## COMPSCI 514: ALGORITHMS FOR DATA SCIENCE

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Lecture 13

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- Show how PCA can be interpreted in terms of the singular value decomposition (SVD) of X.
- Applications to word embeddings, graph embeddings, document classification, recommendation systems.


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## DUAL VIEW OF LOW-RANK APPROXIMATION

projections onto 15
784 dimensional vectors


Column (feature) compression

Row (data point) compression

|  | bedrooms | bathrooms | sq.ft. | floors | list price | sale price |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| home 1 | 2 | 2 | 1800 | 2 | 200,000 | 195,000 |
| home 2 | 4 | 2.5 | 2700 | 1 | 300,000 | 310,000 |
| - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 3.6 | 3 | 3 | 1.2 | 3.8 | 4.2 | 5 | 3.4 | 4.8 |
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| doc_2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| - | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
|  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| doc_n | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |

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- A document based similarity matrix.


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word2vec was originally described as a neural-network method, but Levy and Goldberg show that it is simply low-rank approximation of a specific similarity matrix. Neural word embedding as implicit matrix factorization.

Next Time: Build on the idea of low-rank approximation of similarity matrix low-rank approximation to perform non-linear dimensionality reduction for data that is not close to a low-dimensional linear subspace.

## Questions?

