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In [1]:  ## settings
   import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
   import numpy as np
   %matplotlib qt5
   import scipy, scipy.stats
   plt.rcParams['figure.figsize'] = (8.0, 4.0)
   from ipywidgets import interact, fixed
   %matplotlib inline
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▼ 5.4. Further Projection Methods: Projection Pursuit

▼ 5.4.1. Projection Pursuit

- A simple way to find a low-dimensional projection is PCA.
- The key disadvantage is that PCA is only variance based: no other structural property is respected.

Generalization of the principle 'to maximize a criterion for well-structuredness' yields other (maybe) more meaningful projections.

- central element is the measure for structuring ('Strukturbewertungsmaß')
- Many structures manifest in the occurrence of local clustering





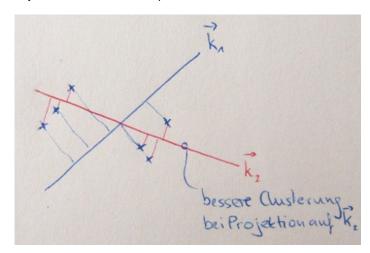
- the seemingly 'more structured' plot is characterized by
 - more short data point pair distances
 - while having the same global variance as the other plot.
- a method that is only sensitive to variance can't assess any difference between these plots.

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- The preference of projections that exhibit local clustering can be expressed via a specially-crafted structure-quality measure.
- ullet Here we first implement the idea for a projection on a 1D-axis \hat{k}

$$E(\hat{k}) = \underbrace{s(\hat{k})}_{\text{global dispersion along } \hat{k}} \cdot \underbrace{d(\hat{k})}_{\text{mean vicinity along } \hat{k}}$$

• by Friedman & Tukey 1974, IEEE Trans. Comp. C-23, 881ff.



• Illustration of the different structure quality of 1D-projections of a 2D dataset

Here it is

$$s(\hat{k}) = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=p\cdot N}^{(1-p)N} (\vec{r}_i \cdot \hat{k} - \langle \vec{r} \rangle \cdot \hat{k})^2}{(1-2p)N}}$$

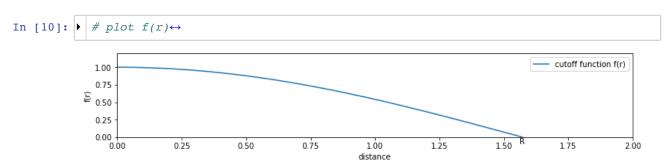
where

 $\vec{r}_i = i$ -th data point $\in \mathbb{R}^d$ sorted ascending in $\vec{r}_i \hat{k}$ N = nr. of data points $p \ll 1$ for removed outliers

$$\langle r \rangle = \sum_{i=p\cdot N}^{(1-p)N} \frac{\vec{r}_i}{(1-2p)N}$$

$$d(\hat{k}) = \sum_{\substack{i,j=1\\i < j}}^{N} f(r_{ij}) \cdot \Theta(R - r_{ij})$$

$$r_{ij} \, = \, |\vec{r}_i \cdot \hat{k} - \vec{r}_j \cdot \hat{k}|$$



- shape of cutoff function f(r) in the above equation
- The cutoff value R defines the length up to which local clusterings shall be registered.
- R is fix so that in the double sum above only $O(N \log N)$ terms contribute
 - this is done to reduce the computational effort.
- The maximization of $E(\hat{k})$ is done on the sphere surface S^{D-1}
 - generally there are many local maxima (very narrow, difficult to find)
 - good starting directions are given by PCA axes
 - because of the cut-off function $E(\vec{k})$ is relatively smooth.

Generalization to 2D-projections:

- either achieved by two-times applying the 1D method
 - i.e. the second axis is constraint to the orthogonal space of the first axis.
- or direct minimization of an analogue defined structure quality measure for two directions \hat{k},\hat{l} , e.g.

$$s(\hat{k},\hat{l}) = \sqrt{\sum (\vec{r}_i \hat{k} - \langle \vec{r} \rangle \hat{k})^2 + (\vec{r}_i \hat{l} - \langle \vec{r} \rangle \hat{l})^2}$$

and

$$d(\hat{k}, \hat{l}) = \text{wie zuvor, jedoch } r_{ij} = \sqrt{(r_i\hat{k} - r_j\hat{k})^2 + (r_i\hat{l} - r_j\hat{l})^2}$$

5.4.2 Further propositions for projection indices

Point of departure: statistical considerations: under all probability distributions of fixed variance σ^2 , the normal distribution $N(x, \sigma)$ is the least informative

- ullet is describes for $n o \infty$ the resulting distribution of the superposition of n uncorrelated random vectors.
- for that reason, a random projection converges always towards the normal distribution as limes $d \to \infty$
- for the normal distribution we receive the highest value for the Shannon entropy

$$S(P) = -\int P(x) \log P(x) dx$$

Conclusion:

- The interestingness of a projected probability distribution P(x) can thus be measured and judged by its deviation from a normal distribution.
- ullet w.l.o.g. the data can always be normalized so that $P(\cdot)$ has mean 0 and variance 1
- The deviation of P from a normal distribution can be measured in different ways: (using $x = \hat{k} \cdot \vec{r}$ in the following):

$$I_1 := \int \frac{(P(x) - \mathcal{N}(x, 1))^2}{2\mathcal{N}(x, 1)} dx \quad \text{(Friedman (1987))}$$

$$I_2 := \int (P(x) - \mathcal{N}(x, 1))^2 dx \quad \text{(Hall)}$$

$$I_3 := \int (P(x) - \mathcal{N}(x, 1))^2 \mathcal{N}(x, 1) dx \quad \text{(Hermite Index)}$$

Interpretation:

- ullet I_1 favors deviations in the tails of the distribution
- ullet I_2 offers a more balanced weighting of density differences at different x
- I₃ regards deviations within the center as particularly relevant

Practical Procedure:

• Religio of integrals on expectation values by expansion of P(x) in orthogonal polynoms

$$P(x) = \sum_{\nu=0}^{\infty} a_{\nu} H_{\nu}(x)$$
 (1)

Example: Expansion of I_3 (Hermite Index):

- In this case we choose $H_{\nu}(x)$ as proportional to the so-called hermite polynomials.
- · At suitable scaling we can assert the following orthogonality relations:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} H_{\mu}(x)H_{\nu}(x)N(x,1)dx = \delta_{\mu\nu}$$

 \bullet Integration of (1) after multiplying with $N(x,\,1)$ results in

$$a_{\mu} = \int P(x)H_{\mu}(x)N(x,1)dx$$

and thus

$$a_{\mu} = \langle H_{\mu}(x)N(x,1)\rangle_{\text{all data}}$$

Insertion into I_3 , together with the expansion of N according to

$$N(x, 1) = \sum_{\mu=0}^{\infty} b_{\mu} H_{\mu}(x)$$

in Hermite polynomials, under exploitation of the orthogonality relations

$$\langle H_{\mu}H_{\nu}\rangle = \delta_{ij}$$

gives:

$$I_{3} = \int (P(x) - N(x))^{2} N(x) dx$$

$$= \int \left(\left(\sum_{\nu} a_{\nu} H_{\nu} \right) - \left(\sum_{\mu} b_{\mu} H_{\mu} \right) \right)^{2} N(x) dx$$

$$= \int \left[\sum_{\mu\nu} a_{\mu} a_{\nu} H_{\mu}(x) H_{\nu}(x) - 2 \sum_{\mu\nu} a_{\mu} b_{\nu} H_{\mu}(x) H_{\nu}(x) + \sum_{\mu\nu} b_{\mu} b_{\nu} H_{\mu}(x) H_{\nu}(x) \right] N(x, 1) dx$$

$$= \sum_{\mu} \left[a_{\mu}^{2} - 2a_{\mu} b_{\mu} + b_{\mu}^{2} \right] = \sum_{\mu} \left[a_{\mu} - b_{\mu} \right]^{2}$$

• Practically, this series is stopped after few terms, e.g. directly after the leading term

$$I_3^0 = (a_0 - b_0)^2 = (a_0 - \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\pi})^2$$

and

$$a_0 = \langle H_0(x)N(x,1)\rangle_P = \langle N(x,1)\rangle_P$$

• Thus the evalution is reduced to the computation of expectation values $\langle \cdot \rangle_P$ w.r.t. the probability density of the data under projection.

In []: