



Introduction to Data Mining

Lecture #21: Dimensionality Reduction

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In This Lecture

- Understand the motivation and applications of dimensionality reduction
- Learn the definition and properties of SVD, one of the most important tools in data mining
- Learn how to interpret the results of SVD, and how to use it for dimensionality reduction

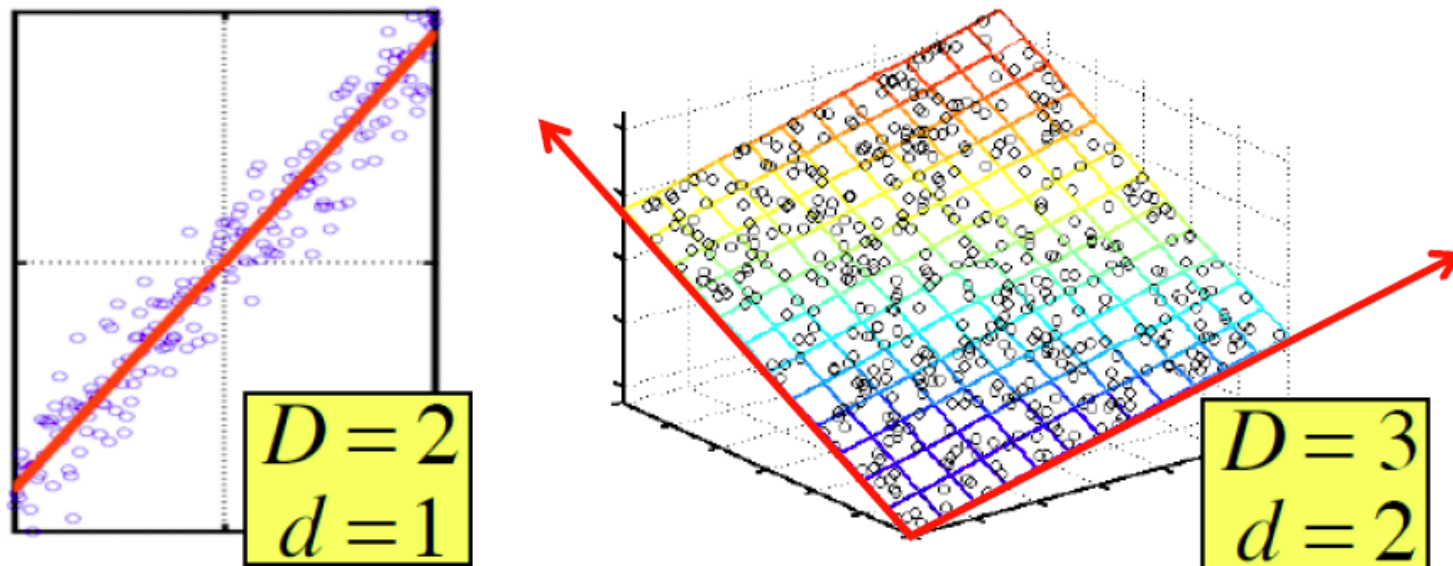


Outline

- ➔ Overview
- Dim. Reduction with SVD



Dimensionality Reduction



- **Assumption:** Data lies on or near a low d -dimensional subspace
- **Axes of this subspace are effective representation of the data**



Dimensionality Reduction

■ Compress / reduce dimensionality:

- 10^6 rows; 10^3 columns; no updates
- Random access to any cell(s); **small error: OK**

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Thompson		0	0	0	1	1

The above matrix is really “2-dimensional.” All rows can be reconstructed by scaling $[1\ 1\ 1\ 0\ 0]$ or $[0\ 0\ 0\ 1\ 1]$



Rank of a Matrix

- **Q:** What is **rank** of a matrix **A**?
- **A:** Number of **linearly independent** columns of **A**
- **For example:**
 - Matrix $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -2 & -3 & 1 \\ 3 & 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ has rank $r=2$
 - **Why?** The first two rows are linearly independent, so the rank is at least 2, but all three rows are linearly dependent (the first is equal to the sum of the second and third) so the rank must be less than 3.
- **Why do we care about low rank?**
 - We can write \mathbf{A} as two “basis” vectors: $[1 \ 2 \ 1] \ [-2 \ -3 \ 1]$
 - And new coordinates of : $[1 \ 0] \ [0 \ 1] \ [1 \ -1]$



Rank is “Dimensionality”

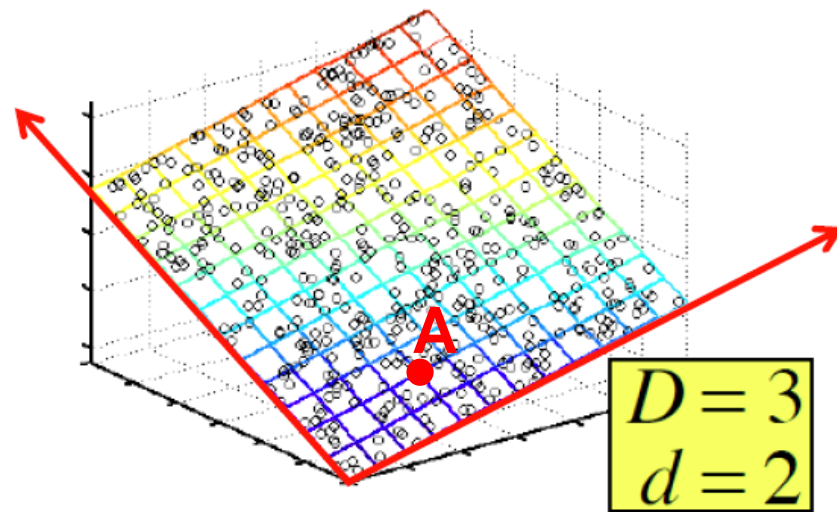
■ Cloud of points 3D space:

- Think of point positions

as a matrix: $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -2 & -3 & 1 \\ 3 & 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ **A**

1 row per point: $\begin{bmatrix} -2 & -3 & 1 \\ 3 & 5 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ **B**

C



■ We can rewrite coordinates more efficiently!

- Old basis vectors: $[1 \ 0 \ 0]$ $[0 \ 1 \ 0]$ $[0 \ 0 \ 1]$

- **New basis vectors:** $[1 \ 2 \ 1]$ $[-2 \ -3 \ 1]$

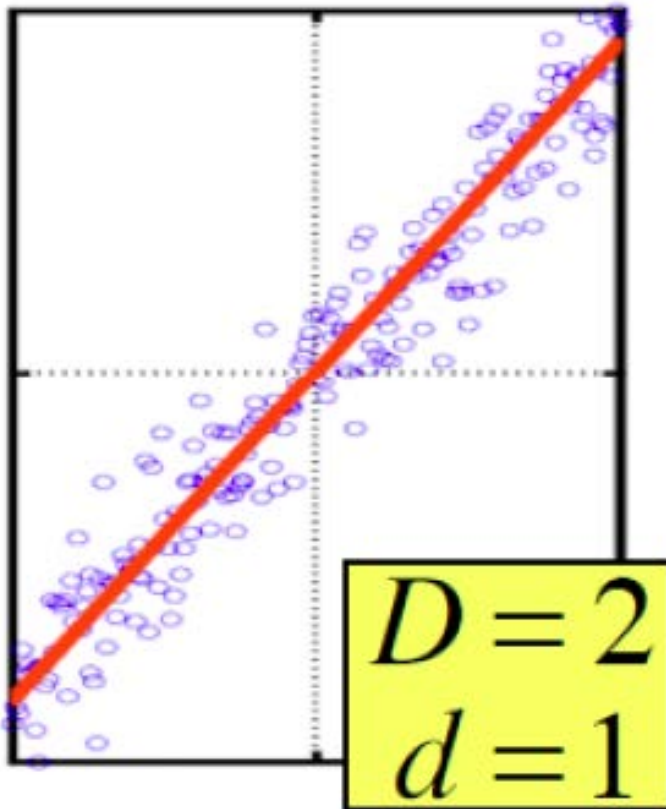
- Then **A** has new coordinates: $[1 \ 0]$. **B**: $[0 \ 1]$, **C**: $[1 \ -1]$

- Notice: We reduced the number of coordinates!



Dimensionality Reduction

- Goal of dimensionality reduction is to discover the axis of data!



Rather than representing every point with 2 coordinates we represent each point with 1 coordinate (corresponding to the position of the point on the red line).

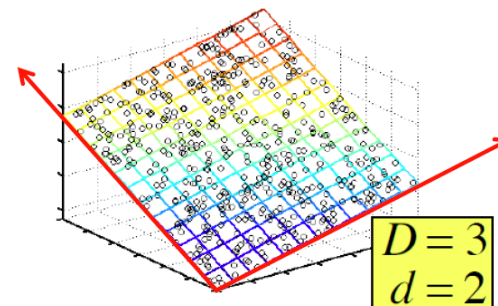
By doing this we incur a bit of **error** as the points do not exactly lie on the line



Why Reduce Dimensions?

Why reduce dimensions?

- **Discover hidden correlations/topics**
 - Words that occur commonly together
- **Remove redundant and noisy features**
 - Not all words are useful
- **Interpretation and visualization**
- **Easier storage and processing of the data**





SVD (Singular Value Decomposition)

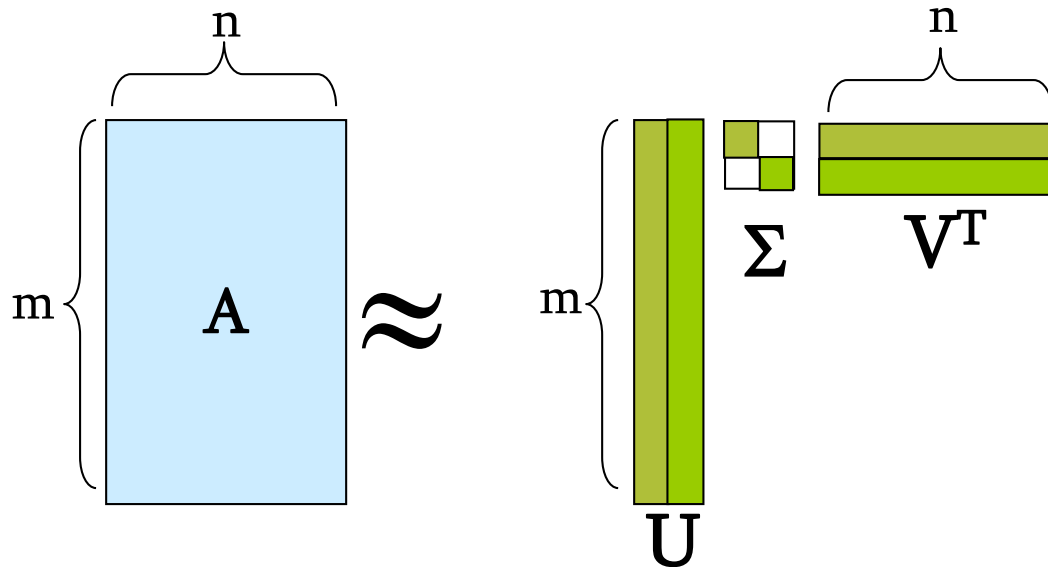
$$\mathbf{A}_{[m \times n]} = \mathbf{U}_{[m \times r]} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{[r \times r]} (\mathbf{V}_{[n \times r]})^T$$

- **A: Input data matrix**
 - $m \times n$ matrix (e.g., m documents, n terms)
- **U: Left singular vectors**
 - $m \times r$ matrix (m documents, r concepts)
- **Σ : Singular values**
 - $r \times r$ diagonal matrix (strength of each 'concept')
(r : rank of the matrix **A**)
- **V: Right singular vectors**
 - $n \times r$ matrix (n terms, r concepts)



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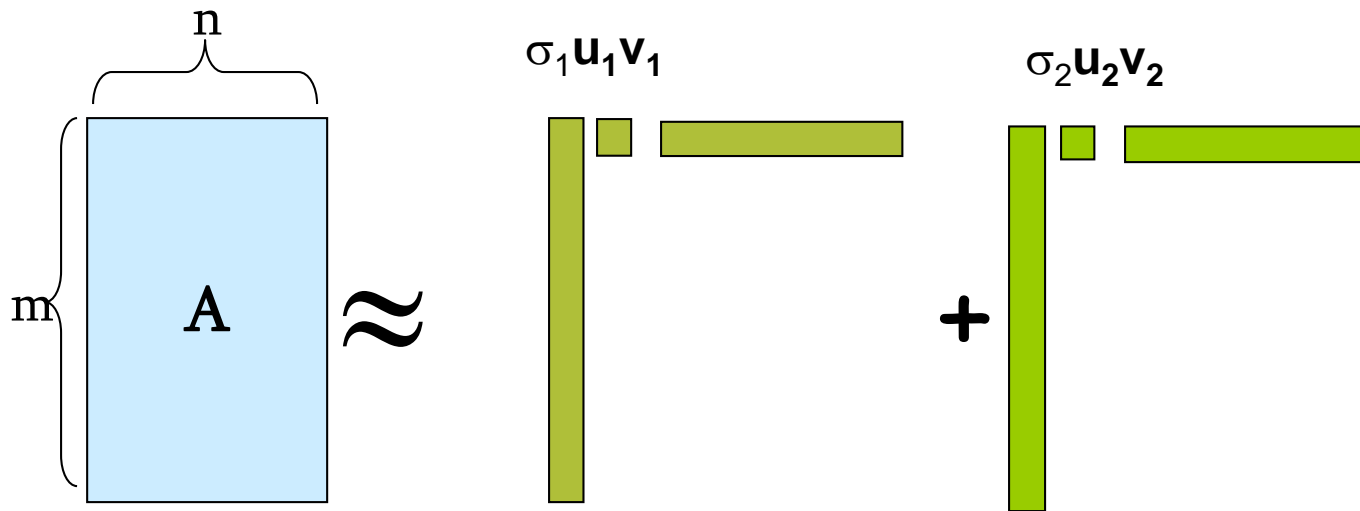
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Also called “spectral decomposition”

σ_i ... scalar
 \mathbf{u}_i ... vector
 \mathbf{v}_i ... vector



SVD - Properties

It is **always** possible to decompose a real matrix A into $A = U \Sigma V^T$, where

- U, Σ, V : **unique**
- U, V : **column orthonormal**
 - $U^T U = I; V^T V = I$ (I : identity matrix)
 - (Columns are orthogonal unit vectors)
- Σ : **diagonal**
 - Entries (**singular values**) are **positive**, and sorted in decreasing order ($\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \dots \geq 0$)

Nice proof of uniqueness: <http://www.mpi-inf.mpg.de/~bast/ir-seminar-ws04/lecture2.pdf>



SVD - Example

- $A = U \Lambda V^T$ - example:

retrieval
inf. ↓
data brain lung

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doc-to-concept
similarity matrix

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Matrix 2 (CS x MD):

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Matrix 3 (CS x MD):

$$\begin{bmatrix} 9.64 & 0 \\ 0 & 5.29 \end{bmatrix}$$

Matrix 4 (MD x MD):

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‘strength’ of CS-concept

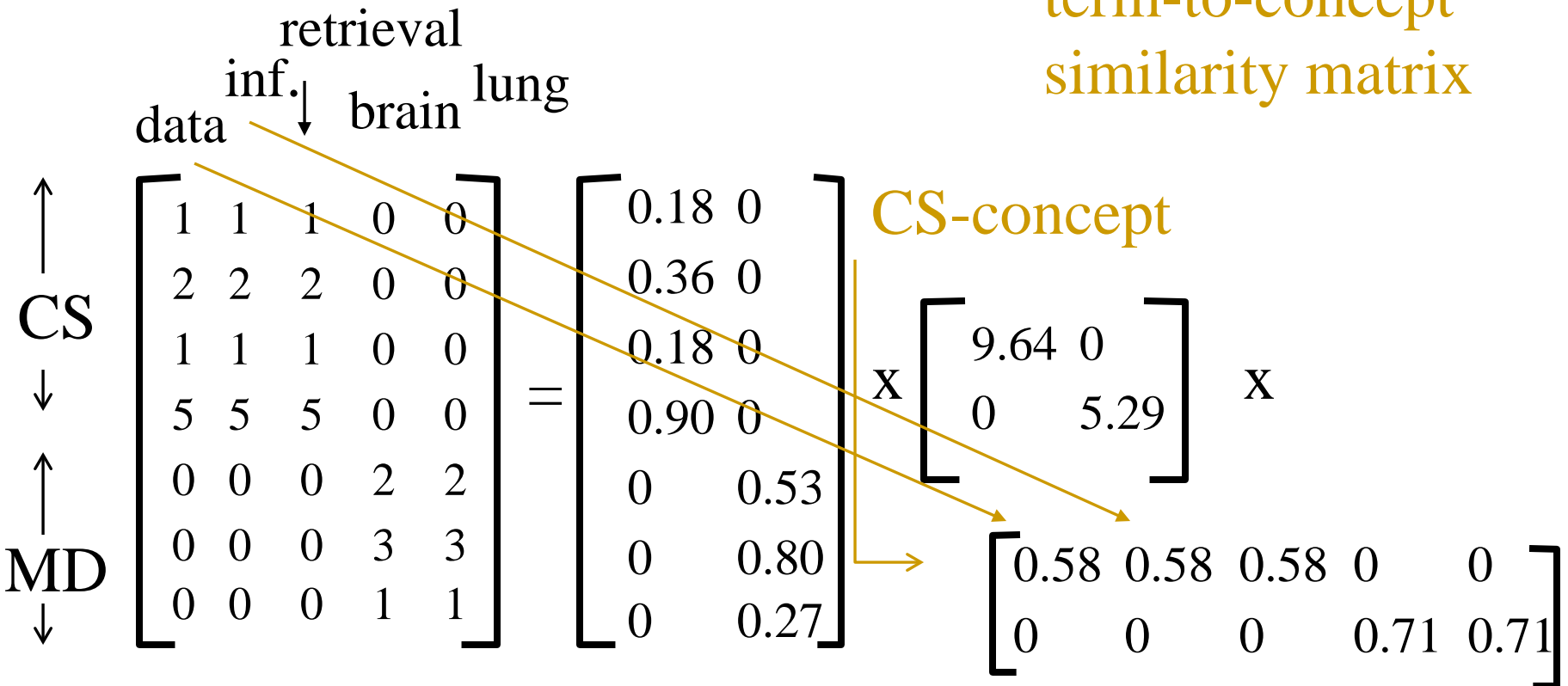
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CS-concept



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Overview

 **Dim. Reduction with SVD**



SVD - Interpretation #1

‘documents’, ‘terms’ and ‘concepts’:

- **U**: document-to-concept similarity matrix
- **V**: term-to-concept sim. matrix
- Λ : its diagonal elements: ‘strength’ of each concept



SVD – Interpretation #1

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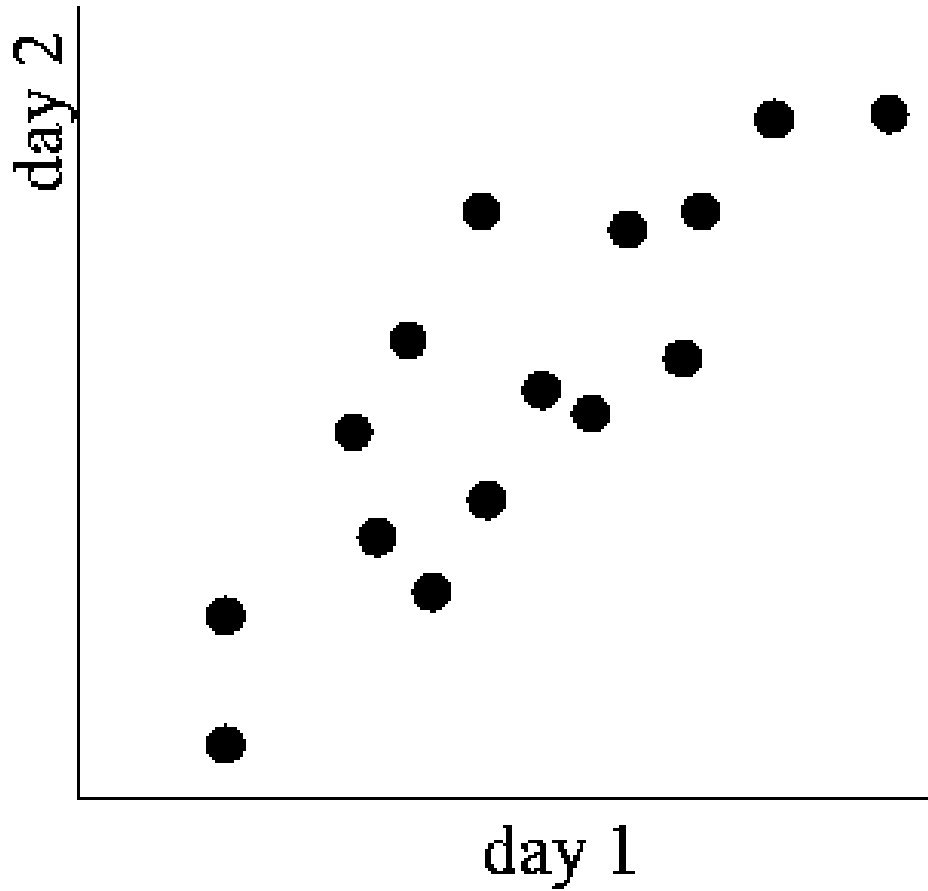


SVD - Interpretation #2

- best axis to project on: ('best' = min sum of squares of projection errors)



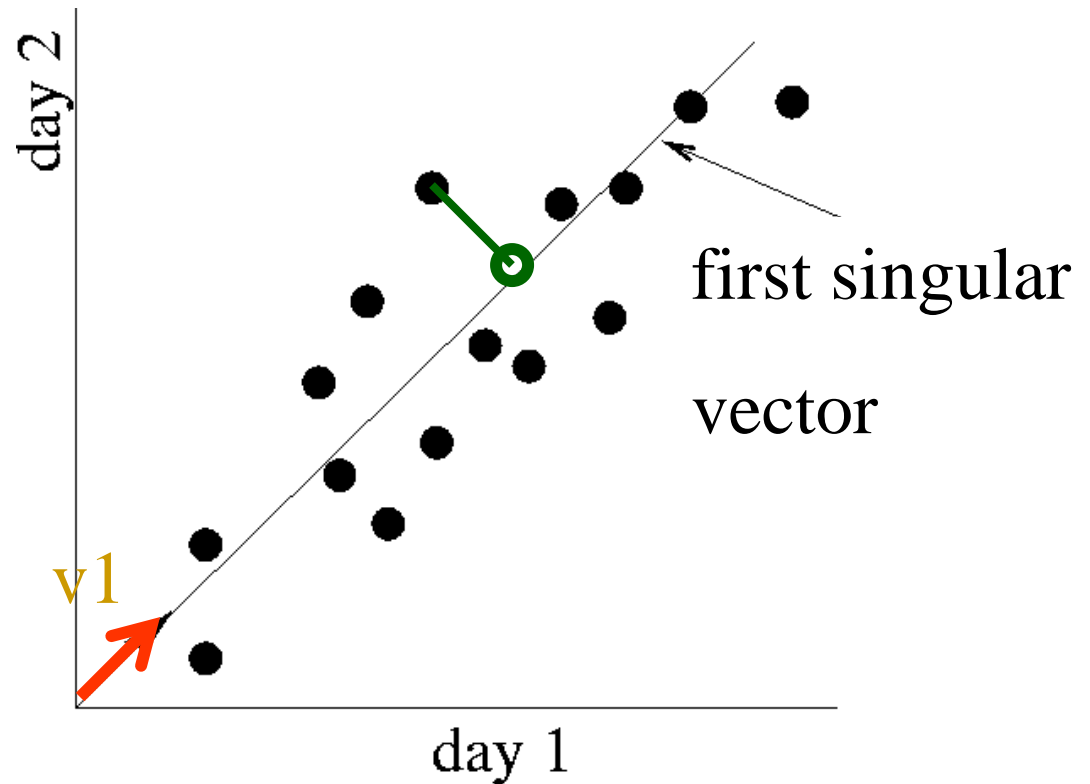
SVD - Motivation





SVD - interpretation #2

SVD: gives
best axis to project



- minimum RMS error



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- $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U} \mathbf{\Lambda} \mathbf{V}^T$ - example:

variance ('spread') on the v_1 axis

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- $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U} \mathbf{\Lambda} \mathbf{V}^T$ - example:
 - $\mathbf{U} \mathbf{\Lambda}$ gives the coordinates of the points in the projection axis

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- A: set the smallest singular values to zero:

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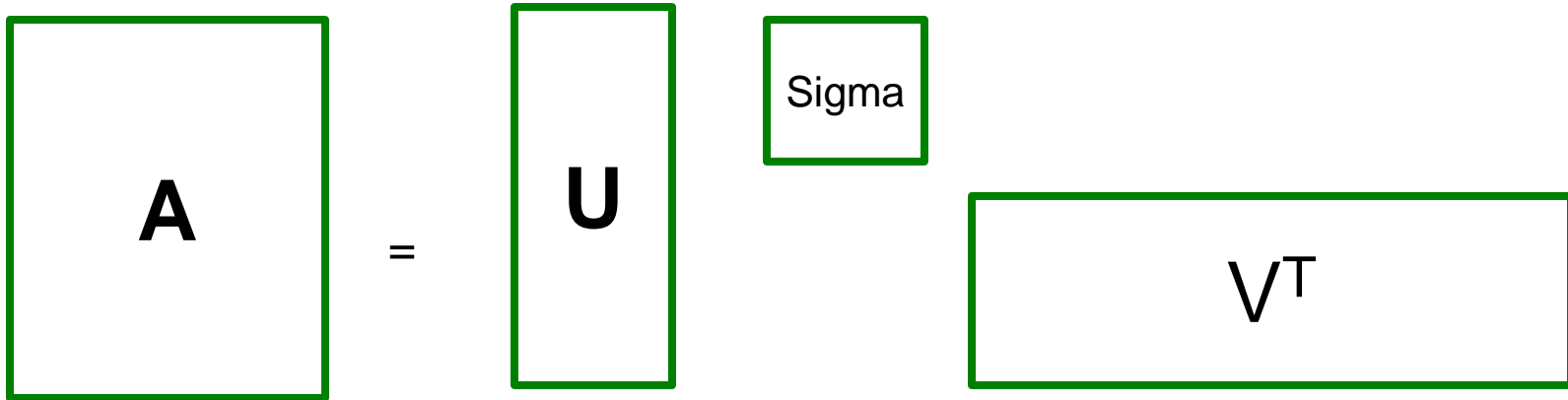


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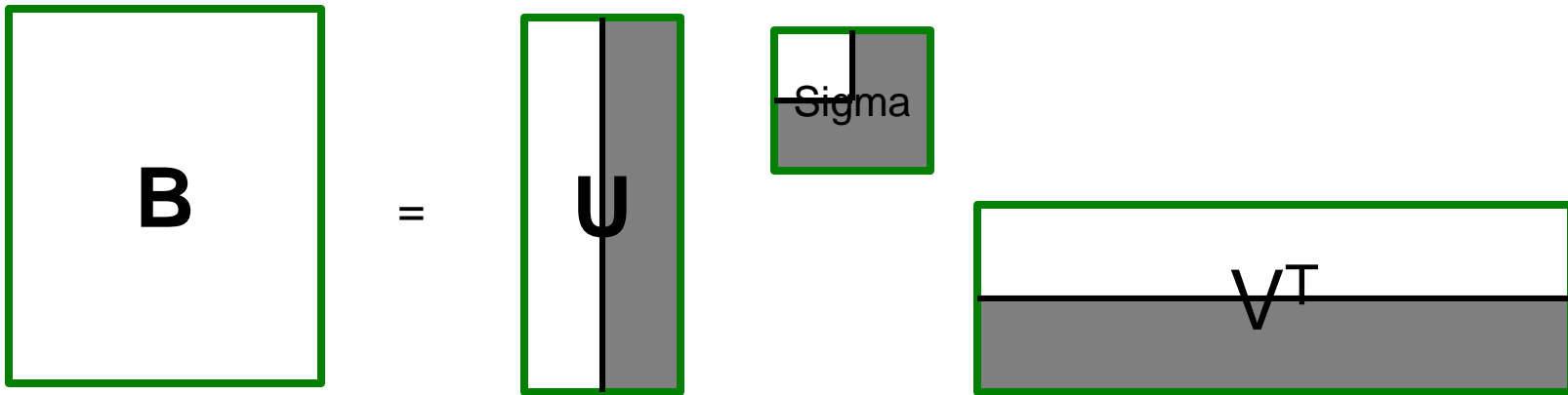
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SVD – Best Low Rank Approx.



B is best approximation of A





SVD – Best Low Rank Approx.

■ Theorem:

Let $A = U \Sigma V^T$ and $B = U S V^T$ where

$S =$ diagonal $r \times r$ matrix with $s_i = \sigma_i$ ($i=1 \dots k$) else $s_i = 0$

then B is a best rank(B)= k approx. to A

What do we mean by “best”:

□ B is a solution to $\min_B \|A - B\|_F$ where $\text{rank}(B) = k$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & \dots & x_{1n} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & \dots & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{m1} & & & x_{mn} \end{pmatrix}_{m \times n} = \begin{pmatrix} U & & & \\ u_{11} & \dots & & \\ \vdots & \ddots & & \\ u_{m1} & & & \end{pmatrix}_{m \times r} \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma & & & \\ \sigma_{11} & 0 & \dots & \\ \vdots & & & \\ 0 & & & \\ \vdots & & & \end{pmatrix}_{r \times r} \begin{pmatrix} V^T & & & \\ v_{11} & \dots & v_{1n} & \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \\ & & & \end{pmatrix}_{r \times n}$$

$$\|A - B\|_F = \sqrt{\sum_{ij} (A_{ij} - B_{ij})^2}$$



SVD - Interpretation #2

Equivalent:

'spectral decomposition' of the matrix:

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SVD - Interpretation #2

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Assume: $\sigma_1 \geq \sigma_2 \geq \sigma_3 \geq \dots \geq 0$

Why is setting small σ_i to 0 the right thing to do?

Vectors \mathbf{u}_i and \mathbf{v}_i are unit length, so σ_i scales them.

So, zeroing small σ_i introduces less error.



SVD - Interpretation #2

Q: How many σ_s to keep?

Rule-of-a thumb:

keep 80-90% of 'energy' = $\sum_i \sigma_i^2$

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SVD - Complexity

- To compute SVD (for $n \times m$ matrix):
 - $O(nm^2)$ or $O(n^2m)$ (whichever is less)
- But:
 - Less work, if we just want singular values
 - or if we want first k singular vectors
 - or if the matrix is sparse
- **Implemented in** linear algebra packages like
 - LINPACK, Matlab, SPlus, Mathematica ...



Conclusion

- **SVD: $A = U \Sigma V^T$: unique**
 - **U**: user-to-concept similarities
 - **V**: movie-to-concept similarities
 - Σ : strength of each concept

- **Dimensionality reduction:**
 - keep the few largest singular values (80-90% of 'energy')
 - SVD: picks up linear correlations



Questions?