



## Dimensionality reduction

## General idea

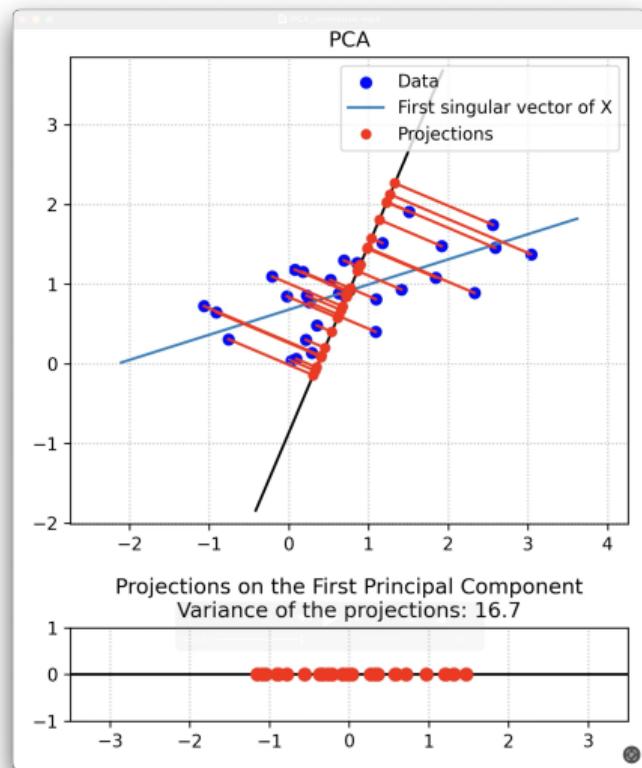
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It is known, that for the positive semidefinite matrix  $\mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{A}$  such vector is nothing else, but an eigenvector of  $\mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{A}$ , which corresponds to the largest eigenvalue.

## Algorithm derivation

So, we can conclude, that the following mapping:

$$\Pi_{n \times k} = A_{n \times d} \cdot W_{d \times k}$$

describes the projection of data onto the  $k$  principal components, where  $W$  contains first (by the size of eigenvalues)  $k$  eigenvectors of  $A^\top A$ .

Now we'll briefly derive how SVD decomposition could lead us to the PCA.

Firstly, we write down SVD decomposition of our matrix:

$$A = U \Sigma W^\top$$

and to its transpose:

$$\begin{aligned} A^\top &= (U \Sigma W^\top)^\top \\ &= (W^\top)^\top \Sigma^\top U^\top \\ &= W \Sigma^\top U^\top \\ &= W \Sigma U^\top \end{aligned}$$

Then, consider matrix  $AA^\top$ :

$$\begin{aligned} A^\top A &= (W \Sigma U^\top)(U \Sigma V^\top) \\ &= W \Sigma I \Sigma W^\top \\ &= W \Sigma \Sigma W^\top \\ &= W \Sigma^2 W^\top \end{aligned}$$

Which corresponds to the eigendecomposition of matrix  $A^\top A$ , where  $W$  stands for the matrix of eigenvectors of  $A^\top A$ , while  $\Sigma^2$  contains eigenvalues of  $A^\top A$ .

At the end:

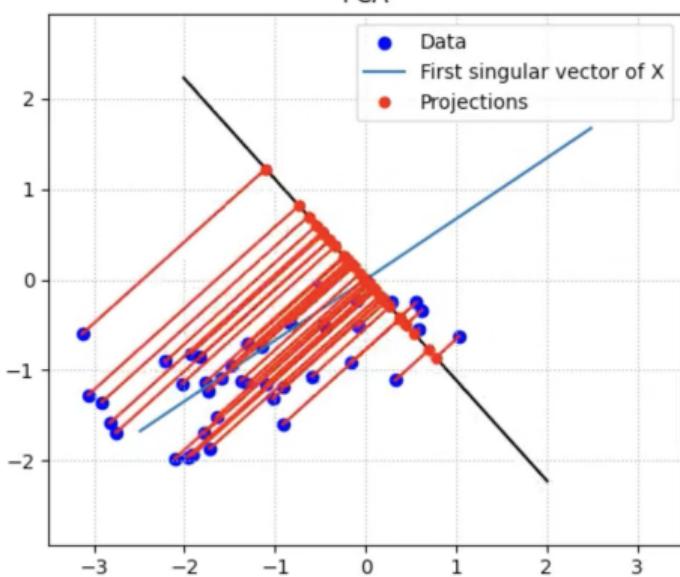
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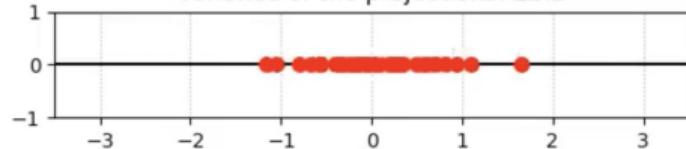
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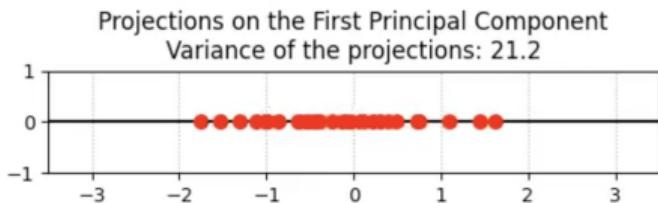


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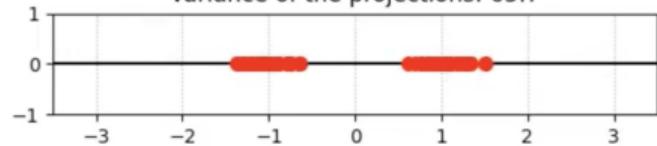


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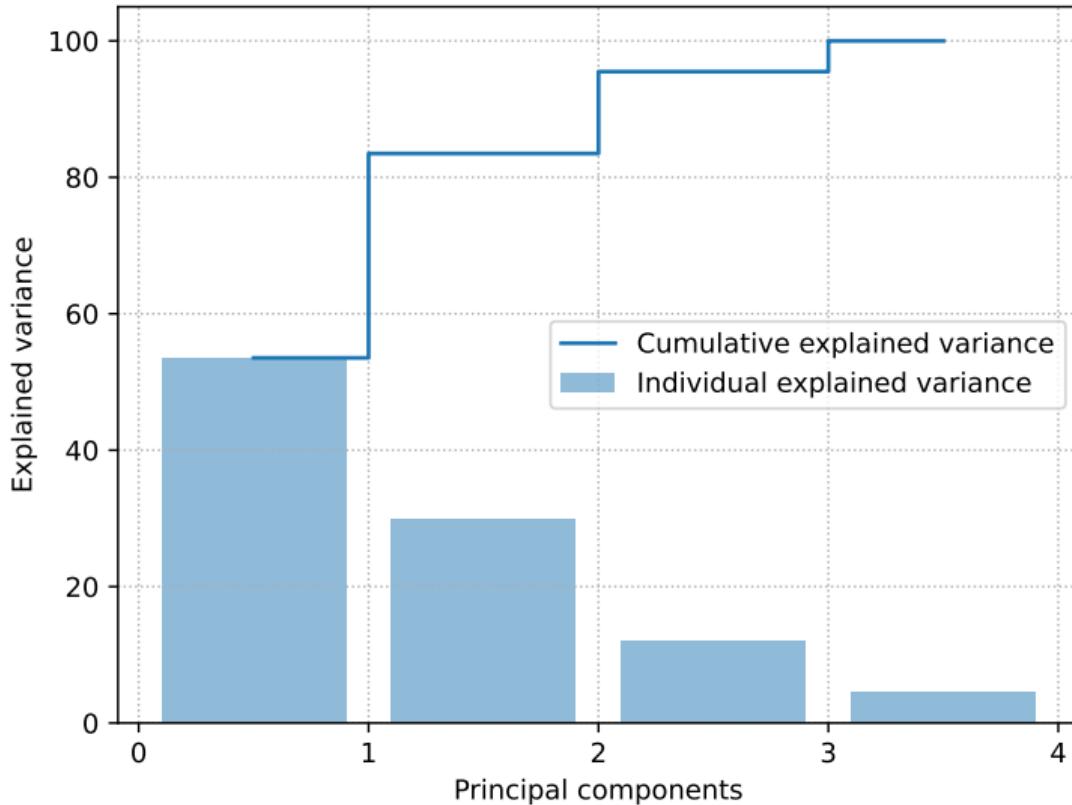
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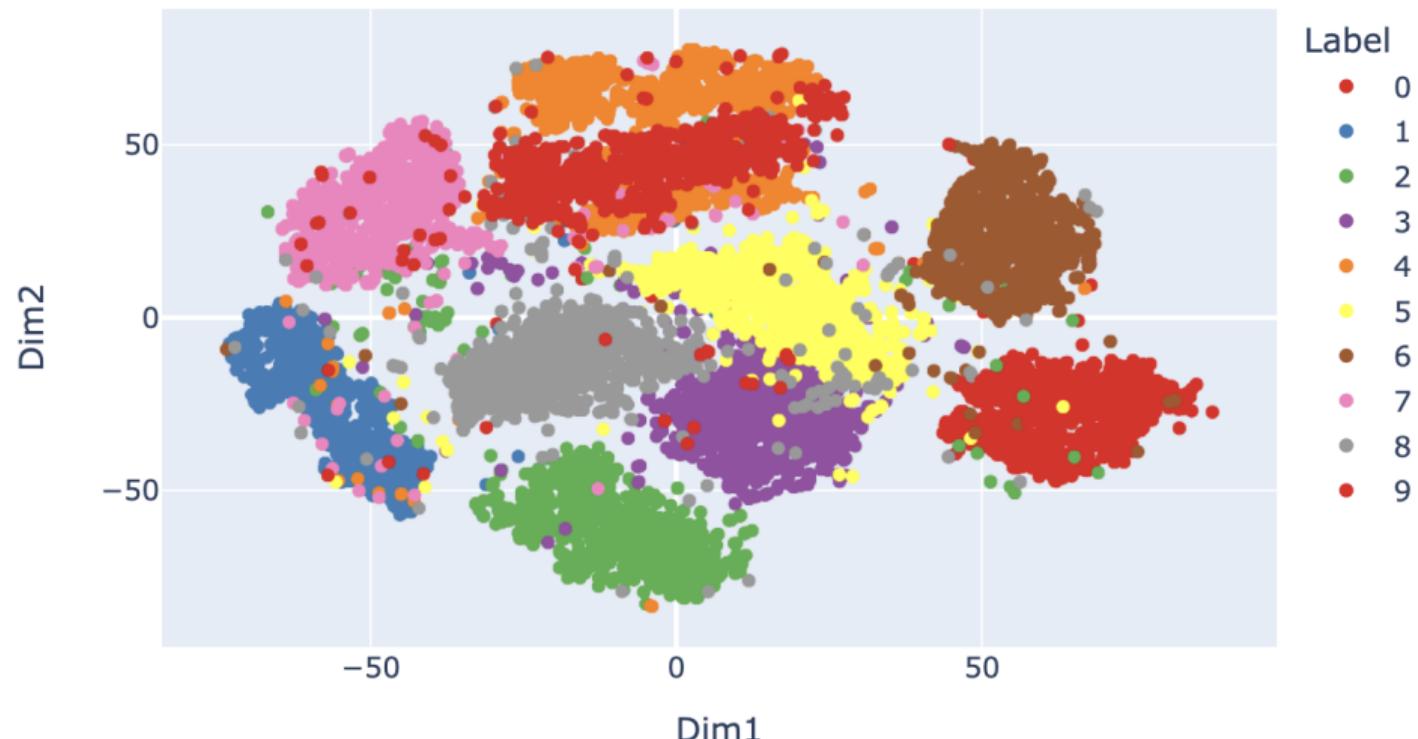
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