

# CS-570

# Statistical Signal Processing

## Lecture 9: Matrix Completion

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# Incomplete Matrices

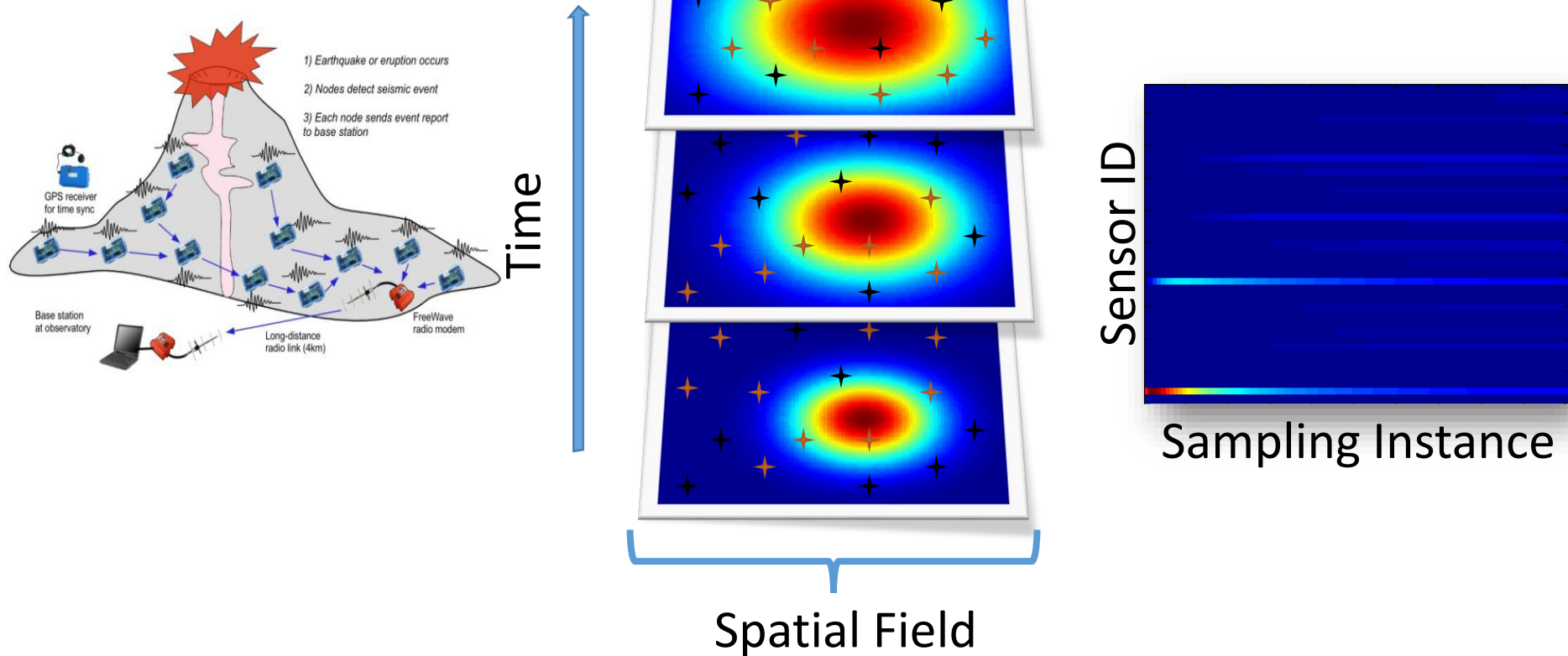
## The 2009 Netflix Prize

- Given user-movie rating, Guess missing entries
- 100M ratings, \$1,000,000 prize
- Winner: BellKor's Pragmatic Chaos team (10% improvement)

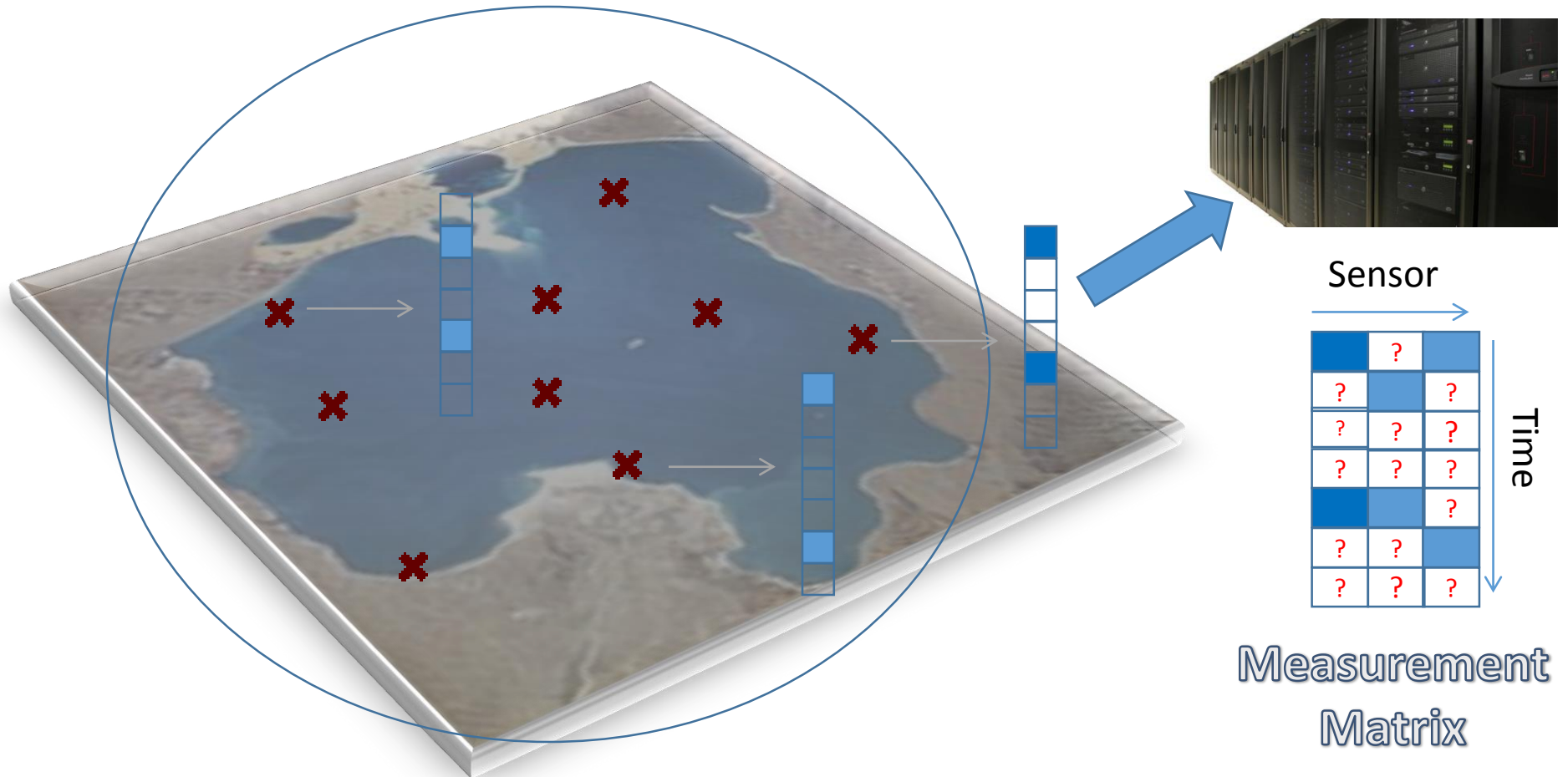
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Chicago	2	5	?	?	?
Matrix	5	?	5	?	?
Star wars	?	?	5	?	1
Inception	?	3	?	2	?
Alien	4	1	?	?	?
Pulp Fiction	?	?	4	?	2



# Multivariate observations



# Sampling a WSN



# Matrix Rank

The **rank** of a matrix  $M$  is the size of the largest collection of linearly independent columns of  $M$  (the **column rank**) or the size of the largest collection of linearly independent *rows of  $M$*  (the **row rank**)

- Row Echelon Form

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ -2 & -3 & 1 \\ 3 & 5 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_2 \rightarrow 2r_1+r_2} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 & 0 \end{array} \right] \\
 \downarrow \\
 \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 5 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_3 \rightarrow -3r_1+r_3} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & -3 \end{array} \right] \\
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 \left. \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{R_1 \rightarrow -2r_2+r_1} \left[ \begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 0 & -5 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \right\} \text{Rank}=2
 \end{array}$$

A matrix is in **row echelon form** if

- (i) all nonzero rows are above any rows of all zeroes
- (ii) The leading coefficient of a nonzero row is always strictly to the right of the leading coefficient of the row above it



# Matrix Rank

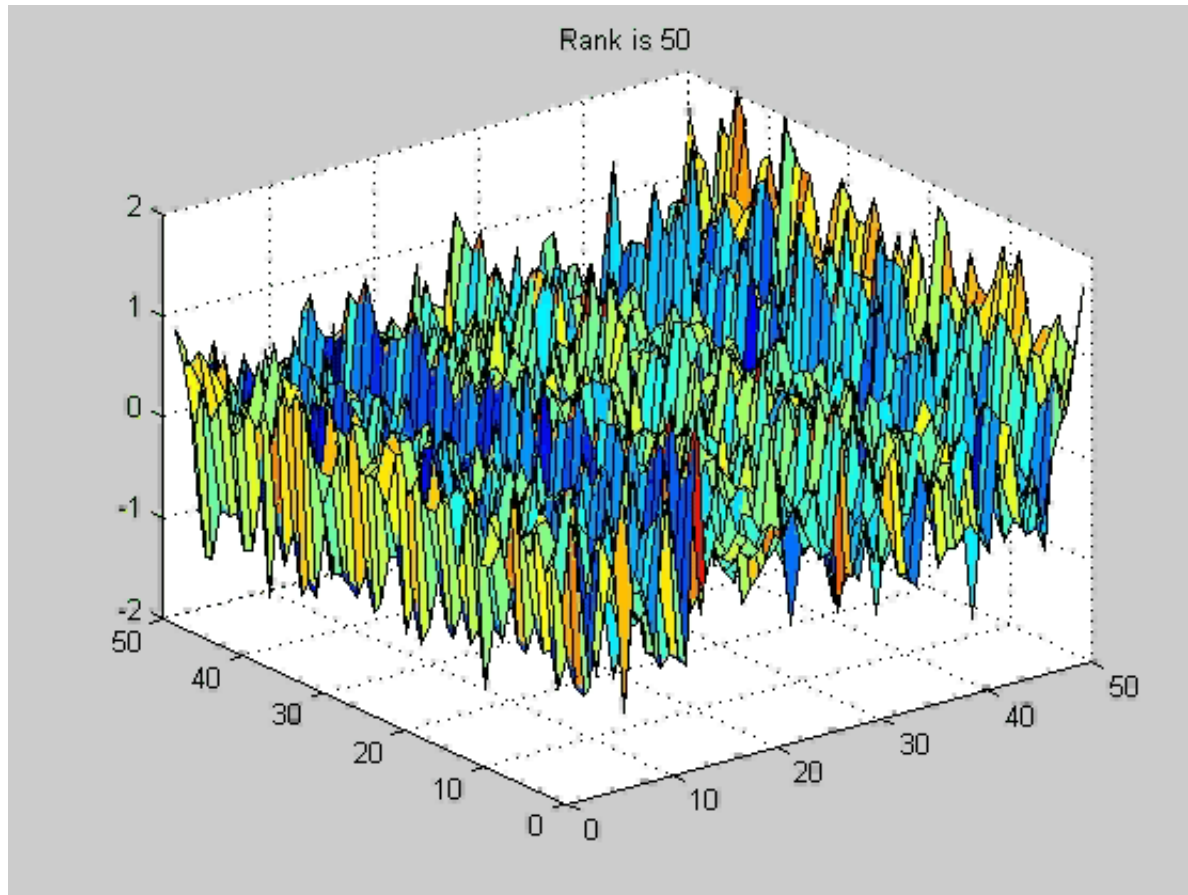
- The rank of an  $m \times n$  matrix is a nonnegative integer and cannot be greater than either  $m$  or  $n$ . That is,  $\text{rank}(M) \leq \min(m, n)$ .
- A matrix that has a rank as large as possible is said to have **full rank**; otherwise, the matrix is **rank deficient**.

$$\text{rank}(AB) \leq \min(\text{rank } A, \text{rank } B).$$

$$\text{rank}(A^T A) = \text{rank}(A A^T) = \text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(A^T)$$



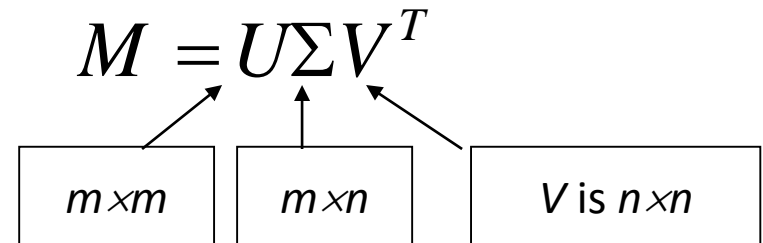
# Matrix Rank



# Singular Value Decomposition (SVD)

Given any  $m \times n$  matrix  $\mathbf{M}$ , algorithm to find matrices  $\mathbf{U}$ ,  $\mathbf{\Sigma}$ , and  $\mathbf{V}$  such that  $\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{V}^T$

- $\mathbf{U}$ : left singular vectors (orthonormal)
- $\mathbf{\Sigma}$ : diagonal containing singular values
- $\mathbf{V}$ : right singular vectors (orthonormal)



$$\begin{pmatrix} M \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} U \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} s_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & s_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} V \end{pmatrix}^T$$





# Singular Value Decomposition (SVD)

## Properties

- The  $s_i$  are called the singular values of  $\mathbf{M}$
- If  $\mathbf{M}$  is singular, some of the  $s_i$  will be 0
- In general  $\text{rank}(\mathbf{M}) = \text{number of nonzero } s_i$
- SVD is mostly unique (up to permutation of SV)



# Low rank approximation

## Matrix norms

- Frobenius norm can be computed from SVD  $\|M\|_F = \sum_i \sum_j m_{ij}^2$
- Changes to a matrix  $\leftrightarrow$  changes to singular values  $\|M\|_F = \sum_i s_i^2$

## Low rank approximation

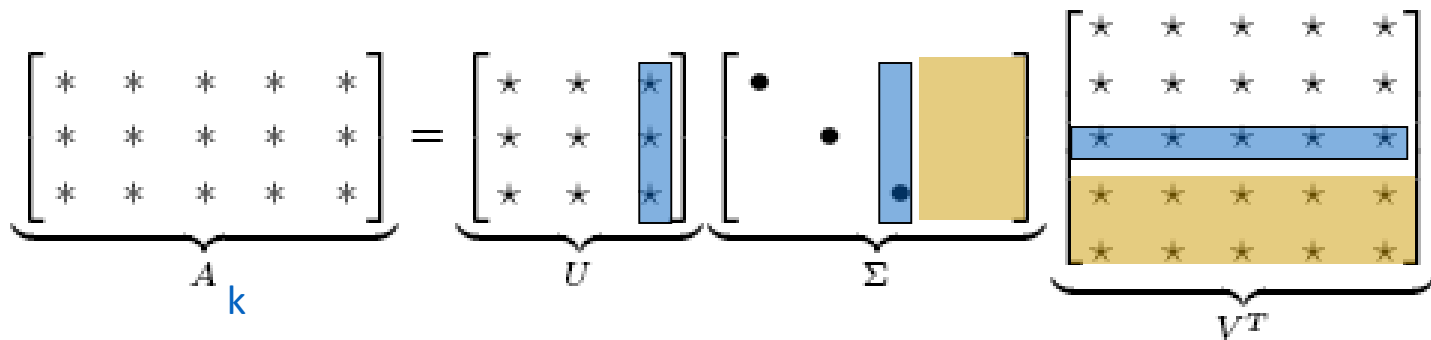
Approximation problem: Find  $M_k$  of rank  $k$  such that

$$M_k = \min_{X: \text{rank}(X)=k} \|M - X\|_F$$



# Singular Value Decomposition (SVD)

- Solution via SVD  $M_k = U \text{diag}(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_k, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{\text{set smallest } r-k \text{ singular values to zero}})V^T$



$$M_k = \sum_{i=1}^k \sigma_i u_i v_i^T \leftarrow \text{column notation: sum of rank 1 matrices}$$

# Approximation error

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

$$\min_{X: \text{rank}(X)=k} \|M - X\|_F = \|M - M_k\|_F = \sigma_{k+1}$$

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

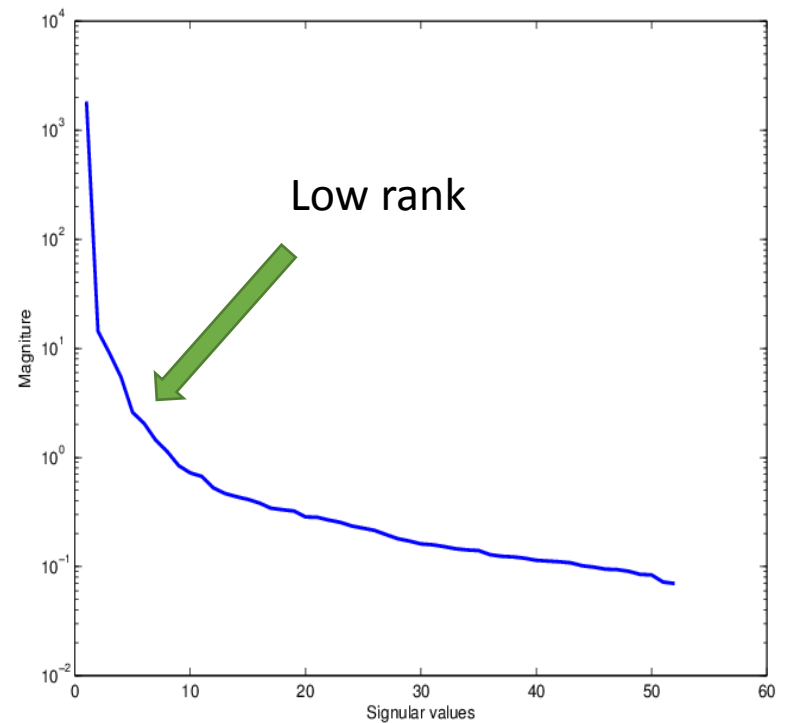
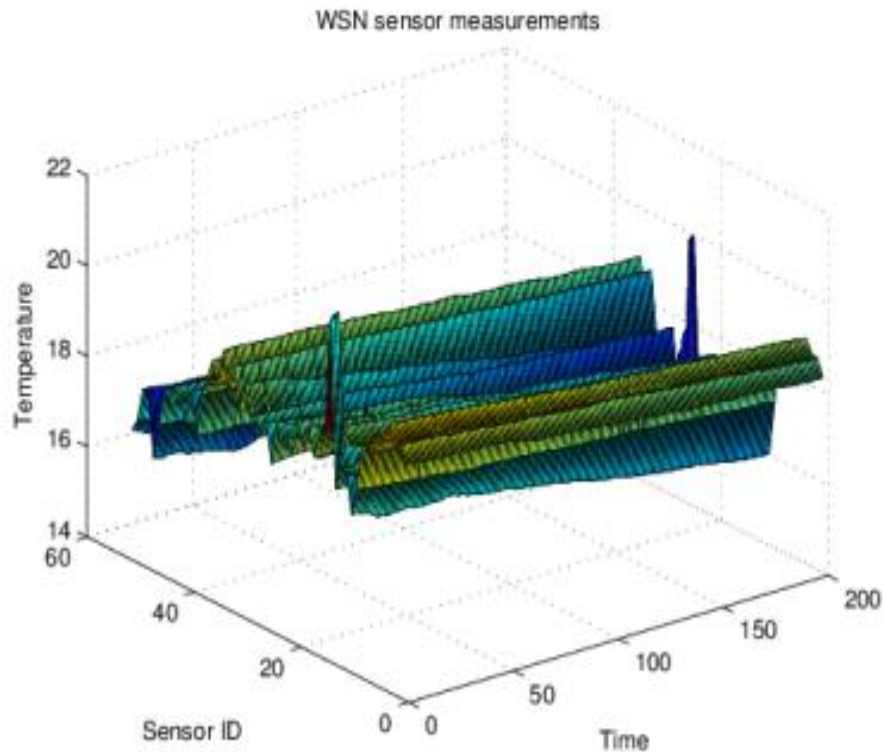
Suggests why Frobenius error drops as  $k$  increased.



# Data model

## ◆ Data modeling

- ◆ Spatio-temporal correlations  $\leftrightarrow$  Low rank measurement matrix



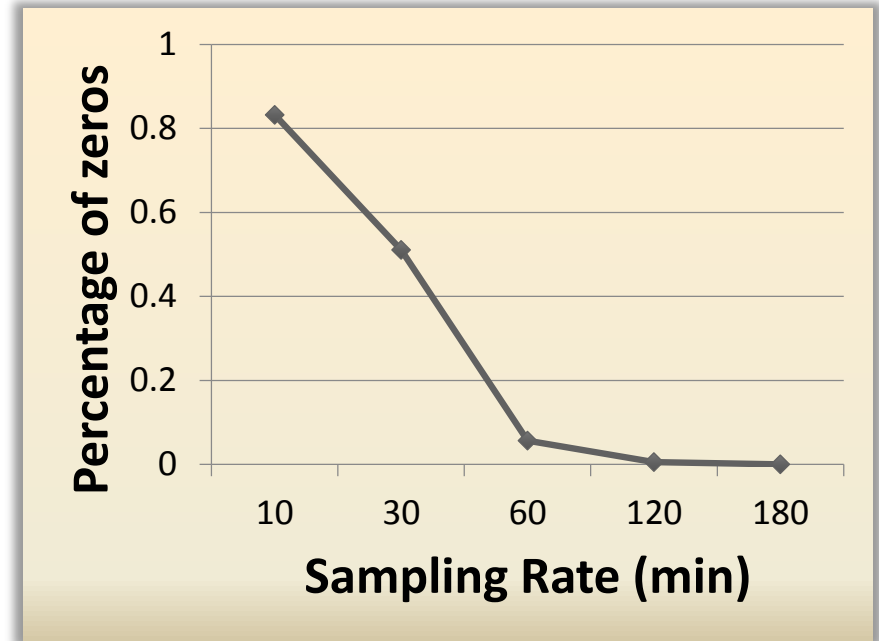
# The case of missing values

Power consumption

Packet losses

Temporal sampling

- Sampling rate
- De-synchronization
- Temporal resolution



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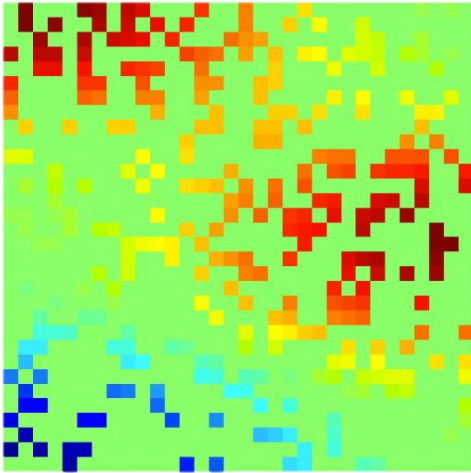


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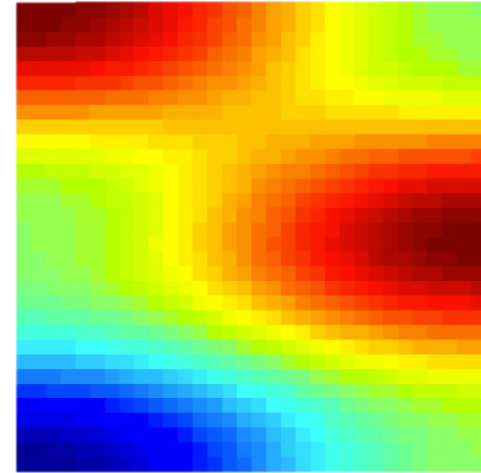
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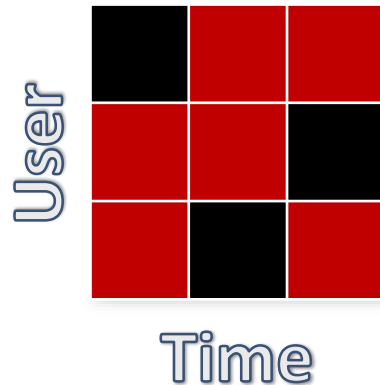
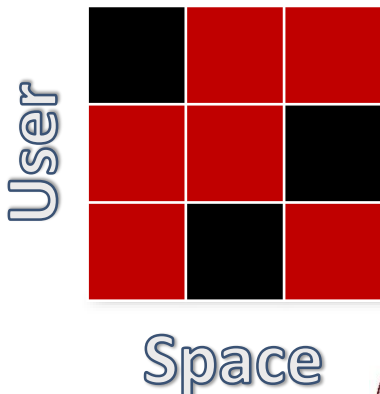
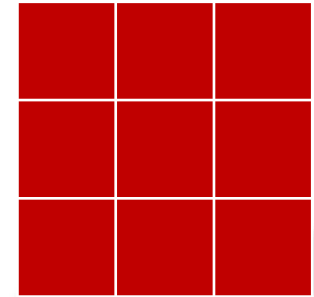
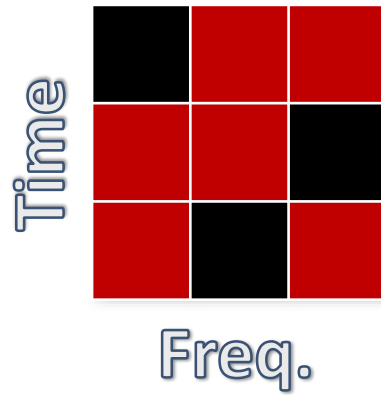
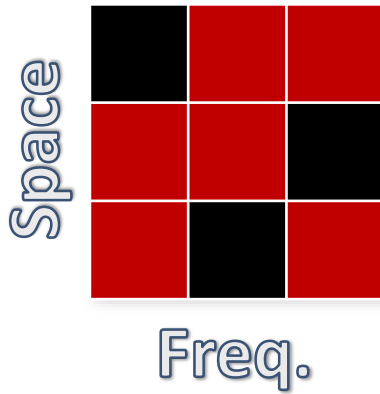
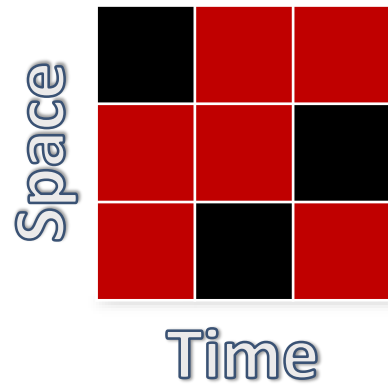
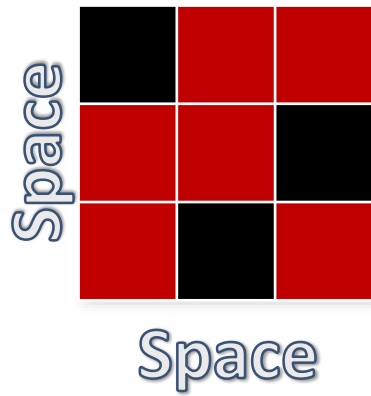
# Matrix completion



low rank matrix with  
missing entries



low rank  
matrix





# Matrix Completion (MC)

Let  $\mathbf{M} = [\mathbf{M}_0, \dots, \mathbf{M}_1] \in \mathbf{R}^{n \times s}$  be a measurement matrix consisting of  $s$  measurements from  $n$  different sources.

Recovery of  $\mathbf{M}$  is possible from  $k \ll ns$  random entries if matrix  $\mathbf{M}$  is *low rank* and  $k \geq Cn^{6/5}r \log(n)$

To recover the unknown matrix, solve:

$$\min \{ \text{rank}(\mathbf{X}) : \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{M}) \}$$

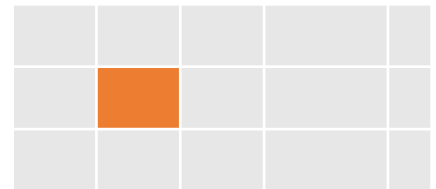
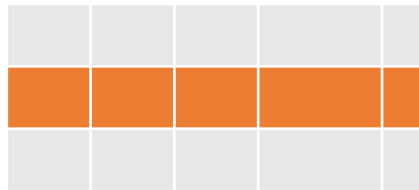
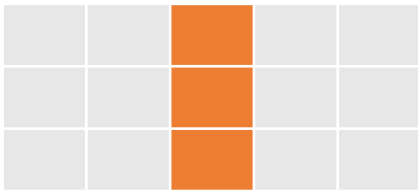
Rank constraint makes problem NP-hard....



# Sampling operator

$$\text{Sampling operator } \mathcal{A}_{ij}(\mathbf{M}) = \begin{cases} M_{ij}, & \text{if } ij \in S \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

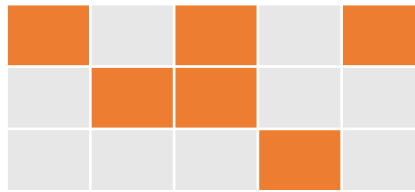
- Not all low-rank matrices can be recovered from partial measurements!
  - ... a matrix containing zeroes everywhere except the top-right corner.
  - This matrix is low rank, but it **cannot** be recovered from knowledge of only a fraction of its entries!



# Matrix Coherence

The coherence of subspace  $\mathbf{U}$  of  $\mathcal{R}^n$  and having dimension  $r$  with respect to the canonical basis  $\{\mathbf{e}_i\}$  is

defined as:  $\mu(\mathbf{U}) = \frac{n}{r} \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \|\mathbf{U}\mathbf{e}_i\|^2$



$$\mu(\mathbf{U}) = O(1)$$

- sampled from the uniform distribution with  $r > \log n$

# Formal definition of key assumptions

- Consider an underlying matrix  $\mathbf{M}$  of size  $n_1$  by  $n_2$ . Let the SVD of  $\mathbf{M}$  be given as follows:

$$\mathbf{M} = \sum_{k=1}^r \sigma_k \mathbf{u}_k \mathbf{v}_k^T$$

- We make the following assumptions about  $\mathbf{M}$ :  $\sum_{k=1}^r \mathbf{u}_k \mathbf{v}_k^T$

**(A0)**  $\mu_1 \sqrt{r/(n_1 n_2)}, \mu_1 > 0$

**(A1)** The maximum entry in the  $n_1$  by  $n_2$  matrix is upper bounded by

$$\exists \mu_0 \text{ such that } \max(\mu(U), \mu(V)) \leq \mu_0$$



# What do these assumptions mean

**(A0)** means that the singular vectors of the matrix are sufficiently **incoherent** with the canonical basis.

**(A1)** means that the singular vectors of the matrix are **not spiky**

- canonical basis vectors are spiky signals – the spike has magnitude 1 and the rest of the signal is 0;
- a vector of  $n$  elements with all values equal to  $1/\sqrt{n}$  is not spiky.



# What is the trace-norm of a matrix?

- The nuclear / trace norm of a matrix is the **sum of its singular values**.

$$\|\mathbf{M}\|_* = \sum_{i=1}^k \sigma_i$$

- It is a **softened version of the rank** of a matrix
- Similar to the  $L_0 \rightarrow L_1$ -norm of a vector
- Minimization of the trace-norm is a **convex optimization problem** and can be solved efficiently.
- This is similar to the  $L_1$ -norm optimization (in compressive sensing) being efficiently solvable.



# Matrix Completion (MC)

Relaxation

$$\min\{ \|\mathbf{M}\|_* : \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{M}) \}$$

Performance

$$\|M - M^*\|_F^2 \leq 4 \sqrt{\frac{(2+p) \min(n_1, n_2)}{p}} \delta + 2\delta,$$

$$\text{where } p = \text{fraction of known entries} = \frac{m}{n_1 n_2} = \frac{|\Omega|}{n_1 n_2}$$

Noisy case

$$\min\{ \|\mathbf{M}\|_* : \|\mathcal{A}(\mathbf{X}) - \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{M})\|_F^2 \leq \epsilon \}$$



# Recovery guarantees

**Theorem 1.3** *Let  $\mathbf{M}$  be an  $n_1 \times n_2$  matrix of rank  $r$  obeying **A0** and **A1** and put  $n = \max(n_1, n_2)$ . Suppose we observe  $m$  entries of  $\mathbf{M}$  with locations sampled uniformly at random. Then there exist constants  $C, c$  such that if*

$$m \geq C \max(\mu_1^2, \mu_0^{1/2} \mu_1, \mu_0 n^{1/4}) nr(\beta \log n) \quad (1.9)$$

*for some  $\beta > 2$ , then the minimizer to the problem (1.5) is unique and equal to  $\mathbf{M}$  with probability at least  $1 - cn^{-\beta}$ . For  $r \leq \mu_0^{-1} n^{1/5}$  this estimate can be improved to*

$$m \geq C \mu_0 n^{6/5} r(\beta \log n) \quad (1.10)$$

*with the same probability of success.*

the trace-norm minimizer

Candes EJ, Recht B. Exact matrix completion via convex optimization. *Found. of Computational mathematics*. 2009, 9(6):717-772.

Candes EJ, Tao T. The power of convex relaxation: Near-optimal matrix completion. *Information Theory, IEEE Transactions on*. 2010, 56(5):2053-2080.





# Matrix Completion solvers

- Objective  $\text{minimize}_{\mathbf{X}} \|\mathcal{A}(\mathbf{X}) - \mathbf{y}\|_2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{X}\|_*$
- Iterative Hard Thresholding

$$\mathbf{Y}_{k+1} = \mathbf{X}_k - \gamma_k \mathcal{A}^* (\mathcal{A}(\mathbf{X}_k) - \mathbf{y})$$
$$\mathbf{X}_{k+1} = \text{ProjectRank}_R(\mathbf{Y}_{k+1}). \quad \leftarrow \text{SVD}$$



# Matrix Completion Solvers

- Reformulate  $\text{minimize}_{\mathbf{X}} \|\mathcal{A}(\mathbf{X}) - \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{M})\|_2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{X}\|_*$

$$\text{minimize}_{\mathbf{X}} \|\mathcal{A}(\mathbf{X}) - \mathbf{y}\|_2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{X}\|_*$$

- Proximal gradient approach

$$\hat{\mathbf{X}} = \text{prox}_{\gamma}(\hat{\mathbf{X}} - \gamma \mathcal{A}^*(\mathcal{A}(\hat{\mathbf{X}}) - \mathbf{y}))$$

$$\text{prox}_{\gamma}(\hat{\mathbf{Z}}) = \arg \min_{\mathbf{X}} \|\mathbf{X} - \hat{\mathbf{Z}}\|_F^2 + \lambda \|\mathbf{X}\|_*$$



# Matrix Completion solvers

- Matrix Completion via ALM

- Objective 
$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minimize}_{\mathbf{X}} \quad \|\mathbf{X}\|_* \\ & \text{subject to} \quad \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{X}) = \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{M}) \end{aligned}$$

- Reformulation 
$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minimize}_{\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{E}} \quad \|\mathbf{X}\|_* \\ & \text{subject to} \quad \mathbf{X} + \mathbf{E} = \mathbf{M} \\ & \quad \quad \quad \mathcal{A}(\mathbf{E}) = 0 \end{aligned}$$



# CS and MC

	<b><i>Sparse recovery</i></b>	<b><i>Rank minimization</i></b>
<b>Unknown</b>	Vector $x$	Matrix $A$
<b>Observations</b>	$y = Ax$	$y = L[A]$ (linear map)
<b>Combinatorial objective</b>	$\#\{\mathbf{x}_i \neq 0\} = \ \mathbf{x}\ _0$	$\text{rank}(A) = \#\{\sigma_i(A) \neq 0\}$ $= \ \sigma(A)\ _0$
<b>Convex relaxation</b>	$\ \mathbf{x}\ _1 = \sum_i  \mathbf{x}_i $	$\ A\ _* = \sum_i \sigma_i(A)$
<b>Algorithmic tools</b>	Linear programming	Semidefinite programming

*Yi Ma et al, "Matrix Extensions to Sparse Recovery", CVPR2009*

