

Tutorial 3: Dimensionality Reduction

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1. Generalized Rayleigh Quotient

Fisher Criterion

$$J(\mathbf{w}) = \frac{\mathbf{w}^t \mathbf{S}_B \mathbf{w}}{\mathbf{w}^t \mathbf{S}_W \mathbf{w}} \quad (1)$$

$J(\mathbf{w})$ is the generalized Rayleigh quotient. A vector \mathbf{w} that maximizes $J(\cdot)$ must satisfy

$$\mathbf{S}_B \mathbf{w} = \lambda \mathbf{S}_W \mathbf{w} \quad (2)$$

for some constant λ .

1. Generalized Rayleigh Quotient

Maximizing $J(\mathbf{w})$ is equivalent to

$$\max_{\mathbf{w}} \quad \mathbf{w}^t \mathbf{S}_B \mathbf{w} \quad (3)$$

$$s.t. \quad \mathbf{w}^t \mathbf{S}_W \mathbf{w} = K \quad (4)$$

which can be solved using Lagrange multipliers.

1. Generalized Rayleigh Quotient

Define the Lagrangian:

$$L = \mathbf{w}^t \mathbf{S}_B \mathbf{w} - \lambda(\mathbf{w}^t \mathbf{S}_W \mathbf{w} - K) \quad (5)$$

Maximize with respect to \mathbf{w} :

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{w}} L = 2(\mathbf{S}_B - \lambda \mathbf{S}_W) \mathbf{w} = 0 \quad (6)$$

To obtain the solution:

$$\mathbf{S}_B \mathbf{w} = \lambda \mathbf{S}_W \mathbf{w} \quad (7)$$

2. Lagrange Optimization