# Matrix Decomposition and Latent Semantic Indexing (LSI) Introduction to Information Retrieval INF 141 Donald J. Patterson

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### **Efficient Cosine Ranking**

- Find the k docs in the corpus "nearest" to the query
  - the k largest query-doc cosines

 $\operatorname{COSINESCORE}(q)$ 

- 1 INITIALIZE( $Scores[d \in D]$ )
- 2 INITIALIZE( $Magnitude[d \in D]$ )
- 3 for each  $term(t \in q)$

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4 do p \leftarrow \text{FetchPostingsList}(t)
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df_t \leftarrow \text{GetCorpusWideStats}(p)
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\alpha_{t,q} \leftarrow \text{WeightInQuery}(t,q,df_t)
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for each \{d, tf_{t,d}\} \in p
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do Scores[d] + = \alpha_{t,q} \cdot WEIGHTINDOCUMENT(t, q, df_t)
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9 for  $d \in Scores$ 

- 10 **do** NORMALIZE(Scores[d], Magnitude[d])
- 11 return top  $K \in Scores$



### Latent Semantic Indexing

# Outline

- Introduction
- Linear Algebra Refresher

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- When we see two stars that are close in a photo
  - They really are close for some applications
  - For example pointing a big telescope at them
  - Large shared telescopes order their views according to

how "close" they are.



### Overhead projector example



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- Depending on where we put the light (and the wall) we can make things in three dimensions appear close or far away in two dimensions.
- Even though the "real" position of the 3-d objects never moved.

Mathematically speaking

• This is taking a 3-D point and projecting it into 2-D



• The arrow in this picture acts like the overhead projector

## Mathematically speaking

- We can project from any number of dimensions into any other number of dimensions.
- Increasing dimensions adds redundant information
  - But sometimes useful
  - Support Vector Machines (kernel methods) do this effectively
- Latent Semantic Indexing always reduces the number of dimensions



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• Latent Semantic Indexing can project on an arbitrary axis, not just a principal axis



## Mathematically speaking

- Our documents were just points in an N-dimensional term space
- We can project them also



## Mathematically speaking

• Latent Semantic Indexing makes the claim that these new axes represent semantics - deeper meaning than just a term



Mathematically speaking

- A term vector that is projected on new vectors may uncover deeper meanings
  - For example
    - Transforming the 3 axes of a term matrix from "ball"
       "bat" and "cave" to
      - An axis that merges "ball" and "bat"
      - An axis that merges "bat" and "cave"
    - Should be able to separate differences in meaning of

the term "bat"

Bonus: less dimensions is faster

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  - They also have some other properties which are relevant to latent semantic indexing

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- Singular Value Decomposition
  - SVD enables lossy compression of your term-document matrix
    - reduces the dimensionality or the rank
    - you can arbitrarily reduce the dimensionality by putting zeros in the bottom right of sigma
    - this is a mathematically optimal way of reducing dimensions



## Matrix Decomposition

- Singular Value Decomposition
  - If the old dimensions were based on terms
    - after reducing the rank of the matrix the dimensionality is based on concepts or semantics
    - a concept is a linear combination of terms

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## Matrix Decomposition

- Singular Value Decomposition
  - SVD is an algorithm that gives us

 $\Sigma \ U \ V^T$ 

- With these quantities we can reduce dimensionality
- With reduced dimensionality
  - synonyms are mapped onto the same location
    - "bat" "chiroptera"
  - polysemies are mapped onto different locations
    - "bat" (baseball) vs. "bat" (small furry mammal)

- Computing SVD takes a significant amount of CPU
- It is possible to add documents to a corpus without recalculating SVD
  - The result becomes an approximation
  - To get mathematical guarantees the whole SVD needs to be computed from scratch
- LSI doesn't support negation queries
- LSI doesn't support boolean queries

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