CS224 - Winter 2023

PROGRAMMING ASSIGNMENT 1 - Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

Due: February 13, 2023 @ 11:59pm PDT

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Overview

In this assignment, We will implement PCA, apply it to the **MNIST** dataset, and observe how the reconstruction changes as we change the number of principal components used.

For this assignment we will use the functionality of Numpy, and Matplotlib.

- Before you start, make sure you have installed all those packages in your local Jupyter instance.
- If you are asked to implement a particular functionality, you should **not** use an existing implementation from the libraries above (or some other library that you may find). When in doubt, **please just ASK**.
- It's okay to use functions in numpy.linalg to calculate matrix decomposition (e.g., la.eig(), la.svd()), but using built-in functions like sklearn.decomposition.PCA() will **not** get you any points.

Please read **all** cells carefully and answer **all** parts (both text and missing code). You will need to complete all the code marked TODO and answer descriptive/derivation questions.

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In [1]: %matplotlib inline
   import numpy as np
   import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
   from sklearn.datasets import load_digits
# DO NOT REMOVE THE CODE ABOVE
```

Question 1 [10 points]

Preliminaries

The MNIST database (Modified National Institute of Standards and Technology database) is a large database of handwritten digits that is commonly used for training various image processing systems.

First, Let's import the images and vectorize each image in the dataset.

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In [2]: mnist = load_digits()
  img1 = mnist.data
  imgs = mnist.data
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Compute the mean of the images and subtract out the mean.

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In [3]: mean = np.mean(imgs, axis=0)
imgs -= mean
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#imgs = (imgs - np.mean(imgs)) / np.std(imgs)
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Let us call each zero mean vectorized image to be X. For N images, you have X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_N . Compute $[X^\top X] = R$.

(a) [2 points] Perform a principal components analysis of $R = V\Lambda V^{\top}$.

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In [4]: # Compute the covariance matrix
R = np.dot(imgs.T, imgs)

# Perform eigendecomposition of R
eigenvalues, eigenvectors = np.linalg.eig(R)
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- **(b)** [2 points] Analyze the eigenvalues in Λ and decide which eigenvalues to retain and which can be set to zero.
- You may want to plot the eigenvalues, the fraction of variance explained, AIC, or BIC, and set a threshold.

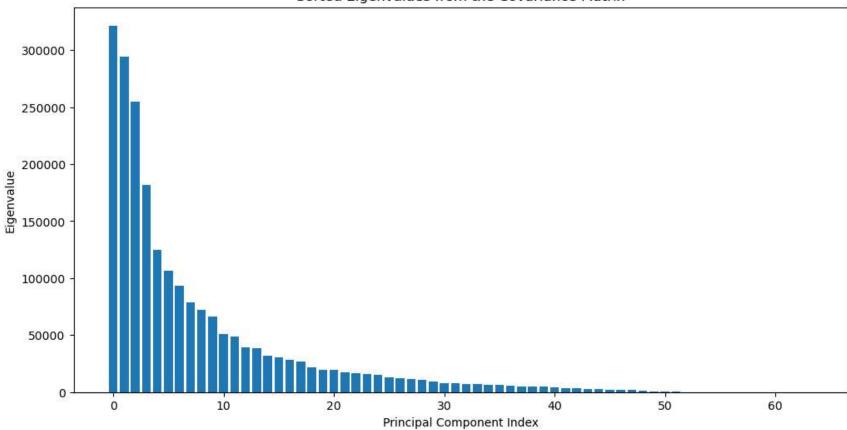
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In [5]: # Sort eigenvalues in descending order
    eigenvalues_sorted = np.argsort(eigenvalues)[::-1]

# Sort eigenvectors according to eigenvalues
V = eigenvectors[:, eigenvalues_sorted]

# Compute the diagonal matrix Λ
λ = np.diag(eigenvalues[eigenvalues_sorted])
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In [6]: # Plot the sorted eigenvalues
    plt.figure(figsize=(12,6))
    plt.bar(range(len(eigenvalues)), eigenvalues[eigenvalues_sorted])
    plt.ylabel("Eigenvalue")
    plt.xlabel("Principal Component Index")
    plt.title("Sorted Eigenvalues from the Covariance Matrix")
    plt.show()
```

Sorted Eigenvalues from the Covariance Matrix



Analysing the eigenvalues in the above figure we can decide that which eigenvalues to retain and which can be set to zero.

(c) [2 points] Reconstruct an approximation of each X after removing some of the small eigenvalues. (Display only a couple of the reconstructed **images**, and you will need to add the mean back.)

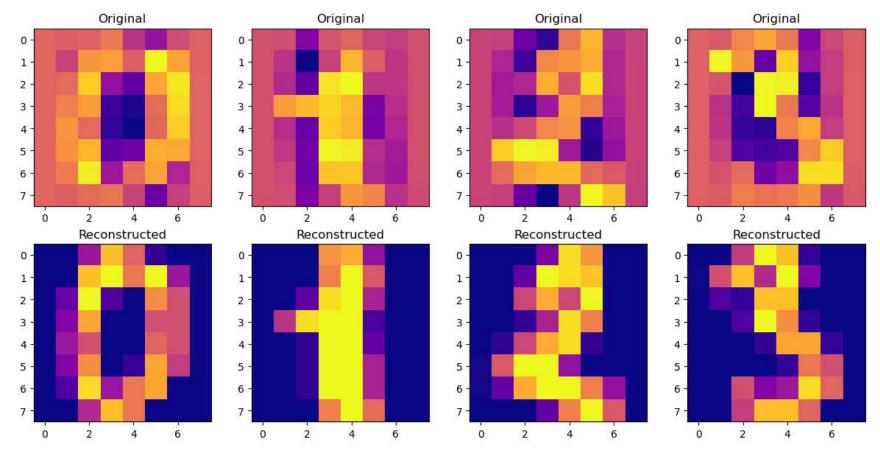
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In [7]: #Remove I smallest eigenvalues and corresponding eigenvectors
I=10
    num_eigenvalues = len(λ)
    num_eigenvalues_to_keep = num_eigenvalues - I
    print("num of eigenvalues to keep:", num_eigenvalues_to_keep)
    print(" Removed Eigenvectors: ", I)
    V_reduced = V[:, :num_eigenvalues_to_keep]

#Reconstruct images using reduced eigenvectors and eigenvalues
transformed_imgs = np.dot(imgs , V_reduced)
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reconstructed_imgs = np.dot(transformed_imgs, V_reduced.T)
reconstructed_imgs += mean
reconstructed_imgs = np.real(reconstructed_imgs)

#Display original and reconstructed images
img_no=4
fig, axes = plt.subplots(nrows=2, ncols=img_no, figsize=(12, 6))
for i, ax in enumerate(axes.flat):
    if i < img_no:
        ax.imshow(imgs[i].reshape(8, 8), cmap='plasma')
        ax.set_title('Original')
    else:
        ax.imshow(reconstructed_imgs[i-4].reshape(8, 8), cmap='plasma')
        ax.set_title('Reconstructed')
plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()</pre>
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num of eigenvalues to keep: 54
Removed Eigenvectors: 10



(d) [2 points] Compute the error between the reconstructed X and original image. (The mean of the original data should **not** be included in the error.)

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In [8]: #To compute the error between the reconstructed X and the original image, I am calculating the mean squared error (MSE)
mse1 = np.mean((img1 - reconstructed_imgs)**2)
print(" Mean squared error MSE: ", mse1)
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Mean squared error MSE: 41.28476930327068

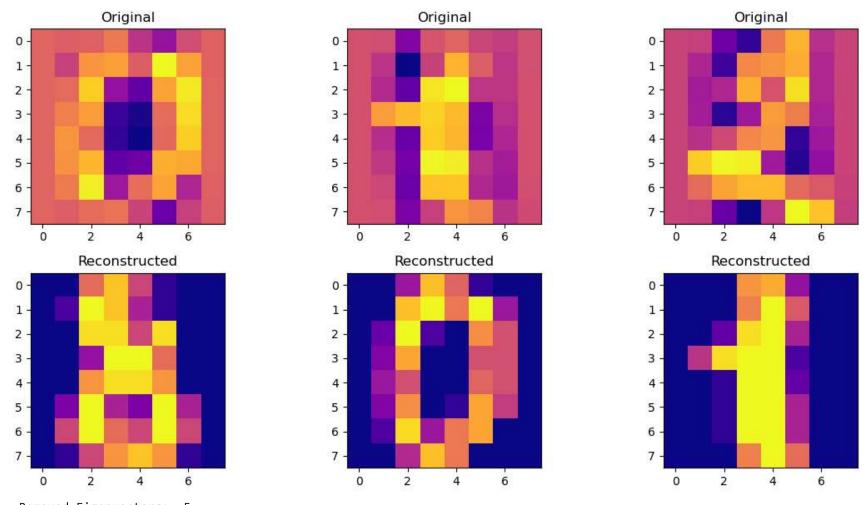
(e) [2 points] Analyze by choosing different numbers of eigenvalues to be zeroed out. Provide a short summary of your conclusions based on this analysis.

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In [9]: def Flexible_reconstruction(I, img_no):
    num_eigenvalues = len(λ)
    num_eigenvalues_to_keep = num_eigenvalues - I
    V_reduced = V[:, :num_eigenvalues_to_keep]
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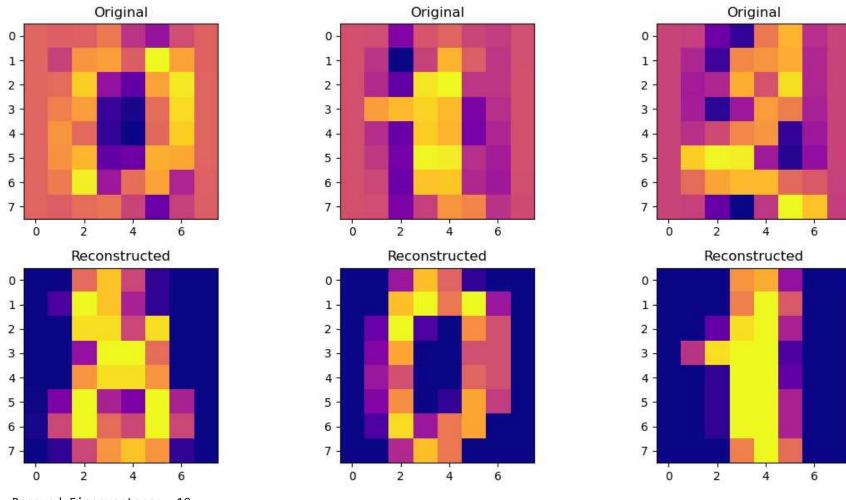
```
#Reconstruct images using reduced eigenvectors and eigenvalues
transformed imgs = np.dot(imgs , V reduced)
reconstructed imgs = np.dot(transformed imgs, V reduced.T)
reconstructed imgs += mean
reconstructed imgs = np.real(reconstructed imgs)
#Display original and reconstructed images
fig, axes = plt.subplots(nrows=2, ncols=img no, figsize=(12, 6))
for i, ax in enumerate(axes.flat):
    if i < img no:</pre>
        ax.imshow(imgs[i].reshape(8, 8), cmap='plasma')
        ax.set title('Original')
    else:
        ax.imshow(reconstructed imgs[i-4].reshape(8, 8), cmap='plasma')
        ax.set title('Reconstructed')
plt.tight layout()
plt.show()
mse = np.mean((img1 - reconstructed_imgs)**2)
print(" Removed Eigenvectors: ", I)
print(" num of eigenvalues to keep: ", num_eigenvalues_to_keep)
print(" Mean squared error MSE: ", mse)
result= { 'Removed Eigenvectors': I, 'num of eigenvalues to keep': num eigenvalues to keep, 'Mean squared error MSE':
return result
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# Define the range of I values to test
In [10]:
         I values = [5,10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60]
         img no = 3
         # Initialize lists to store the MSE values and the number of eigenvalues kept for each I value
         mse values = []
         num eigenvalues = []
         # Loop over the I values and run the function
         for I in I values:
             result = Flexible_reconstruction(I, img_no)
             mse = result['Mean squared error MSE']
             num eig = result['num of eigenvalues to keep']
             mse values.append(mse)
             num eigenvalues.append(num eig)
         # Plot the MSE values for each I value
         plt.plot(mse values, I values, 'o-')
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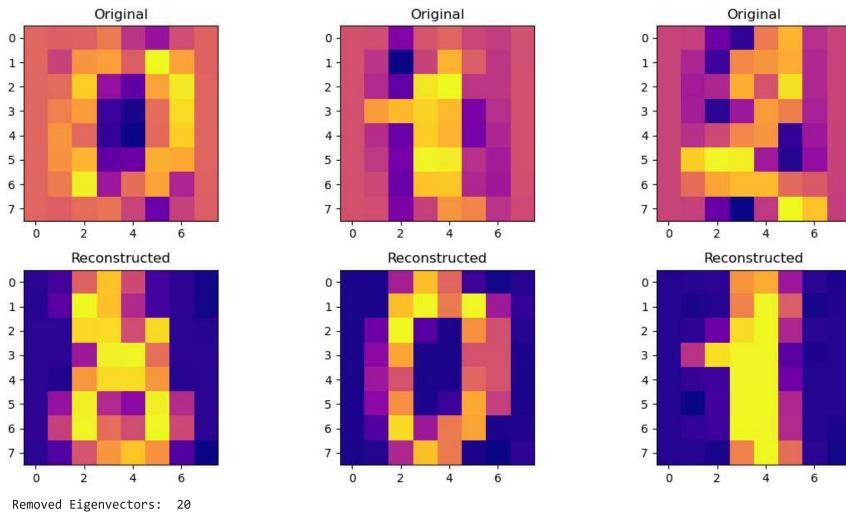
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plt.xlabel('Mean squared error (MSE)')
plt.ylabel('Number of eigenvectors removed (I)')
plt.title('Effect of removing eigenvectors on image reconstruction quality')
plt.show()
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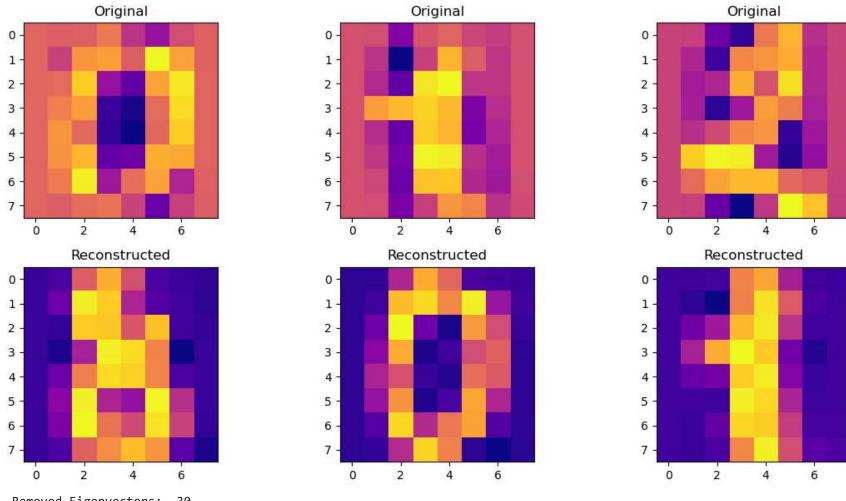
Removed Eigenvectors: 5 num of eigenvalues to keep: 59



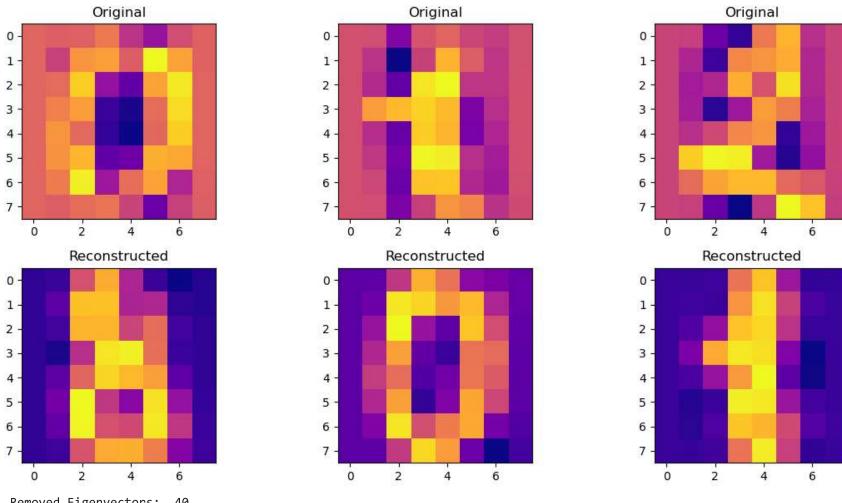
Removed Eigenvectors: 10 num of eigenvalues to keep: 54



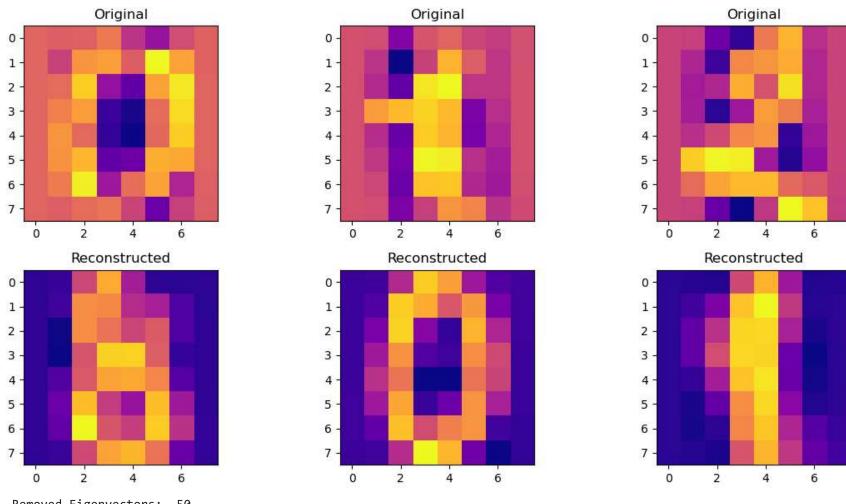
Removed Eigenvectors: 20 num of eigenvalues to keep: 44



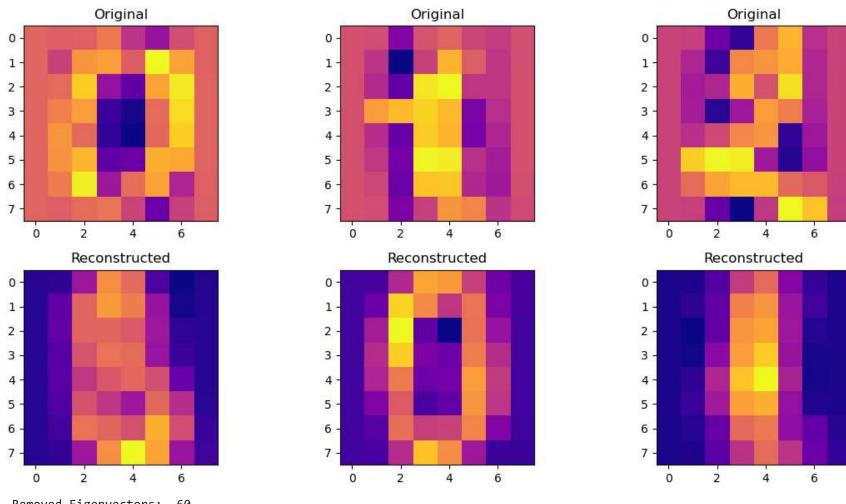
Removed Eigenvectors: 30 num of eigenvalues to keep: 34



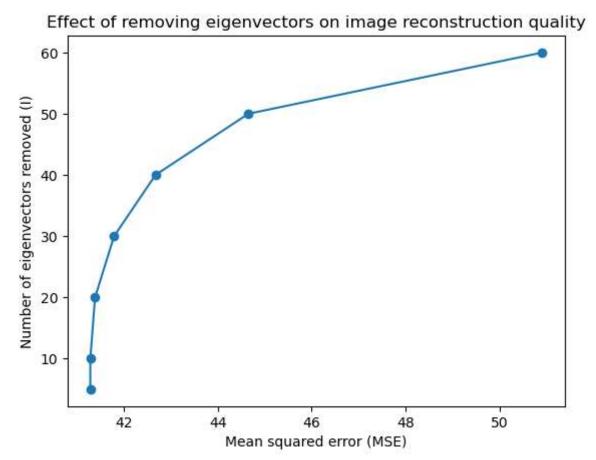
Removed Eigenvectors: 40 num of eigenvalues to keep: 24



Removed Eigenvectors: 50 num of eigenvalues to keep: 14



Removed Eigenvectors: 60 num of eigenvalues to keep: 4



Removing a small number of eigenvectors has little effect on the reconstruction error, while removing larger numbers leads to higher errors. Specifically, when removing 5 or 10 eigenvectors, the MSE is around 41.3, which is relatively low. However, when removing 20, 30, 40, or 50 eigenvectors, the MSE increases to around 41.4, 41.8, 42.7, and 44.7, respectively. When removing 60 eigenvectors, the MSE increases substantially to 50.9.

Therefore, it seems that keeping around 55-60 eigenvalues out of the original 64 is a reasonable choice for balancing computational efficiency and reconstruction accuracy

In []: