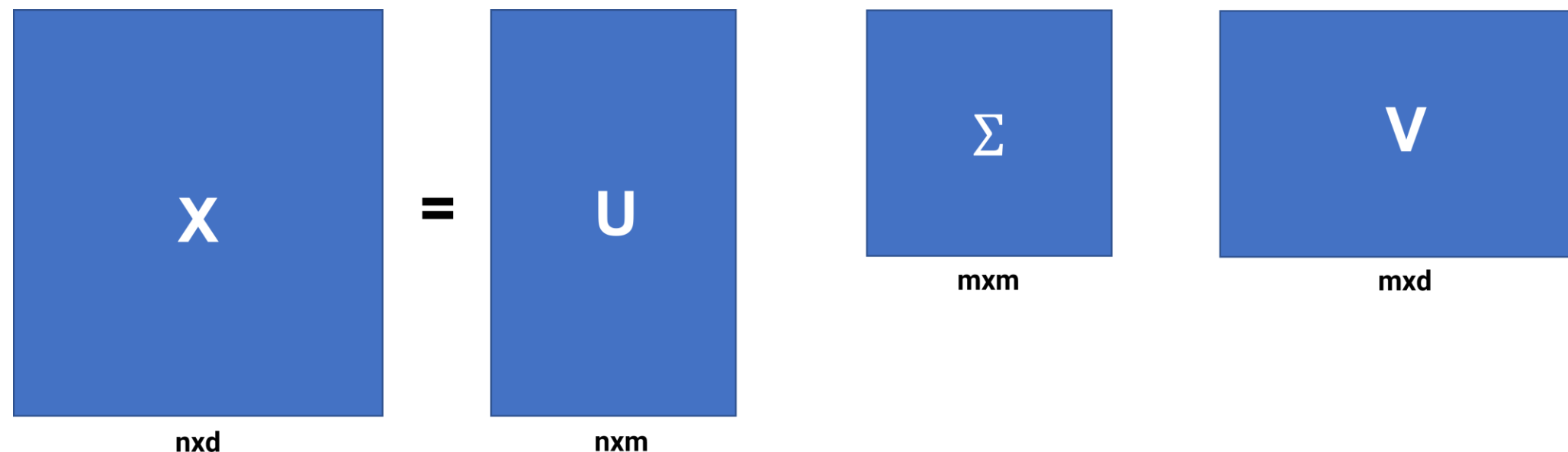
- Approximate a  $D$ -dimensional dataset using fewer dimensions
- By first rotating the axes into a new space
- The highest order dimension captures the most variance in the original dataset
- And the next dimension captures the next most variance, etc.

# Singular Value Decomposition

- For a Matrix  $X_{n \times d}$  where  $n$  is the number of instances and  $d$  is dimension:  
$$X = U \Sigma V^T$$

Where:

- $U_{n \times m} \rightarrow$  unitary matrix  $\rightarrow U U^T = I$
- $\Sigma_{m \times m} \rightarrow$  diagonal matrix of singular values of  $X$
- $V_{m \times d} \rightarrow$  unitary matrix  $\rightarrow V V^T = I$



$m$  columns represent a dimension in a new latent space such that  $m$  column vectors are orthogonal to each other and ordered by the amount of variance in the dataset in each dimension.  $m$  could at most have  $d$  dimensions.



# Co-Occurrence Matrices

- The meaning of a word is defined by the words in its surroundings
- We define a context window as the number of words appearing around a center word
- We create a co-occurrence matrix as follows:
  - Step 1: Go through each central word - context pair in the corpus (context window length is commonly anything between 1 and 5)
  - Step 2: In each iteration, update in the row of the count matrix corresponding to the central word by adding +1 in the columns corresponding to the context words
  - Step 3: Repeat last 2 steps many times
  - Example: “it was the best of times, it was the worst of times” with a context window =2, the words “was”, “the”, “of” and “times” appear in the context of the central word and central word “best” and get incremented by +1

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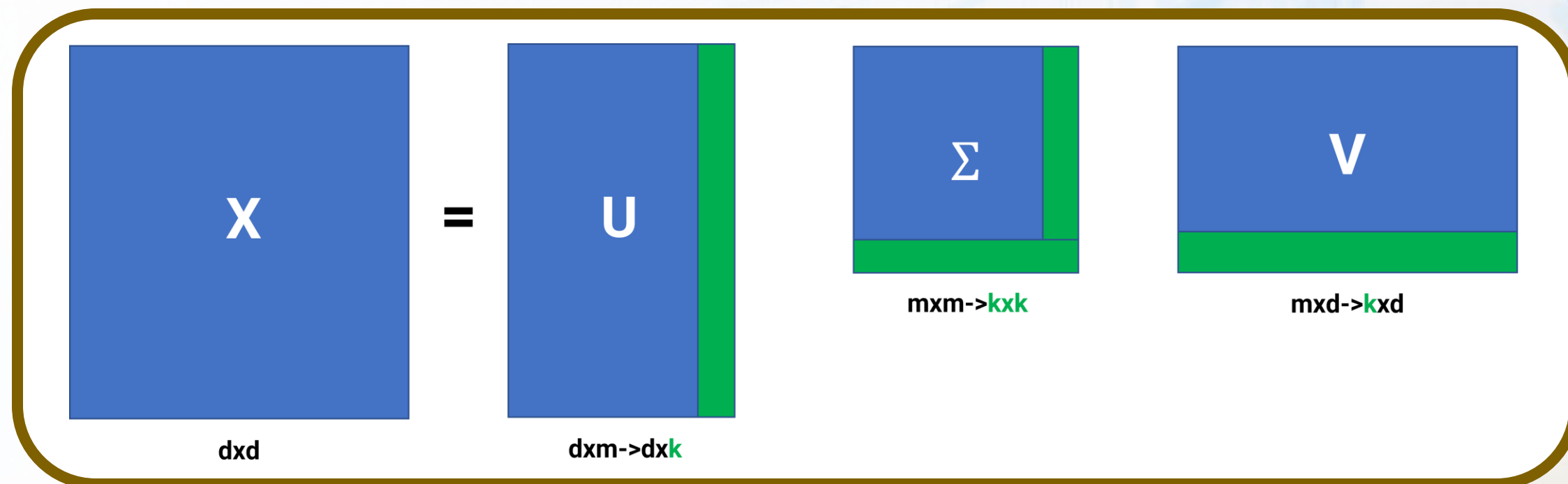
**Co-occurrence Matrix**

	it	was	the	best	of	times	worst
it	0	2	2	0	1	1	0
was	2	0	2	1	0	1	1
the	2	2	0	1	2	0	1
best	0	1	1	0	1	1	0
of	1	0	2	1	0	2	1
times	1	1	0	1	2	0	1
worst	0	1	1	0	1	1	0



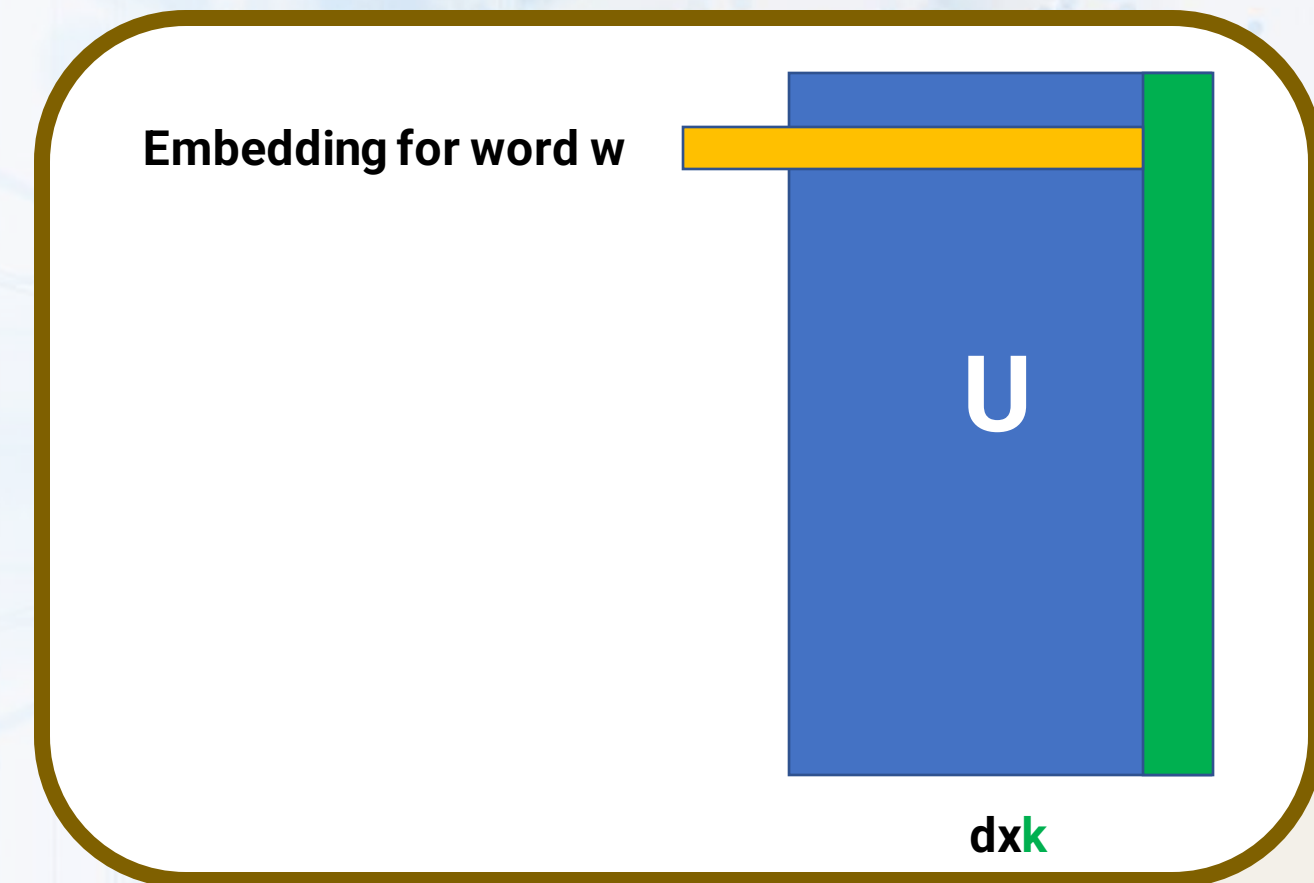
# SVD on Co-Occurrence Matrices

- For a corpus with a vocabulary  $V$  of size  $d$ , the co-occurrence matrix has a size of  $d \times d$
- The size of the co-occurrence matrix increases with the vocabulary
- Instead of keeping all dimensions, we can use truncated SVD to keep only the top  $k$  singular values, for example 300
- The result is a least-square approximation to the original co-occurrence matrix  $X$



# Dense Word Embeddings

- Each row of  $U$  is a  $k$ -dimensional representation of each word  $w$  in the corpus that best preserves the variance
- Generally, we keep the top  $k$  dimension which can be ranged from 50 to 500.
- This produces dense vectors for word representations while taking into consideration the word contexts which carry meaning





# Advantages of Dense Word Embeddings

- Denoising: low-order dimensions may represent unimportant information
- Truncation may help the models generalize better to unseen data
- Having a smaller number of dimensions may make it easier for classifiers to properly weight the dimensions for the task
- Dense models may do better at capturing higher order co-occurrence
- Dense vectors tend to work better in word similarity
- One word similarity method is cosine similarity between two-word embeddings  $w$  and  $v$ :

$$\text{cosine}(\vec{v}, \vec{w}) = \frac{\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w}}{|\vec{v}| |\vec{w}|} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N v_i w_i}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^N v_i^2} \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^N w_i^2}}$$

# Summary

- We learned about Singular Value Decomposition
- We learned about co-occurrence matrices, and how to generate dense word embeddings using SVD

