

COMPSCI 514: ALGORITHMS FOR DATA SCIENCE

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Lecture 17

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad A^T A = \begin{bmatrix} \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot \end{bmatrix}$$

- Problem Set 3 is due next Monday 11/8, 11:59pm.
- For Piazza participation credit, posts must be public. It is ok if they are anonymous to your classmates (none are anonymous to us).
- A number of people asked for mid-level practice questions bridging the quizzes and homeworks. I will try to post more of those. I will post some linear algebra ones in a few days.
- When tackling the homework problems, before you begin trying to prove anything, really make sure you understand the definitions (E.g., are variables scalars or matrices. If matrices, what dimension are they? If scalars, what possible range of values could they take?) To me it is always helpful to draw out examples.

$$\text{tr}(A^T A) = \|A\|_F^2$$

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Q3 Quiz: $\|VV^T x\|_2^2 \leq \|x\|_2^2$ ALWAYS SOMETIME NEVER




$$\|VV^T x\|_2^2 + \|(I - VV^T)x\|_2^2 = \|x\|_2^2$$

$$\|VV^T x\|_2^2 \leq \|x\|_2^2 \stackrel{!}{\geq} 0$$

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This Class: The SVD and Applications of low-rank approximation.

- The singular value decomposition (SVD) and its connections to eigendecomposition and low-rank approximation.
- Matrix completion and collaborative filtering
- Entity embeddings (word embeddings, node embeddings, etc.)

SINGULAR VALUE DECOMPOSITION

The Singular Value Decomposition (SVD) generalizes the eigendecomposition to asymmetric (even rectangular) matrices.

$$A \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} Ax \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Q5 Quiz:

$$AV = 0 \cdot V = 0$$

$$[Ax] = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda x \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

What is the maximum eigenvalue of

$$2I - A$$

$$\lambda_1(A) = 5, \lambda_2(A) = 2, \lambda_3(A) = -1$$

$$\lambda_1(2I - A) = 3, \lambda_2(2I - A) = 0, \lambda_3(2I - A) = 3$$

same \downarrow
eigenvectors as A

let V be an eigenvector of A
eigenvalue λ

$$(2I - A)V = 2V - AV = 2V - \lambda V = (2 - \lambda)V$$

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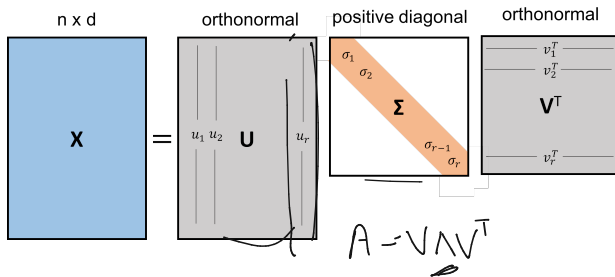
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 $r \leq \min(n, d)$

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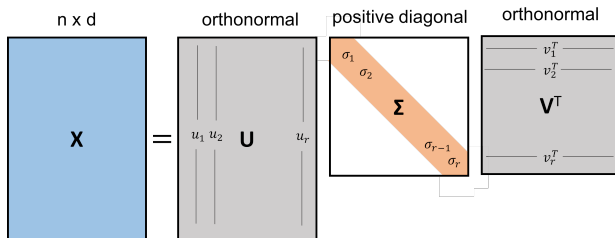
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The 'swiss army knife' of modern linear algebra.

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
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$$\underline{X^T X} = V \Sigma U^T U \Sigma V^T = V \Sigma^2 V^T \quad (\text{the eigendecomposition})$$

orthonormal
diagonal

columns of V_i are eigenvectors of $X^T X$ $\sigma_i^2(X)$ are eigenvalues

Exercise: Prove that since $X^T X = V \Sigma^2 V^T$ that V_i is an eigenvector of $X^T X$ with eigenvalue $\sigma_i^2(X)$

$$X^T X V_i = V \Sigma^2 V^T V_i = \sigma_i^2(X) \cdot V_i$$

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THE SVD AND OPTIMAL LOW-RANK APPROXIMATION

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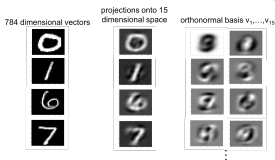
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Correspond to projecting the rows (data points) onto the span of \mathbf{V}_k or the columns (features) onto the span of \mathbf{U}_k

Row (data point) compression



Column (feature) compression

10000* bathrooms* 10* (sq. ft.) = list price

	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
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
home n	5	3.5	3600	3	450,000	450,000

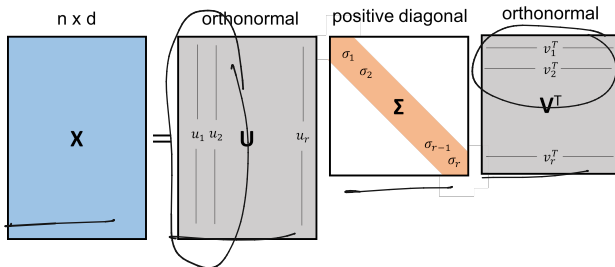
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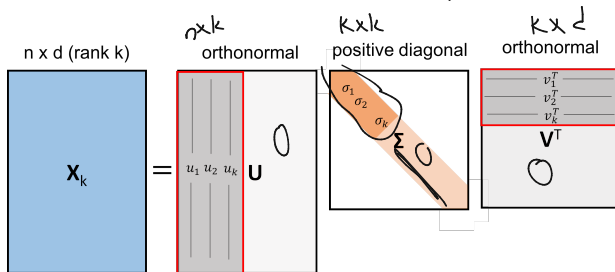
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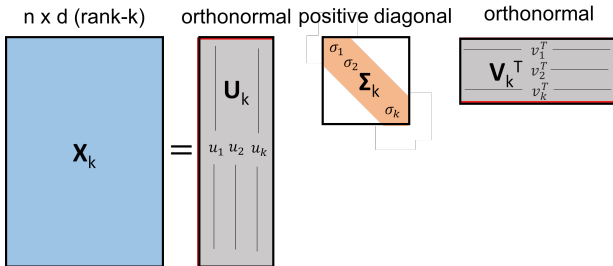
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(I'll show this)

any A, B
eigenvals
 $A \cdot B$ are
same as $B \cdot A$

$$\frac{X^T X}{A \quad B}$$

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have same non zero eigenvals.

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$$n \begin{bmatrix} U \Sigma \\ \end{bmatrix}_k = n \begin{bmatrix} | & & | \\ U_1 \sigma_1 & & U_k \sigma_k \\ | & & | \\ \end{bmatrix} = U_k \Sigma_k = \begin{bmatrix} U_k \\ U_1 U_2 \dots U_k \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 \\ \sigma_2 \\ \dots \\ \sigma_k \end{bmatrix}$$

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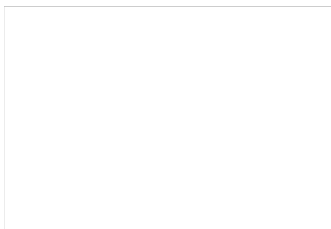
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Applications of low-rank approximation beyond
compression.

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MATRIX COMPLETION

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Classic example: the Netflix prize problem.



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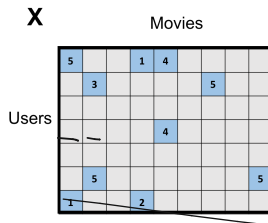
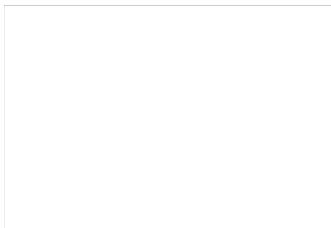
Users

Movies

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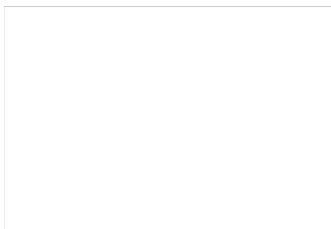
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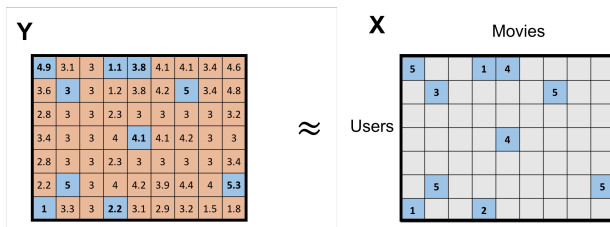
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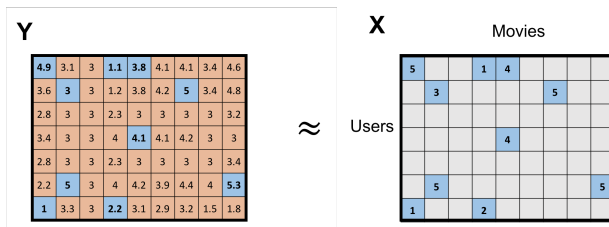
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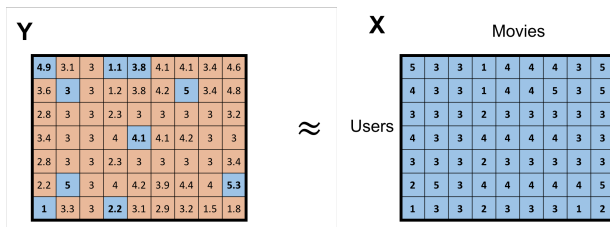


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