

Learning Paradigms

Paradigm

Data

Supervised

$$\mathcal{D} = \{\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, y^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N \quad \mathbf{x} \sim p^*(\cdot) \text{ and } y = c^*(\cdot)$$

↪ Regression

$$y^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}$$

↪ Classification

$$y^{(i)} \in \{1, \dots, K\}$$

↪ Binary classification

$$y^{(i)} \in \{+1, -1\}$$

↪ Structured Prediction

$\mathbf{y}^{(i)}$ is a vector

Unsupervised

$$\mathcal{D} = \{\mathbf{x}^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N \quad \mathbf{x} \sim p^*(\cdot)$$

↪ Clustering

predict $\{z^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N$ where $z^{(i)} \in \{1, \dots, K\}$

→ ↪ Dimensionality Reduction

convert each $\mathbf{x}^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}^M$ to $\mathbf{u}^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}^K$ with $K \ll M$

Semi-supervised

$$\mathcal{D} = \{\mathbf{x}^{(i)}, y^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^{N_1} \cup \{\mathbf{x}^{(j)}\}_{j=1}^{N_2}$$

Online

$$\mathcal{D} = \{(\mathbf{x}^{(1)}, y^{(1)}), (\mathbf{x}^{(2)}, y^{(2)}), (\mathbf{x}^{(3)}, y^{(3)}), \dots\}$$

Active Learning

$\mathcal{D} = \{\mathbf{x}^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N$ and can query $y^{(i)} = c^*(\cdot)$ at a cost

Imitation Learning

$$\mathcal{D} = \{(s^{(1)}, a^{(1)}), (s^{(2)}, a^{(2)}), \dots\}$$

Reinforcement Learning

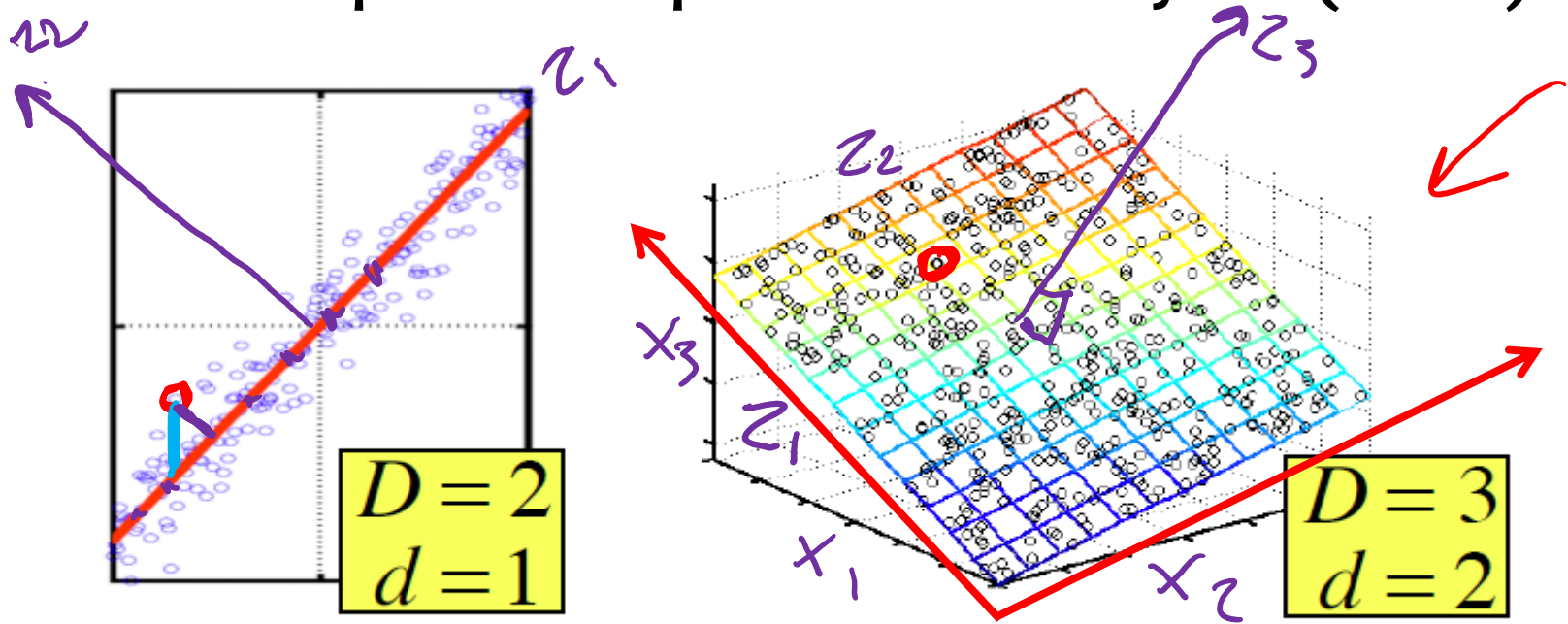
$$\mathcal{D} = \{(s^{(1)}, a^{(1)}, r^{(1)}), (s^{(2)}, a^{(2)}, r^{(2)}), \dots\}$$

PCA Outline

- **Dimensionality Reduction**
 - High-dimensional data
 - Learning (low dimensional) representations
- **Principal Component Analysis (PCA)**
 - Examples: 2D and 3D
 - Data for PCA
 - PCA Definition
 - Objective functions for PCA
 - PCA, Eigenvectors, and Eigenvalues
 - Algorithms for finding Eigenvectors / Eigenvalues
- **PCA Examples**
 - Image Compression
 - MRI Image Reconstruction

DIMENSIONALITY REDUCTION

Principal Component Analysis (PCA)



In case where data lies on or near a low d -dimensional linear subspace, axes of this subspace are an effective representation of the data.

Identifying the axes is known as [Principal Components Analysis](#), and can be obtained by using classic matrix computation tools (Eigen or Singular Value Decomposition).

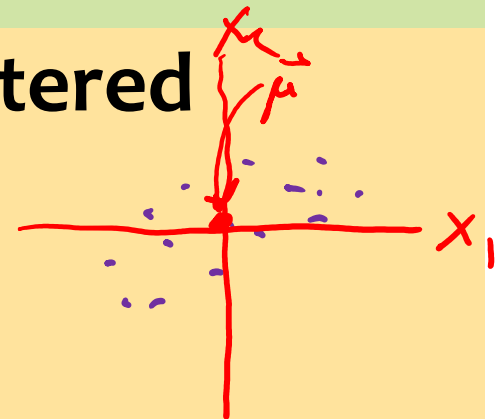
Data for PCA

$$\mathcal{D} = \{\mathbf{x}^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^N$$

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} (\mathbf{x}^{(1)})^T \\ (\mathbf{x}^{(2)})^T \\ \vdots \\ (\mathbf{x}^{(N)})^T \end{bmatrix}$$

We assume the data is **centered**

$$\vec{\mu} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{x}^{(i)} = \mathbf{0}$$



Q: What if
your data is
not centered?


A: Subtract
off the
sample mean

Sample Covariance Matrix

The sample covariance matrix is given by:

$$\Sigma_{jk} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \underbrace{(x_j^{(i)} - \mu_j)}_{\text{red arrow}} \underbrace{(x_k^{(i)} - \mu_k)}_{\text{red arrow}}$$

Since the data matrix is centered, we rewrite as:

$$\Sigma = \frac{1}{N} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X}$$


$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} (\mathbf{x}^{(1)})^T \\ (\mathbf{x}^{(2)})^T \\ \vdots \\ (\mathbf{x}^{(N)})^T \end{bmatrix}$$

Projections

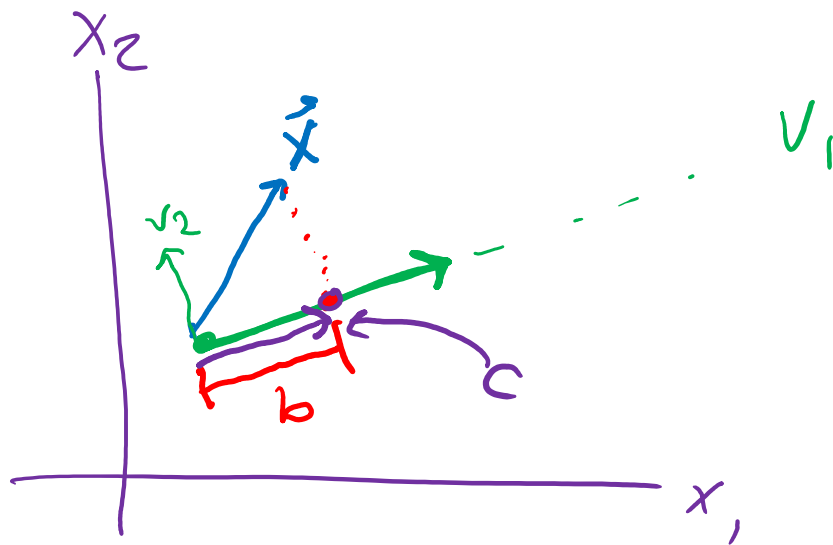
Quiz: What is the projection of point x onto vector \underline{v} , assuming that $\underline{\|v\|_2 = 1}$?

~~A. vx~~

B. $v^T x = b$

C. $(\underline{v^T x})v = c$

D. $v^T x x^T v$



Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

Whiteboard

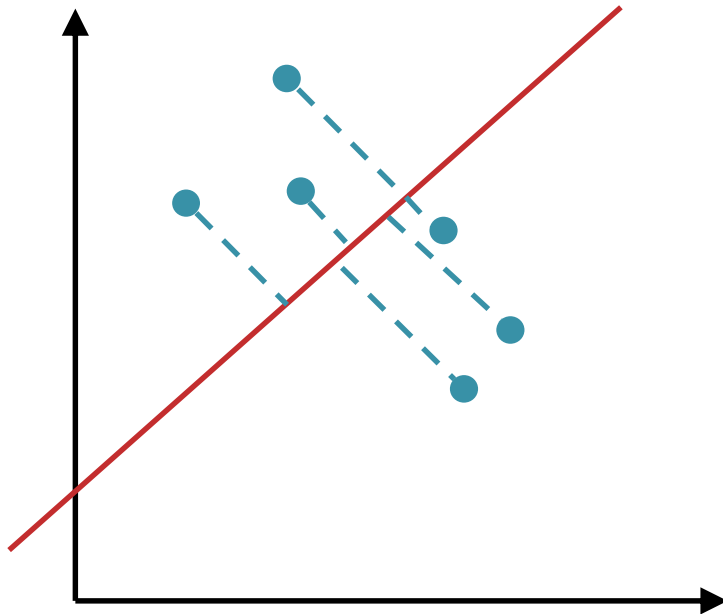
- PCA Sketch
- Objective functions for PCA

Maximizing the Variance

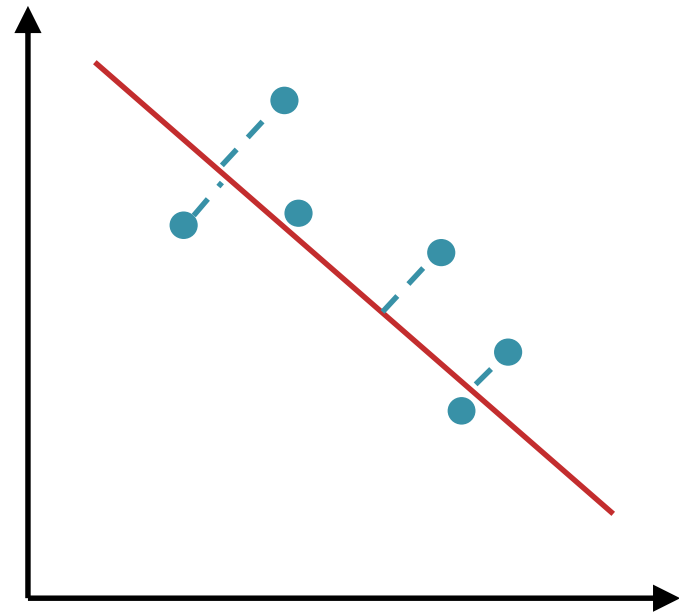
Quiz: Consider the two projections below

2. Which maximizes the variance?
3. Which minimizes the reconstruction error?

Option A



Option B



2)

3)

PCA

Equivalence of Maximizing Variance and Minimizing Reconstruction Error

Claim: Minimizing the reconstruction error is equivalent to maximizing the variance.

Proof: First, note that:

$$\|\mathbf{x}^{(i)} - (\mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{x}^{(i)})\mathbf{v}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{x}^{(i)}\|^2 - (\mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{x}^{(i)})^2 \quad (1)$$

since $\mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{v} = \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 = 1$.

Substituting into the minimization problem, and removing the extraneous terms, we obtain the maximization problem.

$$\mathbf{v}^* = \operatorname{argmin}_{\mathbf{v}: \|\mathbf{v}\|^2=1} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \|\mathbf{x}^{(i)} - (\mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{x}^{(i)})\mathbf{v}\|^2 \quad (2)$$

$$= \operatorname{argmin}_{\mathbf{v}: \|\mathbf{v}\|^2=1} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \|\mathbf{x}^{(i)}\|^2 - (\mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{x}^{(i)})^2 \quad (3)$$

$$= \operatorname{argmax}_{\mathbf{v}: \|\mathbf{v}\|^2=1} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (\mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{x}^{(i)})^2 \quad (4)$$

$$(5)$$

PCA: the First Principal Component

To find the first principal component, we wish to solve the following constrained optimization problem (variance minimization).

$$\mathbf{v}_1 = \underset{\mathbf{v}: \|\mathbf{v}\|^2=1}{\operatorname{argmax}} \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{v} \quad (1)$$

So we turn to the method of Lagrange multipliers. The Lagrangian is:

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{v}, \lambda) = \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{v} - \lambda(\mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{v} - 1) \quad (2)$$

Taking the derivative of the Lagrangian and setting to zero gives:

$$\frac{d}{d\mathbf{v}} (\mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{v} - \lambda(\mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{v} - 1)) = 0 \quad (3)$$

$$\mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{v} - \lambda \mathbf{v} = 0 \quad (4)$$

$$\mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{v} = \lambda \mathbf{v} \quad (5)$$

Recall: For a square matrix \mathbf{A} , the vector \mathbf{v} is an **eigenvector** iff there exists **eigenvalue** λ such that:

$$\mathbf{A} \mathbf{v} = \lambda \mathbf{v} \quad (6)$$

SVD for PCA

For any arbitrary matrix \mathbf{A} , SVD gives a decomposition:

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{V}^T \quad (1)$$

where $\mathbf{\Lambda}$ is a diagonal matrix, and \mathbf{U} and \mathbf{V} are orthogonal matrices.

Suppose we obtain an SVD of our data matrix \mathbf{X} , so that:

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{V}^T \quad (1)$$

Now consider what happens when we rewrite $\mathbf{\Sigma} = \frac{1}{N}\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X}$ terms of this SVD.

$$\mathbf{\Sigma} = \frac{1}{N}\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X} \quad (2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{N}(\mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{V}^T)^T(\mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{V}^T) \quad (3)$$

$$= \frac{1}{N}(\mathbf{V}\mathbf{\Lambda}^T\mathbf{U}^T)(\mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{V}^T) \quad (4)$$

$$= \frac{1}{N}\mathbf{V}\mathbf{\Lambda}^T\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{V}^T \quad (5)$$

$$= \frac{1}{N}\mathbf{V}(\mathbf{\Lambda})^2\mathbf{V}^T \quad (6)$$

Above we used the fact that $\mathbf{U}^T\mathbf{U} = \mathbf{I}$ since \mathbf{U} is orthogonal by definition.

We find that $(\mathbf{\Lambda})^2$ is a diagonal matrix whose entries are $\Lambda_{ii} = \lambda_i^2$ the squares of the eigenvalues of the SVD of \mathbf{X} . Further, both \mathbf{X} and $\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X}$ share the same eigenvectors in their SVD.

Thus, we can run SVD on \mathbf{X} without ever instantiating the large $\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X}$ to obtain the necessary principal components more efficiently.

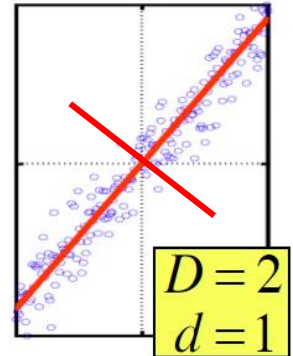
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$(X^T X) \mathbf{v} = \lambda \mathbf{v}$, so \mathbf{v} (the first PC) is the eigenvector of sample correlation/covariance matrix $X^T X$

Sample variance of projection $\mathbf{v}^T X^T X \mathbf{v} = \lambda \mathbf{v}^T \mathbf{v} = \lambda$

Thus, the eigenvalue λ denotes the amount of variability captured along that dimension (aka amount of energy along that dimension).

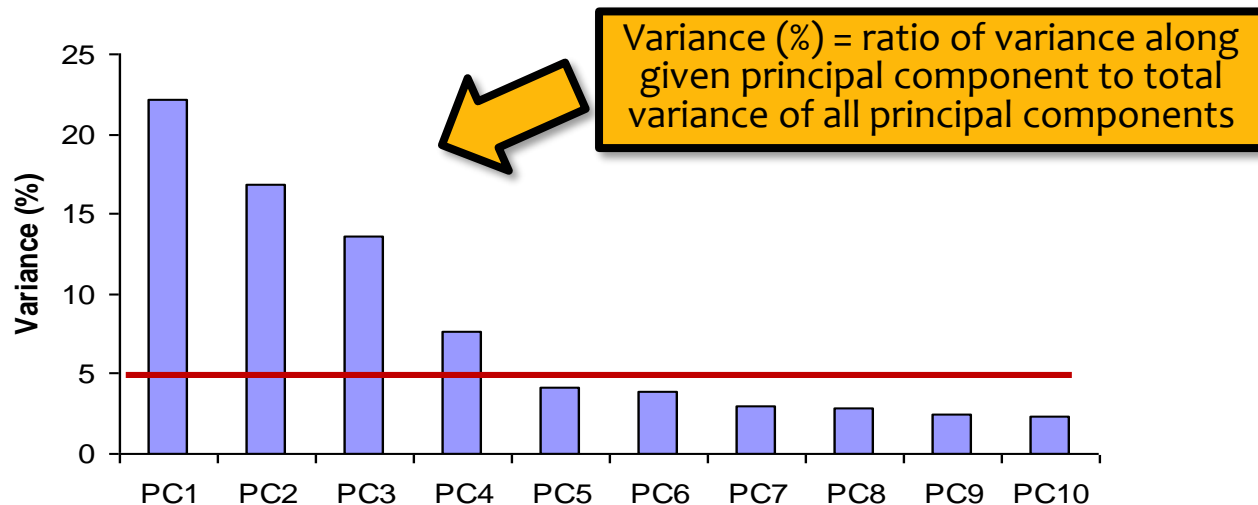


Eigenvalues $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \lambda_3 \geq \dots$

- The 1st PC \mathbf{v}_1 is the the eigenvector of the sample covariance matrix $X^T X$ associated with the largest eigenvalue
- The 2nd PC \mathbf{v}_2 is the the eigenvector of the sample covariance matrix $X^T X$ associated with the second largest eigenvalue
- And so on ...

How Many PCs?

- For M original dimensions, sample covariance matrix is $M \times M$, and has up to M eigenvectors. So M PCs.
- Where does dimensionality reduction come from?
Can ignore the components of lesser significance.



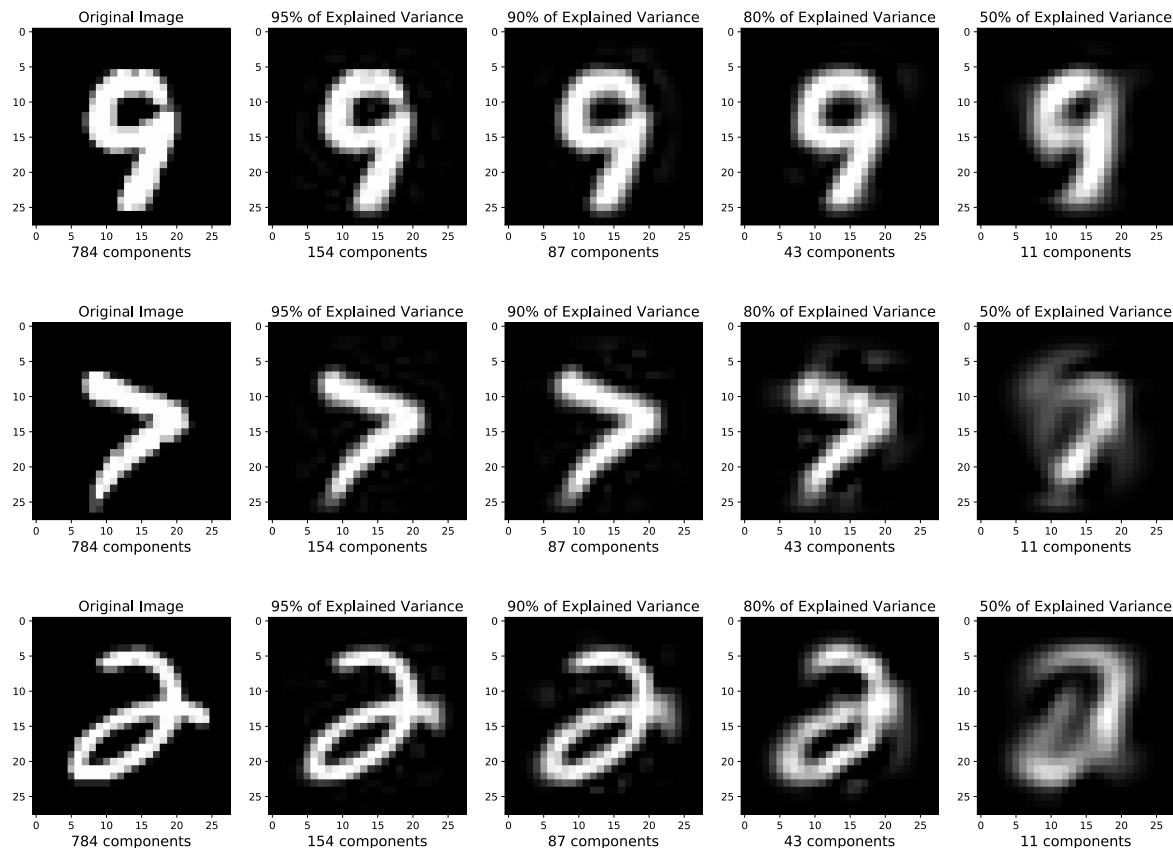
- You do lose some information, but if the eigenvalues are small, you don't lose much
 - M dimensions in original data
 - calculate M eigenvectors and eigenvalues
 - choose only the first D eigenvectors, based on their eigenvalues
 - final data set has only D dimensions

PCA EXAMPLES

Projecting MNIST digits

Task Setting:

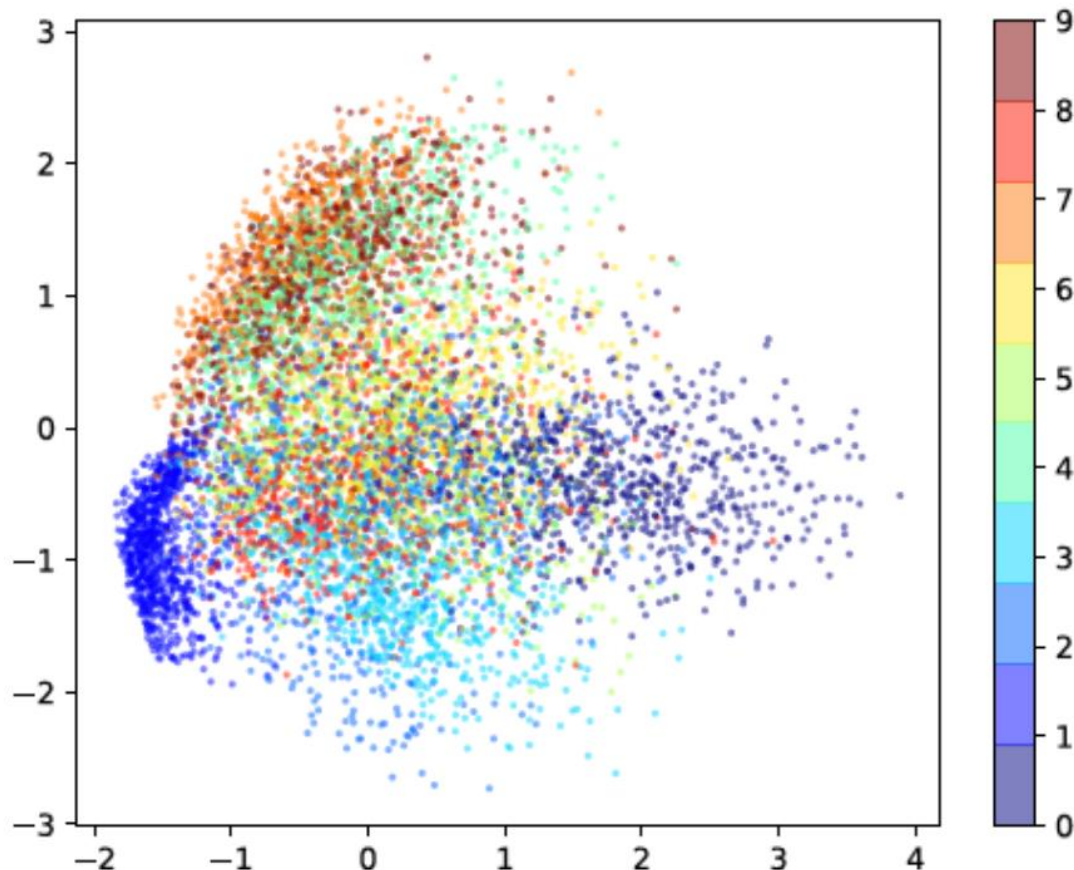
1. Take 28x28 images of digits and project them down to K components
2. Report percent of variance explained for K components
3. Then project back up to 28x28 image to visualize how much information was preserved



Projecting MNIST digits

Task Setting:

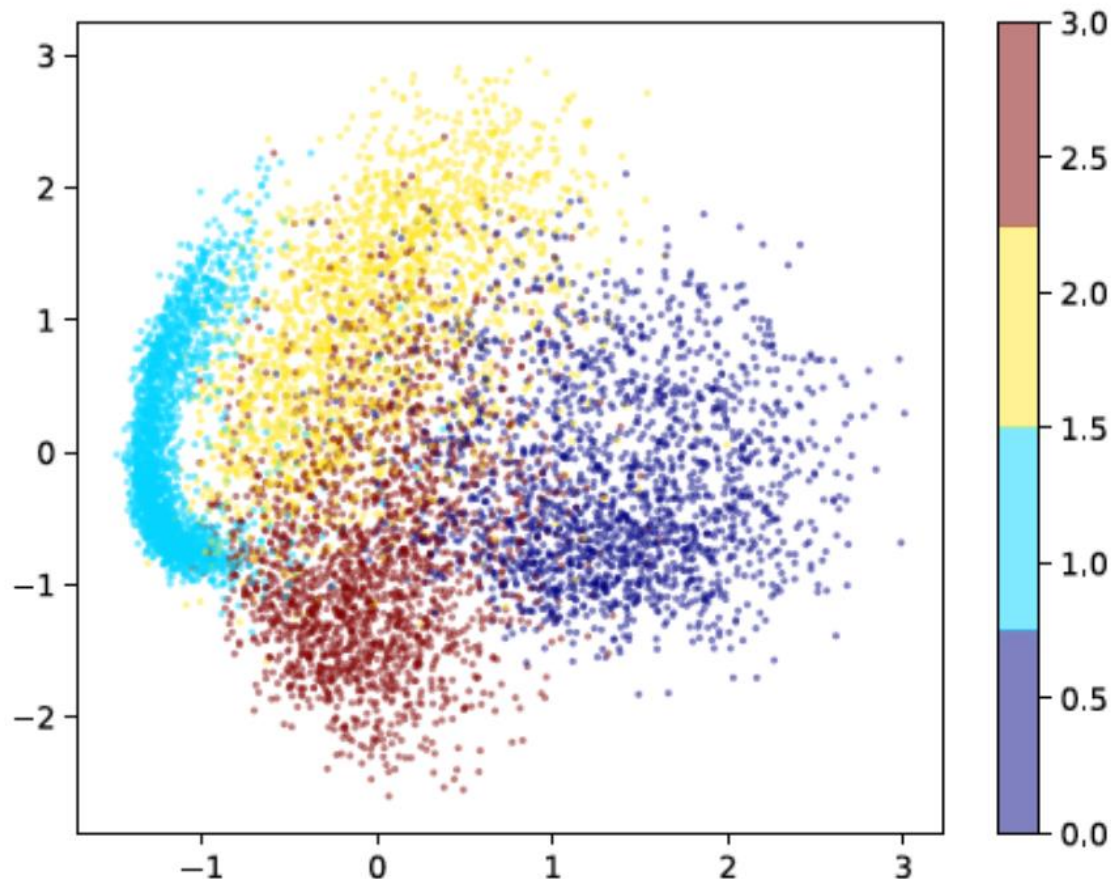
1. Take 28x28 images of digits and project them down to 2 components
2. Plot the 2 dimensional points



Projecting MNIST digits

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Learning Objectives

Dimensionality Reduction / PCA

You should be able to...

1. Define the sample mean, sample variance, and sample covariance of a vector-valued dataset
2. Identify examples of high dimensional data and common use cases for dimensionality reduction
3. Draw the principal components of a given toy dataset
4. Establish the equivalence of minimization of reconstruction error with maximization of variance
5. Given a set of principal components, project from high to low dimensional space and do the reverse to produce a reconstruction
6. Explain the connection between PCA, eigenvectors, eigenvalues, and covariance matrix
7. Use common methods in linear algebra to obtain the principal components