

Dimensionality Reduction

A Brief Introduction



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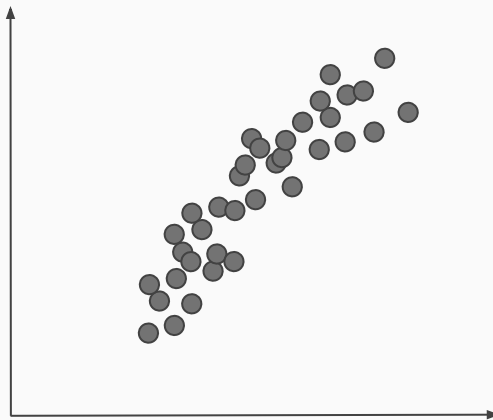
Transformation of data from a high-dimensional space into a low-dimensional space so that the low-dimensional representation retains some meaningful properties of the original data, ideally close to its intrinsic dimension.

$$\mathbb{X}^{n \times d} \longrightarrow \mathbb{X}^{n \times k}$$

$$d < k$$

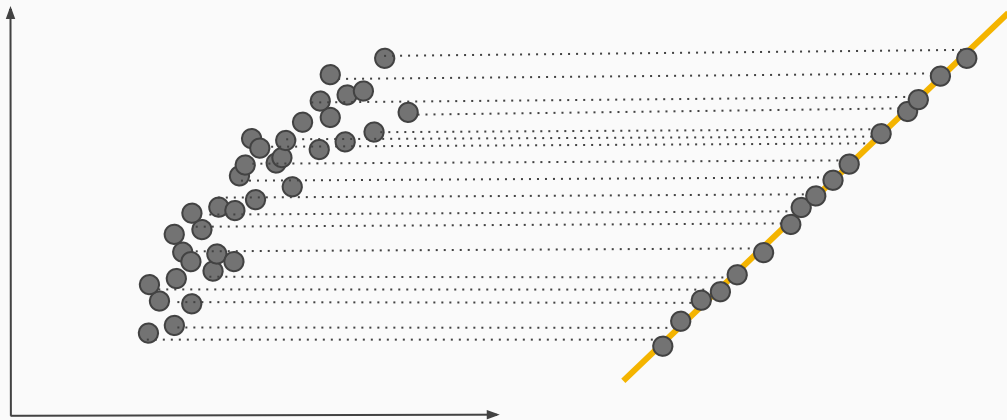
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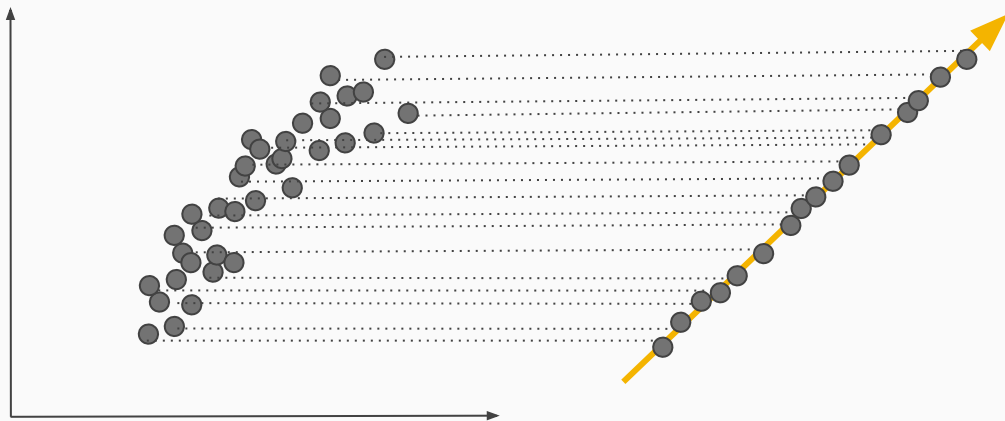
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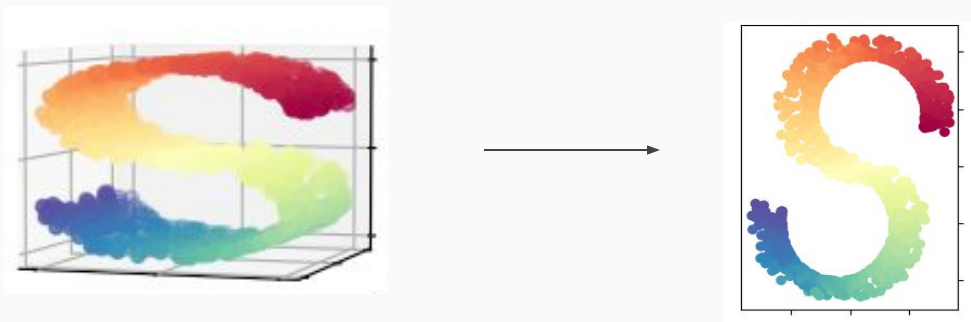
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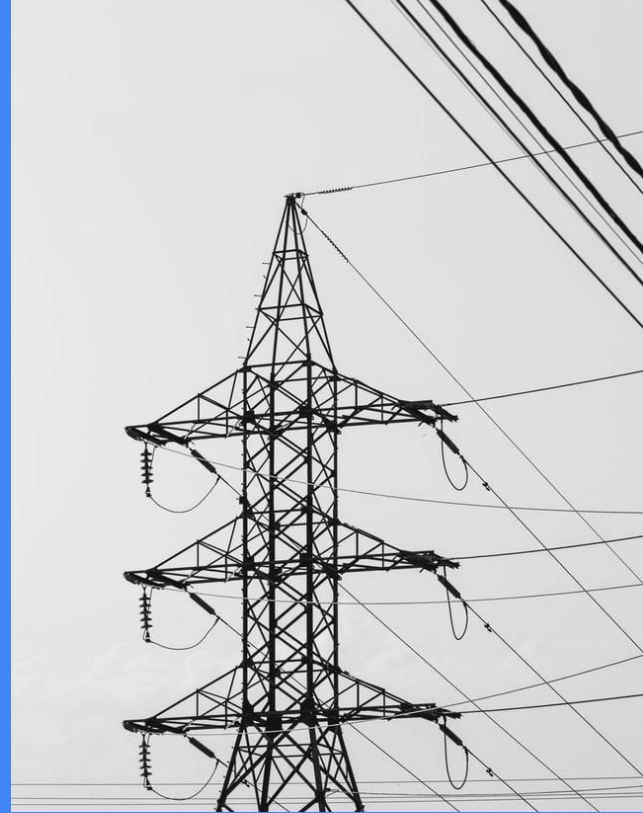
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Applications

Transmission

It is cheaper to send 1MB of data than to send 128MB



Visualization

It is hard to visualize more than
2 or 3 dimensions



Reduce noise

Sometimes extra dimensions
just add noise to another task



Feature extraction

Computed dimensions could
improve performance in a
supervised learning task



“The goal is never to apply dimensionality reduction, it is a tool that may help you achieve a more meaningful goal”

- God

Algorithms

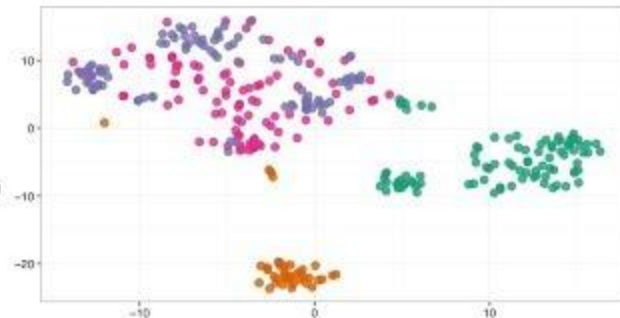
Algorithms

To visualize

To extract features

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t-SNE...



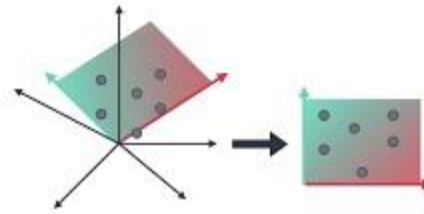
Clearly Explained!!!

Algorithms

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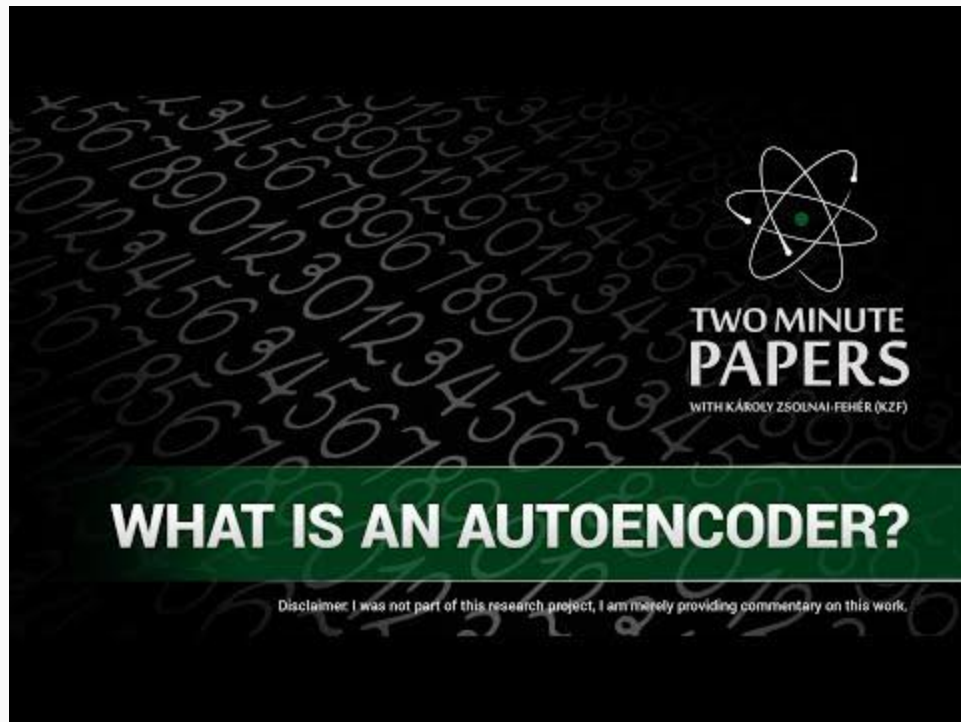
Principal
Component
Analysis

Algorithms

To visualize

To extract features

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Algorithms

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Human creativity can go amazingly far, keep learning!

Think about why you use it, then check if the algorithm makes sense for your application.