

Latent Semantic Indexing

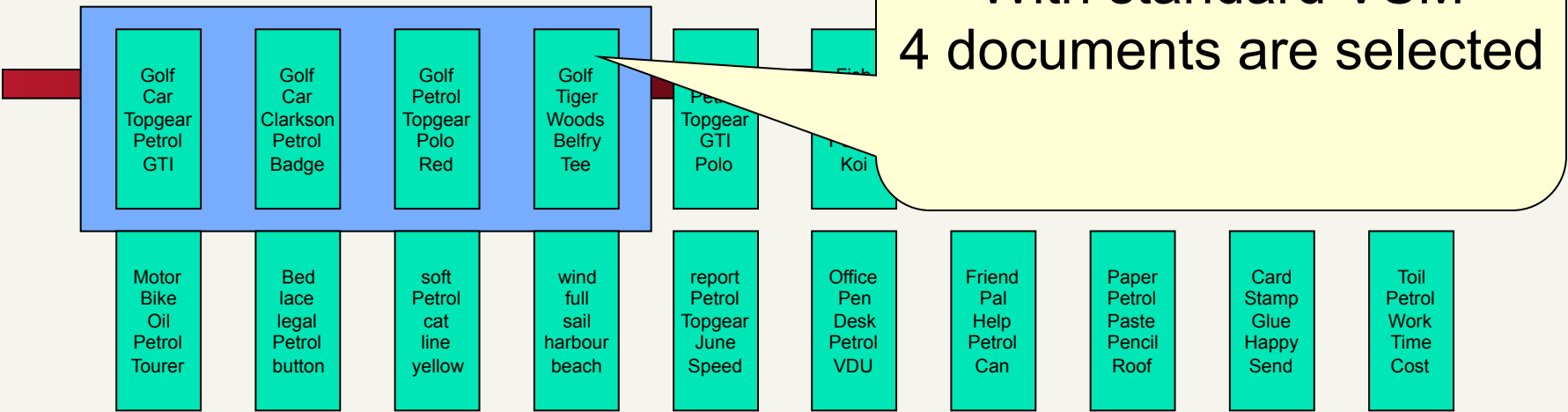
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- Term-document matrices are very large, though most cells are “zeros”
- But the number of **topics** that people talk about is small (in some sense)
 - Clothes, movies, politics, ...
 - Each topic can be represented as a cluster of (semantically) related terms, e.g.: clothes=golf, jacket, shoe..
- Can we represent the term-document space by a lower dimensional “latent” space (**latent space=set of topics**)?

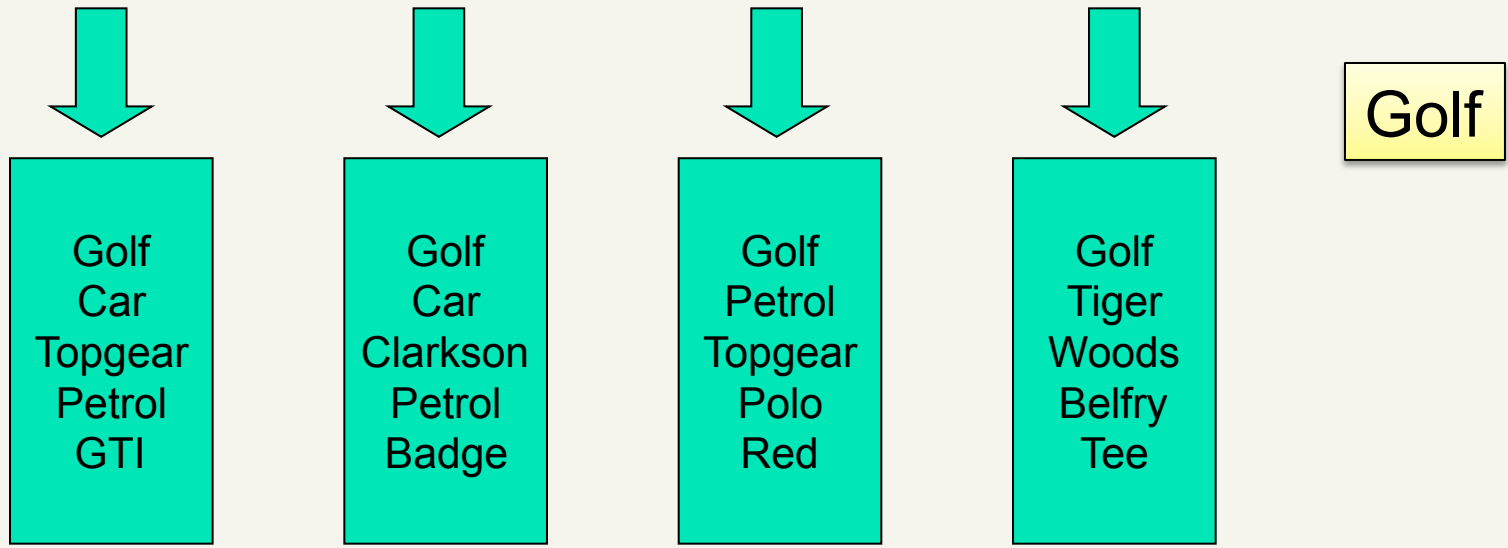
Searching with latent topics

- Given a collection of documents, LSI learns clusters of frequently co-occurring terms (ex: `information retrieval, ranking and web`)
- If you query with `ranking, information retrieval` LSI “automatically” extends the search to documents including also (and even ONLY) `web`

Document base (20)



Selection based on 'Golf'



20 documents

Golf Car Topgear Petrol GTI	Golf Car Clarkson Petrol Badge	Golf Petrol Topgear Polo Red	Golf Tiger Woods Belfry Tee	Car Petrol Topgear GTI Polo	Fish Pond gold Petrol Koi	PC Dell RAM Petrol Floppy	Core Petrol Apple Pip Tree	Pea Pod Fresh Green French	Lupin Petrol Seed May April
Motor Bike Oil Petrol Tourer	Bed lace legal Petrol button	soft Petrol cat line yellow	wind full sail harbour beach	report Petrol Topgear June Speed	Office Pen Desk Petrol VDU	Friend Pal Help Petrol Can	Paper Petrol Paste Pencil Roof	Card Stamp Glue Happy Send	Toil Petrol Work Time Cost

Rank of selected documents

Selection based on 'Golf'



Golf
Car
Topgear
Petrol
GTI



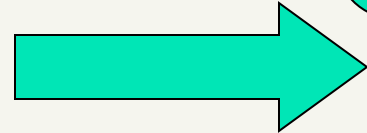
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Golf
Tiger
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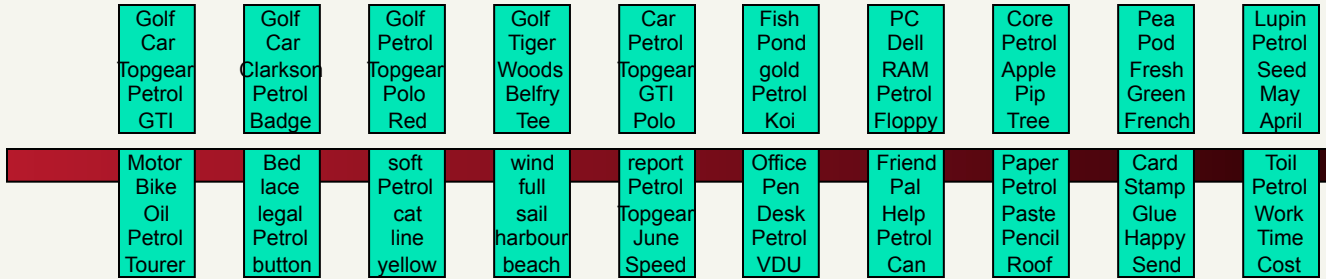


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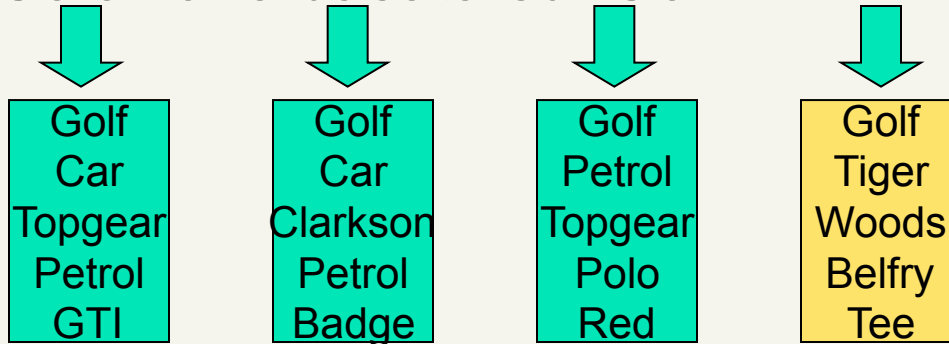
Car
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 Topgear
 $2 * (20/3) = 13$
 Petrol
 $3 * (20/16) = 4$

The most relevant words associated with golf in these docs are:
Car, Topgear and Petrol

20 docs



Selezione basata su 'Golf'

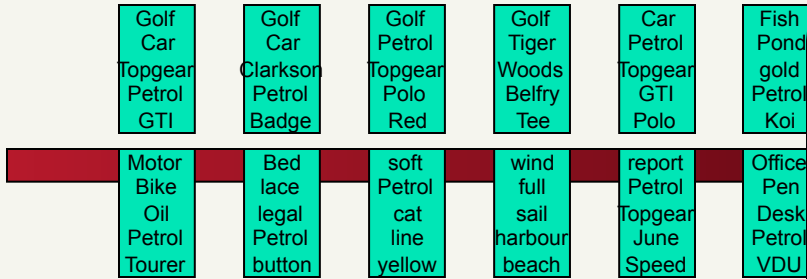


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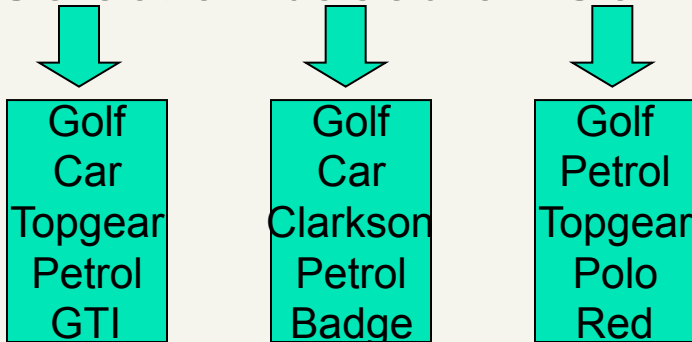
If we consider the co-occurring terms with higher $tf*idf$, **car** e **topgear** turn out to be related to **Golf** more than **petrol**

20 docs



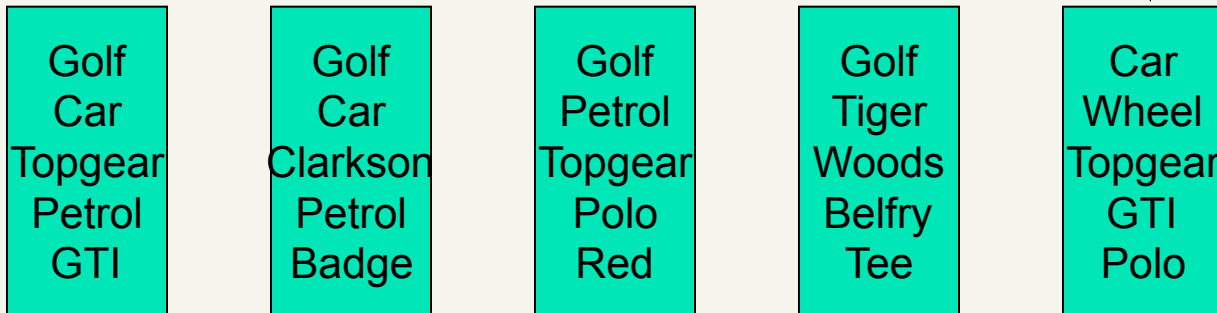
We now search with all the words in the "semantic domain" of Golf. The list of retrieved docs now is based on Golf and the other related words

Selection based on 'Golf'



Tiger
Woods
Belfry
Tee

Selection based on the semantic domain of Golf



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20 docs

Golf
Car
Topgear
Petrol
GTI

Motor
Bike
Oil
Petrol
Tourer

Lupin
Petrol
Seed
May
April

Oil
Petrol
Work
Time
Lost

The co-occurrence based ranking improves the performance. Note that one of the most relevant doc does NOT include the word Golf, and a doc with a "spurious" sense disappears

rank of selected docs

Select



Golf
Car
Topgear
Petrol
GTI

Petrol
Badge

Polo
Red

Selection based on semantic domain

Golf
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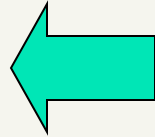
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Rank

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Ranking with Latent Semantic Indexing

- Previous example just gives the intuition
- Latent Semantic Indexing is an **algebraic** method to identify clusters of co-occurring terms, called “latent topics”, and to compute query-doc similarity in a **latent space**, in which every coordinate is a latent topic.
- A “latent” quantity is one which cannot directly observed, what is observed is a measurement which may include some amount of random errors (topics are “latent” in this sense: we observe them, but they are an approximation of “true” semantic topics)
- Since it is an algebraic method, needs some linear algebra background

The LSI method: how to detect “topics”

Linear Algebra Background

Eigenvalues & Eigenvectors

- **Eigenvectors** (for a square $m \times m$ matrix S)

$$\underline{A}\underline{v} = \lambda\underline{v}$$

(right) eigenvector $\underline{v} \in \mathbb{R}^m \neq \underline{0}$

eigenvalue $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$

Example

$$\begin{pmatrix} 6 & -2 \\ 4 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} = 2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\underline{A}\underline{v} = \lambda\underline{v}$$

- Def: A vector $\underline{v} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $\underline{v} \neq \underline{0}$, is an **eigenvector** of a matrix $m \times m$ A with corresponding **eigenvalue** λ , if:

$$\underline{A}\underline{v} = \lambda\underline{v}$$

Algebraic method

- How many eigenvalues are there at most?

$$\mathbf{A}\underline{\mathbf{v}} = \lambda\underline{\mathbf{v}}$$

equation has a non-zero solution if $|\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I}| = 0$

$$\mathbf{A}\underline{\mathbf{v}} = \lambda\underline{\mathbf{v}} \iff (\mathbf{A} - \lambda\mathbf{I})\underline{\mathbf{v}} = \mathbf{0}$$

Where \mathbf{I} is the identity matrix
this is a m -th order equation in λ which can have **at most m distinct solutions** (roots of the characteristic polynomial) - can be complex even though \mathbf{A} is real.

Example of eigenvector/eigenvalues

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix}, \quad v = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \lambda = 4$$

$$A\underline{v} = \lambda\underline{v}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix} = 4 \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 + (-3)(-1) \\ 3 + 5(-3) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -12 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -12 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -12 \end{pmatrix}$$

Example of computation

remember

$$\det M = |M| = \begin{vmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{vmatrix} = ad - bc$$

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 3 & 5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\det(A - \lambda I) = 0$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 3 & 5 \end{vmatrix} - \lambda \begin{vmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

2 and 4 are the eigenvalues of S

$$(1 - \lambda)(\lambda - 5) + 3 = 0$$

$$-6\lambda + 5 + 3 = 0$$

$$\lambda^2 - 6\lambda + 8 = 0$$

$$(\lambda - 4)(\lambda - 2) = 0$$

Characteristic polynomial

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ 3 & 5 \end{vmatrix} - \begin{vmatrix} \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 - \lambda & -1 \\ 3 & 5 - \lambda \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 - 4 & -1 \\ 3 & 5 - 4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} -3 & -1 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{cases} -3\alpha - \beta = 0 \\ 3\alpha + \beta = 0 \end{cases} \quad \beta = -3\alpha$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 - 2 & -1 \\ 3 & 5 - 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

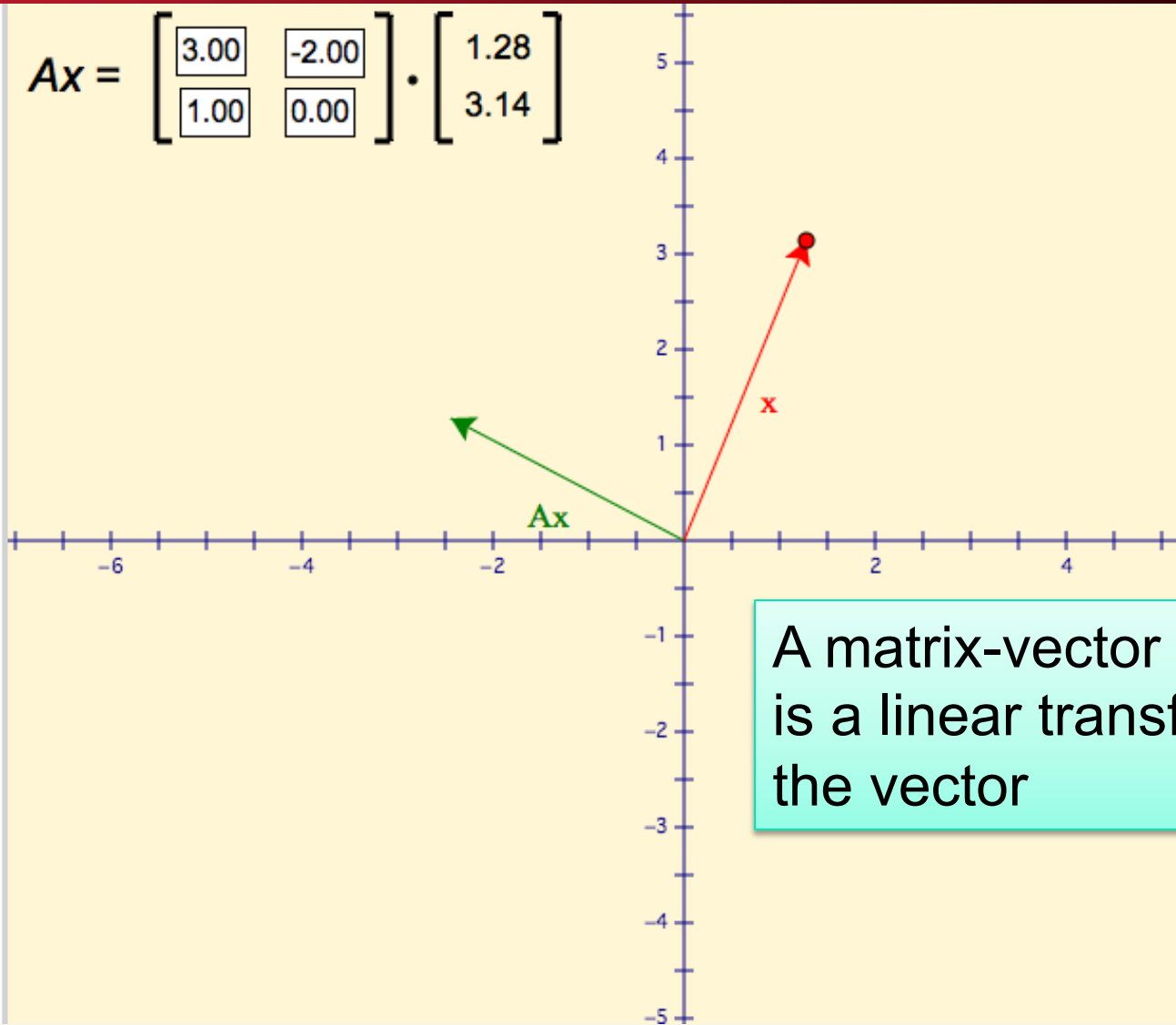
$$\begin{pmatrix} -1 & -1 \\ 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{cases} -\alpha - \beta = 0 \\ 3\alpha + 3\beta = 0 \end{cases} \quad \alpha = -\beta$$

Note that we compute only the **DIRECTION** of eigenvectors

Geometric interpretation

$$Ax = \begin{bmatrix} \boxed{3.00} & \boxed{-2.00} \\ \boxed{1.00} & \boxed{0.00} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1.28 \\ 3.14 \end{bmatrix}$$



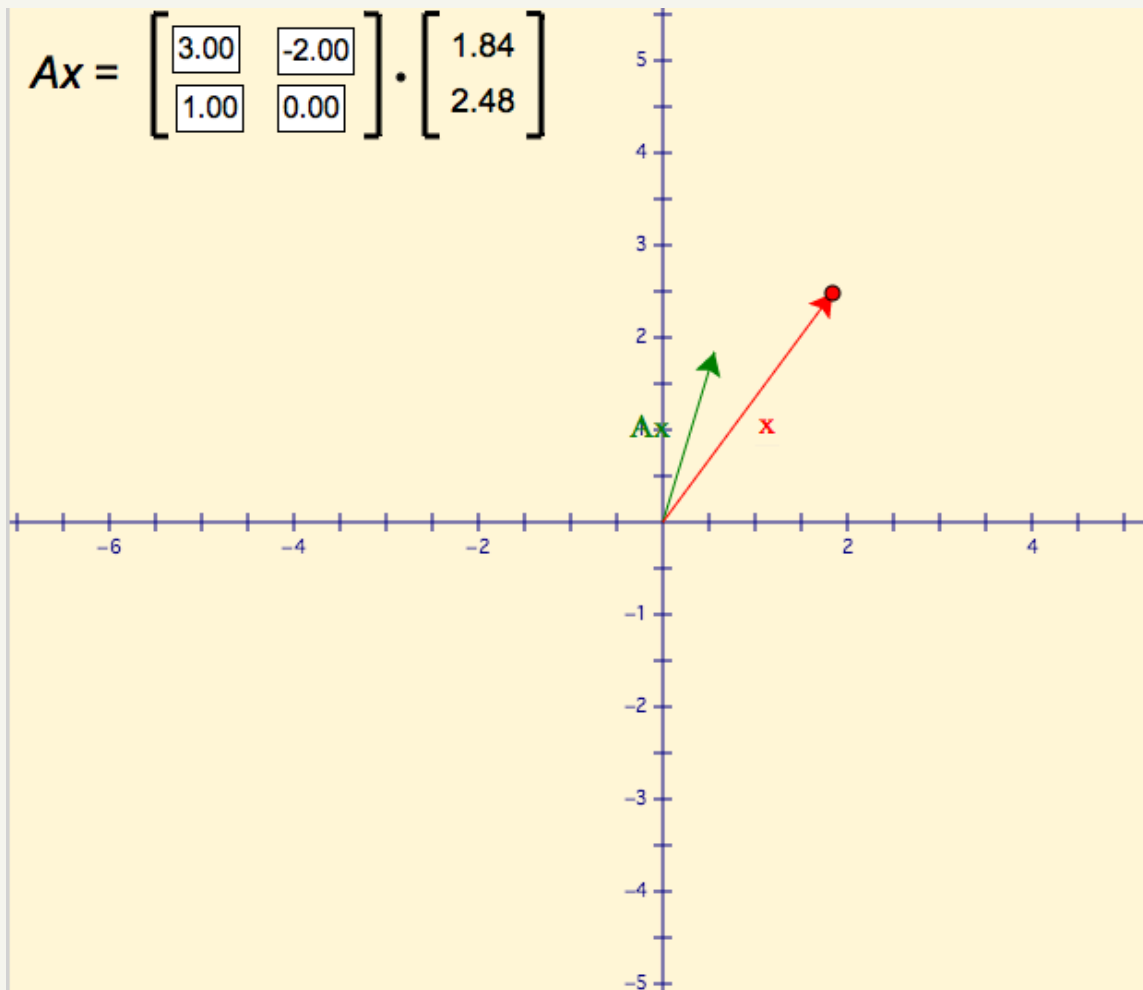
A matrix-vector multiplication Ax is a linear transformation over the vector

Matrix vector multiplication

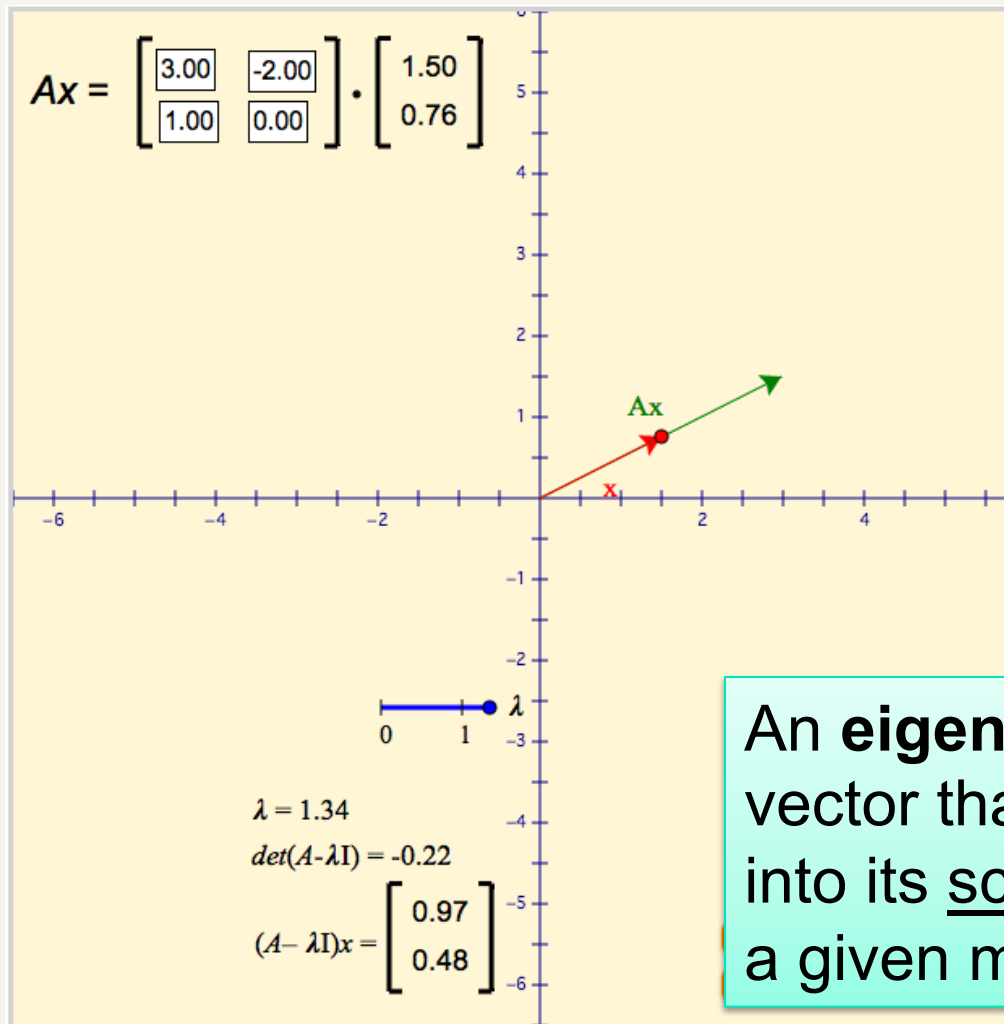
$$A\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \dots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n \\ a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n \end{bmatrix}.$$

Matrix multiplication by a vector = a linear transformation of the initial vector, that implies **rotation** and **translation**

Geometric interpretation



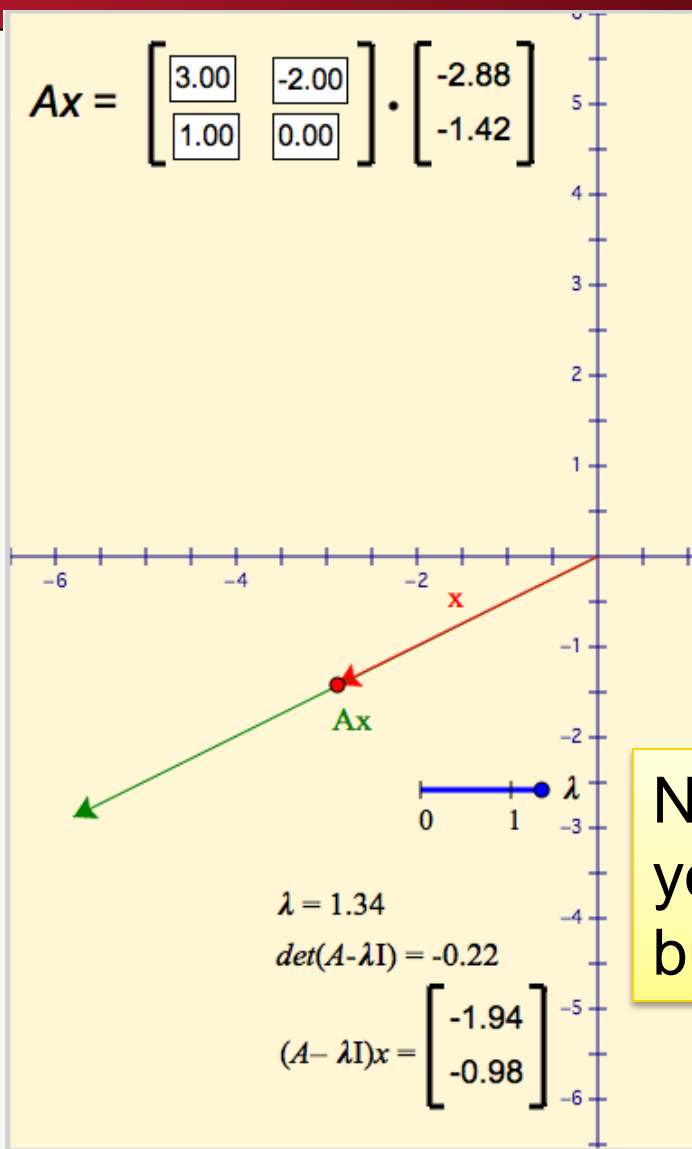
Geometric interpretation



$$Ax = 1.34x = \lambda x$$

An **eigenvector** is a special vector that is transformed into its scalar multiple under a given matrix (no rotation!)

Geometric interpretation



Here we found another eigenvector for the matrix A

Note that for any single eigenvalue you have infinite eigenvectors, but they have **the same direction**

Matrix-vector multiplication

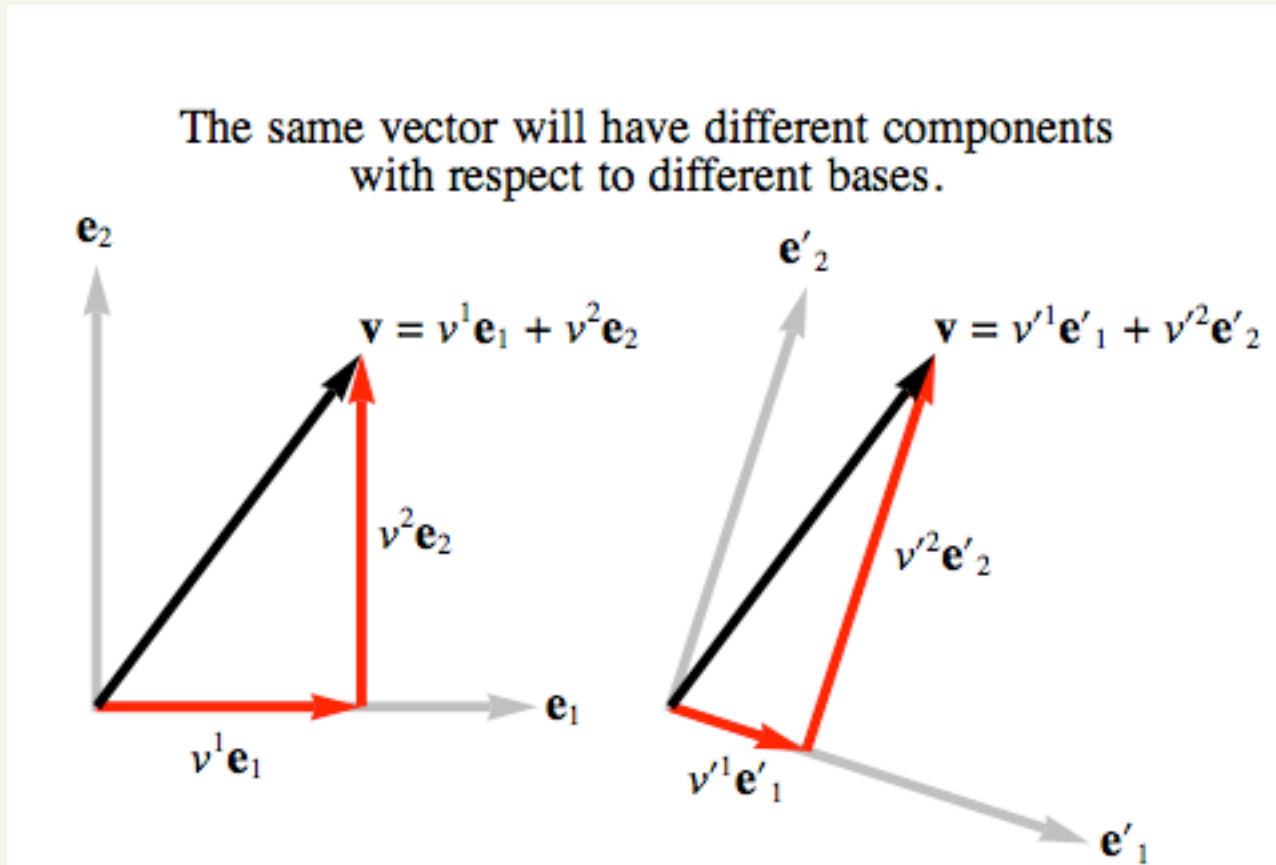
- Eigenvectors of different eigenvalues are **linearly independent** (i.e. $\forall \alpha_1 \dots \alpha_n \rightarrow \alpha_1 v_1 + \dots \alpha_n v_n \neq 0$)
- For **square normal** matrixes eigenvectors of different eigenvalues define an orthonormal space and they are orthogonal.
- A square matrix is NORMAL iff it commutes with its transpose, i.e. $AA^T = A^T A$
- Example:

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow AA^T = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} = A^T A$$

Difference between orthonormal and orthogonal?

- Orthogonal mean that the dot product is null (the cosin of the angle is zero).
Orthonormal mean that the dot product is null **and** the norm of the vectos is equal to 1.
What we are actually saying is that eigenvectors define a set of DIRECTIONS wich are orthogonal.
- If two or more vectors are orthonormal they are also orthogonal but the inverse is not true.

Example: projecting a vector on 2 orthonormal spaces (or “bases”)



e_1, e'_1, e_2, e'_2 are unary vectors and v_1, v'_1, v_2, v'_2 are the coordinates of v along the directions of e_1, e'_1, e_2, e'_2

The effect of a matrix-vector multiplication is governed by eigenvectors and eigenvalues

- A matrix-vector multiplication such as Ax (A normal matrix, x a **generic vector** as in the previous slide) can be rewritten in terms of the eigenvalues/vectors **of A** .

Example:

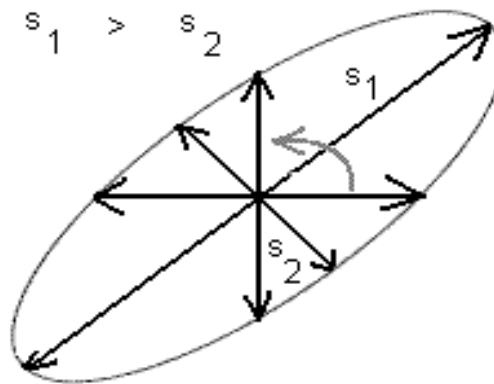
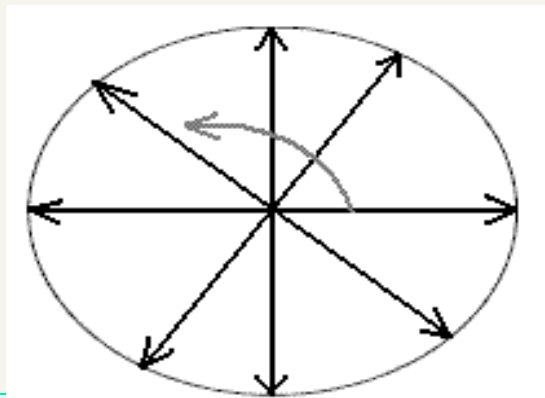
$$Ax = A(2v_1 + 4v_2 + 6v_3) \rightarrow x = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$Ax = 2Av_1 + 4Av_2 + 6Av_3 = 2\lambda_1v_1 + 4\lambda_2v_2 + 6\lambda_3v_3$$

- Where v_1, v_2, v_3 are the (orthogonal) eigenvectors of A
- Even though x is an arbitrary vector, the action of A on x (transformation) is determined by the eigenvalues/vectors.
- Why?

Geometric explanation

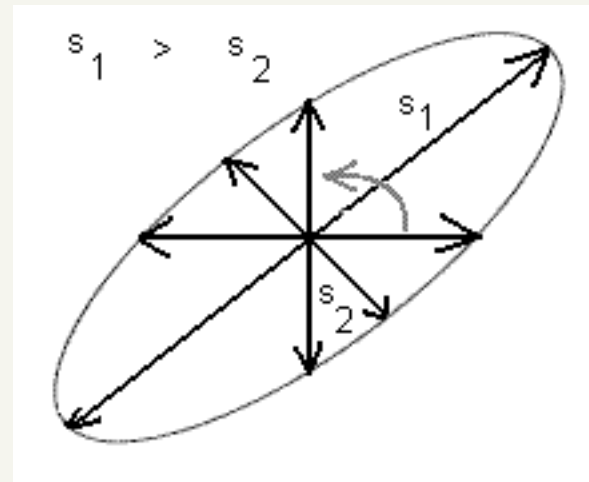
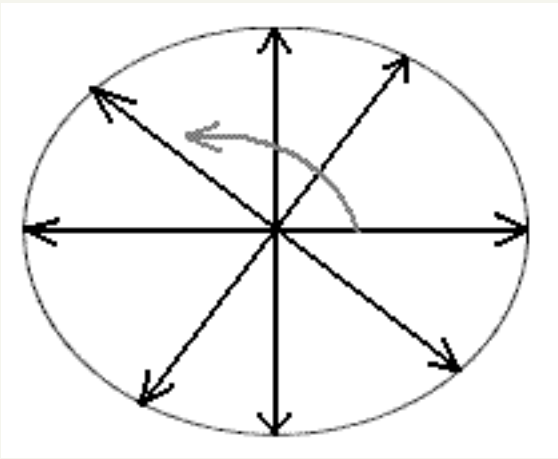
\mathbf{x} is a generic vector with coordinates x_i ; λ_i, \mathbf{v}_i are the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of A

$$A\mathbf{x} = x_1\lambda_1\mathbf{v}_1 + x_2\lambda_2\mathbf{v}_2 + x_3\lambda_3\mathbf{v}_3$$



Multiplying a matrix and a vector has two effects over the vector: **rotation** (the coordinates of the vector change) and **scaling** (the length changes). **The max compression and rotation depends on the matrix's eigenvalues λ_i (s_1, s_2 and s_3 in the picture)**

Geometric explanation



In the distortion, the max effect **is played by the biggest eigenvalues** (s_1 and s_2 in the picture)

The eigenvalues describe the distortion operated by the matrix on the original vector

Summary so far

- A matrix A has eigenvectors \mathbf{v} and eigenvalues λ , defined by $A\mathbf{v}=\lambda\mathbf{v}$

- Eigenvalues can be computed as:

$$A\mathbf{v} = \lambda\mathbf{v} \iff (A - \lambda\mathbf{I})\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$$

- We can compute only the the direction of eigenvectors, since for any eigenvalue there are infinite eigenvectors lying on the same direction
- If A is normal (i.e. if $AA^T=A^TA$) then the eigenvector form an orthonormal basis
- The product of A by ANY vector \mathbf{x} is a linear transformation of \mathbf{x} where the **rotation** is determined by eigenvectors and the **translation** is determined by the eigenvalues. The biggest role in this transformation is played by the biggest eigenvalues.

Eigen/diagonal Decomposition

- Let A be a **square** matrix with m **orthogonal eigenvectors** (hence, A is normal)
- **Theorem:** Exists an **eigen decomposition**
 - $A=U\Lambda U^{-1}$
 - Λ is a diagonal matrix (all zero except the diagonal cells)
$$\Lambda = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_m), \quad \lambda_i \geq \lambda_{i+1}$$
- Columns of U are **eigenvectors** of A
- Diagonal elements of Λ are **eigenvalues** of A

Diagonal decomposition: why/how

Let \mathbf{U} have the eigenvectors as columns: $\mathbf{U} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_1 & \dots & \mathbf{v}_n \end{bmatrix}$

Then, \mathbf{AU} can be written

$$\mathbf{AU} = \mathbf{A} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_1 & \dots & \mathbf{v}_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 \mathbf{v}_1 & \dots & \lambda_n \mathbf{v}_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{v}_1 & \dots & \mathbf{v}_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & \\ & \dots & \\ & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus $\mathbf{AU} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Lambda}$, or $\mathbf{U}^{-1}\mathbf{AU} = \mathbf{\Lambda}$

And $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{U}^{-1}$.

Example

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$AU = U\Lambda$$


$$A[\mathbf{v}_1 \mathbf{v}_2] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_{11} & v_{21} \\ v_{12} & v_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} v_{11} & v_{21} \\ v_{12} & v_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix} = [\mathbf{v}_1 \mathbf{v}_2] \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

From this we compute $\lambda_1=1$, $\lambda_2=3$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_{11} \\ v_{12} \end{bmatrix} = 1 \begin{bmatrix} v_{11} \\ v_{12} \end{bmatrix}$$

from which we get $v_{11} = -2v_{12}$


$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_{21} \\ v_{22} \end{bmatrix} = 3 \begin{bmatrix} v_{21} \\ v_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

From which we get $v_{21}=0$ and v_{22} any real

Diagonal decomposition – example 2

Recall $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}; \quad \lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = 3.$

The eigenvectors $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$ and $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ form $U = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Inverting, we have $U^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & -1/2 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$ 

Then, $A = U\Lambda U^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1/2 & -1/2 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$ 30

So what?

- What do these matrices have to do with Information Retrieval and document ranking?
- Recall $M \times N$ term-document matrices ...
- But everything is **normal** – one last normal and learn



Singular Value Decomposition for non-square matrixes

For a non-square $M \times N$ matrix \mathbf{A} of rank r there exists a factorization (Singular Value Decomposition = **SVD**) as follows:

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

$M \times M$ $M \times N$ V is $N \times N$

The columns of \mathbf{U} are orthogonal eigenvectors of $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^T$ (*left singular vectors*).

The columns of \mathbf{V} are orthogonal eigenvectors of $\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{A}$ (right singular eigenvector). NOTE THAT $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^T$ and $\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{A}$ are square symmetric (and hence **NORMAL**)

Eigenvalues $\lambda_1 \dots \lambda_r$ of $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^T =$ eigenvalues of $\mathbf{A}^T\mathbf{A}$ and: $\sigma_i = \sqrt{\lambda_i}$

$$\Sigma = \text{diag}(\sigma_1 \dots \sigma_r)$$

Singular values.

An example

Find the SVD of A , $U\Sigma V^T$, where $A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & -2 \end{pmatrix}$

$$A = U\Sigma V^T = U \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{18} & -1/\sqrt{18} & 4/\sqrt{18} \\ 2/3 & -2/3 & -1/3 \end{pmatrix}$$

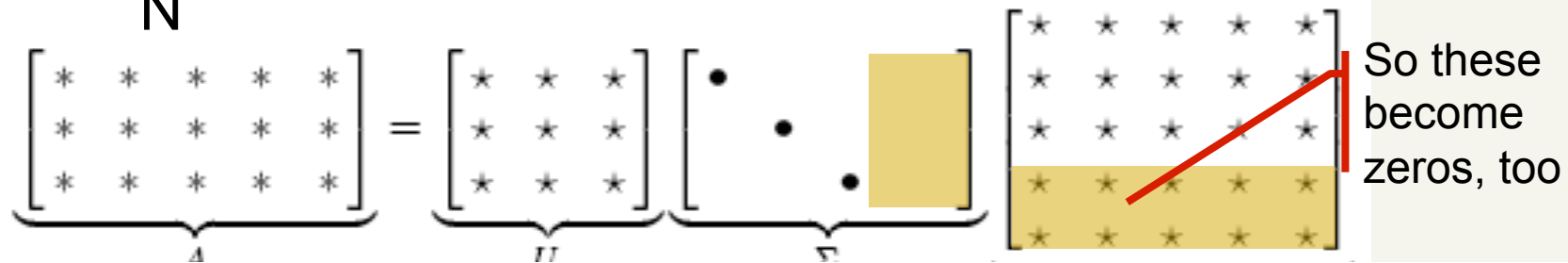
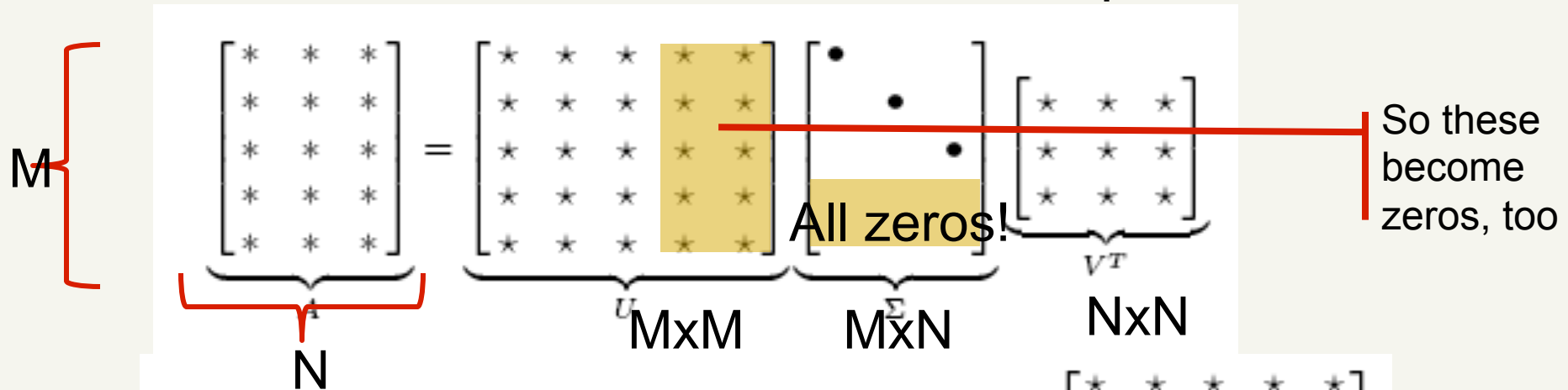
$$A = U\Sigma V^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & -1/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{18} & -1/\sqrt{18} & 4/\sqrt{18} \\ 2/3 & -2/3 & -1/3 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \begin{pmatrix} 4/\sqrt{18} \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$v_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 2/3 \\ -2/3 \\ -1/3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Singular Value Decomposition

- Illustration of SVD dimensions and sparseness



$$\begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 & -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & -1/\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{18} & -1/\sqrt{18} & 4/\sqrt{18} \\ 2/3 & -2/3 & -1/3 \end{pmatrix}$$

Back to matrix-vector multiplication

- Remember what we said? In a matrix vector multiplication the biggest role is played by the biggest eigenvalues
- The diagonal matrix Σ has the eigenvalues of $A^T A$ (called the singular values of A) in decreasing order along the diagonal
- We can therefore apply an approximation by setting $\sigma_i=0$ if $\sigma_i \leq \theta$ and only consider the first k singular values

Reduced SVD

- If we retain only k singular values, and set the rest to 0, then **we don't need the matrix parts in red**
- Then Σ is $k \times k$, U is $M \times k$, V^T is $k \times N$, and A_k is $M \times N$
- This is referred to as the **reduced SVD, or rank k approximation**

Now all the red and yellow parts are zeros!!

$$\begin{bmatrix} * & * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * & * \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} * & * & * \\ * & * & * \\ * & * & * \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \bullet & & & & \\ & \bullet & & & \\ & & \bullet & & \\ & & & & \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} * & * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * & * \end{bmatrix}$$

$A = U \Sigma V^T$

Let's recap

$M < N$

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} * & * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * & * \end{bmatrix}}_A = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} * & * & * \\ * & * & * \\ * & * & * \end{bmatrix}}_U \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \bullet & & & & \\ & \bullet & & & \\ & & & \blacksquare & \\ & & & & \bullet \end{bmatrix}}_\Sigma \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} * & * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * & * \\ * & * & * & * & * \end{bmatrix}}_{V^T}$$

$M > N$

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} * & * & * \\ * & * & * \\ * & * & * \\ * & * & * \\ * & * & * \end{bmatrix}}_A = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} * & * & * & \blacksquare & \blacksquare \\ * & * & * & \blacksquare & \blacksquare \\ * & * & * & \blacksquare & \blacksquare \\ * & * & * & \blacksquare & \blacksquare \\ * & * & * & \blacksquare & \blacksquare \end{bmatrix}}_U \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \bullet & & & & \\ & \bullet & & & \\ & & & \bullet & \\ & & & & \bullet \end{bmatrix}}_\Sigma \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} * & * & * \\ * & * & * \\ * & * & * \end{bmatrix}}_{V^T}$$

Since the yellow part is zero, an **exact** representation of A is:

$$A = \sigma_1 u_1 v_1^T + \sigma_2 u_2 v_2^T + \dots + \sigma_r u_r v_r^T$$

$$r = \min(M, N)$$

But “for some” $k < r$, a **good approximation** is:

$$A_k = \sigma_1 u_1 v_1^T + \sigma_2 u_2 v_2^T + \dots + \sigma_k u_k v_k^T$$

Example of rank approximation

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sqrt{5} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \sqrt{0.2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \sqrt{0.8} \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\sqrt{0.8} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \sqrt{0.2} \end{bmatrix}$$

A

$$[A]^* = \begin{bmatrix} 001 \\ 010 \\ 000 \\ 100 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 400 \\ 030 \\ 00\sqrt{5} \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \sqrt{0.2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \sqrt{0.8} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A^* = \begin{bmatrix} 0.981 & 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 & 1.985 \\ 0.000 & 0.000 & 3.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 \\ 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 \\ 0.000 & 4.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 & 0.000 \end{bmatrix} \cong A$$

Approximation error

- How good (bad) is this approximation?
- It's the best possible, measured by the Frobenius norm of the error:

$$\min_{X:\text{rank}(X)=k} \|A - X\|_F = \|A - A_k\|_F = \sigma_{k+1} \quad \sigma_i = \sqrt{\lambda_i}$$

where the σ_i are ordered such that $\sigma_i \geq \sigma_{i+1}$.

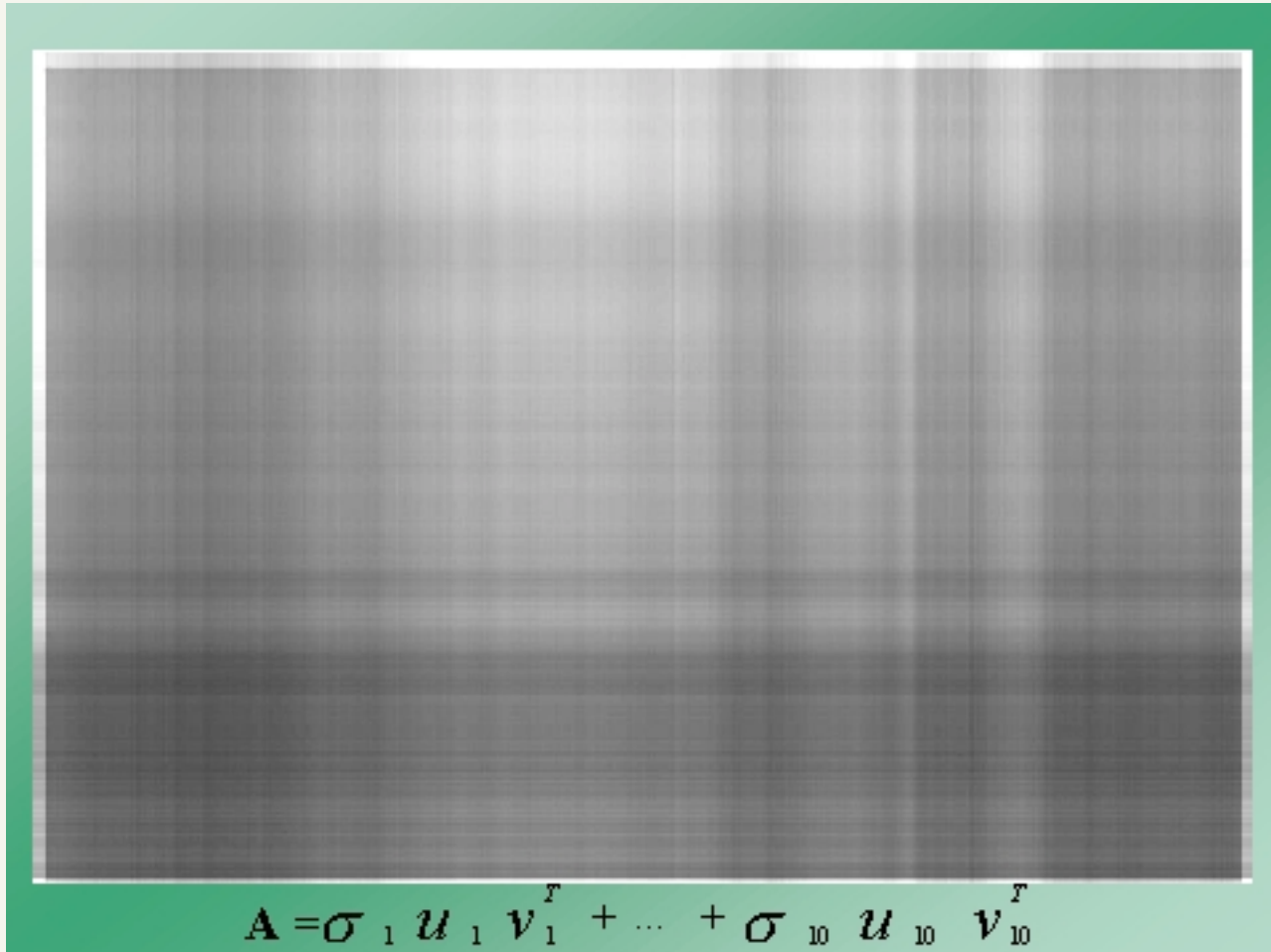
- Suggests why Frobenius error drops as k increases.

Images gives a better intuition (image = matrix of pixels)



The original image

K=10



K=20



$$\mathbf{A} = \sigma_1 \mathbf{u}_1 \mathbf{v}_1^T + \dots + \sigma_{20} \mathbf{u}_{20} \mathbf{v}_{20}^T$$

K=30



$$\mathbf{A} = \sigma_1 \mathbf{u}_1 \mathbf{v}_1^T + \dots + \sigma_{50} \mathbf{u}_{50} \mathbf{v}_{50}^T$$

K=100



$$\mathbf{A} = \sigma_1 \mathbf{u}_1 \mathbf{v}_1^T + \dots + \sigma_{100} \mathbf{u}_{100} \mathbf{v}_{100}^T$$

K=322 (the original image)



The original image

We obtained our approximation by summing up only the first 100 terms of the singular value decomposition.

This approximation reduced the amount of information in our image by nearly **70% !!!**

We save space!! But this is only one issue

So, finally, back to IR

- Our initial problem was:
 - the term-document ($M \times N$) matrix A is highly sparse (has many zeros)
 - However, since groups of terms tend to co-occur together, can we identify the semantic space of these clusters of terms, and apply the vector space model in the semantic space defined by such clusters?
- What we learned so far:
 - Matrix A can be decomposed and rank k approximated using SVD
 - Does this help solving our initial problems?

A is our term document matrix

- **Latent Semantic Indexing via the SVD**

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

The diagram illustrates the SVD decomposition $A = U\Sigma V^T$. Below the equation, three boxes specify the dimensions of the matrices: $M \times M$ for U , $M \times N$ for Σ , and V is $N \times N$ for V^T . Arrows point from each box to its respective matrix in the equation.

The columns of U are orthogonal eigenvectors of AA^T .

The columns of V are orthogonal eigenvectors of $A^T A$.

Eigenvalues $\lambda_1 \dots \lambda_r$ of AA^T are the eigenvalues of $A^T A$.

- If A is a term/document matrix, then AA^T and $A^T A$ are the matrixes of term and document co-occurrences, repectively

Meaning of $A^T A$ and $A A^T$

$$L = A A^T = \left(\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ L_{ij} \\ \vdots \end{array} \right) = \left(\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ A_{ik} \\ \vdots \end{array} \right) \left(\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ A_{kj} \\ \vdots \end{array} \right)$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{A^T} \quad \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_A$

$$L_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^N A_{ik} A_{kj} = \sum_{k=1}^N A_{ik} A_{jk}$$

L_{ij} is the number of documents in which w_i and w_j co-occur

Similarly, L^T_{ij} is the number of co-occurring words in docs d_i and d_j (or viceversa if A is a document-term matrix rather than term-document)

Example

Example of text data: Titles of Some Technical Memos

- c1: *Human machine interface for ABC computer applications*
- c2: *A survey of user opinion of computer system response time*
- c3: *The EPS user interface management system*
- c4: *System and human system engineering testing of EPS*
- c5: *Relation of user perceived response time to error measurement*

- m1: *The generation of random, binary, ordered trees*
- m2: *The intersection graph of paths in trees*
- m3: *Graph minors IV: Widths of trees and well-quasi-ordering*
- m4: *Graph minors: A survey*

Term co-occurrences example

	c1	c2	c3	c4	c5	m1	m2	m3	m4
human	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
interface	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
computer	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
user	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
system	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
response	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
time	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
EPS	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
survey	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
trees	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
graph	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
minors	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1

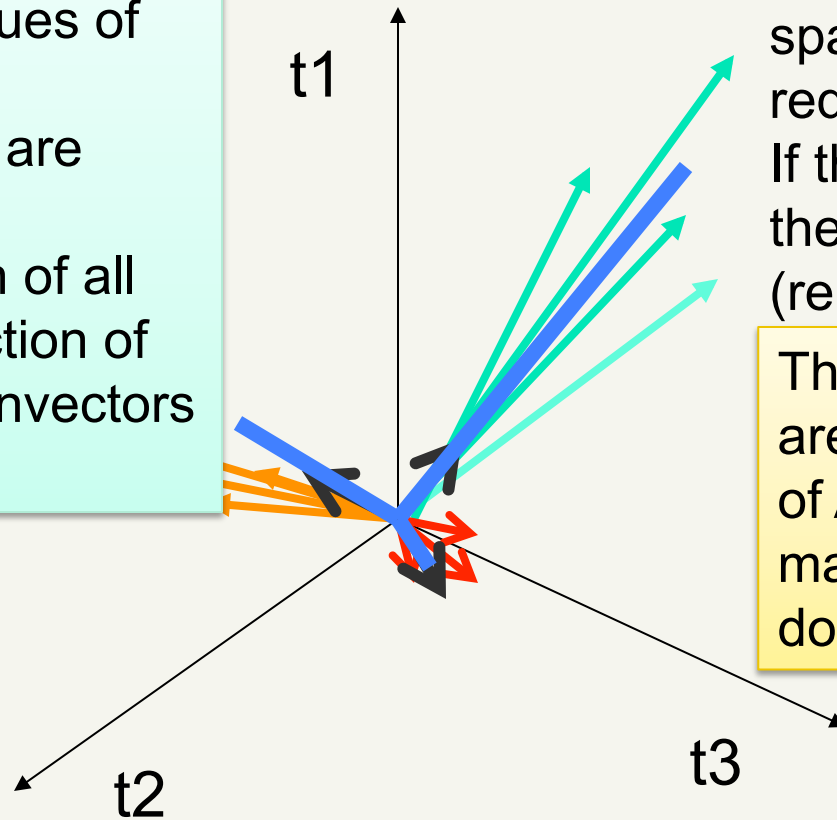
$$L_{\text{trees,graph}} = (000001110) \cdot (000000111)^T = 2$$

So the matrix $L=AA^T$ is the matrix of term co-occurrences

- **Remember:** eigenvectors of a matrix define an orthonormal space
- **Remember:** bigger eigenvalues define the “main” directions of this space
- **But:** Matrix L and L^T are SIMILARITY matrixes (respectively, of terms and of documents). They define a SIMILARITY SPACE (the orthonormal space of their eigenvectors)
- **If the matrix elements are word co-occurrences, bigger eigenvalues are associated to bigger groups of similar words**
- **Similarly, bigger eigenvalues of $L^T=A^T A$ are associated with bigger groups of similar documents (those in which co-occur the same terms)**

LSI: the intuition

The blue segments give the intuition of eigenvalues of $L^T = A^T A$. Bigger eigenvalues are those for which the projection of all vectors on the direction of correspondent eigenvectors is higher.



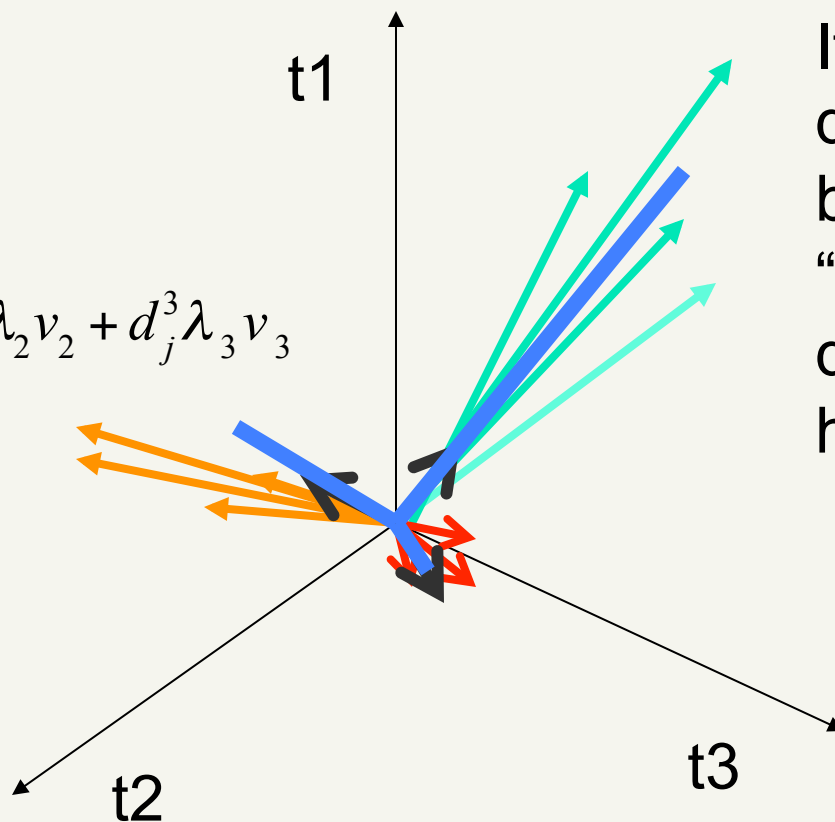
Projecting A in the term space: green, yellow and red vectors are documents. If they form small angles, they have common words (remember cosin-sim)

The black vectors are the unary eigenvectors of A : they represent the main "directions" of the document vectors.

LSI intuition

$$\vec{d}_j = (d_j^1, d_j^2, d_j^3)$$

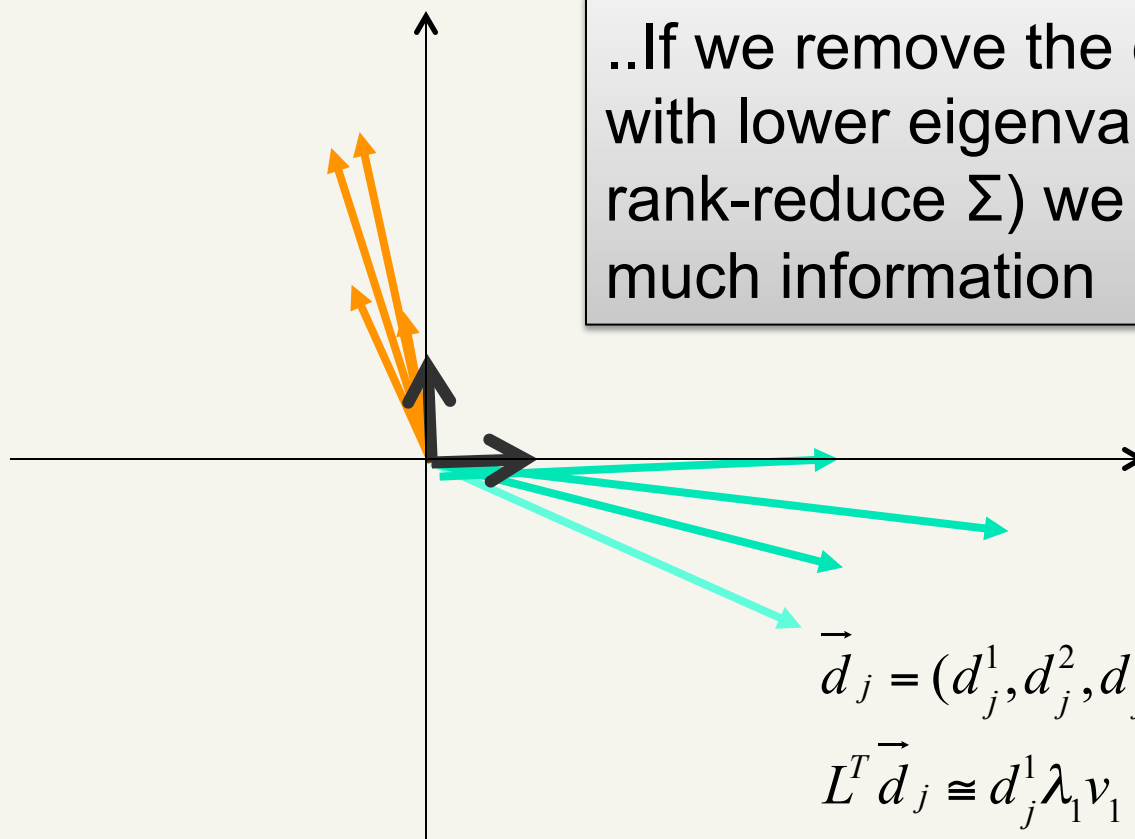
$$L^T \vec{d}_j = d_j^1 \lambda_1 v_1 + d_j^2 \lambda_2 v_2 + d_j^3 \lambda_3 v_3$$



If we multiply all document vectors by $L^T = A^T A$, their “distorsion” is mostly determined by the highest eigenvalues

We now project our document vectors on the reference orthonormal system represented by the 3 black vectors

LSI intuition



Remember that the two “new” axis represent a combination of co-occurring words e.g. a **latent semantic space**

Example

	d1	d2	d3	d4
t1	1.000	1.000	0.000	0.000
t2	1.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
t3	0.000	0.000	1.000	1.000
t4	0.000	0.000	1.000	1.000

We project terms and docs on two dimensions, **v1** and **v2** (the principal eigenvectors)

0.000	-0.851	-0.526	0.000	2.000	0.000
0.000	-0.526	0.851	0.000	0.000	1.618
-0.707	0.000	0.000	-0.707	X	
-0.707	0.000	0.000	0.707		

0.000	0.000	-0.707	-0.707	
-0.851	-0.526	0.000	0.000	
X	0.526	-0.851	0.000	0.000
	0.000	0.000	-0.707	0.707

Note that the direction of each eigenvector is determined by the direction of just two terms: (t1,t2) or (t3,t4)

matrix

0.000	0.000	1.000	1.000
0.000	0.000	1.000	1.000

coordinates. s1:(t1,t2) and s2:(t3,t4)

Even if t2 does not occur in d2, now if we query with t2 the system will return also d2!!

Co-occurrence space

- In principle, the space of document or term co-occurrences is much (much!) higher than the original space of terms!!
- But with SVD we consider only the most relevant ones, through **rank reduction**

$$A = U \Sigma V^T \cong U_k \Sigma_k V_k^T = A_k$$

Summary so-far

- We compute the SVD rank-k approximation for the term-document matrix A
- This approximation is based on considering only the principal eigenvalues of the term co-occurrence and document similarity matrixes ($L=AA^T$ and $LT=A^T A$)
- The eigenvectors of the eigenvalues of $L=AA^T$ and $LT=A^T A$ represent the main “directions” identified by term vectors and document vectors, respectively.

LSI: what are the steps

- From term-doc matrix A , compute the approximation A_k with SVD
- Project docs, terms and queries in a space of $k \ll r$ dimensions (the k “survived” eigenvectors) and compute cos-similarity as usual
 - These dimensions are **not** the original axes, but those defined by the orthonormal space of the reduced matrix A_k

$$\vec{Aq} \cong \vec{A}_k \vec{q} = \sigma_1 q_1 \vec{v}_1 + \sigma_2 q_2 \vec{v}_2 + \dots + \sigma_k q_k \vec{v}_k$$

Where $\sigma_i q_i$ ($i=1,2..k \ll r$) are the new coordinates of q in the orthonormal space of A_k

Projecting terms documents and queries in the LS space

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \boxed{A} \\
 (d_j) \\
 \downarrow \\
 \begin{bmatrix} x_{1,1} & \dots & x_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{m,1} & \dots & x_{m,n} \end{bmatrix}
 \end{array}
 =
 \begin{array}{c}
 U \\
 \\
 \begin{bmatrix} \left[\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \mathbf{u}_1 \\ \vdots \end{array} \right] & \dots & \left[\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \mathbf{u}_l \\ \vdots \end{array} \right] \end{bmatrix}
 \end{array}
 \begin{array}{c}
 \Sigma \\
 \\
 \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \sigma_l \end{bmatrix}
 \end{array}
 \cdot
 \begin{array}{c}
 V^T \\
 (\hat{d}_j) \\
 \downarrow \\
 \begin{bmatrix} \left[\begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \mathbf{v}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{v}_l \end{array} \right] \end{bmatrix}
 \end{array}
 \end{array}$$

$(\mathbf{t}_i^T) \rightarrow$ $(\hat{\mathbf{t}}_i^T) \rightarrow$

If $A=U\Sigma V^T$ we also have that:

$$\begin{aligned}
 V &= A^T U \Sigma^{-1} \\
 \mathbf{t} &= \mathbf{t}^T \Sigma V^T \\
 \mathbf{d} &= \mathbf{d}^T U \Sigma^{-1} \\
 \mathbf{q} &= \mathbf{q}^T U \Sigma^{-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

After rank k-approximation :

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &\approx A_k = U_k \Sigma_k V_k^T \\
 \mathbf{d}_k &\approx \mathbf{d}^T U_k \Sigma_k^{-1} \\
 \mathbf{q}_k &\approx \mathbf{q}^T U_k \Sigma_k^{-1} \\
 \text{sim}(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{d}) &= \\
 &\text{sim}(\mathbf{q}^T U_k \Sigma_k^{-1}, \\
 &\mathbf{d}^T U_k \Sigma_k^{-1})
 \end{aligned}$$

Consider a term-doc matrix $M \times N$
($M=11$, $N=3$) and a query q

Terms	d1	d2	d3	query
a	1	1	1	0
arrived	0	1	1	0
damaged	1	0	0	0
delivery	0	1	0	0
fire	1	0	0	0
gold	1	0	1	1
in	1	1	1	0
of	1	1	1	0
shipment	1	0	1	0
silver	0	2	0	1
truck	0	1	1	1

1. Compute SVD: $A = U\Sigma V^T$

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} -0.4201 & 0.0748 & -0.0460 \\ -0.2995 & -0.2001 & 0.4078 \\ -0.1206 & 0.2749 & -0.4538 \\ -0.1576 & -0.3046 & -0.2006 \\ -0.1206 & 0.2749 & -0.4538 \\ -0.2626 & 0.3794 & 0.1547 \\ -0.4201 & 0.0748 & -0.0460 \\ -0.4201 & 0.0748 & -0.0460 \\ -0.2626 & 0.3794 & 0.1547 \\ -0.3151 & -0.6093 & -0.4013 \\ -0.2995 & -0.2001 & 0.4078 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} 4.0989 & 0.0000 & 0.0000 \\ 0.0000 & 2.3616 & 0.0000 \\ 0.0000 & 0.0000 & 1.2737 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$V = \begin{bmatrix} -0.4945 & 0.6492 & -0.5780 \\ -0.6458 & -0.7194 & -0.2556 \\ -0.5817 & 0.2469 & 0.7750 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$V^T = \begin{bmatrix} -0.4945 & -0.6458 & -0.5817 \\ 0.6492 & -0.7194 & 0.2469 \\ -0.5780 & -0.2556 & 0.7750 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. Obtain a low rank approximation

$$(k=2) A_k = U_k \Sigma_k V_k^T$$

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} -0.4201 & 0.0748 \\ -0.2995 & -0.2001 \\ -0.1206 & 0.2749 \\ -0.1576 & -0.3046 \\ -0.1206 & 0.2749 \\ -0.2626 & 0.3794 \\ -0.4201 & 0.0748 \\ -0.4201 & 0.0748 \\ -0.2626 & 0.3794 \\ -0.3151 & -0.6093 \\ -0.2995 & -0.2001 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$V^T = \begin{bmatrix} -0.4945 & -0.6458 & -0.5817 \\ 0.6492 & -0.7194 & 0.2469 \end{bmatrix}$$

3a. Compute doc/query similarity

- For N documents, A_k has N columns, each representing the coordinates of a document d_i projected in the k LSI dimensions
- A query is considered like a document, and is projected in the LSI space

3c. Compute the query vector

$$q_k = q^T U_k \Sigma_k^{-1}$$

$q = [0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1]$

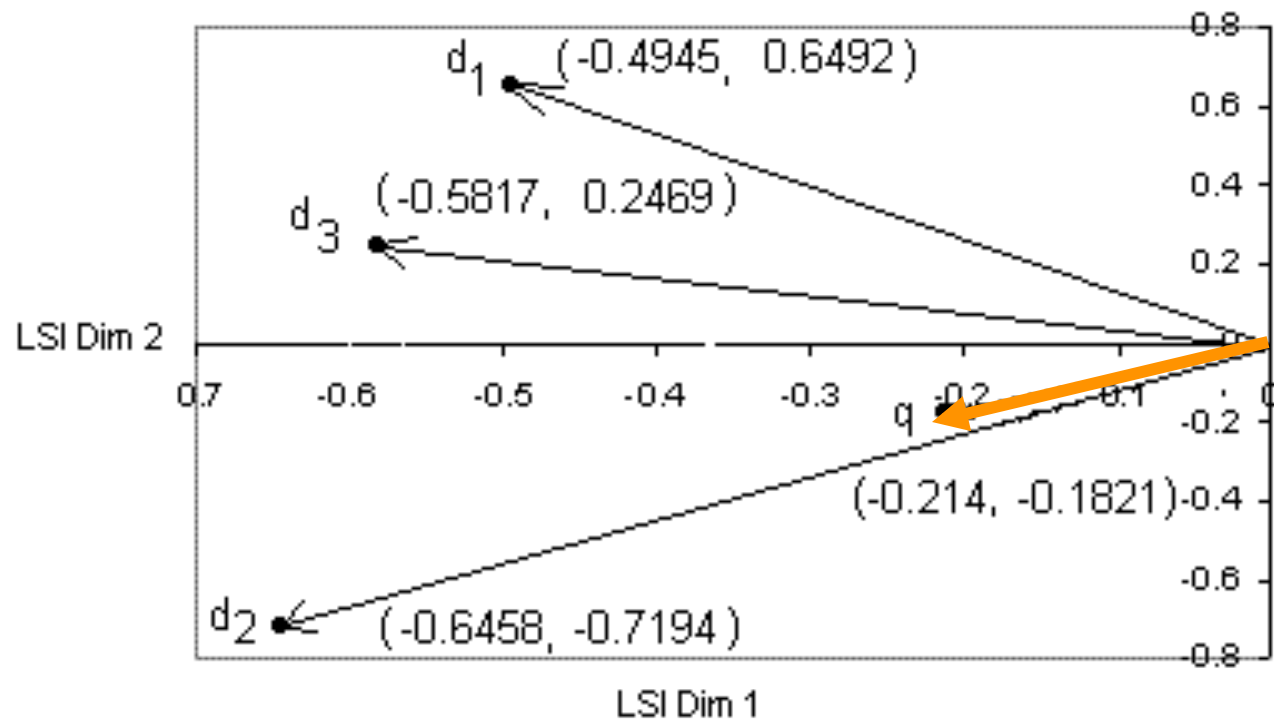
-0.4201	0.0748
-0.2995	-0.2001
-0.1206	0.2749
-0.1576	-0.3046
-0.1206	0.2749
-0.2626	0.3794
-0.4201	0.0748
-0.4201	0.0748
-0.2626	0.3794
-0.3151	-0.6093
-0.2995	-0.2001

$\frac{1}{4.0989}$	0.0000
0.0000	$\frac{1}{2.3616}$

$$q = [-0.2140 \ -0.1821]$$

q is projected in the 2-dimension LSI space!

Documents and queries projected in the LSI space



q/d similarity

$$\text{sim}(q, d) = \frac{q \bullet d}{\|q\| \|d\|}$$

$$\text{sim}(q, d_1) = \frac{(-0.2140)(-0.4945) + (-0.1821)(0.6492)}{\sqrt{(-0.2140)^2 + (-0.1821)^2} \sqrt{(-0.4945)^2 + (0.6492)^2}} = -0.0541$$

$$\text{sim}(q, d_2) = \frac{(-0.2140)(-0.6458) + (-0.1821)(-0.7194)}{\sqrt{(-0.2140)^2 + (-0.1821)^2} \sqrt{(-0.6458)^2 + (-0.7194)^2}} = 0.9910$$

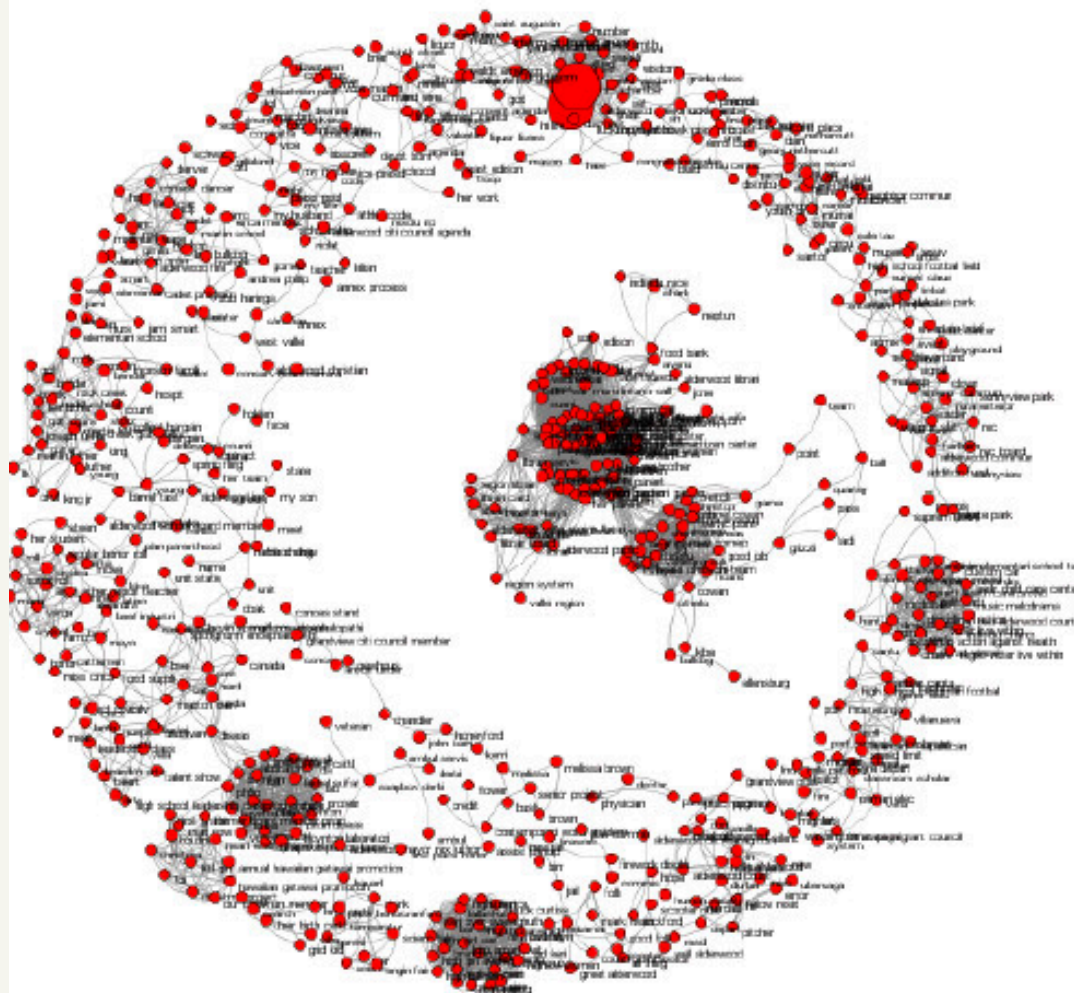
$$\text{sim}(q, d_3) = \frac{(-0.2140)(-0.5817) + (-0.1821)(0.2469)}{\sqrt{(-0.2140)^2 + (-0.1821)^2} \sqrt{(-0.5817)^2 + (0.2469)^2}} = 0.4478$$

Ranking documents in descending order

$$d_2 > d_3 > d_1$$

An overview of a semantic network of terms based on the top 100 most significant latent semantic dimensions (Zhu&Chen)

Semantic Network View of Themes in Latent Concept Dimensions



Conclusion

- LSI performs a **low-rank approximation** of **document-term matrix** (typical rank **100–300**)
- General idea
 - Map documents (and terms) to a **low-dimensional** representation.
 - Design a mapping such that the low-dimensional space reflects **semantic associations between words** (latent semantic space).
 - Compute document similarity based on the **cos-sim** in this **latent semantic space**

Another LSI Example



specific
wise
management website
sem
singapore
plan consultant offer
internet company affordable
engine service
outsourcing
seo web design blog
miami
software consulting
optimization
expert
linkateer professional corporate
market
japan faq dakota

Input matrix A:

d1 d2 d3

1.000	1.000	0.000
1.000	1.000	0.000
0.000	1.000	0.000
0.000	0.000	1.000

t1
t2
t3
t4

Input matrix B:

1.000	1.000	0.000	0.000
1.000	1.000	1.000	0.000
0.000	0.000	0.000	1.000

A^T

AA^T

Matrix product A*B

Term co-occurrences

t1	2.000	2.000	1.000	0.000
t2	2.000	2.000	1.000	0.000
t3	1.000	1.000	1.000	0.000
t4	0.000	0.000	0.000	1.000

Input matrix:

```
1.000 1.000 0.000
1.000 1.000 0.000
0.000 1.000 0.000
0.000 0.000 1.000
```

Singular Value Decomposition:

U:

```
-0.657 0.000 0.261
-0.657 0.000 0.261
-0.369 0.000 -0.929
0.000 -1.000 0.000
```

S:

```
2.136 0.000 0.000
0.000 1.000 0.000
0.000 0.000 0.662
```

V^T

```
-0.615 -0.788 0.000
0.000 0.000 -1.000
0.788 -0.615 0.000
```

$$A_k = U_k \Sigma_k V_k^T \approx A$$

```
0.863 1.106 0.000
0.863 1.106 0.000
0.485 0.621 0.000
0.000 0.000 1.000
```

Now it is like if t3 belongs to d1!