

## Machine Learning Exercise Sheet 11

### Dimensionality Reduction & Matrix Factorization

## Homework

### PCA & SVD

**Problem 1:** Use the SVD shown below. Suppose a new user Leslie assigns rating 3 to Alien and

	Alien	Star Wars	Casablanca	Titanic
Joe	1	1	1	0
Jim	3	3	3	0
John	4	4	4	0
Jack	5	5	5	0
Jill	0	0	0	4
Jenny	0	0	0	5
Jane	0	0	0	2
Leslie	0	3	0	0

$$\tilde{M} = M \cdot V^T = M \cdot U \Sigma$$

Figure 11.6: Ratings of movies by users

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 4 & 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & 5 & 5 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 & 4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 5 & 5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} .14 & 0 \\ .42 & 0 \\ .56 & 0 \\ .70 & 0 \\ 0 & .60 \\ 0 & .75 \\ 0 & .30 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 12.4 & 0 \\ 0 & 9.5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} .58 & .58 & .58 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & .71 & .71 \end{bmatrix} \\
 M \qquad \qquad \qquad U \qquad \qquad \qquad \Sigma \qquad \qquad \qquad V^T
 \end{array}$$

rating 4 to Titanic, giving us a representation of Leslie in the 'original space' of  $[0, 3, 0, 0, 4]$ . Find the representation of Leslie in concept space. What does that representation predict about how well Leslie would like the other movies appearing in our example data?

**Problem 2:** Consider the latent space distribution

$$p(\mathbf{z}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{z} | \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$$

and a conditional distribution for the observed variable  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ,

$$p(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{z}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{W}\mathbf{z} + \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Phi})$$

where  $\Phi$  is an arbitrary symmetric, positive-definite noise covariance variable. Now suppose that we make a nonsingular linear transformation of the data variables  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}$  where  $\mathbf{A}$  is a non-singular  $d \times d$  matrix. If  $\mu_{ML}$ ,  $\mathbf{W}_{ML}$ , and  $\Phi_{ML}$  represent the maximum likelihood solution corresponding to the original untransformed data, show that  $\mathbf{A}\mu_{ML}$ ,  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{W}_{ML}$ , and  $\mathbf{A}\Phi_{ML}\mathbf{A}^T$  will represent the corresponding maximum likelihood solution for the transformed data set. Finally, show that the form of the model is preserved if  $\mathbf{A}$  is orthogonal and  $\Phi$  is proportional to the unit matrix so  $\Phi = \sigma^2\mathbf{I}$  (i.e. probabilistic PCA). The transformed  $\Phi$  matrix remains proportional to the unit matrix, and hence probabilistic PCA is covariant under a rotation of the axes of data space, as is the case for conventional PCA.

**Problem 3:** Let the matrix  $\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times D}$  represent  $N$  data points of dimension  $D = 10$  (samples stored as rows). We applied PCA to  $\mathbf{X}$ . By using the  $K = 5$  top principal components, we transformed/projected  $\mathbf{X}$  into  $\tilde{\mathbf{X}} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times K}$ . We computed that  $\tilde{\mathbf{X}}$  preserves 70% of the variance of the original data  $\mathbf{X}$ .

Suppose now we apply PCA on the following matrices:

- a)  $\mathbf{Y}_1 = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{S}$  where  $\mathbf{S} = \lambda\mathbf{I}$ , with  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\mathbf{I} \in \mathbb{R}^{D \times D}$  is the identity matrix
- b)  $\mathbf{Y}_2 = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{R}$  where  $\mathbf{R} \in \mathbb{R}^{D \times D}$  and  $\mathbf{R}\mathbf{R}^T = \mathbf{I}$
- c)  $\mathbf{Y}_3 = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{P}$  where  $\mathbf{P} = \text{diag}(+5, -5, \dots, +5, -5)$  is a  $D \times D$  diagonal matrix
- d)  $\mathbf{Y}_4 = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{Q}$  where  $\mathbf{Q} = \text{diag}(1, 2, 3, \dots, D-1, D)$  is a  $D \times D$  diagonal matrix
- e)  $\mathbf{Y}_5 = \mathbf{X} + \mathbf{1}_N\mu^T$  where  $\mu \in \mathbb{R}^D$  and  $\mathbf{1}_N$  is an  $N$ -dimensional column vector of all ones
- f)  $\mathbf{Y}_6 = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{A}$  where  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{D \times D}$  and  $\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}) = 5$

and obtain the projected data  $\tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_1, \dots, \tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_6 \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times K}$  using the principal components corresponding to the top  $K = 5$  largest eigenvalues of the respective  $\mathbf{Y}_i$ .

What fraction of variance of each  $\mathbf{Y}_i$  will be preserved by each respective  $\tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_i$ ? *Justify your answer.*

The answer “cannot tell without additional information” is also valid if you provide a justification.

**Problem 4:** You are given  $N = 4$  data points:  $\{\mathbf{x}_i\}_{i=1}^4$ ,  $\mathbf{x}_i \in \mathbb{R}^3$ , represented with the matrix  $\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 3}$ .

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & -2 \\ 4 & -1 & 2 \\ -2 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

*Hint: In this task the results of all (final and intermediate) computations happen to be integers.*

- a) Perform principal component analysis (PCA) of the data  $\mathbf{X}$ , i.e. find the principal components and their associated variances in the transformed coordinate system. Show your work.
- b) Project the data to two dimensions, i.e. write down the transformed data matrix  $\mathbf{Y} \in \mathbb{R}^{4 \times 2}$  using the top-2 principal components you computed in (a). What fraction of variance of  $\mathbf{X}$  is preserved by  $\mathbf{Y}$ ?
- c) Let  $\mathbf{x}_5 \in \mathbb{R}^3$  be a new data point. Specify the vector  $\mathbf{x}_5$  such that performing PCA on the data including the new data point  $\{\mathbf{x}_i\}_{i=1}^5$  leads to exactly the same principal components as in (a).

**Problem 5:** Load the notebook `exercise_11_notebook.ipynb` from Piazza. Fill in the missing code and run the notebook. Convert the evaluated notebook to pdf and add it to the printout of your homework.

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## In-class Exercises

### Probabilistic PCA

**Problem 6:** For pPCA, we consider the latent space distribution

$$p(\mathbf{z}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{z}|\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$$

and a conditional distribution for the observed variable  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ,

$$p(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{z}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{W}\mathbf{z} + \boldsymbol{\mu}, \sigma^2\mathbf{I})$$

- Verify that the covariance of the marginal distribution  $p(\mathbf{x}) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\mu}, \mathbf{C})$  is given by  $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{W}\mathbf{W}^T + \sigma^2\mathbf{I}$ . What is the interpretation of this result?
- Verify that the model is unidentifiable, i.e. that the matrix  $\mathbf{W}$  is only defined up to a rotation  $\mathbf{R}$ ! What is the interpretation of this result?
- Derive an expression for the posterior of the latent variables  $p(\mathbf{z}|\mathbf{x})$ !