

# Merging and Splitting Eigenspace Models

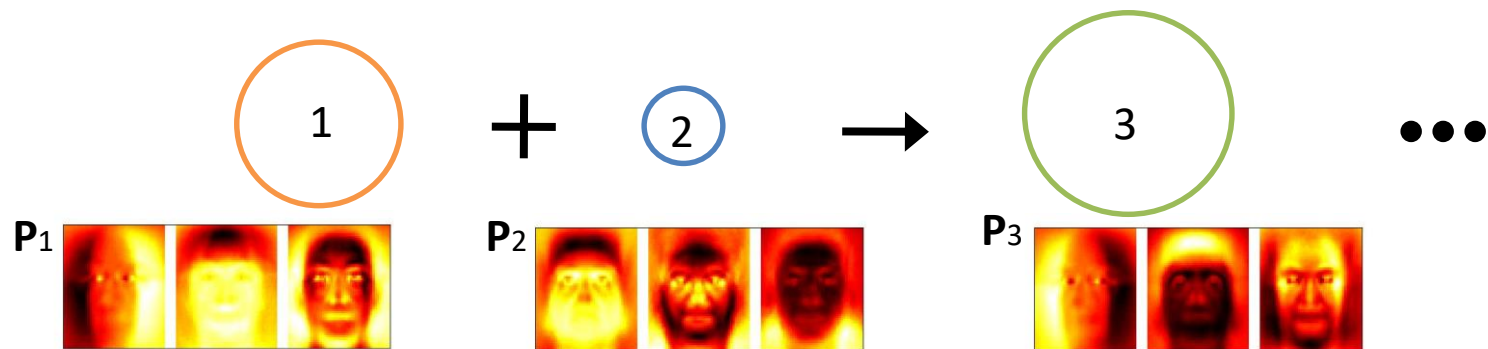
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# Dynamically updating eigenspace

- Eigenspace models have a wide variety of applications, such as classification for recognition systems.
- In practice, we need to build the eigenspace models for numerous images: those images may not be given all initially, but incrementally.
- Our goal is to dynamically update the eigenspace models, when new data entries are given or existing data points are removed.
- The mean also needs to be updated.



# Incremental PCA

## Batch vs Incremental

- In batch computation: all observations are used simultaneously to compute the eigenspace model.
- In incremental computation: an existing eigenspace model is updated using new observations.

## Requirements: methods need to

- handle a change in the mean.
- add multiple new observations than exactly one observation at a time.

## Pros and Cons

- Benefits: an incremental method
  - does not need all observations at once - thus, reducing storage requirements and making large problems feasible.
  - Even if all observations are available, is usually faster to compute a new eigenspace model by incrementally than by batch computation.
- Disadvantage: is their accuracy compared to batch methods. When only a few incremental updates are made, the inaccuracy is small.

## Merging and splitting eigenspace models

- We learn a deterministic method that given two eigenspace models - each representing a set of  $N$ -dimensional observations - will:
  - 1) Merge the models to yield a representation of the union of the sets,
  - 2) Split one model from another to represent the difference between the sets.

## Eigenspace models and notations

- For a set of  $M$  data vectors,  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^N$ , the covariance matrix is

$$\mathbf{C} = 1/M \sum_{all \mathbf{x}} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T$$

where  $\boldsymbol{\mu}$  is the data mean.

- PCA decomposes the covariance matrix s.t.

$$\mathbf{C} \simeq \mathbf{P}\boldsymbol{\Lambda}\mathbf{P}^T$$

where  $\mathbf{P}$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\Lambda}$  are the matrices containing the first  $d$  eigenvectors and eigenvalues.

## Incremental PCA

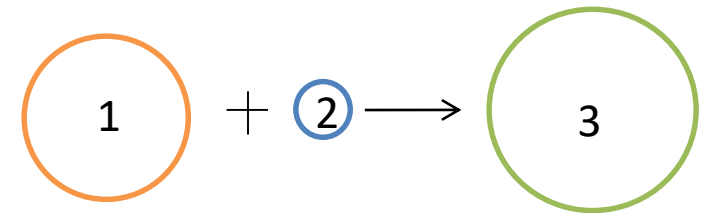
- Problem setting:

Input : given two sets of data represented by eigenspace models

$$\{\boldsymbol{\mu}_i, M_i, \mathbf{P}_i, \boldsymbol{\Lambda}_i\}_{i=1,2}$$

Output : compute the eigenspace model of the combined data

$$\{\boldsymbol{\mu}_3, M_3, \mathbf{P}_3, \boldsymbol{\Lambda}_3\}$$



- The combined mean is obtained as

$$\boldsymbol{\mu}_3 = (M_1 \boldsymbol{\mu}_1 + M_2 \boldsymbol{\mu}_2) / M_3$$

- The combined covariance matrix is

$$\mathbf{C}_3 = \frac{M_1}{M_3} \mathbf{C}_1 + \frac{M_2}{M_3} \mathbf{C}_2 + \frac{M_1 M_2}{M_3^2} (\boldsymbol{\mu}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2)(\boldsymbol{\mu}_1 - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2)^T$$

where  $\{\mathbf{C}_i\}$ ,  $i=1,2$  are the covariance matrices of the first two sets and  $M_3 = M_1 + M_2$ .

## Incremental PCA

- The eigenvector matrix  $\mathbf{P}_3$  can be represented as

$$\mathbf{P}_3 = \Phi \mathbf{R} = h([\mathbf{P}_1, \mathbf{P}_2, \mu_1 - \mu_2]) \mathbf{R}$$

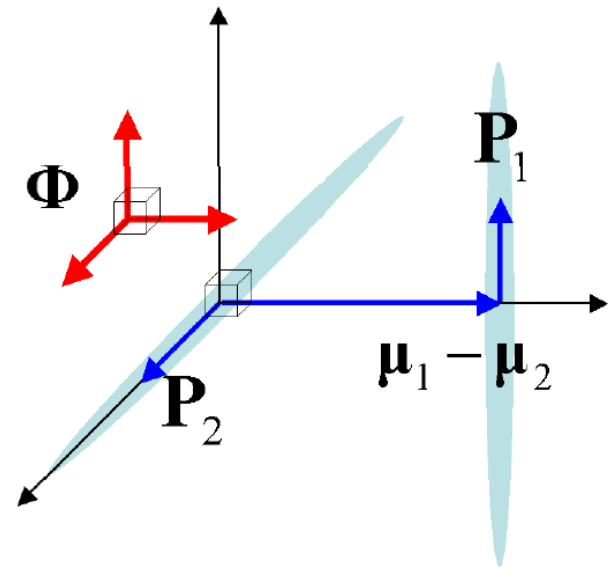
where,

$\Phi$  is the orthonormal matrix spanning the combined covariance matrix

i.e. *the sufficient spanning set*,

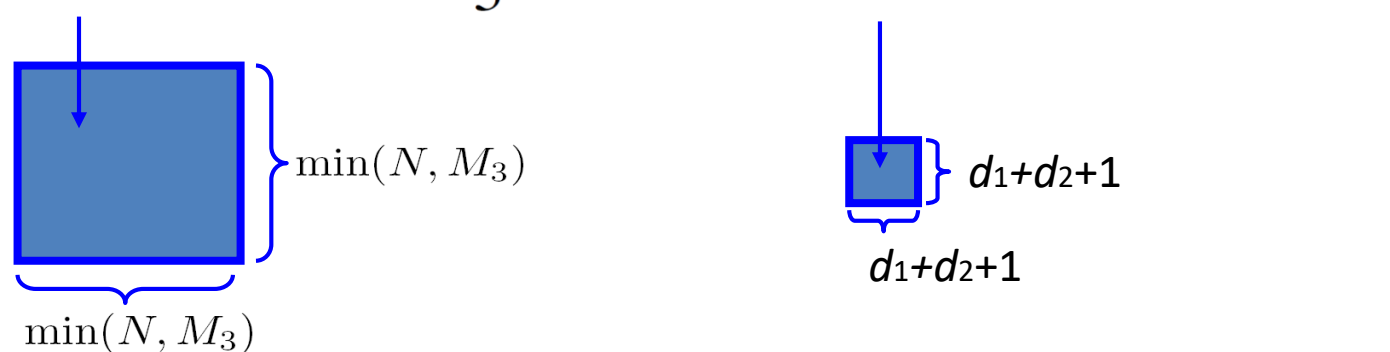
$\mathbf{R}$  is a rotation matrix, and

$h$  is an orthonormalization function followed by removal of zero vectors.



## Incremental PCA

- Using this representation, the eigenproblem is converted into a smaller eigenproblem as

$$\mathbf{C}_3 \simeq \mathbf{P}_3 \mathbf{\Lambda}_3 \mathbf{P}_3^T \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mathbf{\Phi}^T \mathbf{C}_3 \mathbf{\Phi} \simeq \mathbf{R} \mathbf{\Lambda}_3 \mathbf{R}^T$$


- By computing the eigendecomposition on the r.h.s.  $\mathbf{\Lambda}_3$  and  $\mathbf{R}$  are obtained as the respective eigenvalue and eigenvector matrices.



## Incremental PCA

- The eigenvector matrix to seek is given as

$$\mathbf{P}_3 = \Phi \mathbf{R}$$

- Note the eigenanalysis on the r.h.s. only takes computations

$$O((d_1 + d_2 + 1)^3)$$

Where  $d_1$ ,  $d_2$  are the number of the eigenvectors stored in  $\mathbf{P}_1$  and  $\mathbf{P}_2$ .

- The eigenanalysis in a batch mode on the l.h.s. requires

$$O(\min(N, M_3)^3)$$

# Splitting eigenspace models

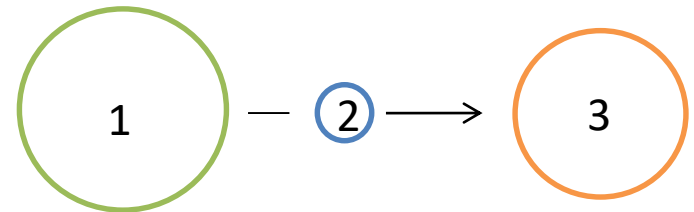
- Problem setting:

Input : given the first eigenspace model,  
we remove the second from it,

$$\{\mu_i, M_i, \mathbf{P}_i, \Lambda_i\}_{i=1,2}$$

Output : to give the third model

$$\{\mu_3, M_3, \mathbf{P}_3, \Lambda_3\}$$



- Splitting means removing a subset of observations; the method is the inverse of merging in this sense.
- $M_3 = M_1 - M_2$ .
- The new mean is:  $\mu_3 = (M_1\mu_1 - M_2\mu_2)/M_3$

## Splitting eigenspace models

- The new covariance matrix is

$$C_3 = M_1/M_3 C_1 - M_2/M_3 C_2 - M_2/M_1 (\mu_2 - \mu_3)(\mu_2 - \mu_3)^T$$

- The eigenvector matrix  $\mathbf{P}_3$  can be represented as  $\mathbf{P}_3 = \mathbf{\Phi} \mathbf{R} = \mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{R}$

where

$\mathbf{\Phi}$  is the orthonormal matrix spanning the new covariance matrix  
i.e. *the sufficient spanning set*, and  
 $\mathbf{R}$  is a rotation matrix.

- It is impossible to regenerate information which was discarded when the overall model was created. Thus, if we split one eigenspace model from a larger one, the eigenvectors of the remnant must still form some subspace of the larger.

## Splitting Eigenspace Models

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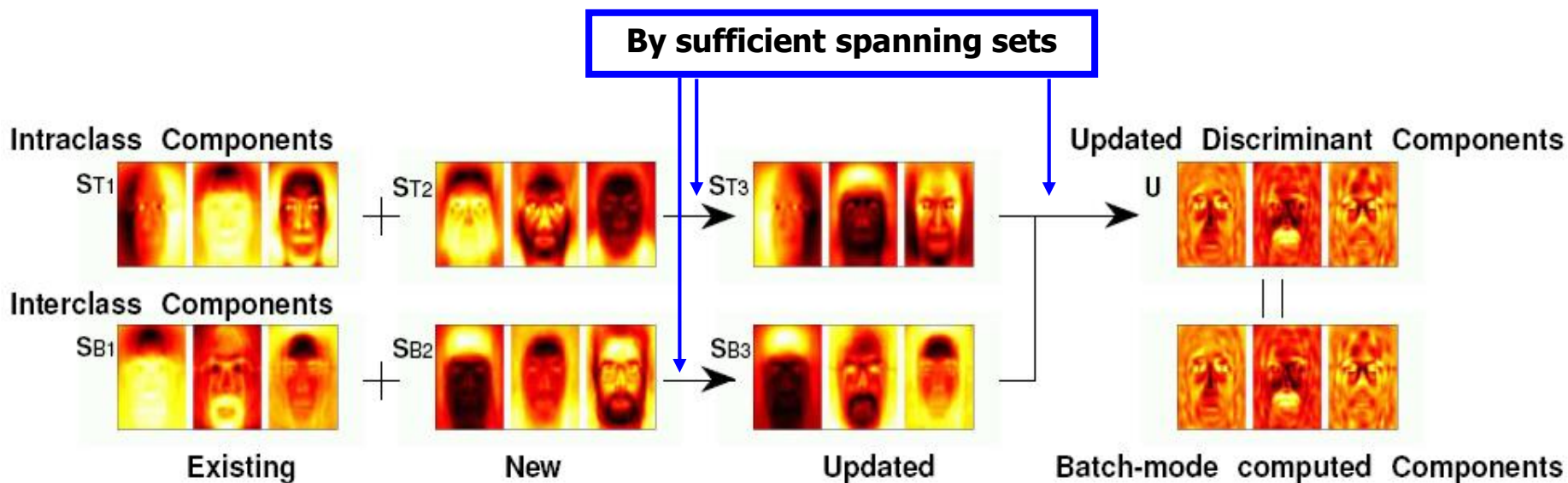
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# Experiments

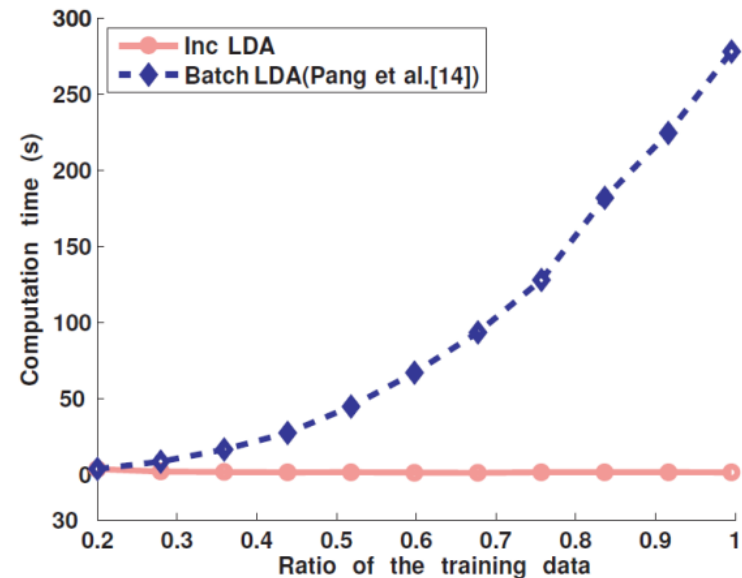
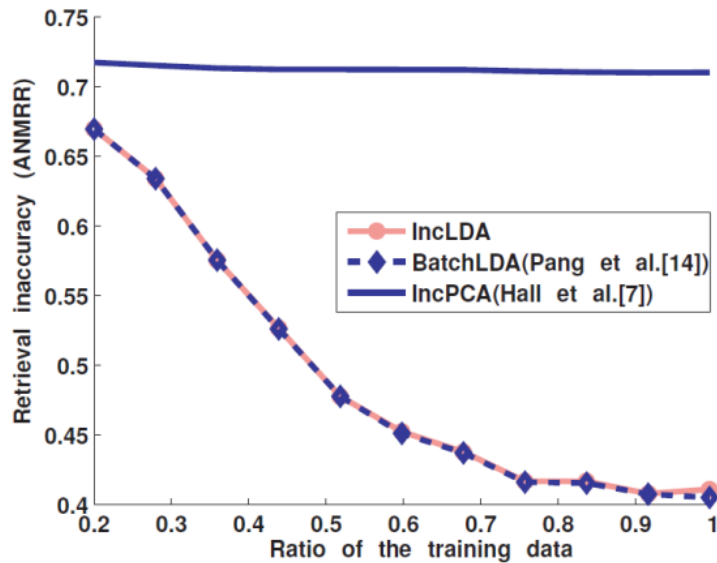
- Similarly, we can compute LDA (Linear Discriminant Analysis) incrementally.
- We apply the *sufficient spanning set* approximation in each update step, i.e. for the between-class scatter matrix, the total scatter matrix and the projected data matrix:

$$\max_{\arg \mathbf{U}} \frac{\mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{S}_B \mathbf{U}}{\mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{S}_W \mathbf{U}} = \boxed{\max_{\arg \mathbf{U}} \frac{\mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{S}_B \mathbf{U}}{\mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{S}_T \mathbf{U}}} \quad \mathbf{S}_T = \mathbf{S}_B + \mathbf{S}_W$$



# Experiments

MPEG7 face image datasets of 6370 images



# Experiments

Caltech101 datasets (using BoW representations), up to 800 images per category

