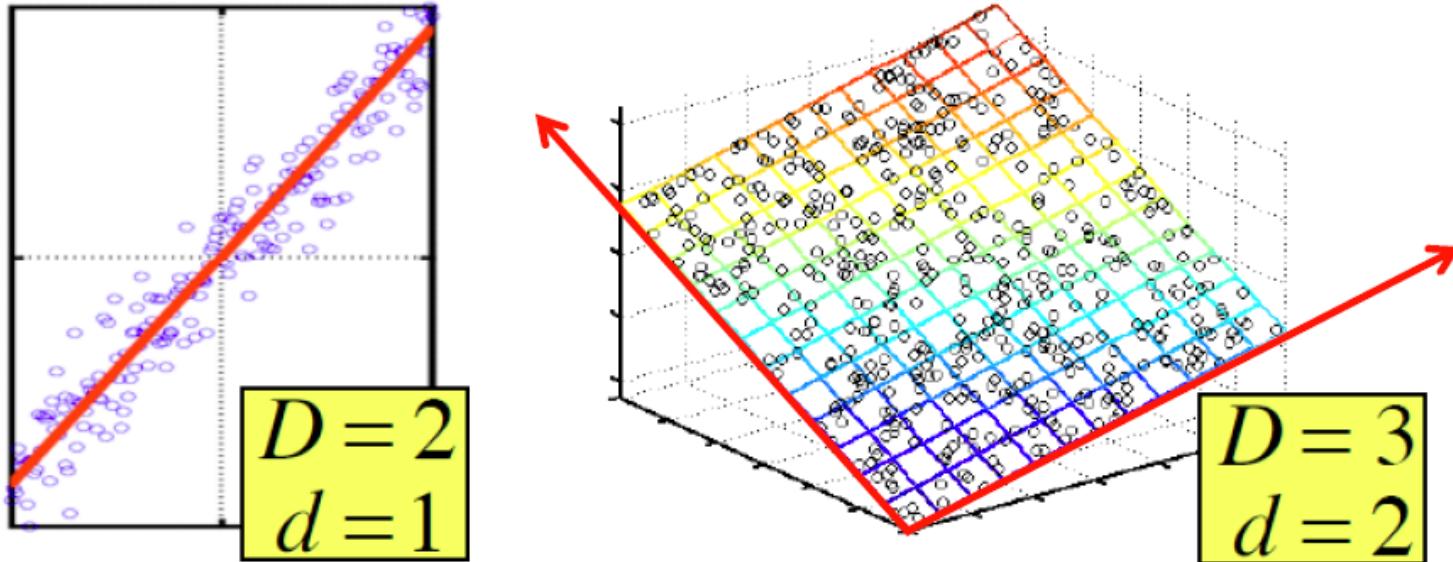


A presentation of Ch. 11 of Lescovec et al.,  
[Mining of Massive Datasets](#)

# Dim. Reduction by SVD

Slides adapted from Jure Leskovec's

# 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

customer	day	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
		7/10/96	7/11/96	7/12/96	7/13/96	7/14/96
ABC Inc.		1	1	1	0	0
DEF Ltd.		2	2	2	0	0
GHI Inc.		1	1	1	0	0
KLM Co.		5	5	5	0	0
Smith		0	0	0	2	2
Johnson		0	0	0	3	3
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 **A** as two “basis” vectors: [1 2 1] [-2 -3 1]
  - And new coordinates of : [1 0] [0 1] [1 1]

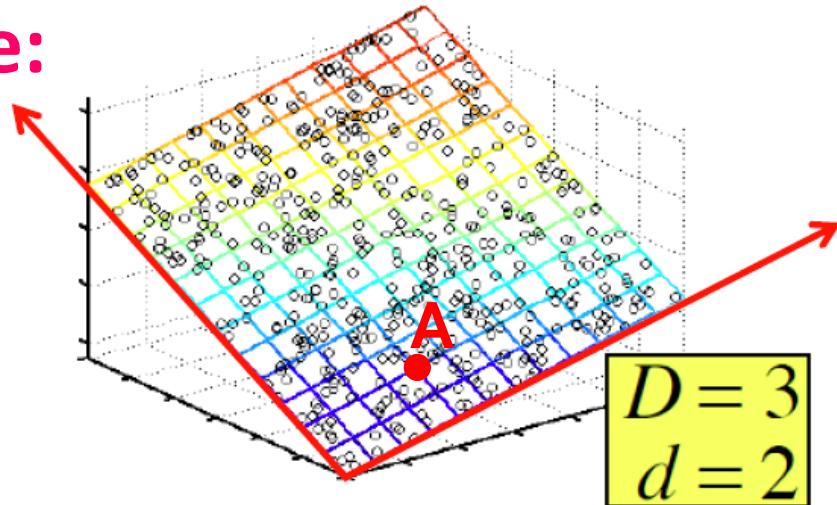
# Rank is “Dimensionality”

- **Cloud of points 3D space:**

- Think of point positions

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

1 row per point:



- **We can rewrite coordinates more efficiently!**

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

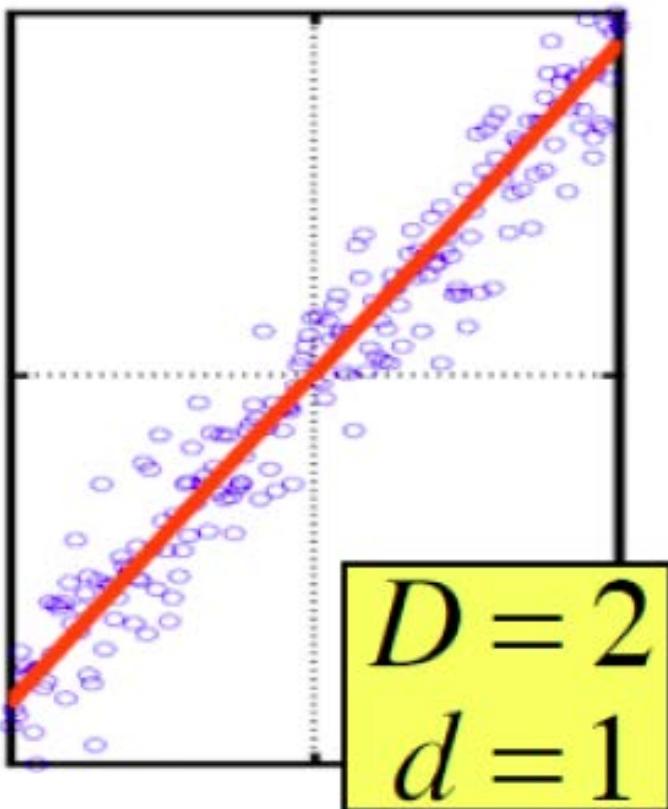
- **New basis vectors:** [1 2 1] [-2 -3 1]

- 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!



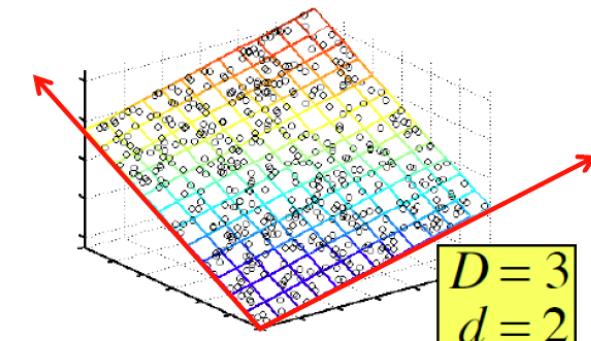
Rather than representing every point with 2 coordinates we represent each point with 1 coordinate (corresponding to the position of the point on the red line).

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**



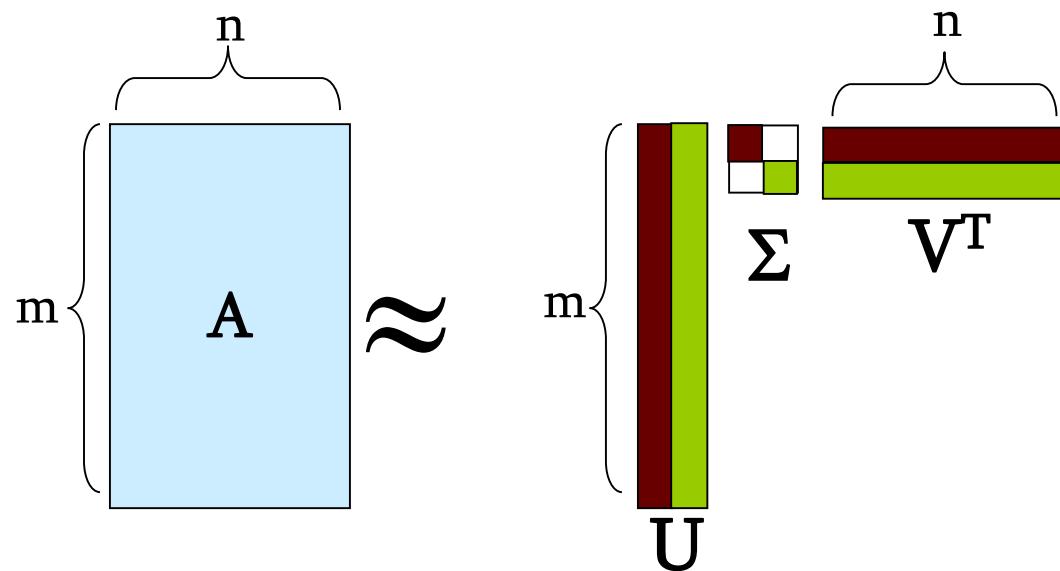
# SVD - Definition

$$A_{[m \times n]} = U_{[m \times r]} \Sigma_{[r \times r]} (V_{[n \times r]})^T$$

- **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)
- **$\Sigma$ : 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)

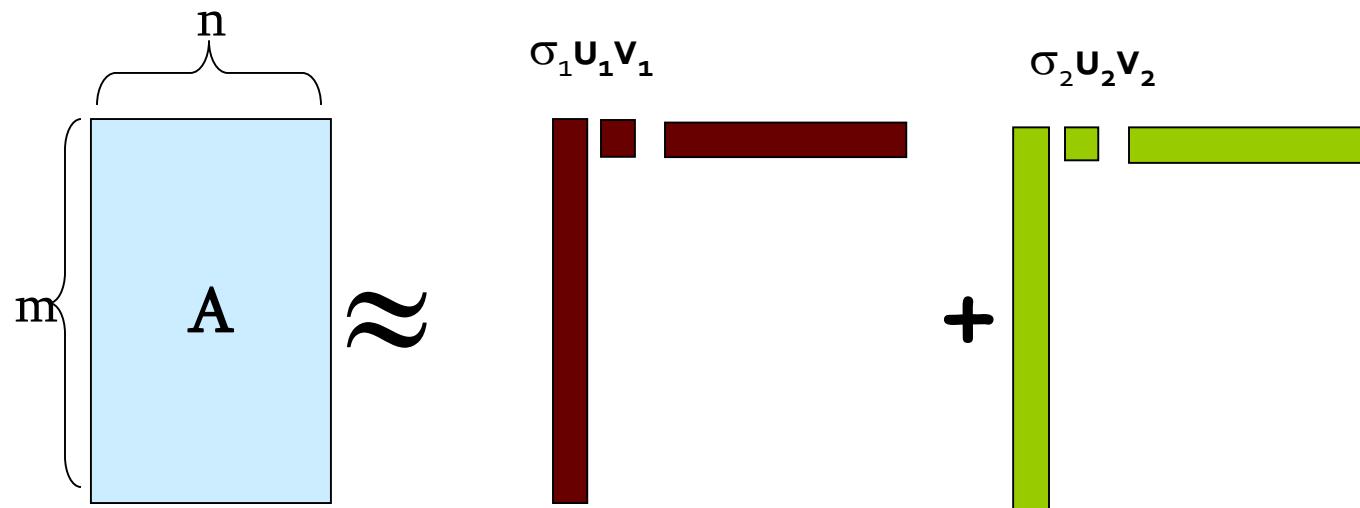
# SVD

$$\mathbf{A} \approx \mathbf{U}\Sigma\mathbf{V}^T = \sum_i \sigma_i \mathbf{u}_i \circ \mathbf{v}_i^\top$$



# SVD

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$\sigma_i$  ... scalar  
 $u_i$  ... vector  
 $v_i$  ... vector

# SVD - Properties

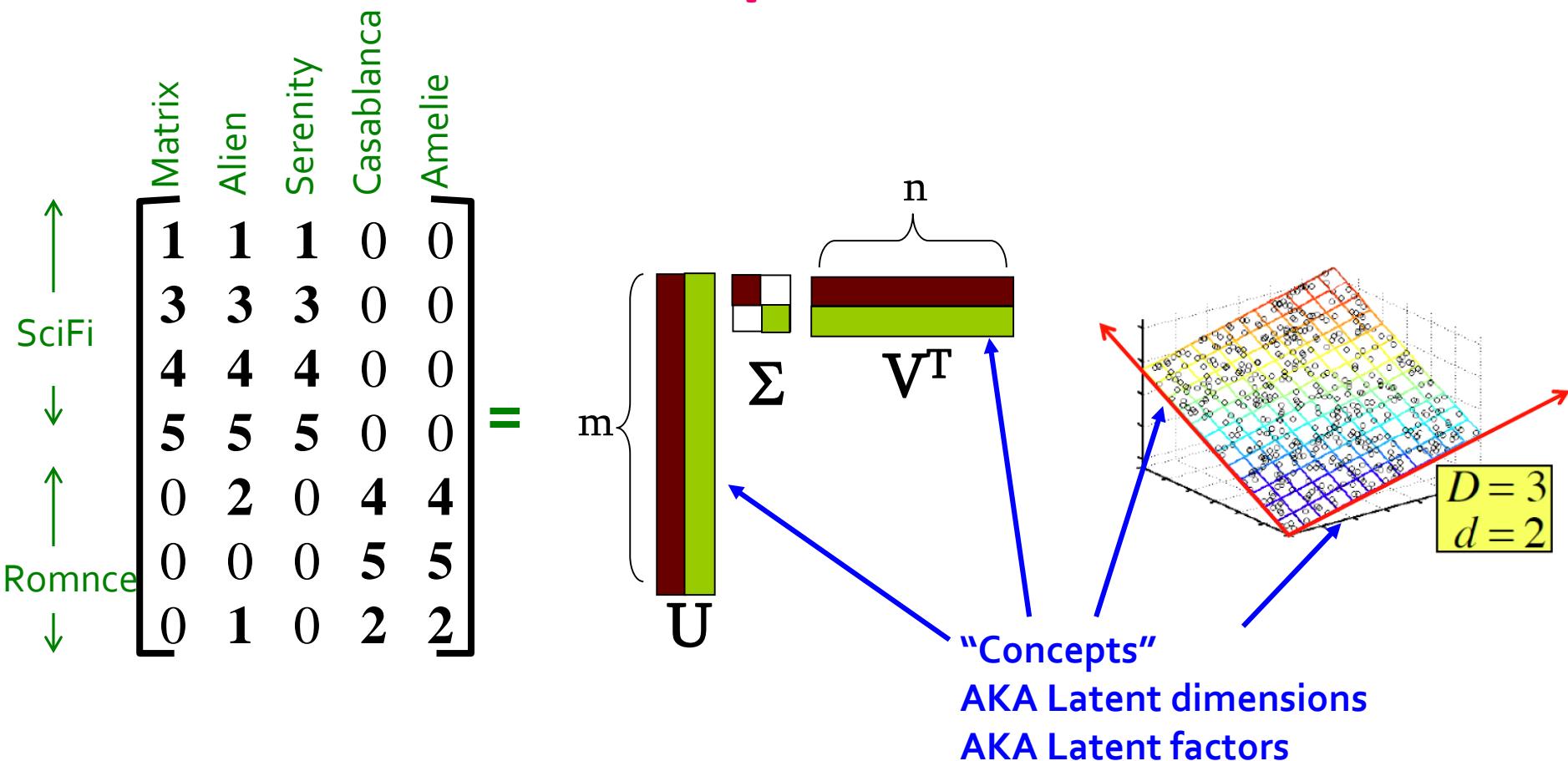
It is **always** possible to decompose a real matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  into  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U} \Sigma \mathbf{V}^T$ , where

- $\mathbf{U}, \Sigma, \mathbf{V}$ : unique
- $\mathbf{U}, \mathbf{V}$ : column orthonormal
  - $\mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{I}; \mathbf{V}^T \mathbf{V} = \mathbf{I}$  ( $\mathbf{I}$ : identity matrix)
  - (Columns are orthogonal unit vectors)
- $\Sigma$ : 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-wso4/lecture2.pdf>

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- $A = U \Sigma V^T$  - example: Users to Movies



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Matrix

	Alien	Serenity	Casablanca	Amelie
SciFi	1 1 1 0 0	0.13 0.02 -0.01		
	3 3 3 0 0	0.41 0.07 -0.03		
	4 4 4 0 0	0.55 0.09 -0.04		
	5 5 5 0 0	0.68 0.11 -0.05		
Romance	0 2 0 4 4	0.15 -0.59 0.65	$\times$	$\times$
	0 0 0 5 5	0.07 -0.73 -0.67	$\times$	$\times$
	0 1 0 2 2	0.07 -0.29 0.32	$\begin{bmatrix} 0.56 & 0.59 & 0.56 & 0.09 & 0.09 \\ 0.12 & -0.02 & 0.12 & -0.69 & -0.69 \\ 0.40 & -0.80 & 0.40 & 0.09 & 0.09 \end{bmatrix}$	

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	4 4 4 0 0	0.07 -0.29 0.32	0.07 -0.29 0.32	0.56 0.59 0.56 0.09 0.09
Romnce	5 5 5 0 0	0.56 0.59 0.56 0.09 0.09	0.12 -0.02 0.12 -0.69 -0.69	0.40 -0.80 0.40 0.09 0.09
	0 2 0 4 4	0.07 -0.29 0.32	0.07 -0.29 0.32	0.56 0.59 0.56 0.09 0.09
	0 0 0 5 5	0.07 -0.29 0.32	0.07 -0.29 0.32	0.56 0.59 0.56 0.09 0.09
	0 1 0 2 2	0.07 -0.29 0.32	0.07 -0.29 0.32	0.56 0.59 0.56 0.09 0.09

$=$

	SciFi-concept	Romance-concept
	0.13 0.02 -0.01	0.41 0.07 -0.03
	0.55 0.09 -0.04	0.68 0.11 -0.05
	0.15 -0.59 0.65	0.07 -0.73 -0.67
	0.07 -0.29 0.32	0.07 -0.29 0.32

$\times$

12.4 0 0
0 9.5 0
0 0 1.3

$\times$

0.56 0.59 0.56 0.09 0.09
0.12 -0.02 0.12 -0.69 -0.69
0.40 -0.80 0.40 0.09 0.09

# SVD – Example: Users-to-Movies

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

$U$  is “user-to-concept” similarity matrix

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \text{Matrix} \\
 \begin{bmatrix} & \text{Alien} & \text{Serenity} & \text{Casablanca} & \text{Amelie} \\ \text{SciFi} & \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 4 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & 5 & 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 4 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} & = & \begin{bmatrix} 0.13 & 0.02 & -0.01 \\ 0.41 & 0.07 & -0.03 \\ 0.55 & 0.09 & -0.04 \\ 0.68 & 0.11 & -0.05 \\ 0.15 & -0.59 & 0.65 \\ 0.07 & -0.73 & -0.67 \\ 0.07 & -0.29 & 0.32 \end{bmatrix} \\
 \downarrow & \text{SciFi-concept} & \text{Romance-concept} & \\
 \text{Romnce} & & & 
 \end{array}$$

$\times \begin{bmatrix} 12.4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 9.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1.3 \end{bmatrix} \times$

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	0	1	0	2	2

$=$

SciFi-concept

0.13	0.02	-0.01
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0.55	0.09	-0.04
0.68	0.11	-0.05
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"strength" of the SciFi-concept

$\times$

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$\times$

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# SVD – in practice, I

```
42
43 # ----- SVD -----
44
45 ratings2 = np.array(ratings2)
46
47 print('data matrix ha shape ', ratings2.shape)
48
49 #split the matrix in the three components
50 u, s, vh = np.linalg.svd(ratings2, full_matrices=False)
51
52
53 print('U has shape ', u.shape, s.shape, vh.shape)
54
55 sigma = np.diag(s)
56 print('Sigma has shape ', sigma.shape)
57
58 print(sigma)
59 print('V^t has shape ', vh.shape)
60
61 sigmavh = np.dot(sigma, vh)
62
63 # A = U*Sigma*V^t
64
65 usigmavh = np.dot(u, sigmavh)
66
67 print(usigmavh)
68
69 # verify that the recombination is correct up to roundings
70 print(np.allclose(ratings2, usigmavh))
71
72
73
```

```
34 ratings2 = [[1, 1, 1, 0, 0],
35 [3, 3, 3, 0, 0],
36 [4, 4, 4, 0, 0],
37 [5, 5, 5, 0, 0],
38 [0, 2, 0, 4, 4],
39 [0, 0, 0, 5, 5],
40 [0, 1, 0, 2, 2]]
```

```
3 sigma =
4 [[1.24810147e+01 0.00000000e+00 0.00000000e+00 0.00000000e+00 0.00000000e+00]
5 [0.00000000e+00 9.50861406e+00 0.00000000e+00 0.00000000e+00 0.00000000e+00]
6 [0.00000000e+00 0.00000000e+00 1.34555971e+00 0.00000000e+00 0.00000000e+00]
7 [0.00000000e+00 0.00000000e+00 0.00000000e+00 1.84716760e-16 0.00000000e+00]
8 [0.00000000e+00 0.00000000e+00 0.00000000e+00 0.00000000e+00 9.74452038e-33]]
```

# SVD – in practice, II

```
34 ratings2 = [[1, 1, 1, 0, 0],  
35     [3, 3, 3, 0, 0],  
36     [4, 4, 4, 0, 0],  
37     [5, 5, 5, 0, 0],  
38     [0, 2, 0, 4, 4],  
39     [0, 0, 0, 5, 5],  
40     [0, 1, 0, 2, 2]]  
41  
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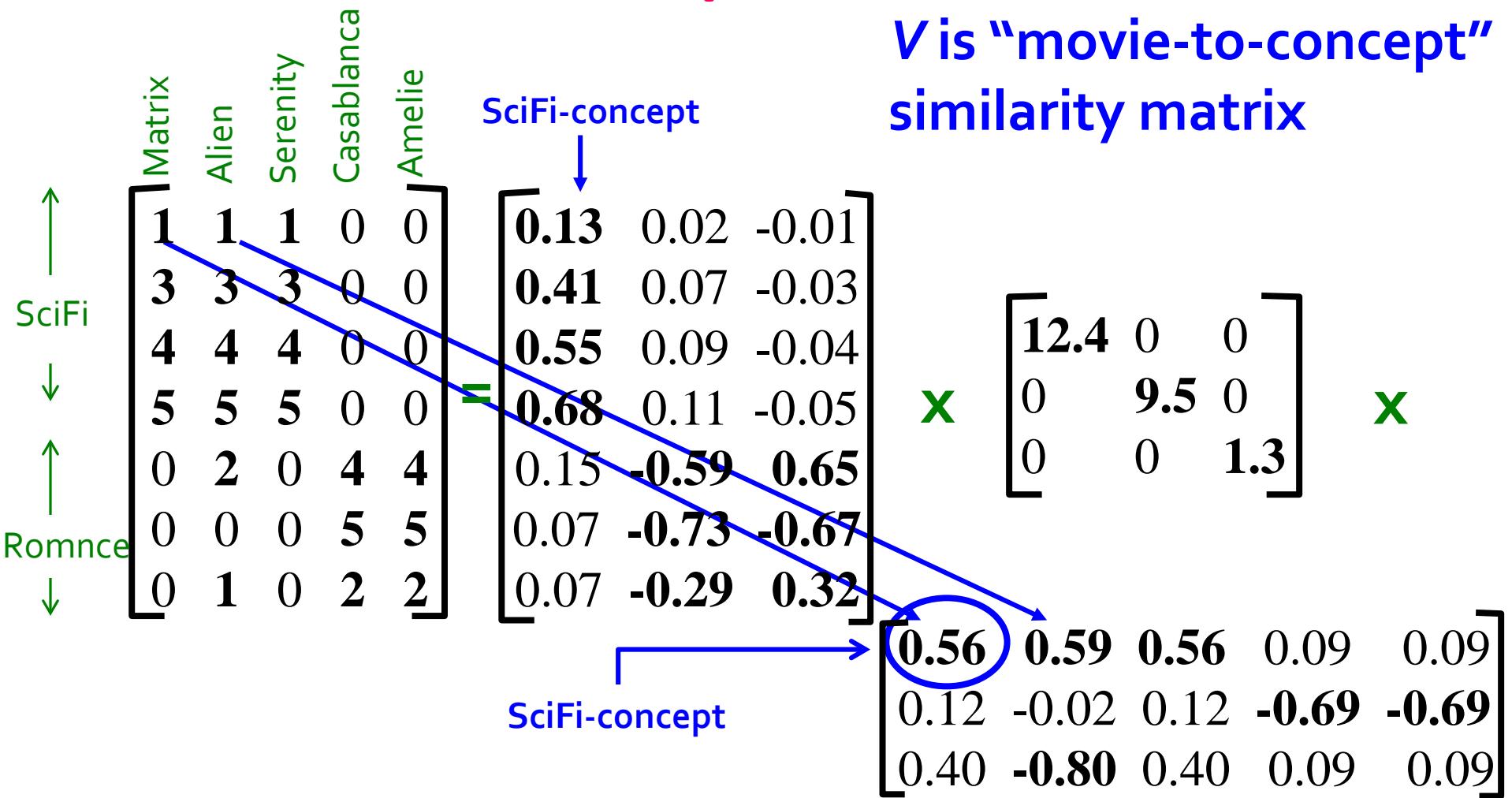
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Console 1/A

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# SVD – Example: Users-to-Movies

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



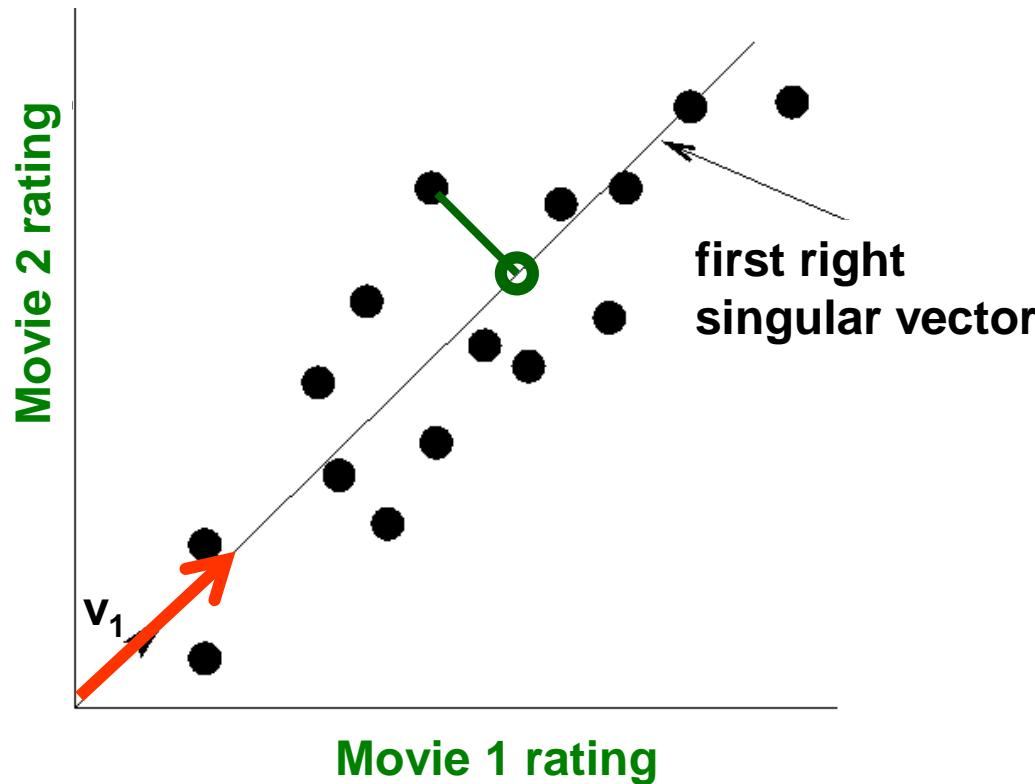
# SVD - Interpretation #1

‘movies’, ‘users’ and ‘concepts’:

- $U$ : user-to-concept similarity matrix
- $V$ : movie-to-concept similarity matrix
- $\Sigma$ : its diagonal elements:  
‘strength’ of each concept

# Dimensionality Reduction with SVD

# SVD – Dimensionality Reduction

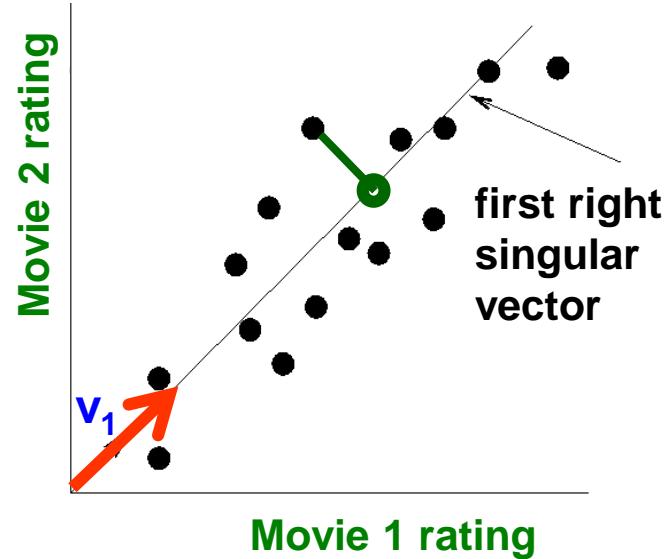


- Instead of using two coordinates  $(x, y)$  to describe point locations, let's use only one coordinate ( $z$ )
- Point's position is its location along vector  $v_1$
- How to choose  $v_1$ ? **Minimize reconstruction error**

# SVD – Dimensionality Reduction

- **Goal:** Minimize the sum of reconstruction errors:

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^D \|x_{ij} - z_{ij}\|^2$$



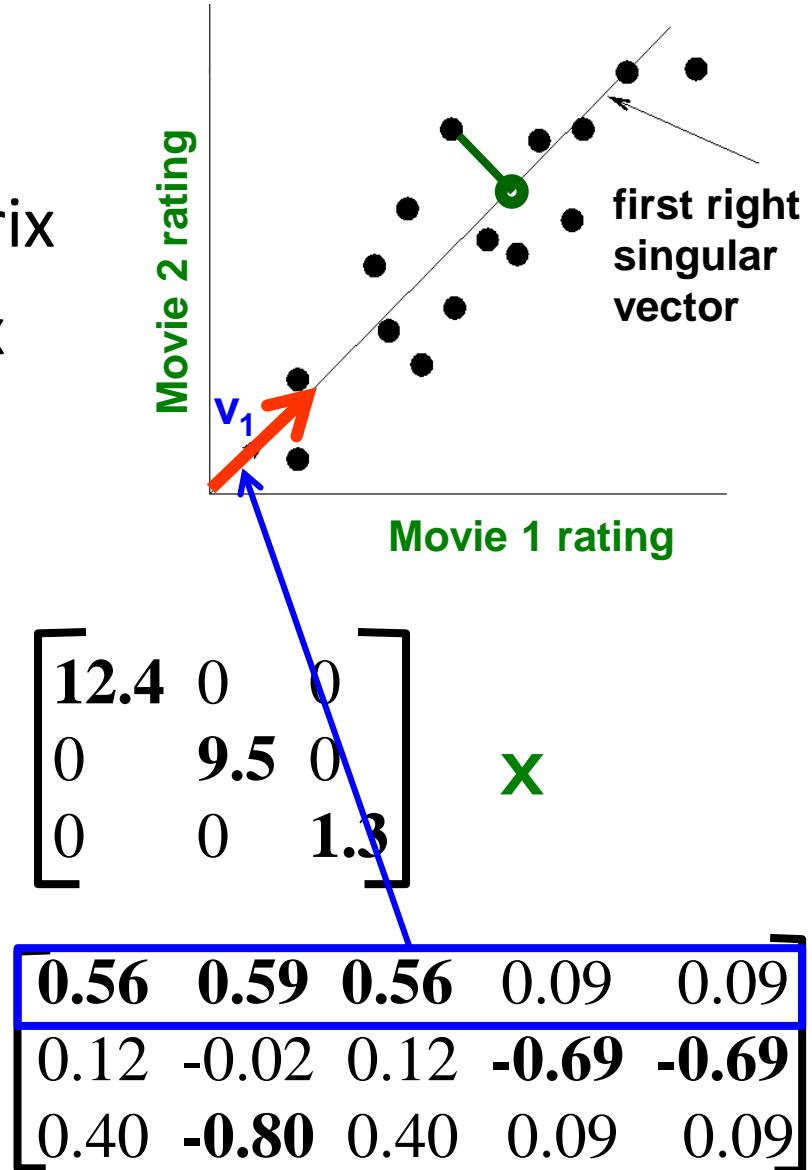
- where  $x_{ij}$  are the “old” and  $z_{ij}$  are the “new” coordinates
- **SVD gives ‘best’ axis to project on:**
  - ‘best’ = minimizing the reconstruction errors
- **In other words, minimum reconstruction error**

# SVD - Interpretation #2

## ■ $A = U \Sigma V^T$ - example:

- $V$ : “movie-to-concept” matrix
- $U$ : “user-to-concept” matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 4 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & 5 & 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 4 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.13 & 0.02 & -0.01 \\ 0.41 & 0.07 & -0.03 \\ 0.55 & 0.09 & -0.04 \\ 0.68 & 0.11 & -0.05 \\ 0.15 & -0.59 & 0.65 \\ 0.07 & -0.73 & -0.67 \\ 0.07 & -0.29 & 0.32 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 12.4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 9.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1.3 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 0.56 & 0.59 & 0.56 & 0.09 & 0.09 \\ 0.12 & -0.02 & 0.12 & -0.69 & -0.69 \\ 0.40 & -0.80 & 0.40 & 0.09 & 0.09 \end{bmatrix}$$



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

variance ('spread')  
on the  $v_1$  axis

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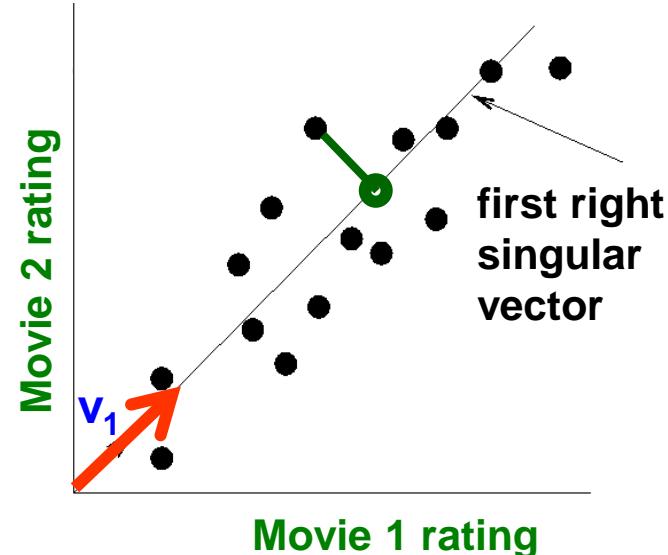
# SVD - Interpretation #2

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

- $U \Sigma$ : Gives the coordinates of the points in the projection axis

1	1	1	0	0
3	3	3	0	0
4	4	4	0	0
5	5	5	0	0
0	2	0	4	4
0	0	0	5	5
0	1	0	2	2

Projection of users on the “Sci-Fi” axis  
 $(U \Sigma)^T$ :



1.61	0.19	-0.01
5.08	0.66	-0.03
6.82	0.85	-0.05
8.43	1.04	-0.06
1.86	-5.60	0.84
0.86	-6.93	-0.87
0.86	-2.75	0.41

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## More details

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Frobenius norm:

$$\|M\|_F = \sqrt{\sum_{ij} M_{ij}^2}$$

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

is “small”

# SVD – Best Low Rank Approx.

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

B is best approximation of A

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# SVD – Best Low Rank Approx.

- Theorem:

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

$\mathbf{S}$  = diagonal  $r \times r$  matrix with  $s_i = \sigma_i$  ( $i=1 \dots k$ ) else  $s_i = 0$   
then  $\mathbf{B}$  is a **best**  $\text{rank}(B)=k$  approx. to  $\mathbf{A}$

What do we mean by “best”:

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

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & \dots & x_{1n} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & \dots & \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \\ x_{m1} & & & x_{mn} \end{pmatrix}_{m \times n} = \begin{pmatrix} u_{11} & \dots & u_r \\ \vdots & \ddots & \\ u_{m1} & & u_r \end{pmatrix}_{m \times r} \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{11} & & & \\ & 0 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \sigma_{rr} \end{pmatrix}_{r \times r} \begin{pmatrix} v_{11} & \dots & v_{1n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \\ v_{r1} & & v_{rn} \end{pmatrix}_{r \times n}$$

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# SVD – Best Low Rank Approx.

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**then**  $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{U} \mathbf{S} \mathbf{V}^T$ 
  - $\mathbf{S}$  = **diagonal  $r \times r$  matrix** where  $s_i = \sigma_i$  ( $i=1\dots k$ ) else  $s_i=0$   
**is a best rank- $k$  approximation to  $\mathbf{A}$ :**
  - **$\mathbf{B}$  is a solution to  $\min_B \|A-B\|_F$  where  $\text{rank}(B)=k$**

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The diagram illustrates the Singular Value Decomposition (SVD) of a matrix  $A$ . On the left, a  $m \times n$  matrix  $A$  is shown with entries  $x_{ij}$ . To its right is the decomposition  $A = U \Sigma V^T$ . The matrix  $U$  is  $m \times r$  and contains columns  $u_{11}, \dots, u_{mr}$ . The diagonal matrix  $\Sigma$  is  $r \times r$  and has non-zero entries  $\sigma_{11}, \dots, \sigma_{rr}$  on the diagonal. The matrix  $V^T$  is  $r \times n$  and contains rows  $v_{11}, \dots, v_{r1}$ . A grey diagonal band highlights the non-zero elements in  $\Sigma$ .

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$$\|M\| = \sum_i \sum_j \sum_k \sum_\ell \sum_n \sum_m p_{ik} q_{k\ell} r_{\ell j} p_{in} q_{nm} r_{mj}$$

$\sum_i p_{ik} p_{in}$  is 1 if  $k = n$  and 0 otherwise

We apply:

- $U \Sigma V^\top - U S V^\top = U (\Sigma - S) V^\top$

- P column orthonormal
- R row orthonormal
- Q is diagonal

# SVD – Best Low Rank Approx.

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  - then  $\mathbf{B}$  is solution to  $\min_{\mathbf{B}} \|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}\|_F$ ,  $\text{rank}(\mathbf{B}) = k$**
- Why?

$$\min_{B, \text{rank}(B)=k} \|A - B\|_F = \min \|\Sigma - S\|_F = \min_{s_i} \sum_{i=1}^r (\sigma_i - s_i)^2$$

We used:  $\mathbf{U} \Sigma \mathbf{V}^T - \mathbf{U} \mathbf{S} \mathbf{V}^T = \mathbf{U} (\Sigma - \mathbf{S}) \mathbf{V}^T$

- We want to choose  $s_i$  to minimize  $\sum_i (\sigma_i - s_i)^2$
- Solution is to set  $s_i = \sigma_i$  ( $i=1 \dots k$ ) and other  $s_i = 0$

$$= \min_{s_i} \sum_{i=1}^k (\sigma_i - s_i)^2 + \sum_{i=k+1}^r \sigma_i^2 = \sum_{i=k+1}^r \sigma_i^2$$

# SVD - Interpretation #2

**Equivalent:**

'spectral decomposition' of the matrix:

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Equivalent:

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

Why is setting small  $\sigma_i$  to 0 the right thing to do?

Vectors  $u_i$  and  $v_i$  are unit length, so  $\sigma_i$  scales them.

So, zeroing small  $\sigma_i$  introduces less error.

# SVD - Interpretation #2

**Q: How many  $\sigma$ s to keep?**

**A:** Rule-of-a thumb:

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

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{↑} & \xleftarrow{\quad m \quad} & \xrightarrow{\quad} \\ & \left[ \begin{array}{ccccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 4 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & 5 & 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 4 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 2 \end{array} \right] & = & \sigma_1 & u_1 & v_1^T + \sigma_2 & u_2 & v_2^T + \dots \\ \text{↓} & & & & & & & \\ & n & & & & & & \end{array}$$

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# SVD - Complexity

- **To compute SVD:**
  - $O(nm^2)$  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 ...

# SVD - Conclusions so far

- **SVD:  $A = U \Sigma V^T$ : unique**
  - $U$ : user-to-concept similarities
  - $V$ : movie-to-concept similarities
  - $\Sigma$  : strength of each concept
- **Dimensionality reduction:**
  - keep the few largest singular values (80-90% of ‘energy’)
  - SVD: picks up linear correlations

# Example of SVD & Conclusion

# Case study: How to query?

- Q: Find users that like ‘Matrix’
- A: Map query into a ‘concept space’ – how?

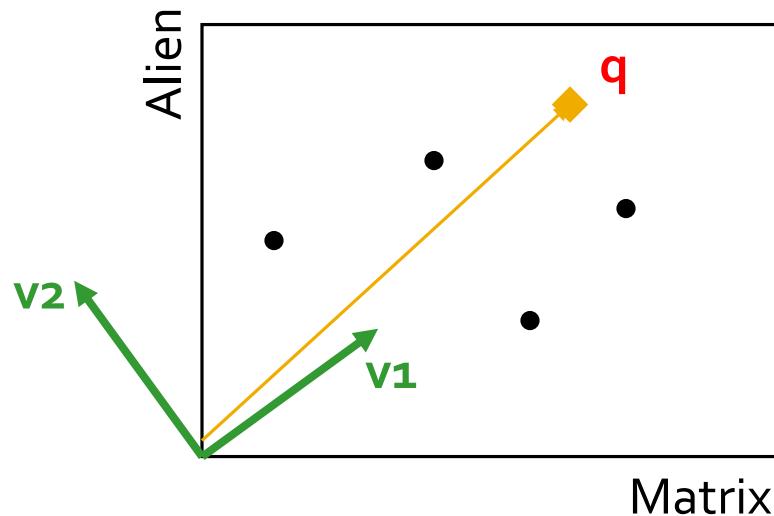
$$\begin{array}{c} \text{SciFi} \\ \uparrow \\ \text{Romance} \\ \downarrow \end{array} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{Matrix} \\ \text{Alien} \\ \text{Serenity} \\ \text{Casablanca} \\ \text{Amelie} \end{matrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 4 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & 5 & 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 4 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 & 5 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.13 & 0.02 & -0.01 \\ 0.41 & 0.07 & -0.03 \\ 0.55 & 0.09 & -0.04 \\ 0.68 & 0.11 & -0.05 \\ 0.15 & -0.59 & 0.65 \\ 0.07 & -0.73 & -0.67 \\ 0.07 & -0.29 & 0.32 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 12.4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 9.5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1.3 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 0.56 & 0.59 & 0.56 & 0.09 & 0.09 \\ 0.12 & -0.02 & 0.12 & -0.69 & -0.69 \\ 0.40 & -0.80 & 0.40 & 0.09 & 0.09 \end{bmatrix}$$

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**Project into concept space:**  
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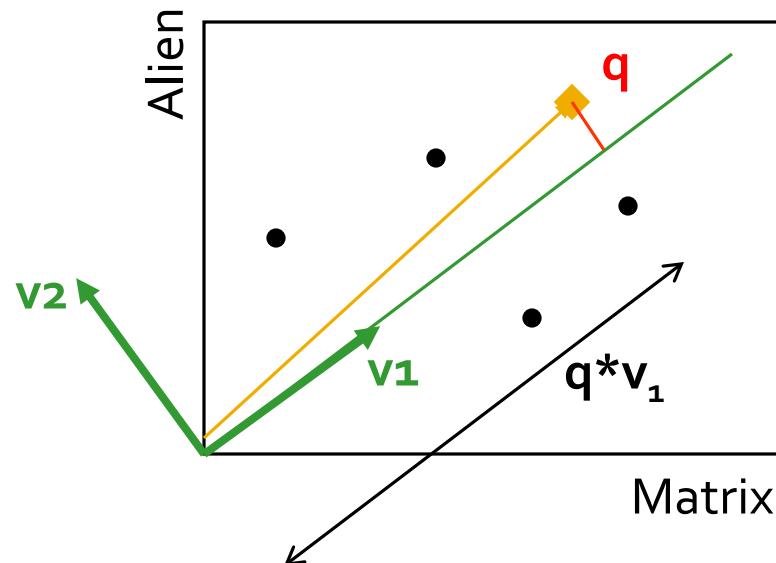


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Compactly, we have:

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movie-to-concept  
similarities ( $\vee$ )

SciFi-concept

$\downarrow$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2.8 \\ 0.6 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Case study: How to query?

- How would the user  $d$  that rated ('Alien', 'Serenity') be handled?

$$d_{\text{concept}} = d \mathbf{V}$$

E.g.:

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SciFi-concept

movie-to-concept  
similarities ( $\mathbf{V}$ )

# Case study: How to query?

- **Observation:** User  $d$  that rated ('Alien', 'Serenity') will be **similar** to user  $q$  that rated ('Matrix'), although  $d$  and  $q$  have **zero ratings in common!**

$d = \begin{bmatrix} & \text{Matrix} & \text{Alien} & \text{Serenity} & \text{Casablanca} & \text{Amelie} \\ \text{SciFi-concept} & 0 & 4 & 5 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

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**Zero ratings in common**

**Similarity  $\neq 0$**

# SVD: Drawbacks

- + Optimal low-rank approximation  
in terms of Frobenius norm
- Interpretability problem:
  - A singular vector specifies a linear combination of all input columns or rows
- Lack of sparsity:
  - Singular vectors are **dense!**

$$\begin{matrix} \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot \end{matrix} = \begin{matrix} U \\ \Sigma \\ V^T \end{matrix}$$

The diagram illustrates the Singular Value Decomposition (SVD) of a 4x2 matrix. On the left, a 4x2 matrix is shown with black dots representing non-zero entries. An equals sign follows. To the right is the decomposition into three components: U (a 4x4 matrix), Σ (a 4x2 diagonal matrix with black dots on the diagonal), and V<sup>T</sup> (a 2x2 matrix). The matrix U has black dots in its first two columns and zeros elsewhere. The matrix V<sup>T</sup> has black dots in its second column and zeros elsewhere.