

# Dimensionality Reduction

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## 23 Dimensionality Reduction

In this chapter, we discuss linear transformation.

### 23.1 PRINCIPAL COMPONENT ANALYSIS (PCA)

**Definition 1. (PCA target).** For a data  $S = (x_1, \dots, x_m) \in \mathbb{R}^d$ , finding a compression matrix  $W$  and a recovering matrix  $U$ , satisfy

**Lemma 1.**

$$\begin{aligned} \arg \min_{W \in \mathbb{R}^{n,d}, U \in \mathbb{R}^{d,n}} \sum_{i=1}^m \|x_i - UWx_i\|_2^2 &= \arg \min_{V \in \mathbb{R}^{d,n}: V^T V = I^n} \sum_{i=1}^m \|x_i - V^T V x_i\|_2^2 \\ &= \arg \max_{V \in \mathbb{R}^{d,n}: V^T V = I^n} \text{trace} \left( V^T \sum_{i=1}^m x_i x_i^T V \right) \end{aligned}$$

And if  $V$ 's column is the matrix  $\sum_{i=1}^m x_i x_i^T$ 's  $n$  leading eigenvectors, we reach the maximum.

*Proof.* Let  $V \in \mathbb{R}^{d,n}$  be a matrix whose columns form an orthonormal basis of this subspace, then  $\{UWx : x \in S\} \subset \{Vy : y \in \mathbb{R}^n\}$ , then

$$\forall V \in \{V^T V = I^n, \mathbb{R}^{d,n}\}, \quad \arg \min_{y_i} \|x_i - Vy_i\|^2 = V^T x_i$$

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{W \in \mathbb{R}^{n,d}, U \in \mathbb{R}^{d,n}} \sum_{i=1}^m \|x_i - UWx_i\|_2^2 &\geq \min_{V: V^T V = I^n} \min_{y_1, \dots, y_m} \sum_{i=1}^m \|x_i - Vy_i\|^2 \\ &= \min_{V: V^T V = I^n} \sum_{i=1}^m \|x_i - VV^T x_i\| = \min_{V: V^T V = I^n} \sum_{i=1}^m \|x\|^2 - 2x^T VV^T x + x^T VV^T VV^T x \\ &= \min_{V: V^T V = I^n} \sum_{i=1}^m \|x\|^2 - x^T VV^T x = \min_{V: V^T V = I^n} \sum_{i=1}^m \|x\|^2 - \text{trace}(V^T x x^T V) \\ &= \max_{V \in \mathbb{R}^{d,n}: V^T V = I^n} \text{trace} \left( V^T \sum_{i=1}^m x_i x_i^T V \right) \end{aligned}$$

Let  $A = \sum_{i=1}^m x_i x_i^T$ . The matrix  $A$  is symmetric and therefore it can be written using spectral decomposition as  $A = UDU^T$ , where  $D$  is diagonal and  $U^T U = U U^T = I^d$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{V \in \mathbb{R}^{d,n}: V^T V = I^n} \text{trace} \left( V^T \sum_{i=1}^m x_i x_i^T V \right) &= \max_{V \in \mathbb{R}^{d,n}: V^T V = I^n} \text{trace} (V^T U D U^T V) \\ &= \max_{W \in \mathbb{R}^{d,n}: W^T W = I^n} \text{trace} (W^T D W) = \sum_{i=1}^d D_{i,i} \sum_{j=1}^n W_{i,j}^2 \end{aligned}$$

First we have  $\sum_{i=1}^d \sum_{j=1}^n W_{i,j}^2 = n$ .

Second, We expand  $W$  to  $\tilde{W}$ , whose first  $n$  columns are the columns of  $W$ , and  $\tilde{W}^T \tilde{W} = I^d$ . Then  $\sum_{j=1}^d \tilde{W}_{i,j}^2 = 1 \Rightarrow \sum_{j=1}^n W_{i,j}^2 \leq 1$ .  $((\tilde{W} \tilde{W}^T - I^d) \tilde{W} = 0 \Rightarrow \tilde{W} \tilde{W}^T = I^d)$ . Then, if  $D_{1,1} \geq D_{2,2} \geq \dots \geq D_{d,d}$ ,

$$\max_{W \in \mathbb{R}^{d,n}: W^T W = I^n} \sum_{i=1}^d D_{i,i} \sum_{j=1}^n W_{i,j}^2 \leq \max_{\beta \in [0,1]^d: \|\beta\|_1 \leq n} \sum_{i=1}^d D_{i,i} \beta_i = \sum_{i=1}^n D_{i,i}$$

It's easy to verify that if  $V$ 's column is  $U$ 's first  $n$  columns, then

$$\max_{V \in \mathbb{R}^{d,n}: V^T V = I^n} \text{trace}(V^T U D U^T V) = \sum_{i=1}^n D_{i,i}$$

□

Because  $\sum_{i=1}^m \|x_i\|^2 = \text{trace}(A) = \sum_{i=1}^d D_{i,i}$ , so we obtain that

$$\min_{V: V^T V = I^n} \sum_{i=1}^m \|x\|^2 - \text{trace}(V^T x x^T V) = \sum_{i=n+1}^d D_{i,i}$$

### 23.1.1 A More Efficient Solution for the Case $d \gg m$

In previous section, constructing the matrix  $A$  need  $O(md^2)$  and calculating eigenvalues of  $A$  need  $O(d^3)$ . If  $d \gg m$ , we can calculate the PCA solution more efficiently.

Instead of analysing  $A = X^T X$ , we consider  $B = X X^T$ . The  $B$ 's eigenvector  $u$  satisfies  $Bu = \lambda u \Rightarrow X^T X X^T u = \lambda X^T u \Rightarrow \frac{X^T u}{\|X^T u\|}$  is an eigenvector of  $A$  with eigenvalue of  $\lambda$ . Then the complexity is  $O(m^3) + O(m^2 d)$ .

### 23.1.2 Kernel PCA

Any valid kernel  $K(x, x')$  implies a mapping  $\phi: \mathbb{R}^d \mapsto \mathbb{R}^n$ , and  $X = [\phi(\vec{x}_1), \dots, \phi(\vec{x}_m)]$ . Then

$$A = \sum_{i=1}^m \phi(x_i) \phi^T(x_i) = X X^T = U D U^T$$

We want use PCA without knowledge of  $\phi$ . First, we can easily calculate the eigenvectors of  $K(X, X) = X^T X = U_T D_T U_T^T$ . We already have  $U = X U_T = [X u_1, \dots, X u_m]$ . Let  $V = [X u_1, \dots, X u_k]$ . By this kernel PAC, every sample  $\vec{x}$  transforms into

$$V^T \phi(\vec{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} u_1^T \\ \vdots \\ u_k^T \end{pmatrix} X^T \phi(\vec{x}) = [u_1, \dots, u_k]^T \begin{pmatrix} K(\vec{x}_1, \vec{x}) \\ \vdots \\ K(\vec{x}_m, \vec{x}) \end{pmatrix}$$

### 23.1.3 An Interpretation of PCA as Variance Maximization

Target:

$$\arg \max_{\vec{w}: \|\vec{w}\|=1} \text{Var}[\langle \vec{w}, X \rangle] = \arg \max_{\vec{w}: \|\vec{w}\|=1} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (\langle \vec{w}, \vec{x}_i \rangle)^2 = \arg \max_{\vec{w}: \|\vec{w}\|=1} \text{trace} \left( \vec{w}^T \sum_{i=1}^m \vec{x}_i \vec{x}_i^T \vec{w} \right)$$

Then the first principal component  $\vec{w}_1$  is the eigenvector of matrix  $\sum_{i=1}^m \vec{x}_i \vec{x}_i^T$ , corresponding to the largest eigenvalue.

Then, we want get second principal component  $\vec{w}_2$  satisfying

$$\arg \max_{\vec{w}: \|\vec{w}\|=1, \mathbb{E}[\langle \vec{w}_1, \vec{x} \rangle \langle \vec{w}, \vec{x} \rangle] = 0} \text{Var} [\langle \vec{w}, \vec{x} \rangle]$$

$$\vec{w}^* = \mathbb{E}[\langle \vec{w}_1, \vec{x} \rangle \langle \vec{w}, \vec{x} \rangle] = \vec{w}_1^T \mathbb{E} [\vec{x} \vec{x}^T] \vec{w} = \lambda_1 \vec{w}_1^T \vec{w} = 0$$

Then  $\vec{w}^*$  is the second largest eigenvector  $\vec{w}_2$ .

## 23.2 RANDOM PROJECTIONS

For a random matrix  $W$ , we want  $\frac{\|Wx_1 - Wx_2\|}{\|x_1 - x_2\|} \approx 1$ .

**Lemma 2.** Fix some  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ . Let  $W \in \mathbb{R}^{n,d}$  be a random matrix such that each  $W_{i,j}$  is an independent normal random variable. Then for every  $\epsilon \in (0, 3)$  we have

$$\mathbb{P} \left[ \left| \frac{\|(1/\sqrt{n})Wx\|^2}{\|x\|^2} - 1 \right| > \epsilon \right] \leq 2e^{-\epsilon^2 n/6}$$

*Proof.* Wlog we can assume that  $\|x\|^2 = 1$ . Then we need to proof

$$\mathbb{P} [(1 - \epsilon)n \leq \|Wx\|^2 \leq (1 + \epsilon)n] \geq 1 - 2e^{-\epsilon^2 n/6}$$

Let  $w_i$  be the  $i$ th row of  $W$ . The random variable  $\langle w_i, x \rangle$  is a combination of  $d$  independent normal random variables, which is still normal random variable. Then  $\|Wx\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (\langle w_i, x \rangle)^2 \sim \chi_n^2$

So we can use the measure concentration property of  $\chi^2$  random variables.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.** Let  $Z \sim \chi_k^2$ . Then

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \quad \mathbb{P}[Z \leq (1 - \epsilon)k] \leq e^{-\epsilon^2 k/6}$$

$$\forall \epsilon \in (0, 3), \quad \mathbb{P}[Z \geq (1 + \epsilon)k] \leq e^{-\epsilon^2 k/6}$$

*Proof.* For normally distributed random variable,  $\mathbb{E}[X] = 0, \mathbb{E}[X^2] = 1, \mathbb{E}[X^4] = 3$ . Since  $\forall a \geq 0, e^{-a} \leq 1 - a + \frac{a^2}{2}$ , then

$$\mathbb{E} [e^{-\lambda X^2}] \leq 1 - \lambda \mathbb{E} [X^2] + \frac{\lambda^2}{2} \mathbb{E} [X^4] = 1 - \lambda + \frac{3}{2} \lambda^2 \leq e^{-\lambda + \frac{3}{2} \lambda^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P} [-Z \geq -(1 - \epsilon)k] &= \mathbb{P} [e^{-\lambda Z} \geq e^{-(1 - \epsilon)k\lambda}] \leq e^{(1 - \epsilon)k\lambda} \mathbb{E} [e^{-\lambda Z}] \\ &= e^{(1 - \epsilon)k\lambda} \prod_{i=1}^k \left( \mathbb{E} [e^{-\lambda X_i^2}] \right) \\ &\leq e^{(1 - \epsilon)k\lambda} e^{-\lambda k + \frac{3}{2} \lambda^2 k} = e^{-\epsilon k \lambda + \frac{3}{2} k \lambda^2} (= e^{-\epsilon^2 k/6} \text{ if } \lambda = \epsilon/3) \end{aligned}$$

Here is a closed form expression for  $\chi_k^2$  distributed random variable:

$$\forall \lambda < \frac{1}{2}, \mathbb{E} [e^{\lambda Z^2}] = (1 - 2\lambda)^{-k/2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}[Z \geq (1+\epsilon)k] &= \mathbb{P}\left[e^{\lambda Z} \geq e^{(1+\epsilon)k\lambda}\right] \leq e^{-(1+\epsilon)k\lambda} \mathbb{E}[e^{\lambda Z}] \\ &= e^{-(1+\epsilon)k\lambda} (1-2\lambda)^{-k/2} \leq e^{-(1+\epsilon)k\lambda} e^{k\lambda} = e^{-\epsilon k\lambda} (= e^{-\epsilon^2 k/6}, \text{ if } \lambda = \epsilon/6)\end{aligned}$$

□

**Lemma 4. (Johnson-Lindenstrauss Lemma).** *Let  $x \in S$ , then*

$$\mathbb{P}\left[\sup_{x \in S} \left| \frac{\|(1/\sqrt{n})Wx\|^2}{\|x\|^2} - 1 \right| > \epsilon\right] \leq 2|S|e^{-\epsilon^2 n/6} \leq \delta \Rightarrow \epsilon \geq \sqrt{\frac{6 \ln(2|S|/\delta)}{n}} \in (0, 3)$$

The preceding lemma does not depend on the original dimension of  $x$ .

### 23.3 COMPRESSED SENSING

1. Prior assumption: the original vector is sparse in some basis;
2. Denote:  $\|\vec{x}\|_0 = |\{i : x_i \neq 0\}|$ ;
3. If  $\|x\|_0 \leq s$ , we can represent it using  $s$  (index, value) pairs;
4. Further assume:  $\vec{x} = U\vec{\alpha}$ , where  $\|\vec{\alpha}\|_0 \leq s$ , and  $U$  is a fixed orthonormal matrix;
5. Compressed sensing: get  $\vec{x}$ , compress  $\vec{x}$  into  $\vec{\alpha} = U^T x$  and represent  $\vec{\alpha}$  by its  $s$  (index, value) pairs.

The key result:

1. It is possible to reconstruct any sparse signal fully if it was compressed by  $x \mapsto Wx$ , where  $W$  is a matrix which satisfies a condition called the Restricted Isoperimetric Property.
2. The reconstruction can be calculated in polynomial time by solving a linear program.
3. A random  $n \times d$  matrix is likely to satisfy the RIP condition provided that  $n$  is greater than an order of  $s \log(d)$

**Definition 2. (Restricted Isoperimetric Property).** *A matrix  $W \in \mathbb{R}^{n,d}$  is  $(\epsilon, s)$ -RIP if  $x \neq 0$  s.t.  $\|x\|_0 \leq s$*

$$\forall \vec{x} \in \{\|\vec{x}\|_0 \leq s \wedge \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d\}, \quad \left| \frac{\|W\vec{x}\|_2^2}{\|\vec{x}\|_2^2} - 1 \right| \leq \epsilon.$$

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $\epsilon < 1$  and  $W$  be a  $(\epsilon, 2s)$ -RIP matrix. Let  $\vec{x} \in \{\|\vec{x}\|_0 \leq s \wedge \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d\}$  and  $\vec{y} = W\vec{x}$ . Then,*

$$\vec{x} = \vec{z} \in \arg \max_{\vec{z}: W\vec{z}=\vec{y}} \|\vec{z}\|_0$$

*Proof.* If  $\vec{x} \neq \vec{z}$ , we can get  $\|\vec{z}\|_0 \leq \|\vec{x}\|_0 \leq s$ , so  $\|\vec{x} - \vec{z}\| \leq 2s$ .  $\left| \frac{\|W(\vec{x} - \vec{z})\|_2^2}{\|\vec{x} - \vec{z}\|_2^2} - 1 \right| \leq \epsilon$  which leads to a contradiction. □

**Theorem 2.** *Further assume that  $\epsilon < \frac{1}{1+\sqrt{2}}$ , then*

$$\vec{x} = \arg \min_{\vec{v}: W\vec{v}=\vec{y}} \|\vec{v}\|_0 = \arg \min_{\vec{v}: W\vec{v}=\vec{y}} \|\vec{v}\|_1.$$

A stronger theorem follows

**Theorem 3.** Let  $\epsilon < \frac{1}{1+\sqrt{2}}$  and let  $W \in \mathbb{R}^{n,d}$  be a  $(\epsilon, 2s)$  - RIP matrix. Let  $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$  and denote

$$\vec{x}_s \in \arg \min_{\vec{v}: \|\vec{v}\|_0 \leq s} \|\vec{x} - \vec{v}\|_1.$$

note that  $\vec{x}_s$  is the vector which equals  $\vec{x}$  on the  $s$  largest elements of  $\vec{x}$  and equals 0 elsewhere. Let  $\vec{y} = W\vec{x}$  be the compression of  $\vec{x}$  and let

$$\vec{x}^* \in \arg \min_{\vec{v}: W\vec{v} = \vec{y}} \|\vec{v}\|_1$$

Then,

$$\|\vec{x}^* - \vec{x}\|_2 \leq 2 \frac{1+\rho}{1-\rho} s^{-1/2} \|\vec{x} - \vec{x}_s\|_1$$

where  $\rho = \sqrt{2}\epsilon/(1-\epsilon)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\vec{h} = \vec{x}^* - \vec{x}$ . Given a vector  $\vec{v}$  and a set of indices  $I$  we denote by  $\vec{v}_I$  the vector whose  $i$ th element is  $v_i$  if  $i \in I$  and 0 otherwise.

Then we partition the set of indices  $[d] = \{1, \dots, d\}$  into disjoint sets of size  $s$ ,  $[d] = T_0 \cup T_1 \cup T_2 \dots T_{d/s-1}$ . We assume  $d/s$  is an integer, then  $|T_i| = s$ .

$T_0$  has the  $s$  indices corresponding to the  $s$  largest elements in absolute values of  $\vec{x}$ . Let  $T_0^c = [d] \setminus T_0$ . Next,  $T_1$  will be the  $s$  indices corresponding to the  $s$  largest elements in absolute value of  $h_{T_0^c}$ . Let  $T_{0,1} = T_0 \cup T_1$  and  $T_{0,1}^c = [d] \setminus T_{0,1}$ . Next,  $T_2$  will correspond to the  $s$  largest elements in absolute value of  $h_{T_{0,1}^c}$ . And soon on.

**Lemma 5.** If  $W$  is an  $(\epsilon, 2s)$  - RIP matrix. Then, for any two disjoint sets  $I, J$ , both of size at most  $s$ , and for any vector  $\vec{u}$  we have that  $\langle Wu_I, Wu_J \rangle \leq \epsilon \|u_I\|_2 \|u_J\|_2$

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{\|W(\vec{u}_I + \vec{u}_J)\|_2^2}{\|\vec{u}_I + \vec{u}_J\|_2^2} - 1 \right| &\leq \epsilon \\ \langle W\vec{u}_I, W\vec{u}_J \rangle &= \frac{1}{4} (\|W\vec{u}_I + W\vec{u}_J\|_2^2 - \|W\vec{u}_I - W\vec{u}_J\|_2^2) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{4} ((1+\epsilon)\|\vec{u}_I + \vec{u}_J\|_2^2 + (\epsilon-1)\|\vec{u}_I - \vec{u}_J\|_2^2) \\ &= \frac{\epsilon}{2} (\|\vec{u}_I\|_2^2 + \|\vec{u}_J\|_2^2) \end{aligned}$$

W.l.o.g we assume  $\|\vec{u}_I\| = k\|\vec{u}_J\|$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \langle W\vec{u}_I, kW\vec{u}_J \rangle &\leq \frac{\epsilon}{2} (\|\vec{u}_I\|_2^2 + k^2\|\vec{u}_J\|_2^2) = k\epsilon \|\vec{u}_I\| \|\vec{u}_J\| \\ \langle W\vec{u}_I, W\vec{u}_J \rangle &\leq \epsilon \|\vec{u}_I\| \|\vec{u}_J\| \end{aligned}$$

□

Clearly,  $\|h\|_2 = \|h_{T_{0,1}} + h_{T_{0,1}^c}\|_2 \leq \|h_{T_{0,1}}\|_2 + \|h_{T_{0,1}^c}\|_2$ .

If we have following two claims:

1.  $\|h_{T_{0,1}^c}\|_2 \leq \|h_{T_0}\|_2 + 2s^{-1/2} \|\vec{x} - \vec{x}_s\|_1$ ;

$$2. \|h_{T_{0,1}}\|_2 \leq \frac{2\rho}{1-\rho} s^{-1/2} \|\vec{x} - \vec{x}_s\|_1.$$

Then we can proof the theorem

$$\begin{aligned} \|h\|_2 &\leq \|h_{T_{0,1}}\|_2 + \|h_{T_{0,1}^c}\|_2 \leq 2\|h_{T_{0,1}}\|_2 + 2s^{-1/2} \|\vec{x} - \vec{x}_s\|_1 \\ &\leq 2 \left( \frac{2\rho}{1-\rho} + 1 \right) s^{-1/2} \|\vec{x} - \vec{x}_s\|_1 = 2 \frac{1+\rho}{1-\rho} s^{-1/2} \|\vec{x} - \vec{x}_s\|_1 \end{aligned}$$

Now we prove claims1:  $\forall i \in T_j, i' \in T_{j-1}$ , we have  $|h_i| \leq |h'_{i'}|$ . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \|h_{T_j}\|_\infty &\leq \|h_{T_{j-1}}\|_1/s \\ \Rightarrow \|h_{T_j}\|_2 &\leq s^{1/2} \|h_{T_j}\|_\infty \leq s^{-1/2} \|h_{T_{j-1}}\|_1 \\ \Rightarrow \|h_{T_{0,1}^c}\| &\leq \sum_{j \geq 2} \|h_{T_j}\|_2 \leq s^{-1/2} \|h_{T_0^c}\|_1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|\vec{x}\|_1 &\geq \|\vec{x} + \vec{h}\|_1 = \sum_{i \in T_0} |x_i + h_i| + \sum_{i \in T_0^c} |x_i + h_i| \geq \|x_{T_0}\|_1 - \|h_{T_0}\|_1 + \|h_{T_0^c}\|_1 - \|x_{T_0^c}\|_1 \\ \|h_{T_0^c}\|_1 &\leq \|\vec{x}\|_1 - \|x_{T_0}\|_1 + \|x_{T_0^c}\|_1 + \|h_{T_0}\|_1 = 2\|x_{T_0^c}\|_1 + \|h_{T_0}\|_1 \\ \|h_{T_{0,1}^c}\|_2 &\leq s^{-1/2} (2\|x_{T_0^c}\|_1 + \|h_{T_0}\|_1) \leq \|h_{T_0}\|_2 + 2s^{-1/2} \|x - x_s\| \end{aligned}$$

Then we prove claim2: For RIP condition,

$$\begin{aligned} (1-\epsilon) \|h_{T_{0,1}}\|_2^2 &\leq \|Wh_{T_{0,1}}\|_2^2 = \|Wh - \sum_{j \geq 2} Wh_{T_j}\|_2^2 = \|\sum_{j \geq 2} Wh_{T_j}\|_2^2 \\ &= \sum_{j \geq 2} \langle Wh_{T_0} + Wh_{T_1}, Wh_{T_j} \rangle \leq \epsilon (\|h_{T_0}\|_2 + \|h_{T_1}\|_2) \sum_{j \geq 2} \|h_{T_j}\|_2 \\ &\leq \sqrt{2}\epsilon \|h_{T_{0,1}}\|_2 \|h_{T_{0,1}^c}\|_2 \leq \sqrt{2}\epsilon \|h_{T_{0,1}}\|_2 s^{-1/2} \|h_{T_0^c}\|_1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|h_{T_{0,1}}\|_2 &\leq \frac{\sqrt{2}\epsilon}{1-\epsilon} s^{-1/2} \|h_{T_0^c}\|_1 \leq \frac{\sqrt{2}\epsilon}{1-\epsilon} s^{-1/2} (\|h_{T_0}\|_1 + 2\|x_{T_0^c}\|_1) \\ &\leq \frac{\sqrt{2}\epsilon}{1-\epsilon} (\|h_{T_{0,1}}\|_1 + 2s^{-1/2} \|x_{T_0^c}\|_1) \leq \frac{2\rho}{1-\rho} s^{-1/2} \|x_{T_0^c}\|_1, \quad \rho = \frac{\sqrt{2}\epsilon}{1-\epsilon}, \epsilon \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}+1} \end{aligned}$$

□

**Theorem 4.** Let  $U$  be an arbitrary fixed  $d \times d$  orthonormal matrix, let  $\epsilon, \delta$  be scalars in  $(0, 1)$ , let  $s$  be an integer in  $[d]$ , and let  $n$  be an integer that satisfies

$$n \geq 100 \frac{s \log(40d/(\delta\epsilon))}{\epsilon^2}$$

Let  $W \in \mathbb{R}^{n,d}$  be a matrix s.t. each element of  $W$  is distributed normally with zero mean and variance of  $1/n$ . Then, with probability of at least  $1 - \delta$  over the choice of  $W$ , the matrix  $WU$  is  $(\epsilon, s) - \text{RIP}$

*Proof.*

**Lemma 6.** Let  $\epsilon \in (0, 1)$ . There exists a finite set  $Q \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  of size  $|Q| \leq (3/\epsilon)^d$  such that

$$\sup_{\vec{x}: \|\vec{x}\| \leq 1} \min_{\vec{v} \in Q} \|\vec{x} - \vec{v}\| \leq \epsilon$$

*Proof.* Let  $k$  be an integer and let

$$Q' = \left\{ \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d : \forall j \in [d], \exists i \in \{-k, -k+1, \dots, k\} \text{ s.t. } x_j = \frac{i}{k} \right\}$$

Clearly,  $\|Q'\| = (2k+1)^d$ . We shall set  $Q = Q' \cap B_2(1)$ , where  $B_2(1)$  is the unit  $l_2$  ball of  $\mathbb{R}^d$ . The volume of  $B_2(1)$  is  $\frac{\pi^{d/2}}{\Gamma(1+d/2)}$ . If  $d$  is even therefore  $\Gamma(1+d/2) = (d/2)! \geq (\frac{d}{e})^{d/2}$ . Then

$$|Q| \leq (2k+1)^d (\pi/e)^{d/2} (d/2)^{-d/2} 2^{-d}$$

$\forall \vec{x} \in B_2(1)$  let  $\vec{v} \in Q$  that  $v_i = \text{sign}(x_i) \lfloor |x_i| k \rfloor / k$ . We can guarantee  $|x_i - v_i| \leq 1/k$  and thus

$$\|\vec{x} - \vec{v}\|_2 \leq \frac{\sqrt{d}}{k} \leq \epsilon \Rightarrow k = \lceil \sqrt{d}/\epsilon \rceil.$$

$$|Q| \leq (3\sqrt{d}/(2\epsilon))^d (\pi/e)^{d/2} (d/2)^{-d/2} = \left( \frac{3}{\epsilon} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2e}} \right)^d \leq \left( \frac{3}{\epsilon} \right)^d.$$

□

**Lemma 7.** Let  $U$  be an orthonormal  $d \times d$  matrix and let  $I \subset [d]$  be a set of indices of size  $|I| = s$ . Let  $S$  be the span of  $\{U_i : i \in I\}$ , where  $U_i$  is the  $i$ th column of  $U$ . Let  $\delta \in (0, 1)$ ,  $\epsilon \in (0, 1)$ , and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$n \geq 24 \frac{\log(2/\delta) + s \log(12/\epsilon)}{\epsilon^2}$$

$\forall W \in \mathbb{R}^{n,d}$  such that  $W_{ij} \sim N(0, 1/n)$ , we have

$$\mathbb{P} \left\{ \sup_{\vec{x} \in S} \left| \frac{\|W\vec{x}\|}{\|\vec{x}\|} - 1 \right| < \epsilon \right\} \geq 1 - \delta$$

*Proof.* It suffices to prove the lemma for all  $\vec{x} \in S$  with  $\|\vec{x}\|_2 = 1$ . We can write  $\vec{x} = U_I \vec{\alpha}$  where  $\vec{\alpha} \in \mathbb{R}^s$ ,  $\|\vec{\alpha}\|_2 = 1$ . Then  $\exists Q$  of size  $|Q| \leq (12/\epsilon)^s$  such that

$$\sup_{\vec{\alpha}: \|\vec{\alpha}\|_2 = 1} \min_{\vec{v} \in Q} \|\vec{\alpha} - \vec{v}\| \leq \epsilon/4 \Rightarrow \sup_{\vec{\alpha}: \|\vec{\alpha}\|_2 = 1} \min_{\vec{v} \in Q} \|U_I \vec{\alpha} - U_I \vec{v}\| \leq \epsilon/4.$$

If  $n \geq 24 \frac{\log(2/\delta) + s \log(12/\epsilon)}{\epsilon^2}$  then

$$\mathbb{P} \left\{ \sup_{\vec{v} \in Q} \left| \frac{\|W U_I \vec{v}\|^2}{\|U_I \vec{v}\|^2} - 1 \right| \leq \epsilon/2 \right\} \geq 1 - \delta$$

$$\mathbb{P} \left\{ \sup_{\vec{v} \in Q} \left| \frac{\|W U_I \vec{v}\|}{\|U_I \vec{v}\|} - 1 \right| \leq \sup_{\vec{v} \in Q} \left| \frac{\|W U_I \vec{v}\|^2}{\|U_I \vec{v}\|^2} - 1 \right| \leq \epsilon/2 \right\} \geq 1 - \delta$$



We denote  $\forall \vec{x} \in S$ ,  $\frac{\|W\vec{x}\|}{\|\vec{x}\|} \leq 1 + a$ , where  $a$  is the smallest number satisfying the previous inequation. Then

$$\|W\vec{x}\| \leq \|WU_I\vec{v}\| + \|W(\vec{x} - U_I\vec{v})\| \leq 1 + \epsilon/2 + (1 + a)\epsilon/4$$

$$\forall \vec{x} \in S, \frac{\|W\vec{x}\|}{\|\vec{x}\|} \leq 1 + \epsilon/2 + (1 + a)\epsilon/4$$

By the definition of  $a$ , we have  $a \leq \epsilon/2 + (1 + a)\epsilon/4 \Rightarrow \frac{3\epsilon}{4-\epsilon} \leq \epsilon$ . Similarly, we define  $b$  as minimum number satisfies  $\forall \vec{x} \in S$ ,  $\frac{\|W\vec{x}\|}{\|\vec{x}\|} \geq 1 - b$ .

$$\|W\vec{x}\| \geq \|WU_I\vec{v}\| - \|W(\vec{x} - U_I\vec{v})\| \geq 1 - \epsilon/2 - (1 - b)\epsilon/4.$$

$$b \leq \epsilon/2 + (1 - b)\epsilon/4 \Rightarrow b \leq \frac{4}{4 + \epsilon}\epsilon \leq \epsilon$$

□

The preceding lemma tells us that  $\forall \vec{x} \in S$  of unit norm we have

$$(1 - \epsilon) \leq \|W\vec{x}\| \leq (1 + \epsilon) \Rightarrow (1 - 2\epsilon) \leq \|W\vec{x}\|^2 \leq (1 + 3\epsilon)$$

The total number of indices of  $I$  is  $\mathbb{C}_d^s \leq (ed/s)^s$ , by union bound, we need

$$n \geq 24 \frac{\log\left(\frac{2}{\delta} \cdot \left(\frac{ed}{s}\right)^s\right) + s \log(36/\epsilon)}{(\epsilon/3)^2} = 216 \frac{\log(2/\delta) + s \log\left(\frac{36ed}{s\epsilon}\right)}{\epsilon^2}$$

□

## 23.4 PAC OR COMPRESSED SENSING

1. PCA assumes that the set of examples is contained in an  $n$  dimensional subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^d$ ;
2. Compressed sensing assumes the set of examples is sparse (in some basis).