

Introduction to Machine Learning Methods in Condensed Matter Physics

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Dimension reduction for unsupervised learning

- Last class: PCA via eigenvalue problem (orthogonal transformation):

$$C = \frac{X^T X}{n-1} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i x_i^T}{n-1}$$

It is often inefficient to sum over the large dataset for the covariance matrix.

- PCA through singular value decomposition (SVD):

$$M = U \Sigma V^T$$

where both U and V are orthogonal and Σ is diagonal.

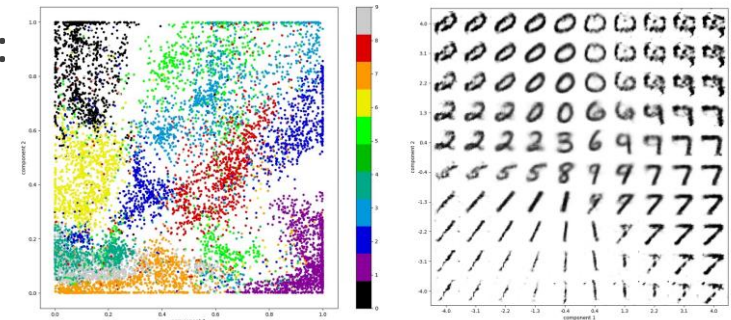
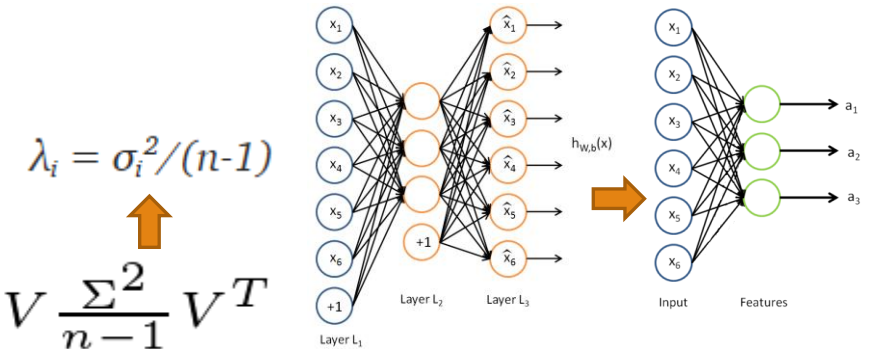
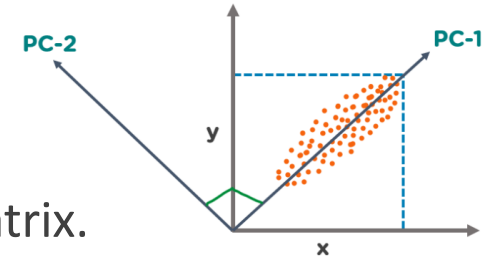
$$C = \frac{X^T X}{n-1} = \frac{V \Sigma^T U^T U \Sigma V^T}{n-1} = V \frac{\Sigma^2}{n-1} V^T$$

- For nonlinear dimension reduction, we have the autoencoders:

$$a_i^{(2)} = f \left(\sum_{j=1}^{100} W_{ij}^{(1)} x_j + b_i^{(1)} \right)$$

each hidden neuron at the bottleneck composes a dimension.

MNIST data processed by autoencoders:



Self-taught learning

- “Sometimes it’s not who has the best algorithm that wins; it’s who has the most data.”
- We may have a lot of unlabeled data, but only a smaller amount of (expensive) labeled data.

$$\{x_u^{(1)}, x_u^{(2)}, \dots, x_u^{(m_u)}\}$$

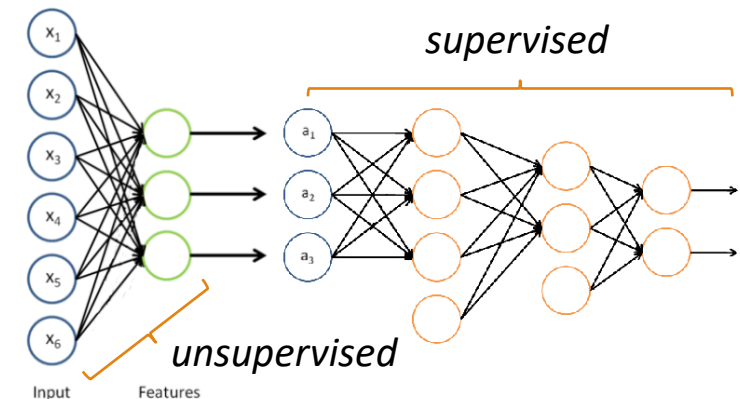
$$\{(x_l^{(1)}, y^{(1)}), (x_l^{(2)}, y^{(2)}), \dots, (x_l^{(m_l)}, y^{(m_l)})\}$$

- Combining unsupervised machine learning and supervised machine learning:
 - Step1. learn a good feature representation of the input from the (large set of) unlabeled data as a preprocessing
 - Step2. apply supervised learning on the this feature representation of the (small set of) labelled data for the classification task

$$\{(a_l^{(1)}, y^{(1)}), (a_l^{(2)}, y^{(2)}), \dots, (a_l^{(m_l)}, y^{(m_l)})\} \text{ or }$$

$$\{((x_l^{(1)}, a_l^{(1)}), y^{(1)}), ((x_l^{(2)}, a_l^{(1)}), y^{(2)}), \dots, ((x_l^{(m_l)}, a_l^{(1)}), y^{(m_l)})\}$$

- Step3. an unified ANN: test data should subject to the same preprocessing



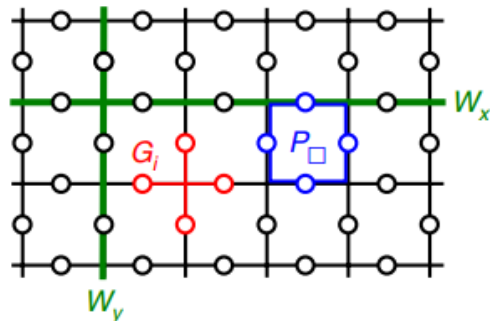
Unsupervised machine learning topological states

- Topological invariants: via dimension reduction and connectivity analysis:
 - Difference between A_1 and A_2 can be larger than B_1 and A_2
 - Global connectivity instead of local similarity is more important

- Indeed, a good separation without preexisting labels:

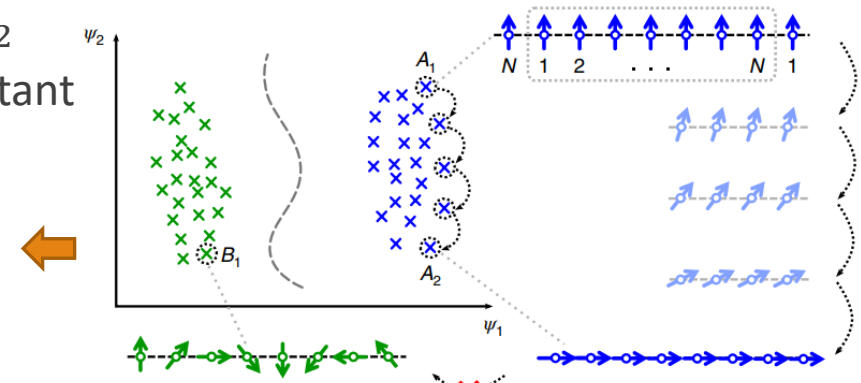
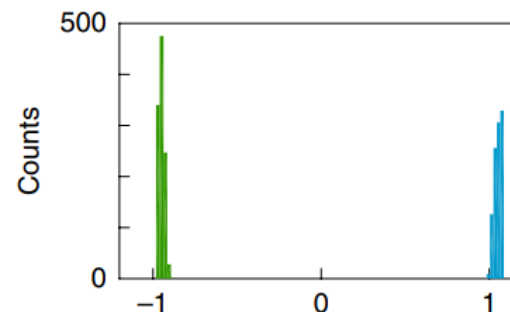
- Also applicable to 2D:

The four topological sectors of Z_2 theory: $\psi_1(\times\sqrt{m})$

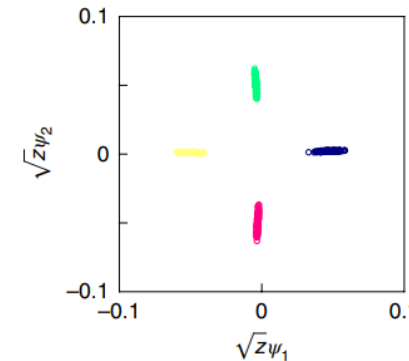


$$E[\{\sigma_b\}] = -K \sum_{\square} P_{\square}, \quad P_{\square} \equiv \prod_{b \in \square} \sigma_b$$

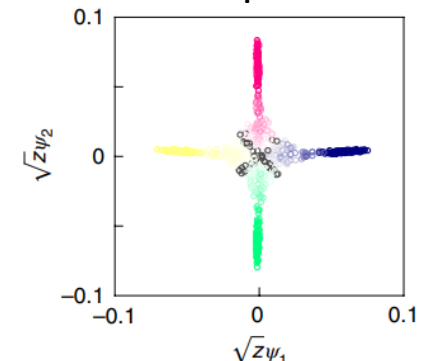
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1D chain of N classical XY spins



$T/K = 0.05$



$T/K = 0.18$

Sparse modeling

- Other unsupervised machine learning methods: t-SNE and K-means
- Unsupervised machine learning with increased dimensionality: sparse modeling, express data

$$\mathbf{x} = \sum_{i=1}^k a_i \phi_i$$

with an **over-complete** set of basis vectors ϕ_i ($k > n$) and a_i is sparse (mostly zeros).

$$\Rightarrow \text{minimize}_{a_i^{(j)}, \phi_i} \sum_{j=1}^m \left\| \mathbf{x}^{(j)} - \sum_{i=1}^k a_i^{(j)} \phi_i \right\|^2 + \lambda \sum_{i=1}^k S(a_i^{(j)}) \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{optimizable via} \\ \text{convex optimization} \\ \text{or gradient descent} \end{array}$$

Sparsity penalty functions: $L_0: S(a_i) = \mathbf{1}(|a_i| > 0)$ $L_1: S(a_i) = |a_i|$ $\log: S(a_i) = \log(1 + a_i^2)$

- Probabilistic interpretation: minimize the KL divergence: $\phi^* = \operatorname{argmax}_{\phi} E[\log(P(\mathbf{x} | \phi))]$

$$D(P^*(\mathbf{x}) || P(\mathbf{x} | \phi)) = \int P^*(\mathbf{x}) \log \left(\frac{P^*(\mathbf{x})}{P(\mathbf{x} | \phi)} \right) d\mathbf{x} \quad \begin{array}{l} \nearrow \\ \searrow \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} P(\mathbf{x} | \phi) = \int P(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{a}, \phi) P(\mathbf{a}) d\mathbf{a} \\ E(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{a} | \phi) = -\log(P(\mathbf{x} | \phi, \mathbf{a}) P(\mathbf{a})) \end{array}$$

$$P(\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{a}, \phi) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp \left(-\frac{(\mathbf{x} - \sum_{i=1}^k a_i \phi_i)^2}{2\sigma^2} \right) \quad P(a_i) = \frac{1}{Z} \exp(-\beta S(a_i)) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \sum_{j=1}^m \left\| \mathbf{x}^{(j)} - \sum_{i=1}^k a_i^{(j)} \phi_i \right\|^2 + \lambda \sum_{i=1}^k S(a_i^{(j)})$$