Machine Learning & Pattern Recognition

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What is feature extraction?

- Feature extraction (dimensionality reduction/feature reduction) refers
 to the mapping of the original high-dimensional data into a
 low-dimensional space.
- Criterion for feature reduction can be different based on different problem setting
 - ✓ Unsupervised setting: minimize the information loss
 - ✓ Supervised setting: maximize the class discrimination

Feature Extraction VS. Feature Selection

- Feature extraction
 - All original features are used.
 - The transformed features are linear combinations of the original features

- Feature selection
 - Only a subset of the original features are used.

Why Feature Extraction?

- Machine learning techniques may not be effective for high-dimensional data
 - Curse of Dimensionality
 - Accuracy and efficiency degrade rapidly as the dimension increases

- > The intrinsic dimension may be small
 - For example, the number of genes responsible for a certain type of disease may be small

Why Feature Extraction?

Visualization: projection of high-dimensional data onto 2D or 3D

Data compression: efficient storage and retrieval

Noise removal: positive effect on query accuracy

Feature Extraction Algorithms

Unsupervised

- Principal Component Analysis (PCA)
- Nonnegative Matrix Factorization (NMF)
- Independent Component Analysis (ICA) [Reading]

Supervised

- Linear Discriminant Analysis (LDA)
- General Graph Embedding (GE) [Reading]
- Canonical Correlation Analysis (CCA) [Reading, encouraged]

Semi-supervised

Research topic [Further study, encouraged]

Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

- PCA represents the high-dimensional data in a more tractable, lower-dimensional form, without losing too much information.
- Reduce the dimensionality of a data set by finding a new set of variables, smaller than the original set of variables.
- Capture big (principal) variability in the data and ignore small variability.

 The new variables, called principal components (PCs), are uncorrelated, and are ordered by the fraction of the total information each retains.

Given a sample set of m observations on a vector of d variables

$$\{\boldsymbol{x}_1, \boldsymbol{x}_2, \dots, \boldsymbol{x}_m\} \in \mathbb{R}^d$$

Define the first PC of the samples by the linear projection $w_1 \in \mathbb{R}^d$

$$z_{1i} = \mathbf{w}_1^T \mathbf{x}_i = \sum_{k=1}^d w_{1k} \, x_{ik}$$

where
$$\mathbf{w}_1 = (w_{11}, w_{12}, ..., w_{1d})^T$$
 $\mathbf{x}_i = (x_{11}, x_{12}, ..., x_{1d})^T$ $z_1 = \{z_{11}, z_{12}, ..., z_{1m}\}$

 w_1 is chosen such that $var[z_1]$ is maximum.

To find w_1 , first note that

$$var[z_1] = E\left((z_1 - \bar{z}_1)^2\right) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (\boldsymbol{w}_1^T \boldsymbol{x}_i - \boldsymbol{w}_1^T \bar{\boldsymbol{x}})^2$$

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The covariance matrix S is symmetric.

- The eigenvectors must be orthogonal to one another.
- The eigenvalues of S must all be ≥ 0

To find w_1 that maximizes $var[z_1]$ subject to $w_1^T w_1 = 1$

Let λ be a Lagrange multiplier

$$L = \boldsymbol{w}_1^T \boldsymbol{S} \boldsymbol{w}_1 + \lambda (\boldsymbol{w}_1^T \boldsymbol{w}_1 - 1)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial L}{\partial w_1} = Sw_1 - \lambda w_1 = 0 \Rightarrow (S - \lambda I_d)w_1 = 0$$

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Similarly, w_2 is also an eigenvector of S, whose eigenvalue $\lambda = \lambda_2$ is the second largest.

In general
$$var[z_k] = \mathbf{w}_k^T \mathbf{S} \mathbf{w}_k = \lambda_k$$

The k-th largest eigenvalue of S is the variance of the k-th PC. The k-th PC z_k retains the k-th greatest fraction of the variation in the sample.

- Main Steps for computing PCs:
 - Form the covariance matrix S.
 - Compute its eigenvectors: $\{w_i\}_{i=1}^d$
 - The first p eigenvectors $\{w_i\}_{i=1}^p$ form the p PCs
 - The transformation G consists of the p PCs

$$\boldsymbol{G} \leftarrow \left[\boldsymbol{w}_1, \boldsymbol{w}_2, \dots, \boldsymbol{w}_p\right] \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times p}$$

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{G}^T \mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^p$$

Algebraic Definition of PCs

- In practice, we compute the PCs via singular value decomposition (SVD) on the centered data matrix.
- Form the centered data matrix:

$$X = [(x_1 - \overline{x}); ...; (x_m - \overline{x})] \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times m}$$

Compute its SVD:

$$\boldsymbol{X} = \boldsymbol{U}_{d \times d} \boldsymbol{D}_{d \times m} (\boldsymbol{V}_{m \times m})^{T}$$

where U and V are orthogonal matrices, D is a diagonal matrix.

Algebraic Definition of PCs

Note that the scatter/covariance matrix can be written as

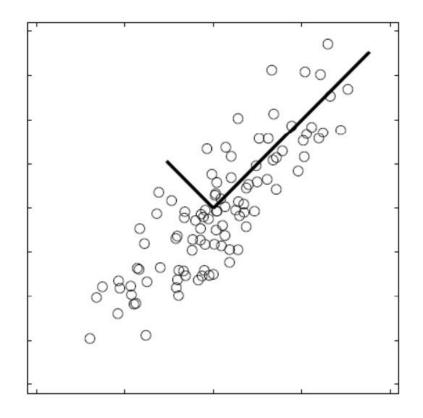
$$S = XX^T = UD^2U^T$$
 $X = U_{d \times d}D_{d \times m}(V_{m \times m})^T$

WHY?

- The eigenvectors of S are the columns of U and the eigenvalues are the diagonal elements of D^2 .
- Take only a few significant eigenvalue-eigenvector pairs $p \ll d$. The new reconstructed sample from low-dim space is:

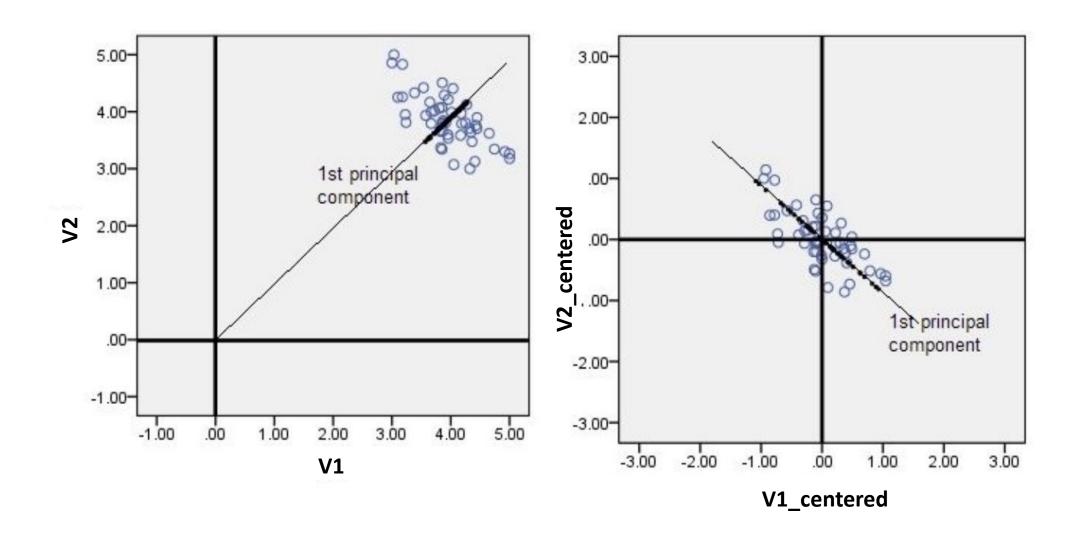
$$\widehat{x}_i = \overline{x} + U_{d \times p} (U_{d \times p})^T (x_i - \overline{x})$$

Visualize PCs



Data points are represented in a rotated orthogonal coordinate system: the origin is the mean of the data points and the axes are provided by the eigenvectors.

The Necessity of Centralization



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To choose p based on percentage of energy to retain, we can use the following criterion (smallest p):

$$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{p} \lambda_i}{\sum_{i=1}^{d} \lambda_i} \ge Threshold \quad (e.g., 0.95)$$

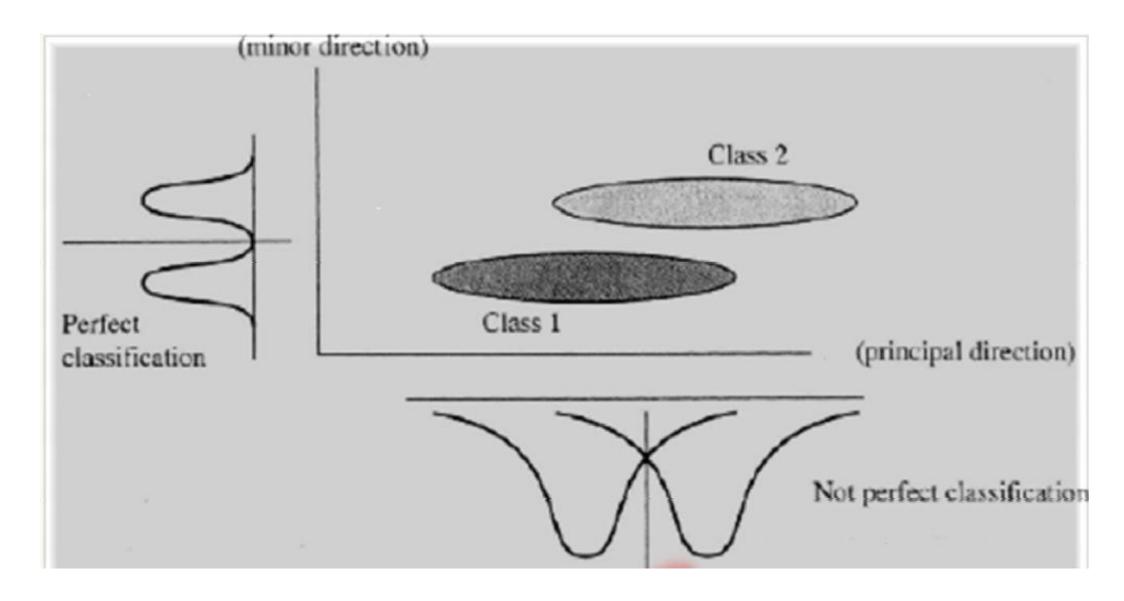
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- PCA may not be always an optimal feature extraction technique for classification.
 - Suppose there are C classes in the training data
 - PCA is based on the sample covariance which characterizes the scatter of the entire data set, irrespective of class-membership.
 - The projection axes chosen by PCA might not provide good discrimination power.

PCA and Classification



Summary of PCA

Algorithm 1 Algorithm for PCA

Input: Samples $\{x_1, x_2, \cdots, x_N\}$.

1. Compute the covariance matrix:

$$S = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} (x_i - \bar{x})(x_i - \bar{x})^T;$$

- 2. Perform Eigenvalue Decomposition: [U] = eig(S);
- 3. Output PCs matrix U(:, 1:p).

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Non-negative Matrix Factorization

PCA review

- Find a set of orthogonal principal components (basis)
- The reconstructed image is a linear combination of PCs plus mean
- PCA involves adding up some basis vectors and subtracting others.
- Basis vectors are not physically intuitive for many applications.
 - Sometimes subtracting does not make sense.
 - How to subtract a face? Negative pixel?

 NMF: Like PCA, except that the coefficients in the linear combination cannot be negative.

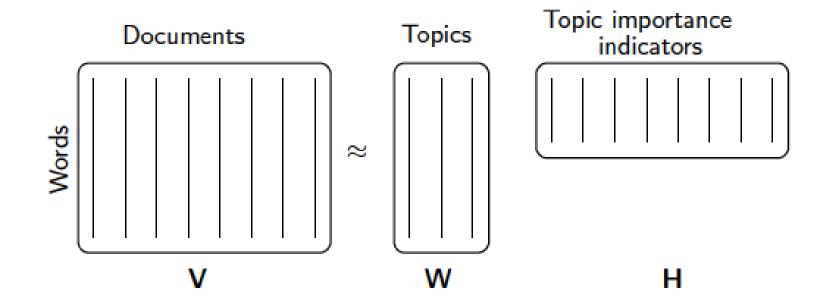
NMF Basis Vectors

- Only allowing adding of basis vectors makes intuitive sense
- Forcing the reconstruction coefficients to be nonnegative leads to nice basis vectors
 - To reconstruct vector (image), all you can do is to add in more basis vectors
 - This leads to basis vectors that represent parts

Objective Function

Assume $V \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ is the sample matrix, the task is to approximate the original data matrix with two nonnegative data matrices $V \approx WH, W \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times k}$, $H \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times n}$:

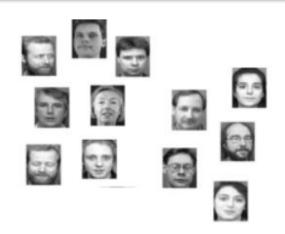
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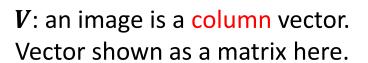


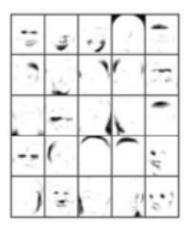
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W: a basis vector is a column vector



H: a coefficient vector is a column vector

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• The gradient descent update rule is (H only, W similar):

$$\frac{\partial J}{\partial \boldsymbol{H}} = ?$$

Matrix calculus

- Numerator layout: lay out according to $m{y}$ and $m{x}^{m{T}}$. (Jacobian formulation)
- Denominator layout: lay out according to y^T and x. (Hessian formulation)

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A, B, C are not functions of X	$\frac{\partial\operatorname{tr}(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{X}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{X}^{\top}\mathbf{C})}{\partial\mathbf{X}} =$	$\mathbf{B}\mathbf{X}^{\top}\mathbf{C}\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}^{\top}\mathbf{X}^{\top}\mathbf{A}^{\top}\mathbf{C}^{\top}$	$\mathbf{A}^{\top}\mathbf{C}^{\top}\mathbf{X}\mathbf{B}^{\top} + \mathbf{C}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{X}\mathbf{B}$

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Deriving Update Rules

Gradient Descent Rule:

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Justify later!

• Set $\eta_{a\mu} = \frac{H_{a\mu}}{(W^TWH)_{a\mu}}$, the update rule becomes

$$H_{a\mu} \leftarrow H_{a\mu} \frac{(W^T V)_{a\mu}}{(W^T W H)_{a\mu}}$$

What is Significant about This?

- This is a multiplicative update instead of an additive update.
 - If the initial values of \boldsymbol{W} and \boldsymbol{H} are all non-negative, then the W and H can never become negative.
- This lets us produce a non-negative factorization

How do we know that this will converge?

WARNING

Math Ahead

REMAIN CALM

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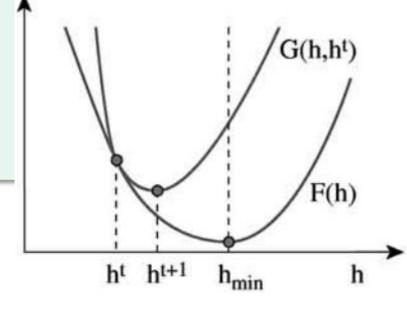
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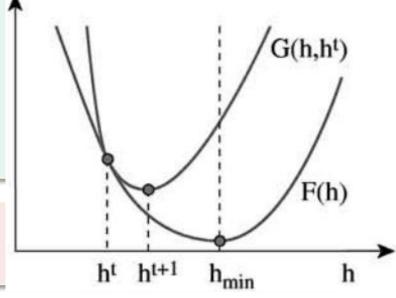
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Proof: $F(h^{t+1}) \le G(h^{t+1}, h^t) \le G(h^t, h^t) = F(h^t)$



Lemma 2: If $K(h^t)$ is the diagonal matrix

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then
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Proof of Lemma 2

Since G(h, h) = F(h) is obvious, we need to show that $G(h, h^t) \ge F(h)$. To do this, we compare the 2nd order Taylor polynomial

$$F(h) = F(h^t) + (h - h^t)^T \nabla F(h^t) + \frac{1}{2} (h - h^t)^T W^T W (h - h^t)$$

$$\nabla F(h) = \frac{\partial F(h)}{\partial h} = -W^T v + W^T W h \qquad \frac{\partial F(h)}{\partial h \partial h} = W^T W$$

Since we know that

$$G(\boldsymbol{h}, \boldsymbol{h}^t) = F(\boldsymbol{h}^t) + (\boldsymbol{h} - \boldsymbol{h}^t)^T \nabla F(\boldsymbol{h}^t) + \frac{1}{2} (\boldsymbol{h} - \boldsymbol{h}^t)^T K(\boldsymbol{h}^t) (\boldsymbol{h} - \boldsymbol{h}^t)$$

We find that prove

$$G(\boldsymbol{h}, \boldsymbol{h}^{\mathrm{t}}) \ge F(\boldsymbol{h}) \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad 0 \le (\boldsymbol{h} - \boldsymbol{h}^{t})^{T} [K(\boldsymbol{h}^{t}) - \boldsymbol{W}^{T} \boldsymbol{W}] (\boldsymbol{h} - \boldsymbol{h}^{t})$$

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$$0 \le (\mathbf{h} - \mathbf{h}^t)^T [\mathbf{K}(\mathbf{h}^t) - \mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{W}] (\mathbf{h} - \mathbf{h}^t) \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \mathbf{K}(\mathbf{h}^t) - \mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{W} \text{ is psd.}$$

We consider matrix
$$\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{H}^t [\mathbf{K}(\mathbf{h}^t) - \mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{W}] \mathbf{H}^t$$
 $\mathbf{H}^t = \mathbf{H}^{t^T} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{h}_1^t \\ & \ddots \\ & & \mathbf{h}_n^t \end{bmatrix}$
 $M(\mathbf{h}^t)_{ab} = \mathbf{h}_a^t (\mathbf{K}(\mathbf{h}^t) - \mathbf{W}^T \mathbf{W})_{ab} \mathbf{h}_b^t$

Then $K(h^t) - W^T W$ is psd if and only if M is. Why?

If M is positive semidefinite, then for any vector v, we have

$$v^{T}Mv = v^{T}H^{t}[K(h^{t}) - W^{T}W]H^{t}v = (H^{t}v)^{T}[K(h^{t}) - W^{T}W](H^{t}v) \ge 0$$

if and only if $K(h^t) - W^T W$ is also positive semidefinite.

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$$\begin{split} \boldsymbol{v}^T \boldsymbol{M} \boldsymbol{v} &= \sum_{ab} v_a h_a^t V_b = \sum_{ab} v_a h_a^t K_{ab}(h^t) h_b^t v_b - \sum_{ab} v_a h_a^t (W^T W)_{ab} h_b^t v_b \\ &= \sum_{a} v_a h_a^t \frac{(W^T W h^t)_a}{h_a^t} \ h_a^t v_a - \sum_{ab} v_a h_a^t (W^T W)_{ab} h_b^t v_b \\ &= \sum_{ab} h_a^t (W^T W)_{ab} h_b^t v_a^2 - \sum_{ab} v_a h_a^t (W^T W)_{ab} h_b^t v_b \\ &= \sum_{ab} (W^T W)_{ab} h_a^t h_b^t [\frac{1}{2} v_a^2 + \frac{1}{2} v_b^2 - v_a v_b] = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ab} (W^T W)_{ab} h_a^t h_b^t (v_a - v_b)^2 \\ &\geq 0 \end{split}$$

$$M = H^{t}[K(\mathbf{h}^{t}) - W^{T}W]H^{t} \qquad M(\mathbf{h}^{t})_{ab} = \mathbf{h}_{a}^{t}(K(\mathbf{h}^{t}) - W^{T}W)_{ab}\mathbf{h}_{b}^{t}$$
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Given the auxiliary function

$$K_{ab}(h^t) = \delta_{ab}(W^T W h^t)_a / h_a^t$$

$$G(\mathbf{h}, \mathbf{h}^t) = F(\mathbf{h}^t) + (\mathbf{h} - \mathbf{h}^t)^T \nabla F(\mathbf{h}^t) + \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{h} - \mathbf{h}^t)^T K(\mathbf{h}^t) (\mathbf{h} - \mathbf{h}^t)$$

• According to lemma 1, F is nonincreasing under the update

$$h^{t+1} = \arg\min_{h} G(h, h^t)$$
 \Rightarrow $h^{t+1} = h^t - K(h^t)^{-1} \nabla F(h^t)$

The rule can be explicitly written as

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Deriving Update Rules

Gradient Descent Rule:

$$H_{a\mu} \leftarrow H_{a\mu} + \eta_{a\mu} [(W^T V)_{a\mu} - (W^T W H)_{a\mu}]$$

Justify later!

• Set $\eta_{a\mu} = \frac{H_{a\mu}}{(W^TWH)_{a\mu}}$, the update rule becomes

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Summary of NMF

Algorithm 2 Algorithm for NMF

Input: Sample matrix $V = [v_1, v_2, \dots, v_N]$. Initialize W^0 and H^0 as arbitrary positive matrices.

for
$$t = 0:1:T_{max}$$
 do

$$\begin{split} H_{a\mu}^{t+1} &= H_{a\mu}^t \frac{(W^{tT}V)_{a\mu}}{(W^{tT}W^tH^t)_{a\mu}}; \\ W_{a\mu}^{t+1} &= W_{a\mu}^t \frac{(VH^{t+1T})_{a\mu}}{(W^tH^{t+1}H^{t+1T})_{a\mu}}; \\ \text{If } \|W^t - W^{t+1}\| < \epsilon \text{ and } \|H^t - H^{t+1}\| < \epsilon \\ \text{return;} \end{split}$$

end for

3. Output matrices W and H.

Discussion

• For new image, how to obtain the reconstruction coefficients?