Kernel Methods: Homework 2

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1)

The formula for the projection on the i^{th} eigenvector is $\sum_{j=1}^{n} \alpha_j^{(i)} (\Phi(x_j) - m)$.

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n} \alpha_{j}^{(i)}(\Phi(x_{j}) - m) = \sum_{j=1}^{n} \alpha_{j}^{(i)}\Phi(x_{j}) - \sum_{j=1}^{n} \alpha_{j}^{(i)}m$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^{n} \alpha_{j}^{(i)}\Phi(x_{j}) - m\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} \alpha_{j}^{(i)}\right)$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^{n} \alpha_{j}^{(i)}\Phi(x_{j}) - \frac{1}{n}\left(\sum_{u=1}^{n} \Phi(x_{u})\right)\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} \alpha_{j}^{(i)}\right)$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^{n} \alpha_{j}^{(i)}\Phi(x_{j}) - \left(\sum_{u=1}^{n} \frac{1}{n}\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} \alpha_{j}^{(i)}\right)\Phi(x_{u})\right)$$

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$$= \sum_{j=1}^{n} \left(\alpha_{j}^{(i)} - \frac{1}{n}\left(\sum_{u=1}^{n} \alpha_{u}^{(i)}\right)\right)\Phi(x_{j})$$

We note $\beta_j = \alpha_j^{(i)} - \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{u=1}^n \alpha_u^{(i)} \right)$, so that the vector can be written $\sum_{j=1}^n \beta_j^{(i)} \Phi(x_j)$. Therefore after injecting into the expression of Ψ ,

$$\begin{split} \Psi(x) &= \sum_{i=1}^{d} \left\langle \sum_{j=1}^{n} \beta_{j}^{(i)} \Phi(x_{j}), \Phi(x) - m \right\rangle \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} \beta_{j}^{(i)} \Phi(x_{j}) \right) + m \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{d} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} \beta_{j}^{(i)} \left\langle \Phi(x_{j}), \Phi(x) \right\rangle \right) \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} \beta_{j}^{(i)} \Phi(x_{j}) \right) - \sum_{i=1}^{d} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} \beta_{j}^{(i)} \left\langle \Phi(x_{j}), m \right\rangle \right) \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} \beta_{j}^{(i)} \Phi(x_{j}) \right) + m \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{d} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} \beta_{j}^{(i)} K(x_{j}, x) \right) \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} \beta_{j}^{(i)} \Phi(x_{j}) \right) - \sum_{i=1}^{d} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} \beta_{j}^{(i)} \left\langle \Phi(x_{j}), \frac{1}{n} \sum_{u=1}^{n} \Phi(x_{u}) \right\rangle \right) \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} \beta_{j}^{(i)} \Phi(x_{j}) \right) \\ &+ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{u=1}^{n} \Phi(x_{u}) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{d} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} \beta_{j}^{(i)} K(x_{j}, x) \right) \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} \beta_{j}^{(i)} \Phi(x_{j}) \right) - \sum_{i=1}^{d} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} \beta_{j}^{(i)} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{u=1}^{n} K(x_{j}, x_{u}) \right) \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} \beta_{j}^{(i)} \Phi(x_{j}) \right) \\ &+ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{u=1}^{n} \Phi(x_{u}) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{d} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} \beta_{j}^{(i)} K(x_{j}, x) \right) \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} \beta_{j}^{(i)} \Phi(x_{j}) \right) - \sum_{i=1}^{d} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} \beta_{j}^{(i)} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{u=1}^{n} K(x_{j}, x_{u}) \right) \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} \beta_{j}^{(i)} \Phi(x_{j}) \right) \\ &+ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{u=1}^{n} \Phi(x_{u}) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{n} \left(\sum_{u=1}^{n} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{d} \beta_{u}^{(i)} \beta_{j}^{(i)} \right) K(x_{u}, x) - \sum_{u=1}^{n} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{d} \beta_{u}^{(i)} \beta_{j}^{(i)} \right) \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{v=1}^{n} K(x_{u}, x_{v}) \right) + \frac{1}{n} \right) \Phi(x_{j}) \end{split}$$

Therefore

$$\gamma_j = \sum_{u=1}^n \left(\sum_{i=1}^d \beta_u^{(i)} \beta_j^{(i)} \right) K(x_u, x) - \sum_{u=1}^n \left(\sum_{i=1}^d \beta_u^{(i)} \beta_j^{(i)} \right) \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{v=1}^n K(x_u, x_v) \right) + \frac{1}{n}$$

2)

$$f(y) = \|\Phi(y) - \Psi(x)\|^2$$

$$= \langle \Phi(y) - \Psi(x), \Phi(y) - \Psi(x) \rangle$$

$$= \langle \Phi(y), \Phi(y) \rangle - 2\langle \Phi(y), \Psi(x) \rangle + \langle \Psi(x), \Psi(x) \rangle$$

$$= K(y, y) - 2\langle \Phi(y), \Psi(x) \rangle + \langle \Psi(x), \Psi(x) \rangle$$

Using the the fact that $\Psi(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \gamma_i \Phi(x_i)$,

$$f(y) = K(y,y) - 2\langle \Phi(y), \sum_{i=1}^{n} \gamma_i \Phi(x_i) + \langle \sum_{i=1}^{n} \gamma_i \Phi(x_i), \sum_{i=1}^{n} \gamma_i \Phi(x_i) \rangle$$

$$= K(y,y) - 2\sum_{i=1}^{n} \gamma_i \langle \Phi(y), \Phi(x_i) \rangle + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \gamma_i \gamma_j \langle \Phi(x_i), \Phi(x_j) \rangle$$

$$= K(y,y) - 2\sum_{i=1}^{n} \gamma_i K(y,x_i) + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \gamma_i \gamma_j K(x_i,x_j)$$

The idea behind $\Psi(x)$ is to denoise x in the feature space, by keeping only the participation over the d first principal components we can hope to have consider the signal without its noise. Therefore optimizing f(y) corresponds to finding the best y in the original space such that it is as close as possible to the "denoised" version in the feature space, therefore the y that optimizes f for a given x correspond to the best denoised version in the original space.

3)

In the case of $K(x, x') = exp(-\frac{||x-x'||^2}{2\sigma^2})$,

$$f(y) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \gamma_i \gamma_j exp(-\frac{||x_i - x_j'||^2}{2\sigma^2}) - 2\sum_{i=1}^{n} \gamma_i exp(-\frac{||y - x_i||^2}{2\sigma^2})$$
$$\nabla f(y) = \frac{2}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y - x_i) \gamma_i exp(-\frac{||y - x_i||^2}{2\sigma^2})$$

We can here use a gradient descent method to find local minimum of f. We see that a stationary point satisfies:

$$y = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i \gamma_i exp(-\frac{||y - x_i||^2}{2\sigma^2})}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \gamma_i exp(\frac{-||y - x_i||^2}{2\sigma^2})}$$

We can apply a fixed point method:

$$y_{k+1} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i \gamma_i exp(-\frac{||y_k - x_i||^2}{2\sigma^2})}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \gamma_i exp(\frac{-||y_k - x_i||^2}{2\sigma^2})}$$

With initialization at different points.

Or we can use the Newton step with the Hessian:

$$H_f(y) = \frac{2}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \gamma_i exp(-\frac{||y - x_i||^2}{2\sigma^2}) \left[\frac{Id}{n} - (y - x_i)(y - x_i)^t \right]$$
$$y_{k+1} = y_k - H_f^{-1}(y_k) \nabla y_k$$

4)

Data used: (http://statweb.stanford.edu/tibs/ElemStatLearn/datasets/zip.info.txt)

This dataset is composed of normalized handwritten digits, automatically scanned from envelopes by the U.S. Postal Service. The original scanned digits are binary and of different sizes and orientations; the images here have been deslanted and size normalized, resulting in 16 x 16 grayscale images.

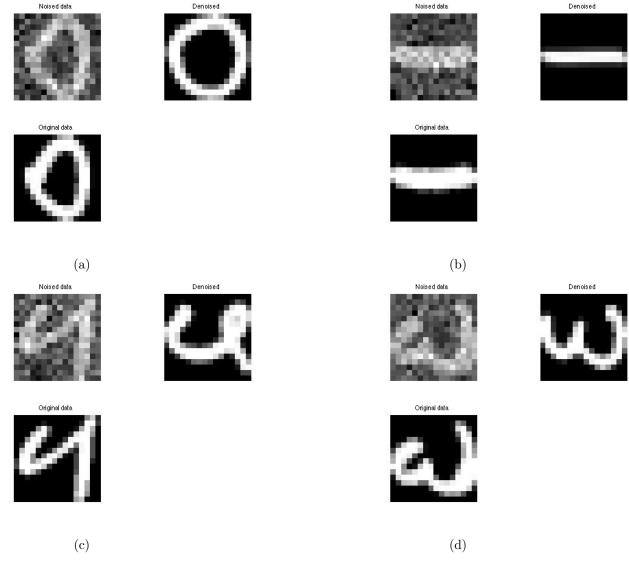
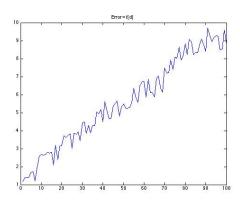


Figure 1: Results on different digits

These results have been obtained with 100 training samples, and with d=50. We see that the minimization process that projects the noised data over the vector spanned by the eigenvectors simplify the geometry. Increasing d does not help to achieve better denoising, since we are closer and closer to the noised data x:



(a) Error plot as a function of d