Compressing Data via Dimensionality Reduction

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Introduction

- Different methods exist for reducing the dimensionality of datasets.
- Feature selection techniques are one approach to achieve this.
- An alternative to feature selection for dimensionality reduction is **feature extraction**, that involves transforming the dataset into a new feature subspace with lower dimensionality.

Introduction

• **Dimensionality reduction** or data compression is **important** in some cases in **machine learning**.

• Why?

- By transforming high-dimensional data into a **lower-dimensional space**, the **complexity of the dataset is reduced**, which can result in **faster training times** and **less use of computing resources**.
- By discarding irrelevant or noisy data helps to create more robust models.
- By reducing the number of dimensions, it enables a **visualization of the data** (2 or 3 dimensions), which facilitates the identification of patterns and clusters.

Introduction

- The difference between feature selection and feature extraction is that:
 - In feature selection, we select a subset of the original features from the dataset. The goal is to identify and keep the most relevant features that contribute to the predictive power of the model.
 - In **feature extraction**, we **transform** or project the original dataset onto a **new feature space**. This involves **creating new features** by **combining the existing ones**, resulting in a reduced dimensionality that can **captures the essential information** in the dataset.

Feature extraction

- Feature extraction can be understood as an approach to data compression with the goal of maintaining most of the relevant information.
- In practice, **feature extraction** is used to:
 - Improve storage space.
 - Improve the computational efficiency of the learning.
 - Enable a visualization of the data (2D or 3D).
 - Improve the predictive performance by discarding irrelevant or noisy
 - Reduce the curse of dimensionality.

Feature extraction

- What problems are caused by a high dimensionality (the curse of dimensionality)?
 - In high dimensions, data tends to become sparser. This means that data points are farther apart (most of the high-dimensional space is empty), making it difficult to identify patterns (making clustering and classification tasks challenging).
 - So, in **high dimensions it is required more data** to fill the empty space and obtain meaningful results.
 - If you don't have more data, algorithms are prone to overfitting (they fail to generalize correctly). In an attempt to capture all the variability in the dataset, the model can become complex, fitting to irrelevant details that do not generalize well to new data.

- Principal Component Analysis (PCA) is an unsupervised linear transformation technique widely used across different fields for feature extraction and dimensionality reduction.
- PCA aims to find the directions of maximum variance in high-dimensional data and projects the data onto a new subspace with equal or fewer dimensions than the original one.
- The **orthogonal axes** (principal components) of the **new subspace can be interpreted as the directions of maximum variance** given the constraint that the new feature axes are orthogonal to each other.

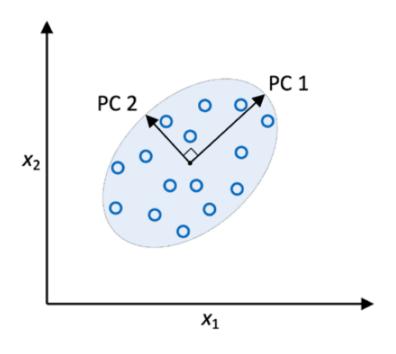
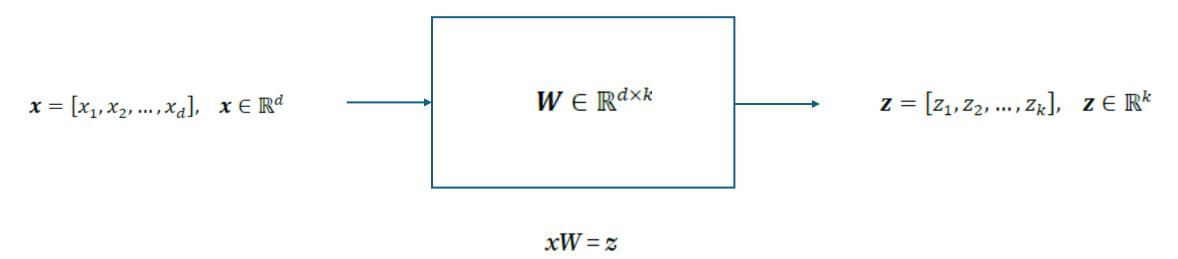


Figure 5.1: Using PCA to find the directions of maximum variance in a dataset

 x_1 and x_2 are the original feature axes, and PC 1 and PC 2 are the principal components.



W is a d×k-dimensional transformation matrix that allows us to map a d-dimensional vector of the features of the training example, x, onto a new k-dimensional feature subspace that has fewer dimensions than the original d-dimensional feature space.

Typically, k << d

- As a result of transforming the original d-dimensional dataset onto this new k-dimensional subspace, the first principal component will have the largest possible variance.
- All consequent principal components will have the largest variance given the constraint that these components are uncorrelated (orthogonal) to the other principal components.
- Even if the input features are correlated, the resulting principal components will be mutually orthogonal (uncorrelated).

- PCA directions are highly sensitive to data scaling, and we need to standardize the features prior to PCA if the features were measured on different scales and we want to assign equal importance to all features.
- Standardization typically involves:
 - Centering the data: Subtracting the mean of each feature from the dataset so that each feature has a mean of zero.
 - Scaling the data: Dividing each feature by its standard deviation so that each feature has a standard deviation of one.

This process is often referred to as **z-score normalization**.

By standardizing the data, you ensure that each **feature contributes equally to the calculation of the principal components**, allowing PCA to identify the directions of maximum variance without being biased by the scale of the features.

- Let's summarize the approach in a few simple steps:
 - 1. **Standardize** the *d*-dimensional dataset.
 - 2. Construct the covariance matrix.
 - 3. Decompose the covariance matrix into its eigenvectors and eigenvalues.
 - 4. Sort the eigenvalues by decreasing order to rank the corresponding eigenvectors.
 - 5. **Select** k **eigenvectors**, which correspond to the k largest eigenvalues, where k is the dimensionality of the new feature subspace (k < = d).
 - 6. Construct a projection matrix, W, from the "top" k eigenvectors.
 - 7. **Transform the** d**-dimensional input dataset**, X, using the projection matrix, W, to obtain the new k-dimensional feature subspace.

La eigendecomposition de una matriz A se expresa como:

$$A = V\Lambda V^{-1}$$

donde:

- ullet V es una matriz cuyas columnas son los autovectores de A.
- Λ es una matriz diagonal cuyos elementos son los autovalores de A.
- V^{-1} es la inversa de la matriz V.
- The covariance matrix is a special case of a square matrix: it's a symmetric matrix, which means that the matrix is equal to its transpose, $A = A^T$.
- When we decompose (eigendecomposition) such a symmetric matrix, the eigenvalues are real (rather than complex) numbers, and the eigenvectors are orthogonal (perpendicular) to each other.
- Furthermore, eigenvalues and eigenvectors come in pairs. If we decompose a covariance matrix into its eigenvectors and eigenvalues, the eigenvectors associated with the highest eigenvalue corresponds to the direction of maximum variance in the dataset.

```
>>> import pandas as pd
>>> df_wine = pd.read_csv(
... 'https://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/'
... 'machine-learning-databases/wine/wine.data',
... header=None
...)
```

Split dataset in train set and test set

Standardize the *d*-dimensional dataset.

- After standardization, the covariance matrix is constructed.
- It is a symmetric $d \times d$ -dimensional matrix, where d is the number of features in the dataset.
- It stores the pairwise covariances between the different features.
- For example, the covariance between two features can be calculated via the following equation:

$$\sigma_{jk} = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_j^{(i)} - \mu_j) (x_k^{(i)} - \mu_k)$$

means of features *j* and *k*

Note that, is our case, the means are zero because we standardized the dataset.

 For example, the covariance matrix of three features can then be written as follows:

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & \sigma_{12} & \sigma_{13} \\ \sigma_{21} & \sigma_2^2 & \sigma_{23} \\ \sigma_{31} & \sigma_{32} & \sigma_3^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

• The eigenvectors of the covariance matrix represent the principal components (the directions of maximum variance), whereas the corresponding eigenvalues will define their magnitude

$$A = V \Lambda V^{-1}$$

$$AV = \Lambda V \longrightarrow \Sigma V = \Lambda V$$

We use the linalg.eig function from NumPy to compute the eigenvectors and eigenvalues.

- Since we want to **reduce the dimensionality** of our dataset, we only **select the** subset of the **eigenvectors (principal components)** that contains **most of the information (variance)**.
- The eigenvalues define the magnitude of the eigenvectors, so we have to sort the eigenvalues by decreasing magnitude.
 - We are interested in the **top** *k* **eigenvectors** based on the values of their corresponding eigenvalues.

 Let's plot the explained variance ratios of the eigenvalues. The variance explained ratio of an eigenvalue is simply the fraction of an eigenvalue and the total sum of the eigenvalues:

Explained variance ratio =
$$\frac{\lambda_j}{\sum_{j=1}^d \lambda_j}$$

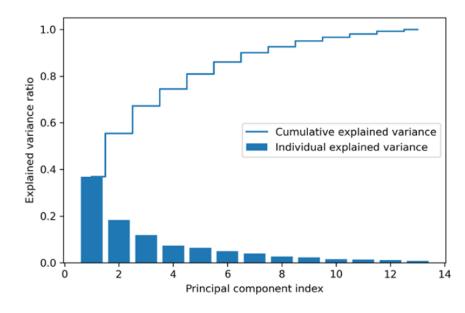


Figure 5.2: The proportion of the total variance captured by the principal components

- Using the NumPy cumsum function, we can then calculate the cumulative sum of explained variances.
- The resulting plot indicates that the first principal component alone accounts for approximately 40 % of the variance in the dataset.
- Also, we can see that the first two principal components combined explain almost 60 % of the variance in the dataset.

• We have decomposed the covariance matrix into eigenpairs (eigenvectors and eigenvalues).

• Now:

- Sort the eigenvalues by decreasing order.
- Select k eigenvectors, which correspond to the k largest eigenvalues, where k is the dimensionality of the new feature subspace (k <= d).
- Construct a projection matrix, W, from the k eigenvectors.
- Transform the d-dimensional input dataset, X, using the projection matrix, W, to obtain the new k-dimensional feature subspace.

```
>>> # Make a list of (eigenvalue, eigenvector) tuples
>>> eigen_pairs = [(np.abs(eigen_vals[i]), eigen_vecs[:, i])
                   for i in range(len(eigen_vals))]
>>> # Sort the (eigenvalue, eigenvector) tuples from high to low
>>> eigen pairs.sort(key=lambda k: k[0], reverse=True)
>>> w = np.hstack((eigen_pairs[0][1][:, np.newaxis],
                  eigen_pairs[1][1][:, np.newaxis]))
>>> print('Matrix W:\n', w)
Matrix W:
[[-0.13724218
                0.50303478]
 [ 0.24724326
                0.16487119]
 [-0.02545159
                0.244564761
 [ 0.20694508 -0.11352904]
 [-0.15436582
                0.28974518]
```

2 dimensions

• Let's visualize the transformed training dataset in a 2-dimensional scatterplot.

Although we encoded the class label information for the purpose of illustration in the preceding scatterplot, we have to keep in mind **that PCA** is an unsupervised technique that doesn't use any class label information.

• Principal component analysis in scikit-learn

```
>>> from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression
>>> from sklearn.decomposition import PCA
>>> # initializing the PCA transformer and
>>> # logistic regression estimator:
>>> pca = PCA(n_components=2)
>>> lr = LogisticRegression(multi class='ovr',
                            random_state=1,
. . .
                            solver='lbfgs')
>>> # dimensionality reduction:
>>> X_train_pca = pca.fit_transform(X_train_std)
>>> X test pca = pca.transform(X test std)
>>> # fitting the logistic regression model on the reduced dataset:
>>> lr.fit(X train pca, y train)
>>> plot_decision_regions(X_train_pca, y_train, classifier=lr)
>>> plt.xlabel('PC 1')
>>> plt.ylabel('PC 2')
>>> plt.legend(loc='lower left')
>>> plt.tight layout()
>>> plt.show()
```

• Principal component analysis in scikit-learn

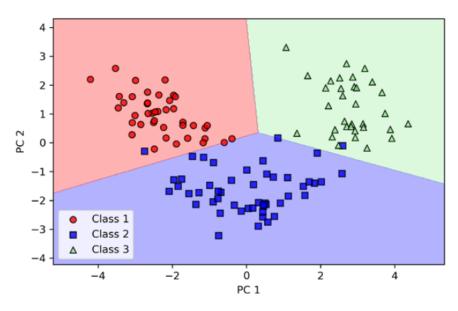


Figure 5.4: Training examples and logistic regression decision regions after using scikit-learn's PCA for dimensionality reduction

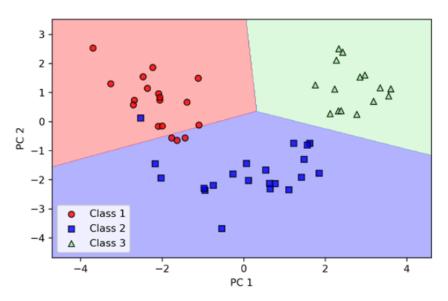


Figure 5.5: Test datapoints with logistic regression decision regions in the PCA-based feature space

```
>>> plot_decision_regions(X_test_pca, y_test, classifier=lr)
>>> plt.xlabel('PC 1')
>>> plt.ylabel('PC 2')
>>> plt.legend(loc='lower left')
>>> plt.tight_layout()
>>> plt.show()
```

• If we are interested in the **explained variance ratios** of the different principal components, we can simply initialize the PCA class with the n_components parameter set to None, so all principal components are kept and the explained variance ratio can then be accessed via the explained_variance_ratio_ attribute.

```
>>> pca = PCA(n_components=None)
>>> X_train_pca = pca.fit_transform(X_train_std)
>>> pca.explained_variance_ratio_
array([ 0.36951469, 0.18434927, 0.11815159, 0.07334252,
```

 The new features represent linear combinations of the original features with the principal components.

$$X = egin{bmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} \ x_{21} & x_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$X = egin{bmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} \ x_{21} & x_{22} \end{bmatrix} \qquad W = egin{bmatrix} w_{11} & w_{12} \ w_{21} & w_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$X' = \begin{bmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} w_{11} & w_{12} \\ w_{21} & w_{22} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{11} \cdot w_{11} + x_{12} \cdot w_{21} & x_{11} \cdot w_{12} + x_{12} \cdot w_{22} \\ x_{21} \cdot w_{11} + x_{22} \cdot w_{21} & x_{21} \cdot w_{12} + x_{22} \cdot w_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$
 Linear combination

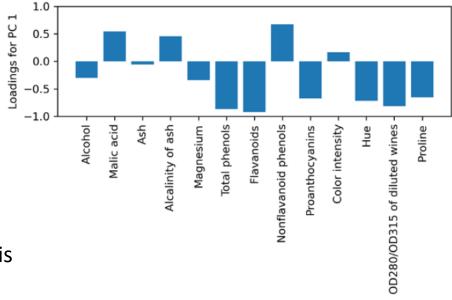
Linear combination

Each w_{ii} is the **contributions of the original features to the new feature**.

- How ever, to measure the **contributions of the original features to the new feature**, we use a scaled versions of *W*, where each eigenvector is multiplied by the square root of its eigenvalue.
- The result is often called loadings.
- Why to scale?
 - The resulting values can then be interpreted as the correlation between the original features and the new features.

```
>>> loadings = eigen_vecs * np.sqrt(eigen_vals)
```

```
>>> fig, ax = plt.subplots()
>>> ax.bar(range(13), loadings[:, 0], align='center')
>>> ax.set_ylabel('Loadings for PC 1')
>>> ax.set_xticks(range(13))
>>> ax.set_xticklabels(df_wine.columns[1:], rotation=90)
>>> plt.ylim([-1, 1])
>>> plt.tight_layout()
>>> plt.show()
```



Plot the loadings for the first principal component, loadings[:, 0], which is the first column in this matrix.

Figure 5.6: Feature correlations with the first principal component

For example, Alcohol has a negative correlation with the first new feature (approximately –0.3), whereas Malic acid has a positive correlation (approximately 0.54).

We can obtain the loadings from a fitted scikit-learn PCA object in a similar manner, where pca.components_ represents the eigenvectors and pca.explained_variance_ represents the eigenvalues.

```
>>> sklearn_loadings = pca.components_.T * np.sqrt(pca.explained_variance_)

>>> fig, ax = plt.subplots()

>>> ax.bar(range(13), sklearn_loadings[:, 0], align='center')

>>> ax.set_ylabel('Loadings for PC 1')

>>> ax.set_xticks(range(13))

>>> ax.set_xticklabels(df_wine.columns[1:], rotation=90)

>>> plt.ylim([-1, 1])

>>> plt.tight_layout()

>>> plt.show()
```

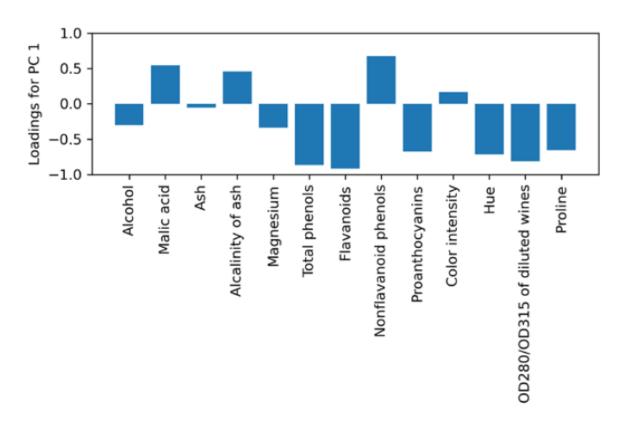


Figure 5.7: Feature correlations to the first principal component using scikit-learn

Ejercicio

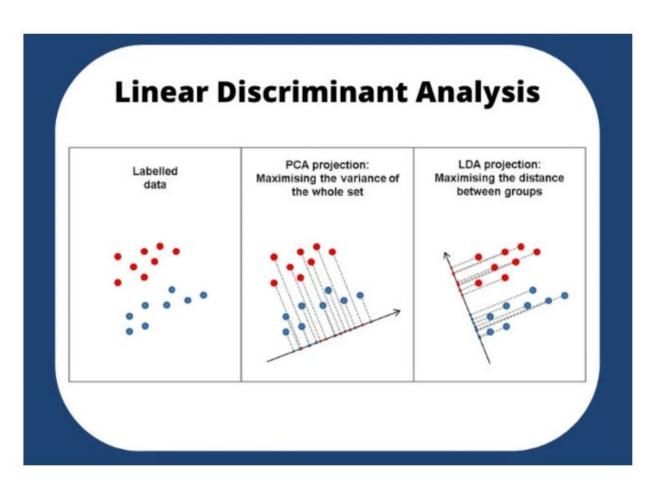
Linear Discriminant Analysis (LDA)

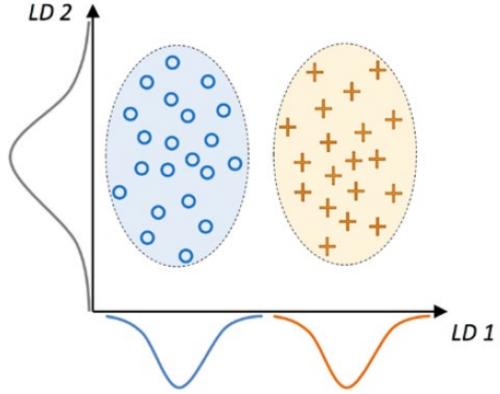
- After exploring PCA as an unsupervised feature extraction technique, we introduce Linear Discriminant Analysis (LDA).
- LDA is a linear transformation technique that takes class label information into account (supervised algorithm).
 - It is a linear transformation technique that can be used to reduce the number of dimensions.
- LDA is sometimes also called Fisher's LDA.

Linear Discriminant Analysis (LDA)

- LDA seeks to find a linear projection of the data that maximizes the separability between different classes.
- In other words, LDA attempts to identify one or more directions in the feature space (linear discriminats) that maximize the distance between class means.

- The maximum number of linear discriminants that it can be obtained with LDA is determined by the number of classes and the number of features in your data set.
- Specifically, the maximum number of linear discriminants is the smaller of:
 - C-1, where C is the number of classes in the data set.
 - d, where d is the number of original features.
- Therefore, the maximum number of linear discriminants is:
 - min(C-1,d).





- The let's briefly summarize the main steps that are required to perform LDA:
 - 1. Standardize the d-dimensional dataset (d is the number of features).
 - 2. For each class, compute the d-dimensional mean vector.
 - 3. Construct the between-class scatter matrix, S_B, and the within-class scatter matrix, S_W.
 - 4. Compute the eigenvectors and corresponding eigenvalues of the matrix $S_W^{-1}S_B$.
 - **5. Sort the eigenvalues by decreasing order** to rank the corresponding eigenvectors.
 - **6.** Choose the k eigenvectors that correspond to the k largest eigenvalues to construct a d×k-dimensional transformation matrix, **W**; the eigenvectors are the columns of this matrix.
 - 7. Project the examples onto the new feature subspace using the transformation matrix, W.

- We construct the within-class scatter matrix and between-class scatter matrix.
- Each mean vector, m_i , stores the mean feature value, μ_m , with respect to the examples of class i:

$$m{m}_i = rac{1}{n_i} \sum_{m{x} \in D_i} m{x}_m$$
 $m{m}_i = \begin{bmatrix} \mu_{i,alcohol} \\ \mu_{i,malic\ acid} \\ \vdots \\ \mu_{i,proline} \end{bmatrix}^T$

```
>>> np.set_printoptions(precision=4)
>>> mean_vecs = []
>>> for label in range(1,4):
... mean_vecs.append(np.mean(
... X_train_std[y_train==label], axis=0))
... print(f'MV {label}: {mean_vecs[label - 1]}\n')
```

• We can now compute the within-class scatter matrix, S_w :

$$S_W = \sum_{i=1}^{s} S_i$$

$$S_i = \sum_{x \in D_i} (x - m_i)(x - m_i)^T$$

Individual scatter matrices, S_i , of each individual class i.

```
>>> d = 13 # number of features
>>> S_W = np.zeros((d, d))
>>> for label, mv in zip(range(1, 4), mean_vecs):
...    class_scatter = np.zeros((d, d))
...    for row in X_train_std[y_train == label]:
...        row, mv = row.reshape(d, 1), mv.reshape(d, 1)
...        class_scatter += (row - mv).dot((row - mv).T)
...        S_W += class_scatter
>>> print('Within-class scatter matrix: '
...        f'{S_W.shape[0]}x{S_W.shape[1]}')
Within-class scatter matrix: 13x13
```

- The assumption that we are making when we are computing the scatter matrices is that the class labels in the training dataset are uniformly distributed.
- However, if we print the number of class labels, we see that this assumption is violated:

- We want to scale the individual scatter matrices, S_i , before we sum them up as the scatter matrix, S_W .
- When we divide the scatter matrices by the number of class-examples, n_i , we can see that **computing the scatter matrix is in fact the same as computing the covariance matrix**, Σ_i (the covariance matrix is a normalized version of the scatter matrix):

$$\Sigma_i = \frac{1}{n_i} S_i = \frac{1}{n_i} \sum_{\boldsymbol{x} \in D_i} (\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{m}_i) (\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{m}_i)^T$$

 After we compute the scaled within-class scatter matrix (or covariance matrix), we can move on to the next step and compute the between-class scatter matrix S_B:

$$S_B = \sum_{i=1}^c n_i (\boldsymbol{m}_i - \boldsymbol{m}) (\boldsymbol{m}_i - \boldsymbol{m})^T$$

m is the overall mean that is computed including examples from all *c* classes.

```
>>> mean_overall = np.mean(X_train_std, axis=0)
>>> mean_overall = mean_overall.reshape(d, 1)
>>> d = 13 # number of features
>>> S_B = np.zeros((d, d))
>>> for i, mean_vec in enumerate(mean_vecs):
       n = X train std[y train == i + 1, :].shape[0]
... mean_vec = mean_vec.reshape(d, 1) # make column vector
... S_B += n * (mean_vec - mean_overall).dot(
       (mean vec - mean overall).T)
>>> print('Between-class scatter matrix: '
         f'{S_B.shape[0]}x{S_B.shape[1]}')
Between-class scatter matrix: 13x13
```

• We perform the eigendecomposition on the matrix $S_W^{-1}S_B$:

```
>>> eigen_vals, eigen_vecs =\
... np.linalg.eig(np.linalg.inv(S_W).dot(S_B))
```

 After we compute the eigenpairs, we can sort the eigenvalues in descending order:

```
>>> eigen_pairs = [(np.abs(eigen_vals[i]), eigen_vecs[:,i])
... for i in range(len(eigen_vals))]
```

• Let's now stack the two most discriminative eigenvector columns to create the transformation matrix, W:

```
>>> w = np.hstack((eigen_pairs[0][1][:, np.newaxis].real,
... eigen_pairs[1][1][:, np.newaxis].real))
>>> print('Matrix W:\n', w)

Matrix W:

[[-0.1481 -0.4092]

[ 0.0908 -0.1577]

[ -0.0168 -0.3537]

[ 0.1484   0.3223]

[ -0.0163 -0.0817]

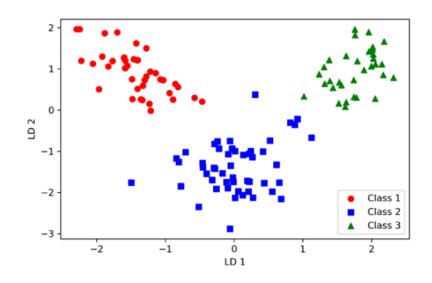
[ 0.1913   0.0842]

[ -0.7338   0.2823]

[ -0.075   -0.0102]
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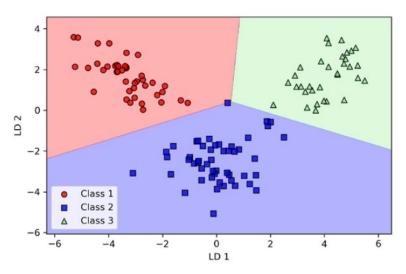
 Using the transformation matrix W, we can now transform the training dataset by multiplying the matrices:

$$X' = XW$$



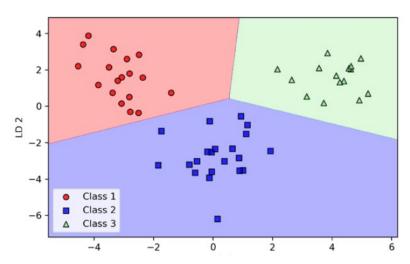
Using scikit-learn:

```
>>> # the following import statement is one line
>>> from sklearn.discriminant_analysis import LinearDiscriminantAnalysis as LDA
>>> lda = LDA(n_components=2)
>>> X_train_lda = lda.fit_transform(X_train_std, y_train)
>>> lr = LogisticRegression(multi_class='ovr', random_state=1,
                            solver='lbfgs')
>>> lr = lr.fit(X_train_lda, y_train)
   plot_decision_regions(X_train_lda, y_train, classifier=lr)
>>> plt.xlabel('LD 1')
>>> plt.ylabel('LD 2')
>>> plt.legend(loc='lower left')
>>> plt.tight_layout()
>>> plt.show()
```



• Using scikit-learn:

```
>>> X_test_lda = lda.transform(X_test_std)
>>> plot_decision_regions(X_test_lda, y_test, classifier=lr)
>>> plt.xlabel('LD 1')
>>> plt.ylabel('LD 2')
>>> plt.legend(loc='lower left')
>>> plt.tight_layout()
>>> plt.show()
```

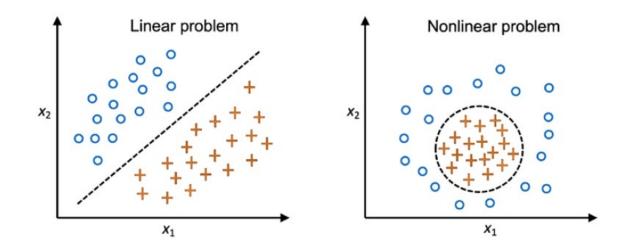


Ejercicio

- En este ejercicio, deberás realizar un análisis de discriminantes lineales (LDA) utilizando el conjunto de datos proporcionado en el archivo 'dataset1.csv'.
- El análisis se realizará de dos formas diferentes: primero mediante una implementación manual (sin utilizar librerías específicas de LDA) y posteriormente usando scikit-learn.
- Para ambos casos, deberás calcular las discriminantes lineales que se consideren y obtener: la matriz de pesos (W) y las proyecciones (X').
- Además, deberás crear visualizaciones que muestren las proyecciones (X') etiquetadas según su categoría.
- Finalmente, compararás los resultados obtenidos por ambos métodos.

- PCA and LDA are linear transformation techniques for feature extraction.
- However, there are nonlinear dimensionality reduction techniques.
 - One is t-distributed stochastic neighbor embedding (t-SNE), very used to visualize high-dimensional datasets in two or three dimensions.

- Why consider nonlinear dimensionality reduction?
 - Many machine learning algorithms make assumptions about the linear separability of the input data.
 - However, if we are dealing with nonlinear problems, which we may encounter rather frequently in real-world applications, linear transformation techniques for dimensionality reduction, such as PCA and LDA, may not be the best choice.

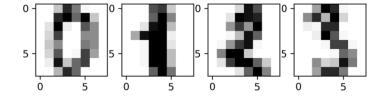


- t-SNE learns to embed data points into a lower-dimensional space such that the pairwise distances in the original space are preserved.
- t-SNE is a technique intended for visualization purposes as it requires the whole dataset for the projection.
- Since it projects the points directly (unlike PCA, it does not involve a projection matrix), we cannot apply t-SNE to new data points.

 We show a quick demonstration of how t-SNE can be applied to the 64-dimensional Digits dataset

```
>>> from sklearn.datasets import load_digits
>>> digits = load_digits()

>>> fig, ax = plt.subplots(1, 4)
>>> for i in range(4):
>>> ax[i].imshow(digits.images[i], cmap='Greys')
>>> plt.show()
```



>>> digits.data.shape
(1797, 64)

Digits are 8×8 grayscale images

```
>>> y_digits = digits.target
>>> X_digits = digits.data

>>> from sklearn.manifold import TSNE
>>> tsne = TSNE(n_components=2, init='pca',
... random_state=123)
>>> X_digits_tsne = tsne.fit_transform(X_digits)
```

```
>>> import matplotlib.patheffects as PathEffects
>>> def plot projection(x, colors):
       f = plt.figure(figsize=(8, 8))
        ax = plt.subplot(aspect='equal')
       for i in range(10):
            plt.scatter(x[colors == i, 0],
                        x[colors == i, 1])
       for i in range(10):
            xtext, ytext = np.median(x[colors == i, :], axis=0)
           txt = ax.text(xtext, ytext, str(i), fontsize=24)
           txt.set_path_effects([
                PathEffects.Stroke(linewidth=5, foreground="w"),
               PathEffects.Normal()])
```

```
>>> plot_projection(X_digits_tsne, y_digits)
>>> plt.show()
```

