

# Robust PCA

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# Motivation

$$M = L + S$$

M - data matrix, L - low-rank matrix, S - sparse matrix

**Can we hope to recover both accurately and efficiently ?**

Classical Principal Component Analysis

$$M = L_0 + N_0$$

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{minimize} & \|M - L\|_F \\ \text{subject to} & \text{rank}(L) \leq k. \end{array}$$

# Robust PCA - Principal Component Pursuit

**But** a single grossly corrupted entry in  $M$  could render the estimated  $L$  arbitrarily far from the true  $L_0$

Solution: **Robust PCA**

$$M = L_0 + S_0$$

$S_0$  entries can have large magnitude, support is sparse but unknown

Trackable Convex Optimization:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{minimize} & \|L\|_* + \lambda \|S\|_1 \\ \text{subject to} & L + S = M \end{array}$$

$$\|M\|_* := \sum_i \sigma_i(M)$$

$$\|M\|_1 = \sum_{ij} |M_{ij}|$$

# Applications

- Video Surveillance
- Face Recognition
- Latent Semantic Indexing
- Ranking and Collaborative Filtering

# When Does Separation Make Sense

1) Suppose  $M = e_1 e_1^*$

So, matrix is both sparse and low-rank

**Assumption (1):**

$$L_0 = U \Sigma V^* = \sum_{i=1}^r \sigma_i u_i v_i^*, \quad L_0 \in \mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times n_2}$$

**Incoherence condition [2]:**  $\max_i \|U^* e_i\|^2 \leq \frac{\mu r}{n_1}, \quad \max_i \|V^* e_i\|^2 \leq \frac{\mu r}{n_2}, \quad \|UV^*\|_\infty \leq \sqrt{\frac{\mu r}{n_1 n_2}}.$

2) Suppose sparse matrix has low-rank

Then  $\dim(\text{Im}(M_0 = L_0 + S_0)) \in \dim(\text{Im}(L_0))$

**Assumption (2):**

**The sparsity pattern of the sparse component is selected uniformly at random**

# Main Result

Below,  $n_{(1)} = \max(n_1, n_2)$  and  $n_{(2)} = \min(n_1, n_2)$

## Theorem

Suppose  $L_0$  is  $n \times n$ , obeys assumptions (1) and (2), and that the support of  $S_0$  is uniformly distributed among all sets of cardinality  $m$ . Then there is a numerical constant  $c$  such that with probability at least  $1 - cn^{-10}$  (over the choice of support of  $S_0$ ), Principal Component Pursuit with  $\lambda = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$  is exact, i.e.

$\hat{L} = L_0$  and  $\hat{S} = S_0$ , provided that

$$\text{rank}(L_0) \leq \rho_r n \mu^{-1} (\log(n))^{-2},$$

$$m \leq \rho_s n^2$$

Above,  $\rho_r$  and  $\rho_s$  are positive numerical constants. In the general rectangular case where  $L_0$  is  $n_1 \times n_2$ , PCP with  $\lambda = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n_{(1)}}}$  succeeds with probability at least  $1 - cn_{(1)}^{-10}$ , provided that  $\text{rank}(L_0) \leq \rho_r n_{(2)} \mu^{-1} (\log(n_{(1)}))^{-2}$  and  $m \leq \rho_s n_1 n_2$

# Algorithm

## Principal Component Pursuit

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{minimize} & \|L\|_* + \lambda \|S\|_1 \\ \text{subject to} & L + S = M \end{array}$$

Augmented Lagrange Multiplier (ALM) method [3]:

$$l(L, S, Y) = \|L\|_* + \lambda \|S\|_1 + \langle Y, M - L - S \rangle + \frac{\mu}{2} \|M - L - S\|_F^2$$

$$\arg \min_{L, S} l(L, S, Y_k)$$

$$\mathcal{S}_\tau[x] = \text{sgn}(x) \max(|x| - \tau, 0) \implies \arg \min_S l(L, S, Y) = \mathcal{S}_{\lambda\mu^{-1}}(M - L + \mu^{-1}Y)$$

$$X = U\Sigma V^* \quad \mathcal{D}_\tau(X) = U\mathcal{S}_\tau(\Sigma)V^* \implies \arg \min_L l(L, S, Y) = \mathcal{D}_{\mu^{-1}}(M - S + \mu^{-1}Y)$$

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**Algorithm 1 (Principal Component Pursuit by Alternating Directions)**

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1: initialize:  $S_0 = Y_0 = 0, \mu > 0$ .  
2: while not converged do  
3:   compute  $L_{k+1} = \mathcal{D}_{\mu^{-1}}(M - S_k + \mu^{-1}Y_k)$ ;  
4:   compute  $S_{k+1} = \mathcal{S}_{\lambda\mu^{-1}}(M - L_{k+1} + \mu^{-1}Y_k)$ ;  
5:   compute  $Y_{k+1} = Y_k + \mu(M - L_{k+1} - S_{k+1})$ ;  
6: end while  
7: output:  $L, S$ .
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# Numerical Experiments (1)

## Background modeling from surveillance video



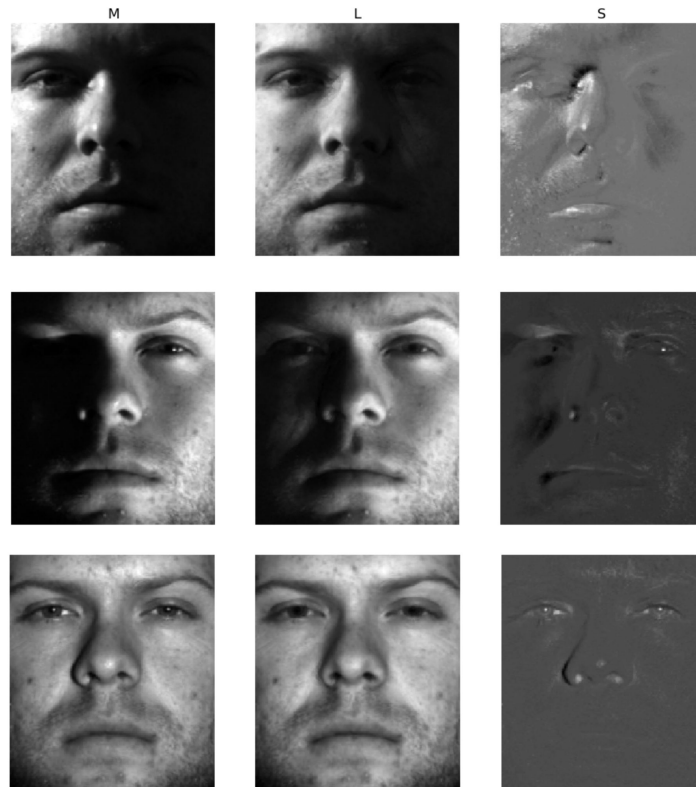
200 frames

Wall time: 6 min 14s

Rank(L) = 90

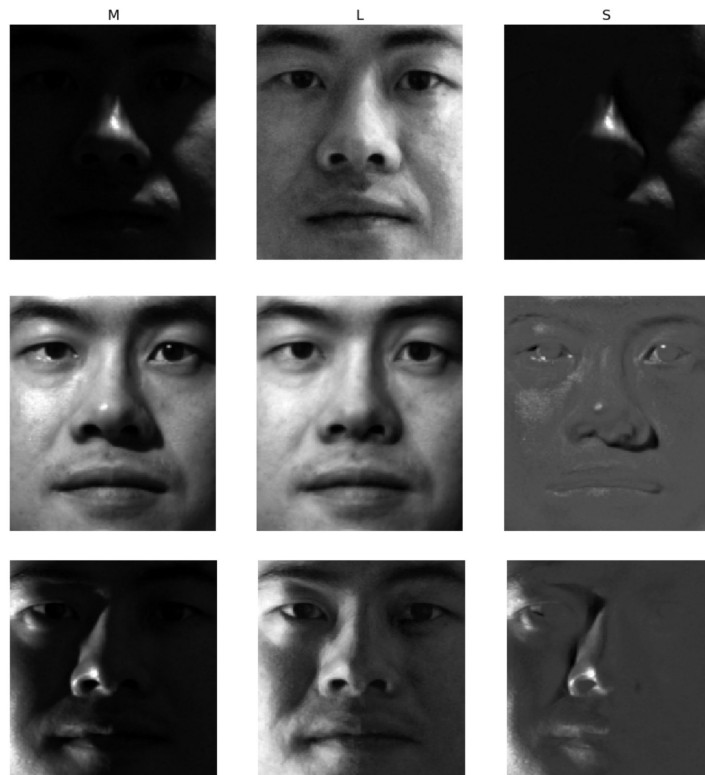
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Removing shadows and specularities from face image



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