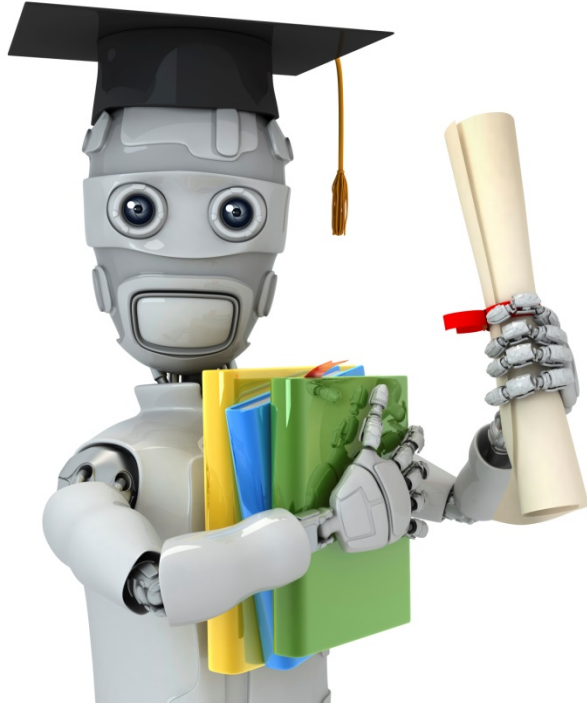


2nd type unsupervised learning algorithm



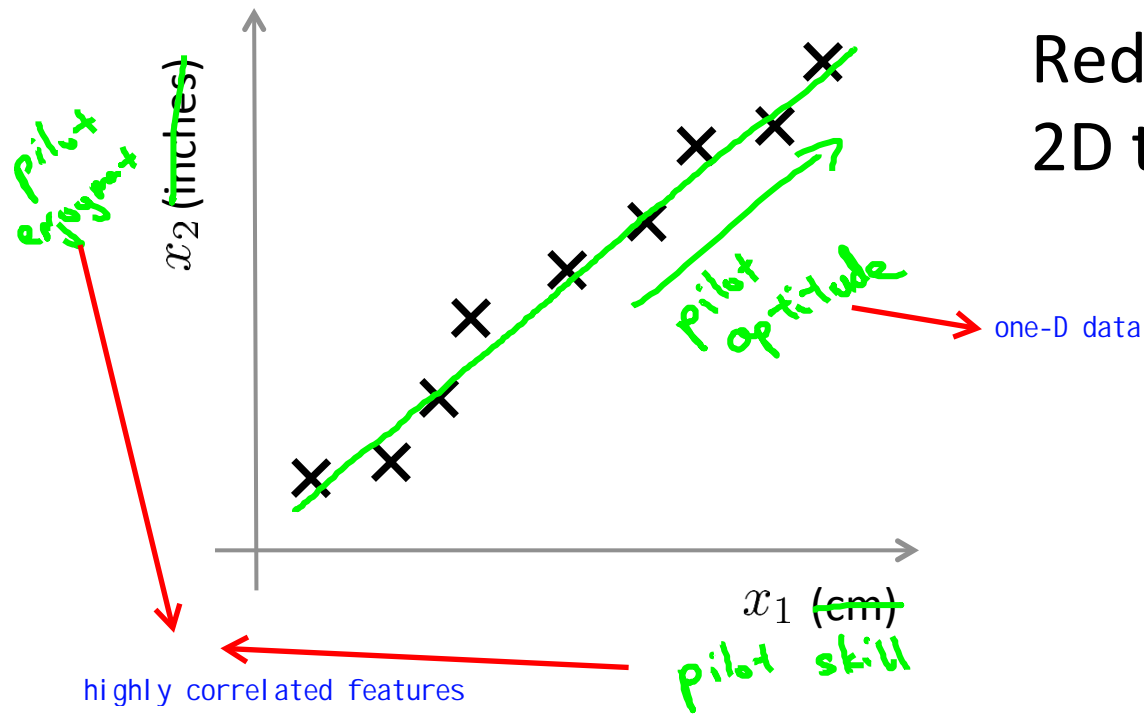
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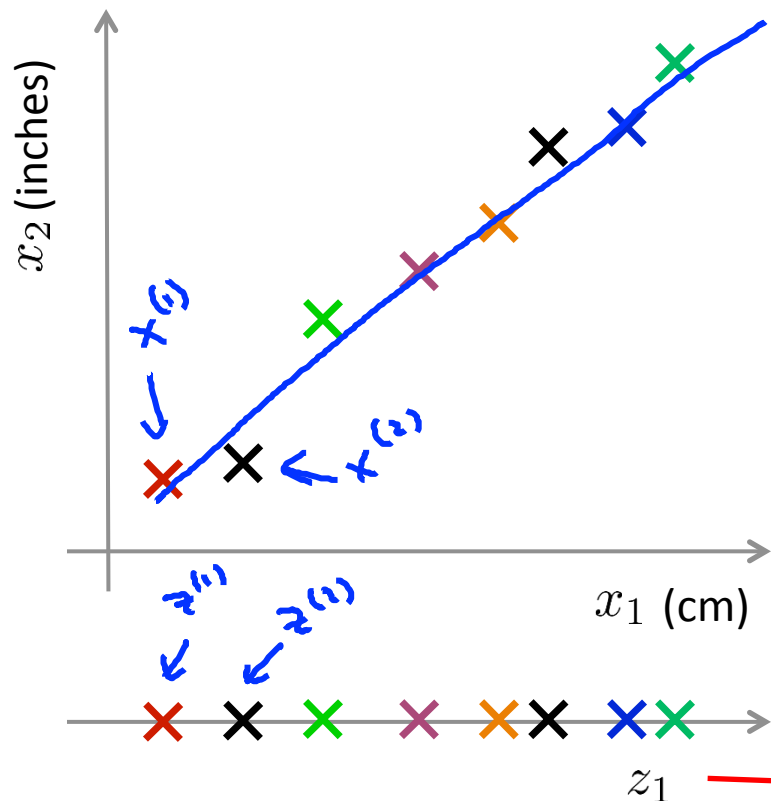
## Motivation I: Data Compression

This can help our algorithm to run faster!

# Data Compression



# Data Compression



project the data onto this line, then we can represent the data using 1 number, therefore reduce the dimension.

Reduce data from  
2D to 1D

$$x^{(1)} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow z^{(1)} \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$x^{(2)} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow z^{(2)} \in \mathbb{R}$$

⋮

$$x^{(m)} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow z^{(m)} \in \mathbb{R}$$

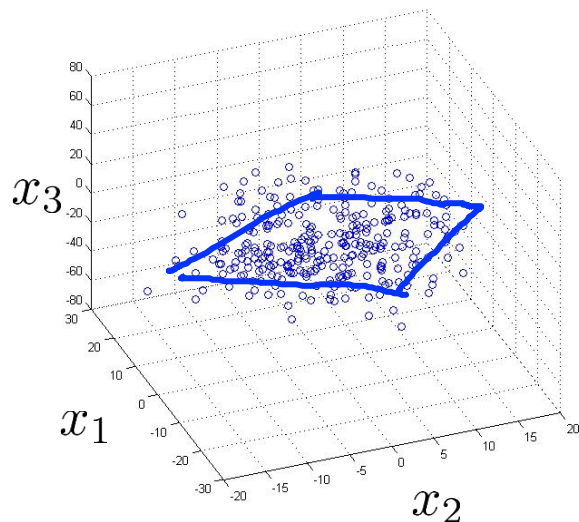
$z_1$  → new feature

# Data Compression

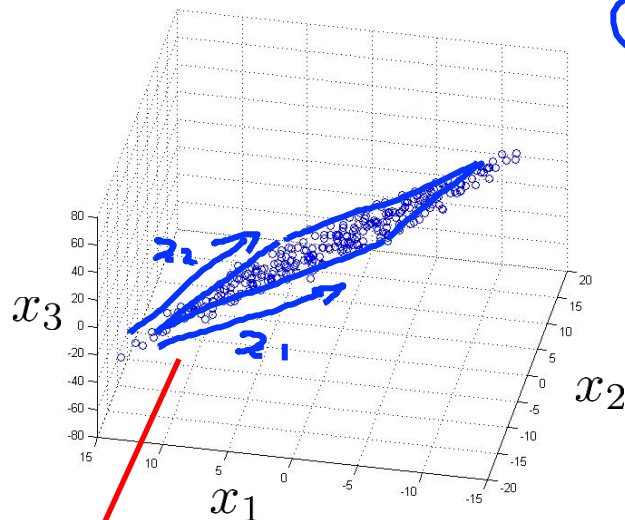
In a typical setting, we may have 10000 dimensions

10000  $\rightarrow$  1000

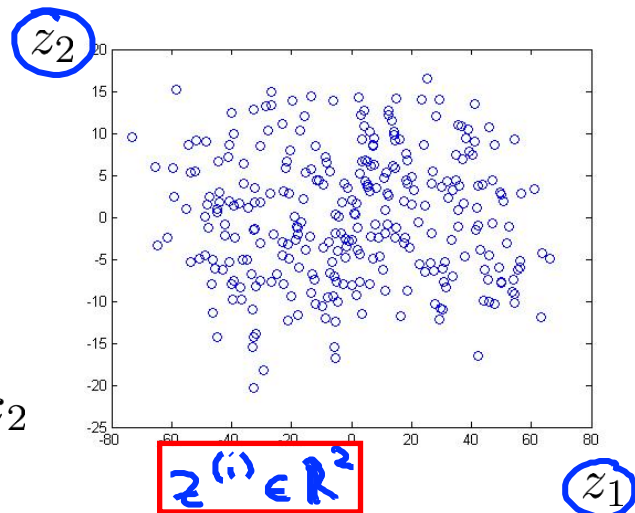
Reduce data from 3D to 2D



$$x^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}^3$$



Project the data into this plane



$$z^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$z = \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad z^{(i)} = \begin{bmatrix} z_1^{(i)} \\ z_2^{(i)} \end{bmatrix}$$



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# Dimensionality Reduction

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Motivation II:  
Data Visualization

# Data Visualization

$$x \in \mathbb{R}^{50}$$

50 features

$$x^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}^{50}$$

 $x_6$ 

Country	$x_1$ GDP (trillions of US\$)	$x_2$ Per capita GDP (thousands of intl. \$)	$x_3$ Human Development Index	$x_4$ Life expectancy	$x_5$ Poverty Index (Gini as percentage)	$x_6$ Mean household income (thousands of US\$)	...
→ Canada	1.577	39.17	0.908	80.7	32.6	67.293	...
China	5.878	7.54	0.687	73	46.9	10.22	...
India	1.632	3.41	0.547	64.7	36.8	0.735	...
Russia	1.48	19.84	0.755	65.5	39.9	0.72	...
Singapore	0.223	56.69	0.866	80	42.5	67.1	...
USA	14.527	46.86	0.91	78.3	40.8	84.3	...
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

# Data Visualization

with a new pair of features, here we only visualize data with 2 D

$$z^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

Country	$z_1$	$z_2$
Canada	1.6	1.2
China	1.7	0.3
India	1.6	0.2
Russia	1.4	0.5
Singapore	0.5	1.7
USA	2	1.5
...	...	...

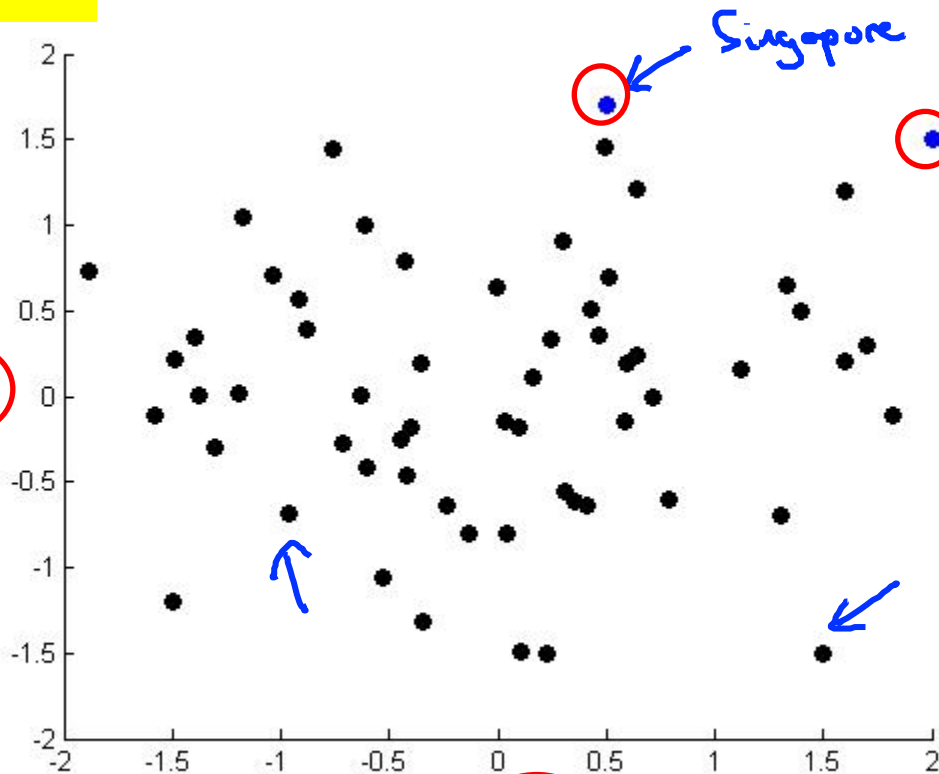
Reduce data  
from 500  
to 2D

# Data Visualization

per. person  
GDP  
(economic  
activity)

$z^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}$

$z_2$



$z_1$

Country size /  
GDP





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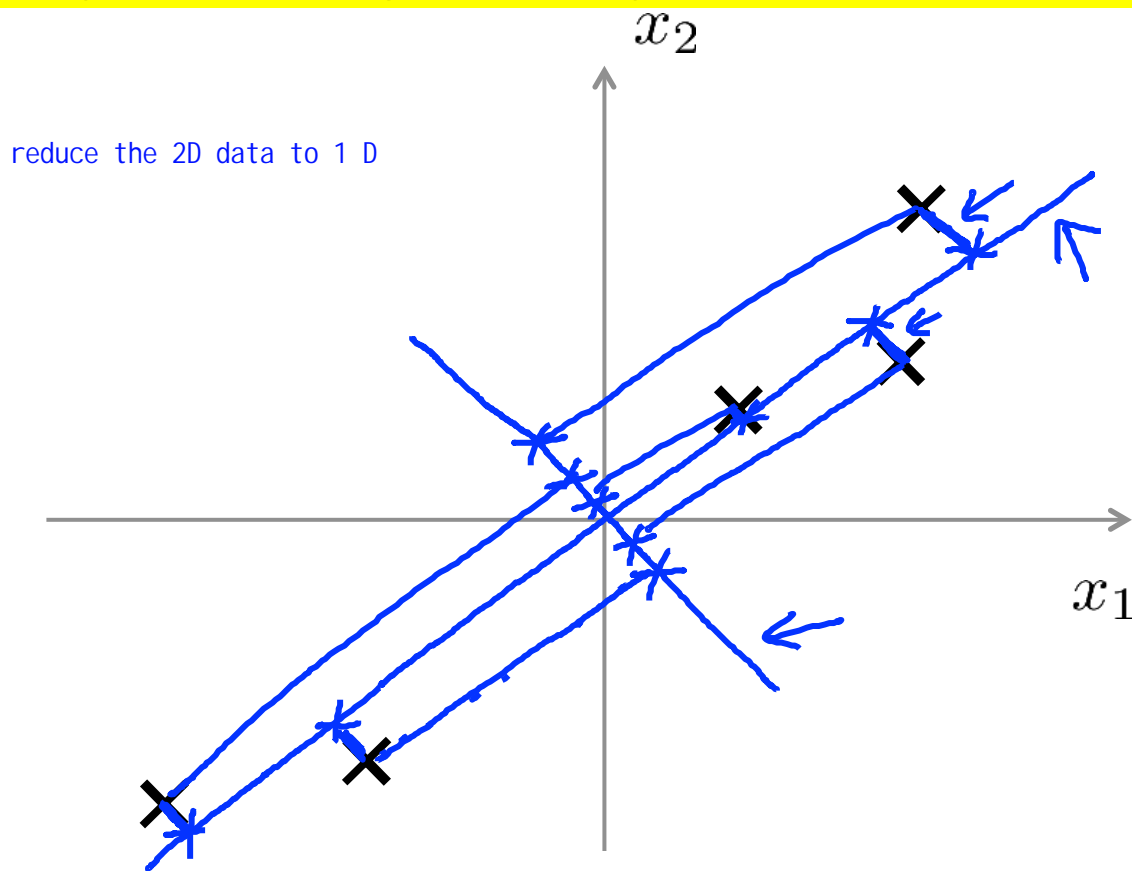
# Dimensionality Reduction

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Principal Component Analysis problem formulation

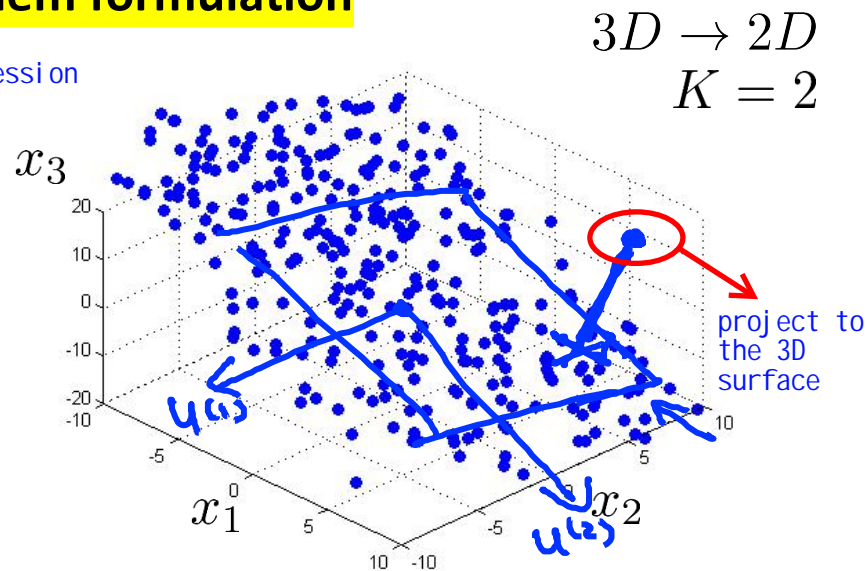
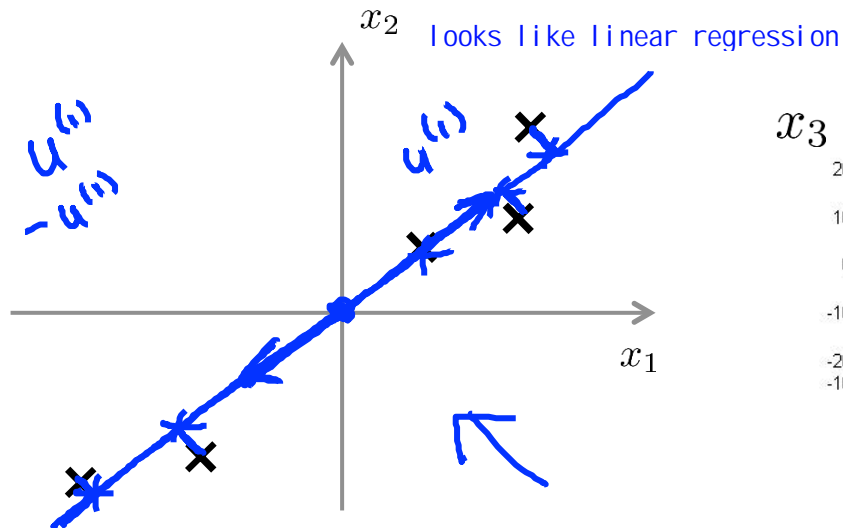
By far, the most popular and commonly used unsupervised learning algorithm

# Principal Component Analysis (PCA) problem formulation



$$x \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

# Principal Component Analysis (PCA) problem formulation



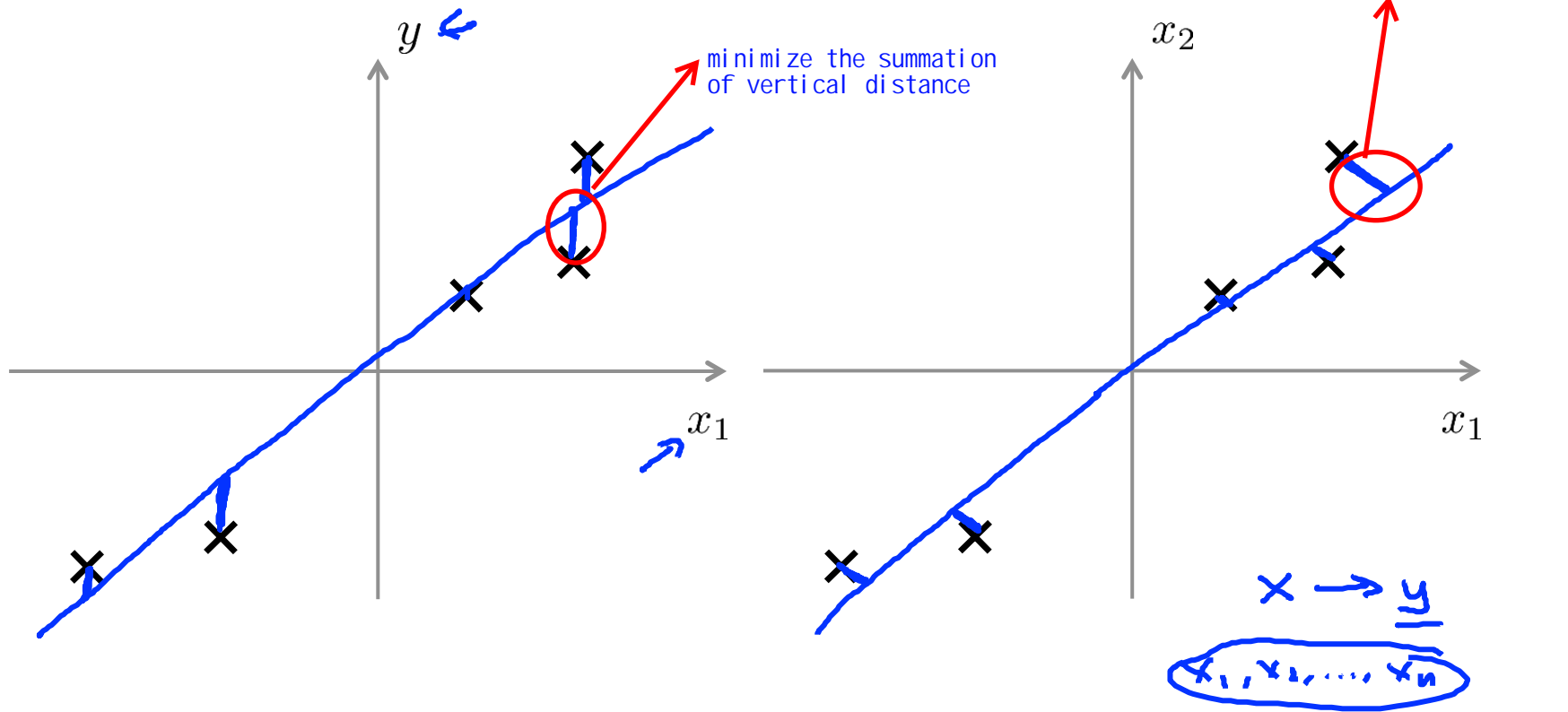
$$3D \rightarrow 2D$$

$$K = 2$$

Reduce from 2-dimension to 1-dimension: Find a direction (a vector  $u^{(1)} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ) onto which to project the data so as to minimize the projection error.

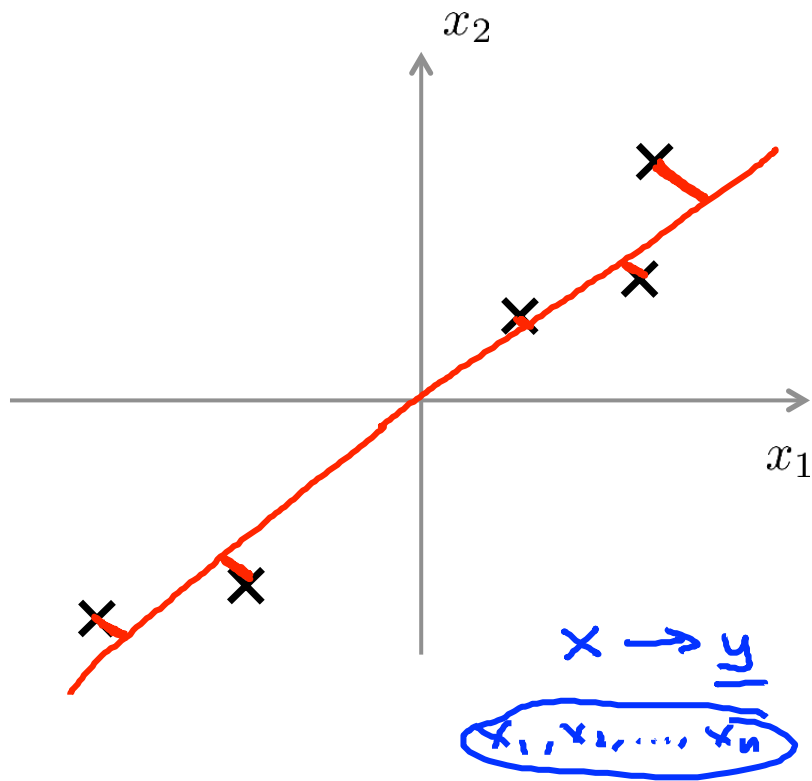
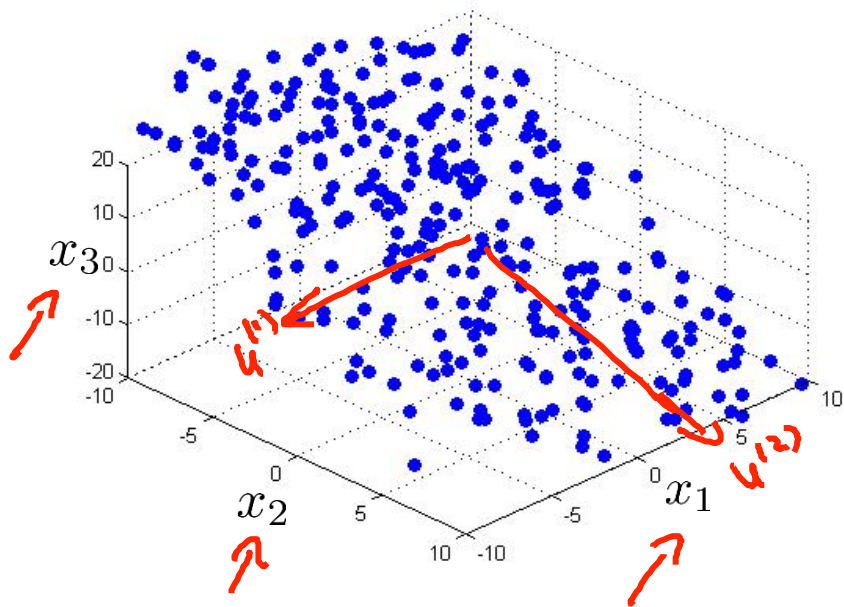
Reduce from n-dimension to k-dimension: Find  $k$  vectors  $u^{(1)}, u^{(2)}, \dots, u^{(k)}$  onto which to project the data, so as to minimize the projection error.

# PCA is not linear regression



# PCA is not linear regression

Reduce data from 3D to 2D





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# Dimensionality Reduction

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Principal Component  
Analysis algorithm

# Data preprocessing

Training set:  $x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(m)}$   $\leftarrow$

**Preprocessing** (feature scaling/mean normalization):

Before we actually apply PCA

$$\mu_j = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m x_j^{(i)}$$

zero mean feature

Replace each  $x_j^{(i)}$  with  $x_j - \mu_j$ .

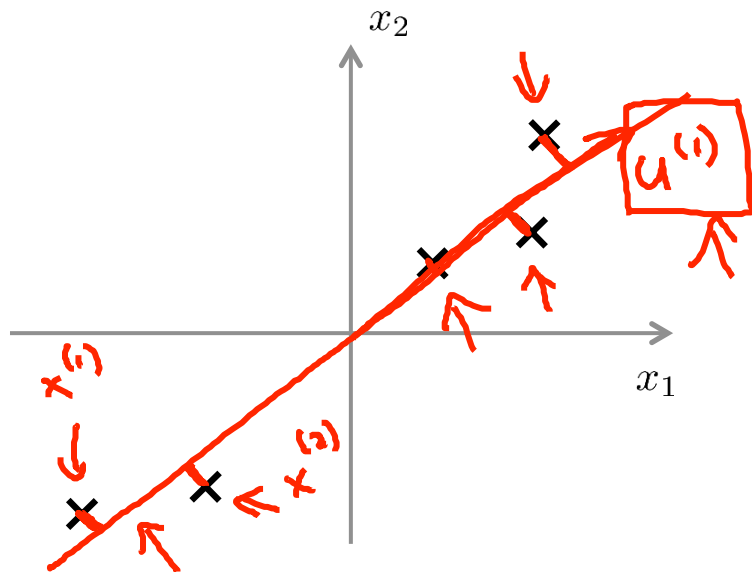
If different features on different scales (e.g.,  $x_1$  = size of house,  $x_2$  = number of bedrooms), scale features to have comparable range of values.

feature scaling

$$x_j^{(i)} \leftarrow \frac{x_j^{(i)} - \mu_j}{s_j}$$

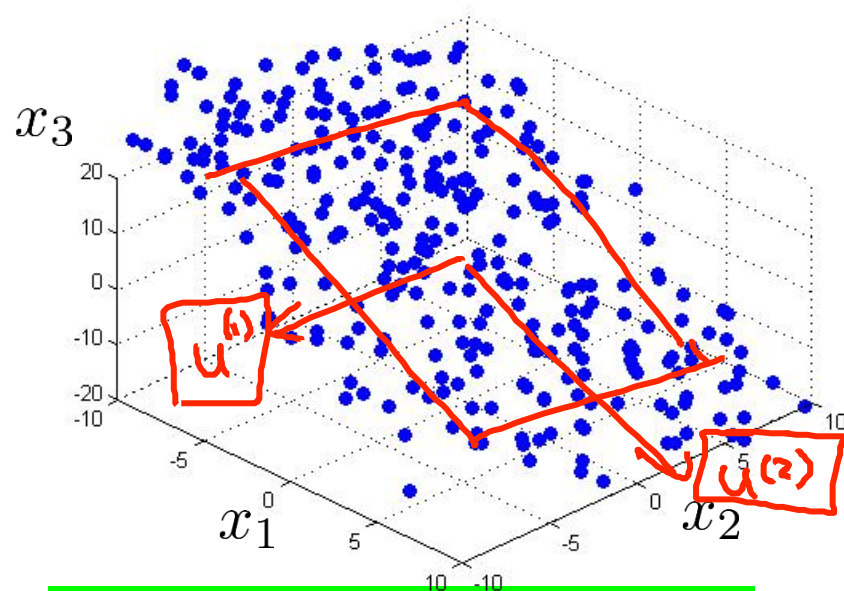
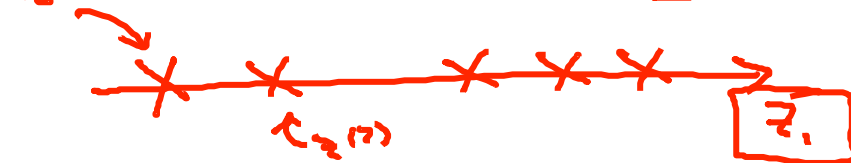
some measures of the feature  $j$   
e.g. Max value

# Principal Component Analysis (PCA) algorithm



Reduce data from 2D to 1D

$$x^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow z^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}$$



Reduce data from 3D to 2D

$$x^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow z^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

$$z = \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix}$$



# Principal Component Analysis (PCA) algorithm

Reduce data from  $n$ -dimensions to  $k$ -dimensions

Compute "covariance matrix":

$$\Sigma = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \underbrace{(x^{(i)})}_{n \times 1} \underbrace{(x^{(i)})^T}_{1 \times n} \quad \text{Sigma} \quad n \times n$$

Compute "eigenvectors" of matrix  $\Sigma$ :

$$[U, S, V] = \text{svd}(\text{Sigma});$$

→ Singular value decomposition  
 $\text{eig}(\text{Sigma})$

$n \times n$  matrix

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & | & \dots & | \\ u^{(1)} & u^{(2)} & u^{(3)} & \dots & u^{(m)} \\ | & | & | & & | \end{bmatrix}$$

$k$

$$U \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

$$u^{(1)}, \dots, u^{(k)}$$

we mainly require this one

# Principal Component Analysis (PCA) algorithm

From  $[U, S, V] = \text{svd}(\text{Sigma})$ , we get:

$$\Rightarrow U = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & & | \\ u^{(1)} & u^{(2)} & \dots & u^{(n)} \\ | & | & & | \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

low dimensional representation of  $x^{(i)}$

K dimensional vector

$$x \in \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow z \in \mathbb{R}^k$$

$$z^{(i)} =$$

$$z \in \mathbb{R}^k$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} | & | & & | \\ u^{(1)} & u^{(2)} & \dots & u^{(k)} \\ | & | & & | \end{bmatrix}^T x^{(i)}$$

$n \times k$

$U_{\text{reduce}}$

$$\begin{bmatrix} - (u^{(1)})^T - \\ \vdots \\ - (u^{(k)})^T - \end{bmatrix} x^{(i)}$$

$k \times n$

$k \times 1$

# Principal Component Analysis (PCA) algorithm summary

- After mean normalization (ensure every feature has zero mean) and optionally feature scaling:

$$\text{Sigma} = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m (x^{(i)})(x^{(i)})^T$$

→  $[U, S, V] = \text{svd}(\text{Sigma}) ;$

→  $\text{Ureduce} = U(:, 1:k) ;$

→  $z = \text{Ureduce}' * x ;$

find the z representation

we grab the 1st k columns

$$x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

~~$$x_0 = 1$$~~

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} - & x^{(1)T} & - \\ & \vdots & \\ - & x^{(m)T} & - \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\text{Sigma} = (1/m) * X' * X ;$$

Vector representation of sigma!!



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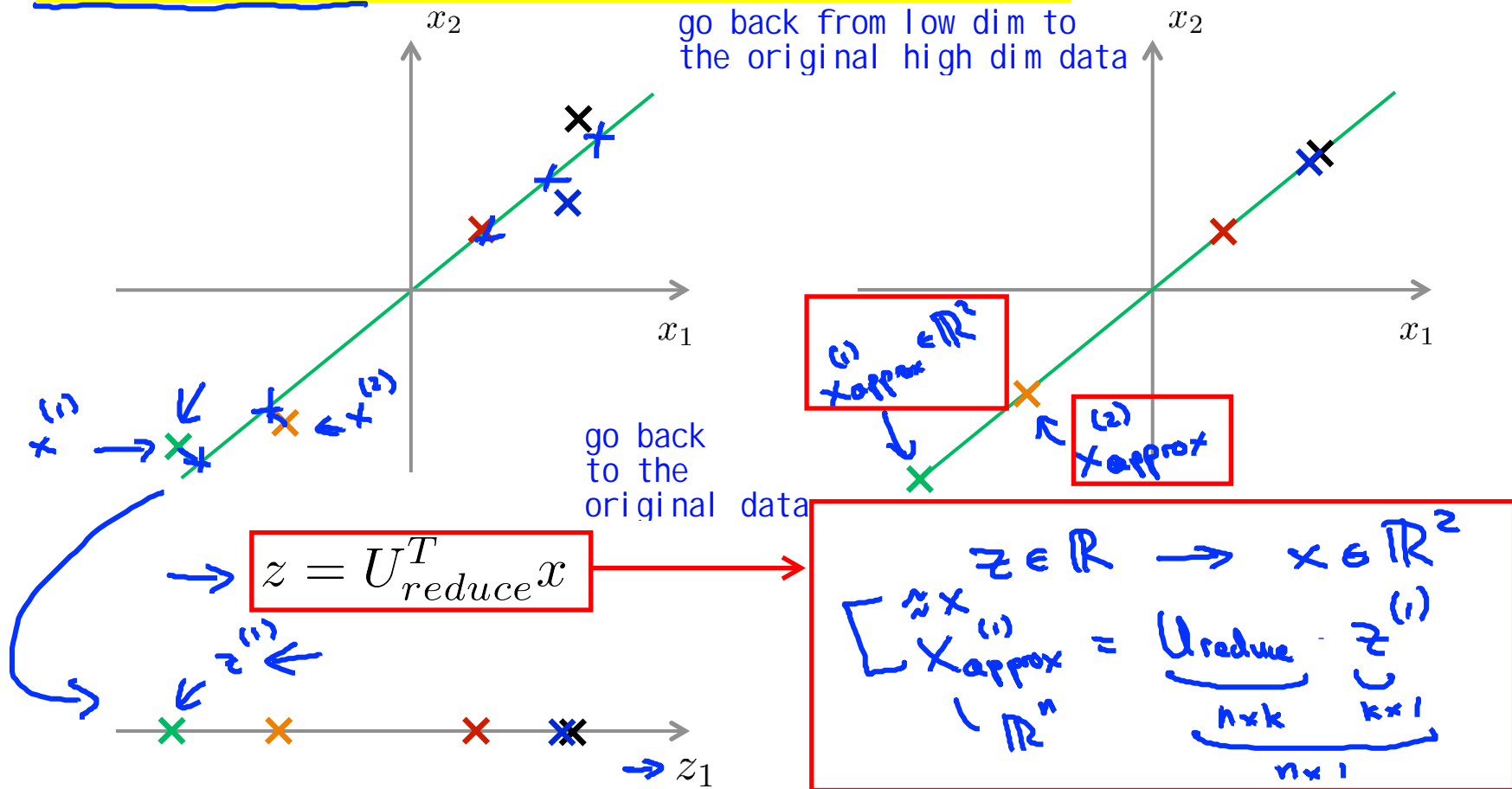
# Dimensionality Reduction

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Reconstruction from  
compressed  
representation

This section shows how do we go back from 100 dimensional data to 1000 dimensional data!

# Reconstruction from compressed representation





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# Dimensionality Reduction

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Choosing the number of principal components

number of principal components to retain

## Choosing $k$ (number of principal components)

Average squared projection error:  $\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \|x^{(i)} - x_{approx}^{(i)}\|^2$

Total variation in the data:  $\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \|x^{(i)}\|^2$

Typically, choose  $k$  to be smallest value so that

$$\frac{\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \|x^{(i)} - x_{approx}^{(i)}\|^2}{\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \|x^{(i)}\|^2} \leq \frac{0.01}{0.10} \quad \frac{(1\%)}{(10\%)}$$

*Handwritten notes: A red circle around  $x_{approx}^{(i)}$  with an arrow pointing to it from the text "k is used to estimate x\_approx". Blue arrows point from the left margin to the numerator and denominator of the fraction. The values 0.01, 0.10, 1%, and 10% are underlined in blue.*

→ "99% of variance is retained"  
*Handwritten notes: 95% to 90% written in blue below the text.*

# Choosing $k$ (number of principal components)

much more efficient

Algorithm:

Try PCA with  $k=1$

Compute  $U_{reduce}, z^{(1)}, z^{(2)}, \dots, z^{(m)}, x_{approx}^{(1)}, \dots, x_{approx}^{(m)}$

Check if

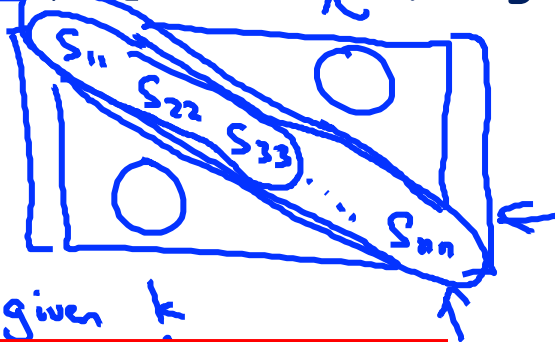
$$\frac{\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \|x^{(i)} - x_{approx}\|^2}{\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \|x^{(i)}\|^2} \leq 0.01?$$

$k=17$

Equivalent!

$$\rightarrow [U, S, V] = \text{svd}(\text{Sigma})$$

$$\rightarrow S =$$



For given  $k$

$$1 - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^k S_{ii}}{\sum_{i=1}^n S_{ii}} \leq 0.01$$

Simpler Calculation!!!

$$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^k S_{ii}}{\sum_{i=1}^n S_{ii}} \geq 0.99$$



## Choosing $k$ (number of principal components)

→  $[U, S, V] = \text{svd}(\text{Sigma})$

Pick smallest value of  $k$  for which

$$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^k S_{ii}}{\sum_{i=1}^m S_{ii}} \geq 0.99$$

$k=100$

(99% of variance retained)

Summary!



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# Dimensionality Reduction

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Advice for  
applying PCA

One common use of PCA

## Supervised learning speedup

→  $(\underline{x}^{(1)}, y^{(1)}), (\underline{x}^{(2)}, y^{(2)}), \dots, (\underline{x}^{(m)}, y^{(m)})$

Extract inputs:

Unlabeled dataset:  $\underline{x}^{(1)}, \underline{x}^{(2)}, \dots, \underline{x}^{(m)} \in \mathbb{R}^{10000}$

↓ PCA

$\underline{z}^{(1)}, \underline{z}^{(2)}, \dots, \underline{z}^{(m)} \in \mathbb{R}^{1000}$

Ureduce  
New training set:

$(\underline{z}^{(1)}, y^{(1)}), (\underline{z}^{(2)}, y^{(2)}), \dots, (\underline{z}^{(m)}, y^{(m)})$

Note: Mapping  $x^{(i)} \rightarrow z^{(i)}$  should be defined by running PCA only on the training set. This mapping can be applied as well to the examples  $x_{cv}^{(i)}$  and  $x_{test}^{(i)}$  in the cross validation and test sets

$x^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}^{10,000}$   
very large feature

$x \rightarrow z$   
 $h_\theta(z) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\theta^T z}}$

Then apply this mapping to cross validation and test sets

# Application of PCA

## - Compression

- Reduce memory/disk needed to store data
- Speed up learning algorithm ←

Choose  $k$  by % of variance retain

## - Visualization

$k=2$  or  $k=3$

## Bad use of PCA: To prevent overfitting

→ Use  $z^{(i)}$  instead of  $x^{(i)}$  to reduce the number of features to  $k < n$ . — 1000 — 10000

Thus, fewer features, less likely to overfit.

Bad!

This might work OK, but isn't a good way to address overfitting. Use regularization instead.

$$\rightarrow \min_{\theta} \frac{1}{2m} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2 + \boxed{\frac{\lambda}{2m} \sum_{j=1}^n \theta_j^2} \leftarrow$$

## PCA is sometimes used where it shouldn't be

### Design of ML system:

- - Get training set  $\{(x^{(1)}, y^{(1)}), (x^{(2)}, y^{(2)}), \dots, (x^{(m)}, y^{(m)})\}$
- - ~~Run PCA to reduce  $x^{(i)}$  in dimension to get  $z^{(i)}$~~
- - Train logistic regression on  $\{(\cancel{z^{(1)}}), y^{(1)}), \dots, (\cancel{z^{(m)}}), y^{(m)})\}$
- - Test on test set: Map  $x_{test}^{(i)}$  to  $z_{test}^{(i)}$ . Run  $h_{\theta}(z)$  on  $\{(z_{test}^{(1)}, y_{test}^{(1)}), \dots, (z_{test}^{(m)}, y_{test}^{(m)})\}$

→ How about doing the whole thing without using PCA?

→ Before implementing PCA, first try running whatever you want to do with the original/raw data  $x^{(i)}$ . Only if that doesn't do what you want, then implement PCA and consider using  $z^{(i)}$ .