

## Section 1. Some important Linear Algebra background for PCA

## • Some useful conclusion

For a matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$

- ①  $A^T A$  and  $A A^T$  is symmetric matrix
- ②  $A^T A$  and  $A A^T$  can be diagonalizable and get an orthonormal eigenvector.
- ③  $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(A^T) = \text{rank}(A^T A) = \text{rank}(A A^T)$
- ④  $A^T A$  is positive semi-definite. If all the column of  $A$  is independent, then  $A^T A$  is positive definite.
- ⑤  $A^T A$  and  $A A^T$  have the same non-zero eigenvalues. The number of non-zero eigenvalues is equal to  $\text{rank}(A)$ .

## • Spectral theorem

For a symmetric matrix,  $A = U D U^T$ . where  $U U^T = U^T U = I$

## • SVD decomposition

- ① For a matrix  $A_{m \times n}$ .  $A = U_{m \times m} \Sigma_{r \times r} V_{n \times n}^T$ , where  $U^T U = U U^T = I$   
 $V^T V = V V^T = I$   
 $\Sigma$  is diagonal.  $\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1 & \sigma_2 & \dots & \sigma_r & 0 & \dots \end{pmatrix}$   
 $\sigma_1 > \sigma_2 > \dots > \sigma_r$
- ② Question: How to compute SVD?
  - 1) Right singular vector: Find eigenvectors of  $A^T A$   
 This give  $V$  matrix
  - 2) Singular Value: Find eigenvalues of  $A^T A$ .  $A A^T$   
 has  $\text{rank}(A)$  eigenvalues and  $A^T A / A A^T$  has the same non-zero eigenvalue. (Conclusion ⑤)  

$$\sigma_j = \sqrt{\lambda_j} \quad 1 \leq j \leq r$$

$$= 0 \quad r+1 \leq j \leq n$$
  - 3) Left singular vector:  $U_j = \frac{1}{\sigma_j} A V_j \quad 1 \leq j \leq r$

## • Truncated SVD

Ignore some of the small singular vector.

$$\hat{A} = \sigma_1 U_1 V_1^T + \sigma_2 U_2 V_2^T \quad (\text{only use the Top 2 largest } \sigma)$$

## • Matrix norm and Eckart-Young Theorem

① Frobenius norm of  $A$  is  $\|A\|_F^2 = \sum_{i,j} a_{ij}^2 = \text{trace}(A^T A) = \sum_{i=1}^r \sigma_i^2$

②  $\ell_2$  norm of a matrix  $\|A\|_2 = \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \sigma_j = \sigma_1$

③ Eckart-Young Theorem:

$A^{m \times n}$  is a rank  $r$  matrix,  $B^{m \times n}$  is a rank  $k$  matrix where  $k \leq r$

$$\text{Define } \hat{A}_k = \sum_{i=1}^k \sigma_i u_i v_i^T, \text{ then } \begin{cases} \|A - \hat{A}_k\|_F^2 = \sum_{i=k+1}^r \sigma_i^2 \\ \|A - \hat{A}_k\|_2 = \sigma_{k+1} \end{cases}$$

④ Question: How to decide  $k$  in low rank approximation?

$$\text{where } \hat{A}_k = \sum_{i=1}^k \sigma_i u_i v_i^T$$

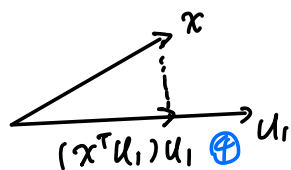
$$\text{Answer: } \frac{\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2 + \dots + \sigma_k^2}{\sigma_{k+1}^2 + \sigma_{k+2}^2 + \dots + \sigma_n^2} > \text{threshold (0.95 / 0.90 \dots)}$$

## Section 2. PCA

### • 2 - perspectives

#### • Maximum Variance of Projection

Project onto  $u_1$ : Find a direction  $u_1$  such that the variance of the projection of the data onto  $u_1$  is maximized.



$$\arg \max_{u_1} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left[ ((x_i - \bar{x})^T u_1)^2 \right], \quad u_1^T u_1 = 1$$

$$\arg \max_{u_1} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left[ (x_i^T u_1)^2 \right] \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \arg \max_{u_1} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (u_1^T x_i)^2 \quad \textcircled{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \arg \max_{u_1} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (u_1^T x_i)(u_1^T x_i)^T$$

$$\Rightarrow \arg \max_{u_1} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n u_1^T x_i x_i^T u_1$$

$$\Rightarrow \arg \max_{u_1} u_1^T \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i x_i^T \right) u_1$$

Note that  $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i x_i^T$  is a covariance matrix.

$$\text{define } S = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i x_i^T$$

$$\text{Then: } \arg \max_{u_1} u_1^T S u_1$$

The optimization problem above can be written as

$$\begin{cases} \arg \max_{u_1} u_1^T S u_1 \\ u_1^T u_1 = 1 \end{cases}$$

Apply Lagrange multiplier:

$$l(u_1, \lambda) = u_1^T S u_1 - \lambda (u_1^T u_1 - 1) = 0$$

$$\frac{d l(u_1, \lambda)}{d u_1} = 2 u_1 S - 2 \lambda u_1 = 0 \quad (3)$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{u_1 S = \lambda u_1}$$

where  $\lambda$  is the eigenvalue of  $S$  and  $u_1$  is the eigenvector of  $S$

Remark

① For convenience, assume  $x$  has been centered such that  $\bar{x} = 0$

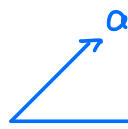
②  $(x^T u)$  is a coefficient (constant value), therefore  $x^T u = u^T x$

③ Apply the formula of matrix derivation:

$$\begin{cases} \frac{\partial x^T A x}{\partial x} = 2 A x \quad (A \text{ is symmetric}) \\ \frac{\partial x^T x}{\partial x} = 2 x \end{cases}$$

④ Vector projection formula:

$$\text{Proj}_{\vec{b}} \vec{a} = \frac{\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}}{\|\vec{b}\|^2} \vec{b}$$



in PCA,  $\|\vec{b}\|^2 = 1$

Summary:

According to the procedure above, PCA can be generalized as 4 steps.

① Centralize data.

② Form covariance matrix  $S = x x^T$

③ Find eigenvectors and eigenvalues of  $S$   $u_1 S = \lambda u_1$

④ The larger the eigenvalue  $\Leftrightarrow$  the more significant direction

### Minimum reconstruction error

Choose  $k$  PCs (Principal components)

$$\tilde{V} = \begin{pmatrix} V_1 & V_2 & \dots & V_k \end{pmatrix} \quad k \ll d$$

Project data point  $x_i$  onto the subspace spanned by the first  $k$  PCs.

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{x}_i &= (x_i^T V_1) V_1 + (x_i^T V_2) V_2 + \dots + (x_i^T V_k) V_k \\ &= (x_i^T V_1) V_1 + (x_i^T V_2) V_2 + \dots + (x_i^T V_k) V_k \\ &= V_1^T V_1 x_i + V_2^T V_2 x_i + \dots + V_k^T V_k x_i \quad (\text{Remark 2}) \\ &= \tilde{V}^T V x_i \end{aligned}$$

The PCA reconstruction error (Pearson 1991) is defined as

$$E = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^N \|x_i - \tilde{x}_i\|^2$$

$$\text{Given that } x_i = \sum_{j=1}^d V_j^T V_j x_i, \quad \tilde{x}_i = \sum_{j=1}^k V_j^T V_j x_i$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} E &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^N \left\| \sum_{j=1}^d V_j^T V_j x_i - \sum_{j=1}^k V_j^T V_j x_i \right\|^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^N \left\| \left( \sum_{j=k+1}^d V_j^T V_j \right) x_i \right\|^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^N x_i^T \left( \sum_{j=k+1}^d V_j^T V_j \right) \left( \sum_{j=k+1}^d V_j^T V_j \right)^T x_i \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=k+1}^d (V_j^T x_i) (x_i^T V_j) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=k+1}^d V_j^T (x_i x_i^T) V_j \\ &= \sum_{j=k+1}^d V_j^T \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^N (x_i x_i^T) V_j \end{aligned}$$

$$E = \sum_{j=k+1}^d V_j^T S V_j$$

According to our intuition, we want to minimize  $E$ .

Note that:

$$\sum_{j=1}^K V_j^T S V_j + \sum_{j=K+1}^d V_j^T S V_j = \sum_{j=1}^d V_j^T S V_j$$

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First perspective:
second perspective:

maximize this term
minimize this term

### Section 3 Kernel PCA

We have  $n$  points  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  each lying in  $\mathbb{R}^d$

• standard PCA doesn't yield good features on highly non-linear datasets.

• In detail, define  $\phi$  is some non-linear transformation

$$\phi: \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m, m \gg d$$

• We imitate PCA procedures in above highly non-linear datasets

• Assume that  $\phi(x_i)$  has been centralized  $\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \phi(x_i) = 0$

• Form covariance matrix  $S = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \phi(x_i) \phi(x_i)^T$  ①

• Find eig's  $V_k S = \lambda_k V_k, k=1, 2, \dots, M$  ②

Combined ①, ②:

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \phi(x_i) (\phi(x_i)^T V_k) = \lambda_k V_k$$
 ③

Note that each  $V_k$  is a linear combination of  $\phi(x_i)$ .

$$V_k = \sum_{j=1}^N a_{kj} \phi(x_j)$$
 ④

Combined ③, ④:

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \phi(x_i) \phi(x_i)^T \sum_{j=1}^N a_{kj} \phi(x_j) = \lambda_k \sum_{i=1}^N a_{ki} \phi(x_i)$$
 ⑤

Define  $K(x_i, x_j) = \phi(x_i)^T \phi(x_j)$  ⑥

Multiply  $\phi(x_\ell)^T$  both sides in ⑤:

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \phi(x_\ell)^T \phi(x_i) \phi(x_i)^T \sum_{j=1}^N a_{kj} \phi(x_j) = \lambda_k \sum_{i=1}^N \phi(x_\ell)^T a_{ki} \phi(x_i)$$
 ⑦

Rewrite ⑦ using ⑥ :

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N K(x_l, x_i) \sum_{j=1}^N a_{kj} K(x_i, x_j) = \lambda_k \sum_{i=1}^N a_{ki} K(x_l, x_i) \quad (8)$$

Define  $K_{ij} = K(x_i, x_j)$

Rewrite ⑧ :

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N K_{li} \sum_{j=1}^N a_{kj} K_{ij} = \lambda_k \sum_{i=1}^N a_{ki} K_{li} \quad (9)$$

Left side of ⑨ :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N K_{li} \sum_{j=1}^N a_{kj} K_{ij} &= \frac{1}{N} \left( \sum_{i=1}^N K_{li} \right) \left( \sum_{j=1}^N K_{ij} a_{kj} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{N} K \cdot K a_k \\ &= \frac{1}{N} K^2 a_k \end{aligned}$$

Right side of ⑨ :

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_k \sum_{i=1}^N a_{ki} K_{li} &= \lambda_k \left( \sum_{i=1}^N K_{li} a_{ki} \right) \\ &= \lambda_k K a_k \end{aligned}$$

*i and l cannot be anything.  
by using all the values of  
i/l, we will get the vector  
 $K \cdot a_k$*

Hence, rewrite ⑨ :

$$\frac{1}{N} K^2 a_k = \lambda_k K a_k \quad (10)$$

For non-zero eigenvalues,

$$\frac{1}{N} K a_k = \lambda_k a_k$$

$$K a_k = N \lambda_k a_k \quad (11)$$

*converted into eigens problem!*

• Question: Project  $\phi(x)$  onto  $V_k$  ?

A:  $\phi(x) = \underbrace{(\phi(x)^T V_k)}_{\text{scalar}} V_k$

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(x)^T V_k &= \phi(x)^T \sum_{j=1}^N a_{kj} \phi(x_j) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^N a_{kj} \phi(x)^T \phi(x_j) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^N a_{kj} K(x, x_j) \end{aligned}$$

• Example:

Give a non-linear mapping:  $\phi \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u_1^2 \\ u_1 u_2 \\ u_2 u_1 \\ u_2^2 \end{pmatrix}$  4-d

compute  $\phi^T(u) \cdot \phi(v)$ , given  $u = \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $v = \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{pmatrix}$

Solution:

$$\begin{pmatrix} u_1^2 & u_1 u_2 & u_2 u_1 & u_2^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} v_1^2 \\ v_1 v_2 \\ u_1 v_1 \\ v_2^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= u_1^2 v_1^2 + 2 u_1 u_2 v_1 v_2 + u_2^2 v_2^2$$

$$= (u_1 v_1 + u_2 v_2)^2$$

$$= (u^T v)^2 \leftarrow \text{no need to form 4-dim vectors to compute } \phi(u)^T \phi(v)$$

Note: We don't need to know  $\phi$  is explicitly. All we care is being able to compute the kernel.

Question: What is the kernel ( $k(x_i, x_j)$ )?

Answer: Give some kernel following:

polynomial kernel:  $k(x_1, x_2) = (1 + x_1^T x_2)^m$   
 Gaussian kernel (RBF):  $k(x_1, x_2) = \exp\left(\frac{-\|x_1 - x_2\|^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$   
 ...

Question: What are the conditions to be a kernel?

Answer: Mercer's condition:  $k(x, x')$  is valid kernel function if and only if the kernel matrix is always symmetric positive semi-definite for any given  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$

Example: Check  $k(x_i, x_j) = \phi(x_i)^T \phi(x_j)$  is a 'qualified' kernel function.

Solution:

Theorem: if  $k$  is positive semi-definite, its quadratic form must  $\geq 0$

Hence, we just need to check if  $y^T K y \geq 0$

$$y^T K y = y^T \phi(x_i)^T \phi(x_j) y$$

$$= \sum_{i,j} \phi(x_i)^T \phi(x_j) y_i y_j$$

$$= \left[ \sum_i y_i \phi(x_i)^T \right]^T \sum_j y_j \phi(x_j)$$

$$= \Phi^T y^T y \Phi, \text{ where } \Phi = \begin{pmatrix} \phi(x_1) & \dots & \phi(x_n) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= (y \Phi)^T (y \Phi) \geq 0$$