Course 3: Unsupervised Learning

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Summary

Last session

1. Supervised learning - learning from labeled examples
2. Bias/variance tradeoff
3. Overfitting and cross-validation
4. VC Dimension and curse of dimensionality

Today's session

1. Learning from Unlabeled examples
2. Clustering, decomposition and dimensionality reduction

Notations

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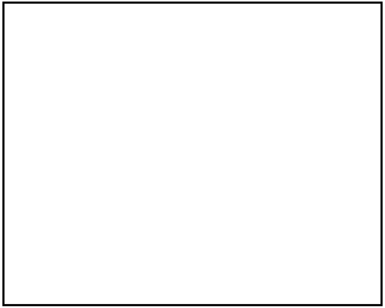

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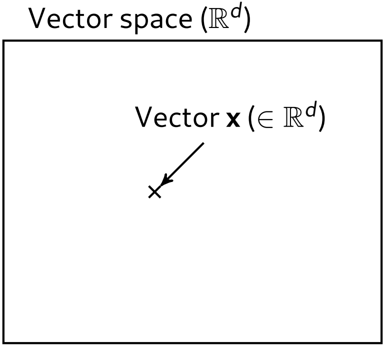

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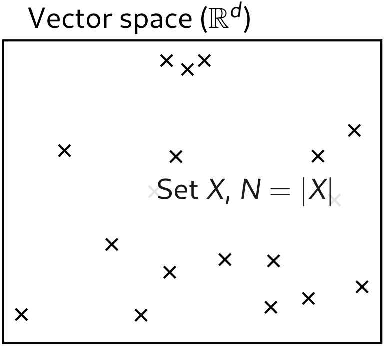

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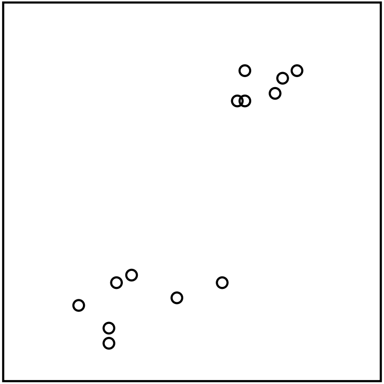

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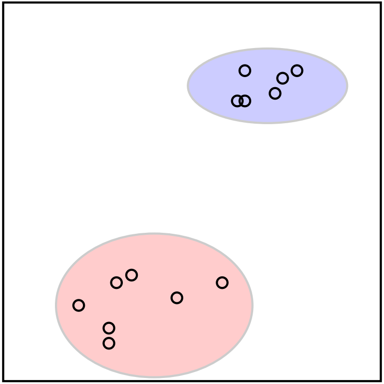

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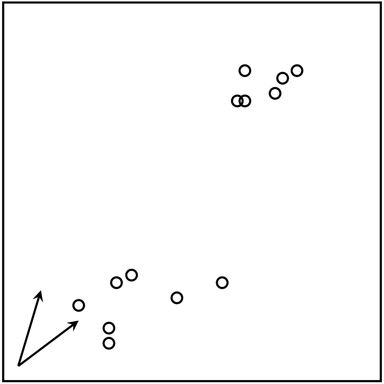

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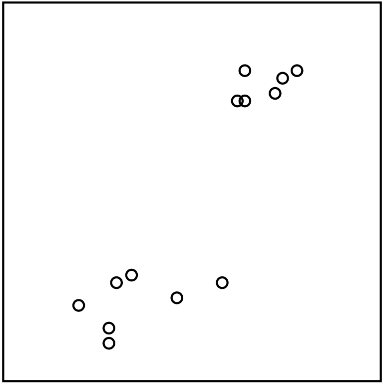

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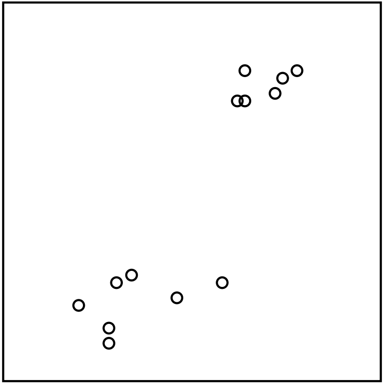

Example: clustering using L_2 norm (1/6)

An example to perform clustering is to rely on distances to centroids. We define K *cluster centroids* $\Omega_k, \forall k \in [1..K]$

Definitions

We denote $q : \mathbb{R}^d \to [1..K]$ a function that associates a vector $\mathbf{x}$ with the index of (one of) its closest centroid $q(\mathbf{x})$. Formally:

- $\forall k \in [1..K], \Omega_k \in \mathbb{R}^d$
- $\forall \mathbf{x} \in X, \forall j \in [1..K], \|\mathbf{x} - \Omega_{q(\mathbf{x})}\|_2 \leq \|\mathbf{x} - \Omega_j\|_2$
- Error $E(q) \triangleq \sum_{\mathbf{x} \in X} \|\mathbf{x} - \Omega_{q(\mathbf{x})}\|_2$
- $X = \bigcup_k \underbrace{\{\mathbf{x} \in X, q(\mathbf{x}) = k\}}_{\text{cluster } k}$

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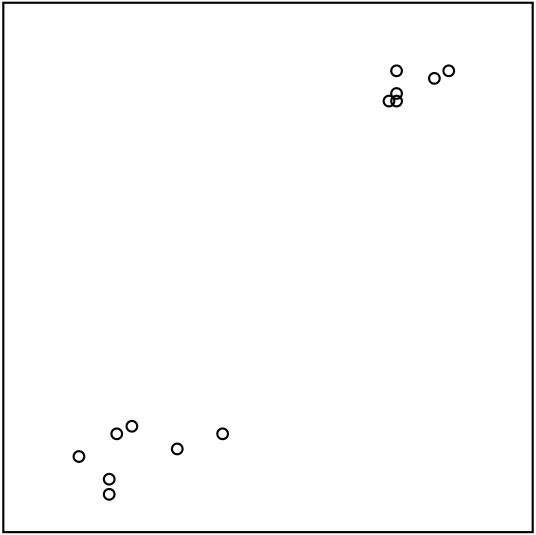

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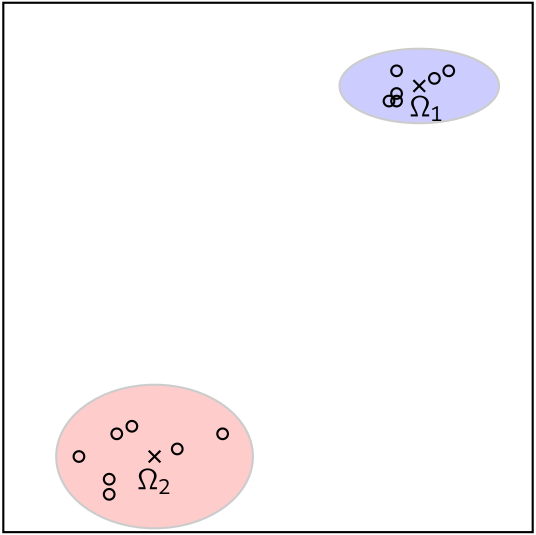


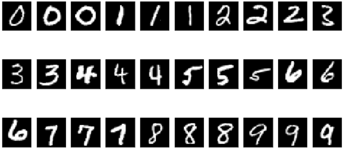
Clustering using L_2 norm (3/6)

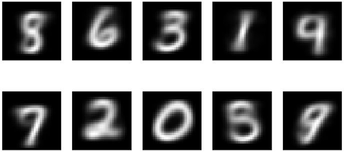
MNIST Dataset

- "Toy" dataset (=small and easy)
- 60000 + 10000 handwritten digits

Clustering MNIST

Using K-means algorithm with $K = 10$





Clustering using L_2 norm (4/6)

Quantizing MNIST

- Replace $\mathbf{x}$ by $\Omega_{k(\mathbf{x})}$
- Compression factor $\kappa = 1 - K/N$

Clustering using L_2 norm (5/6)

Optimal clustering

- Define $E_{opt_K}(q^*) \triangleq \arg \min_{q:\mathbb{R}^d \to [1..K]} E(q)$,
- Finding an optimal clustering is an NP-hard problem.

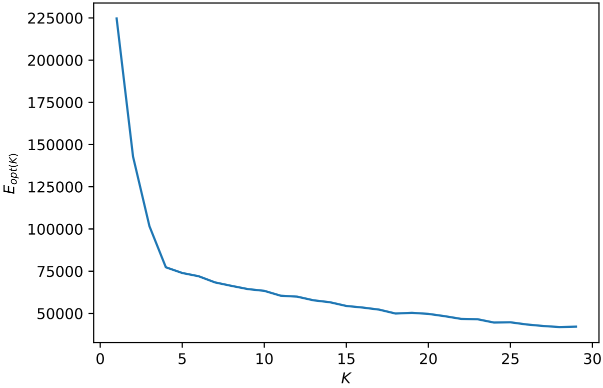
Properties

- $0 = E_{opt_N}(q^*) \leq E_{opt_{N-1}}(q^*) \leq \dots \leq E_{opt_1}(q^*) = var(X)$,
  - Proof: monotonicity by particularization, extremes with identity function (left) and variance (right).
- $0 \leq \kappa \leq \frac{N-1}{N}$.

Clustering using L_2 norm (6/6)

Choosing K

- Finding a compromise between error and compression,
- Simple practical method : "elbow".

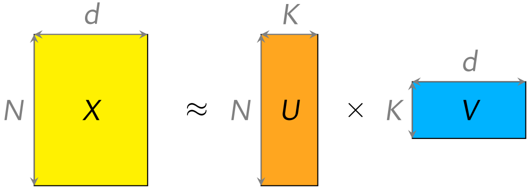


Example 2: Sparse Dictionary Learning (1/4)

Definitions

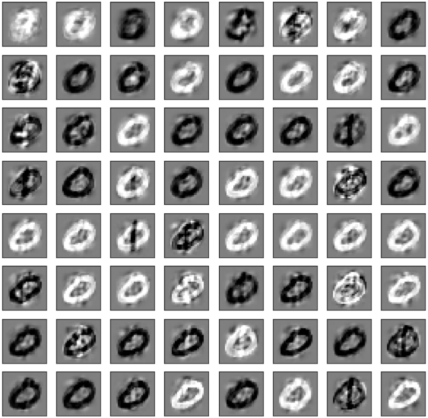
Dictionary learning solves the following matrix factorization problem:

- The set X is considered as a matrix $X \in \mathcal{M}_{N \times d}(\mathbb{R})$,
- We consider decompositions using a dictionary $V \in \mathcal{M}_{K \times d}(\mathbb{R})$ and a code $U \in \mathcal{M}_{N \times k}(\mathbb{R})$, with the lines of V being with norm 1,
- Error $E(U, V) \triangleq \|X - UV\|_2 + \alpha \|U\|_1$
- Training: find U^*, V^* that minimizes $E(U^*, V^*)$
- α is a sparsity control parameter that enforces codes with soft (ℓ_1) sparsity



Example: Sparse Dictionary Learning (2/4)

Learning a dictionary on MNIST with $K = 64$



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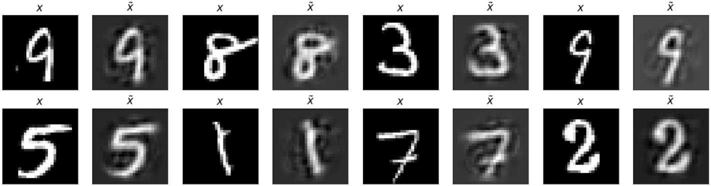
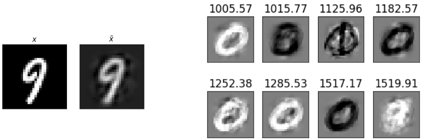
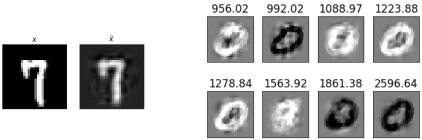
Reconstruction $\tilde{\mathbf{x}} = UV$ of $\mathbf{x}$



8 atoms with largest absolute values:





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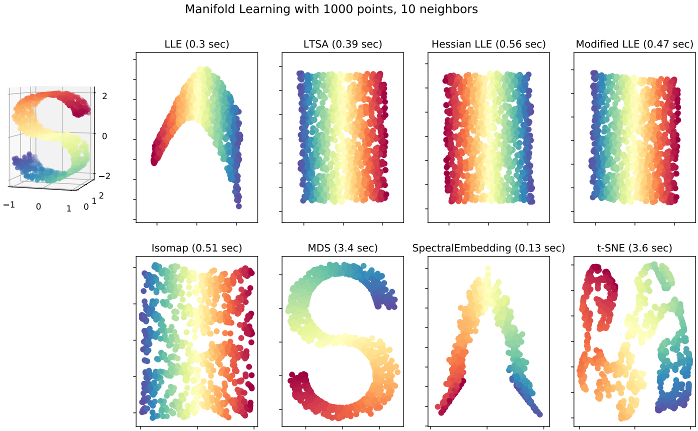
Optimal error

- $E_{opt_K}(U^*, V^*) \triangleq \arg\min_{U,V} E(U, V)$.

Some results

- For $\alpha = 0$ and $K \geq d$, $E_{opt_d}(U^*, V^*) = 0$,
  - One can choose any completion of a basis.
- For $K = N$, $\forall\alpha$, $E_{opt_K}(U^*, V^*) = \alpha N$,
  - If vectors of X are with norm 1, one can choose $V = X$ and $U = \mathbf{I}_N$.

Example 3: Manifold Learning



Approaches to uncover lower dimensional structure of high dimensional data. Source : Manifold module, sklearn website

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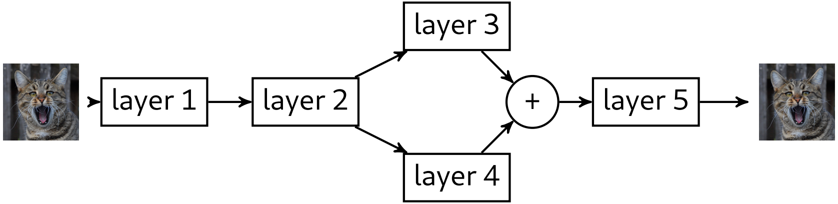

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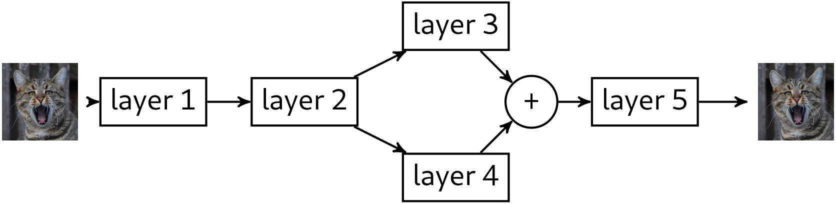

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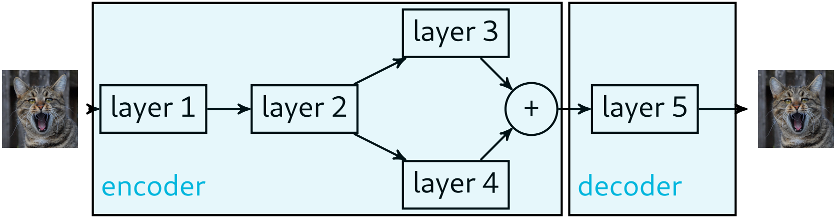

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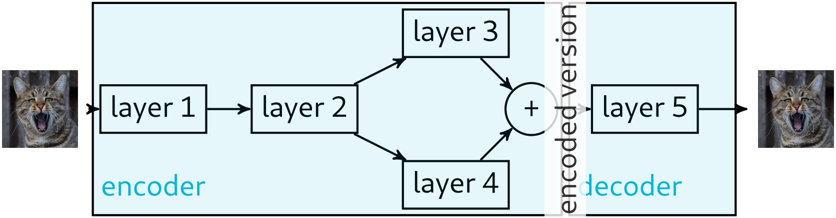

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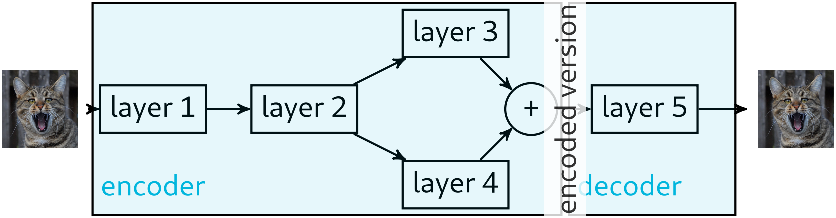

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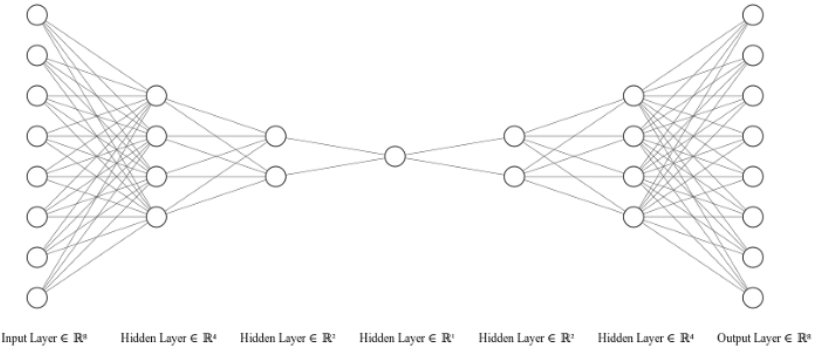
Autoencoder on MNIST



Illustrated example of an autoencoder in Pytorch on MNIST
https://medium.com/pytorch/implementing-an-autoencoder-in-pytorch-19baa22647d1

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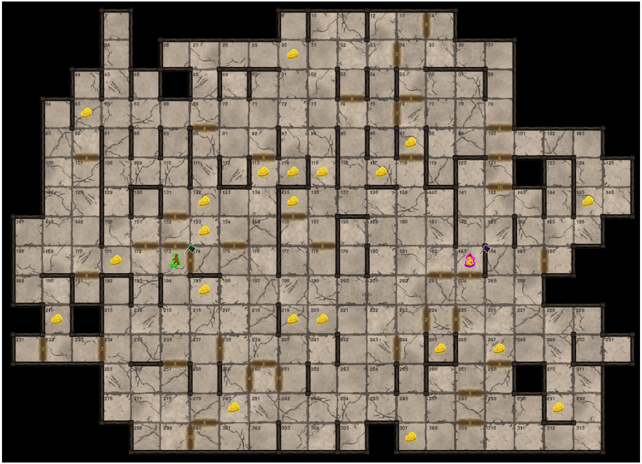

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3	2.655862	2.352433	13.0	2.355235	2.0	11.0	2.183774	3.0	10.0
4	2.204104	2.645298	3.0	3.629737	5.0	8.0	3.910904	6.0	9.0

Clustering on pyrat derived features

We give you 1000 initial game configurations (two players, 21 cheese pieces) with the following features (66 in total), computed using the distances as shortest path in the graph:

- Distance between the two players $d(p, r)$
- Distance between each player and each cheese
- Density of cheese around each player starting position $density(p) = \sum_c \frac{1}{d(p,c)}$
- Density of cheese around each cheese position $density(c) = \sum_{c' \neq c} \frac{1}{d(c,c')}$
- Cheese are sorted according to the ratio $o(c) = \frac{d(r,c)}{d(p,c)}$

Your task : Find clusters in this dataset, we will evaluate your cluster labels using the ground truth.
more details in the lab session 3 notebook

Working with features

N.b. : valid in unsupervised and supervised settings.

Feature preprocessing

Objective : change the statistical distribution of the features

- Scaling / Normalization
- Power transform
- Encode, discretization
- Manual feature engineering
- See more `https://scikit-learn.org/stable/modules/preprocessing.html`

Many techniques need or are greatly helped when features are on the unit sphere.

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Feature selection

Objective : remove features

- Remove features with low variance
- Select features according to their explained variance towards labels (e.g. SelectKBest)
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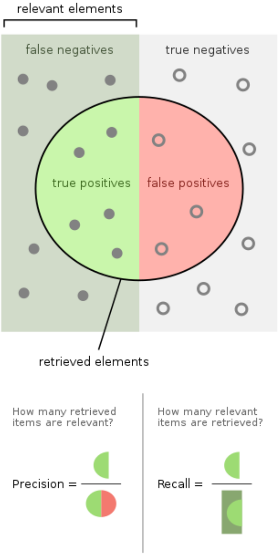
Helps to adress the dimensionality curse.

Metrics

In supervised learning : per class metric



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Lab Session 3 and assignments for Session 5

TP Unsupervised Learning (TP2)

- K-means, Dictionary Learning and Manifold Learning
- Application on Digits and PyRat

Project 2 (P2)

- Find clusters in the provided dataset of pyrat games features.
- You can combine every technique you want (feature selection, decomposition, clustering, ...)
- During Session 4 you will have 7 minutes to present your work.
- We will evaluate the quality of your clustering during your presentation.