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Instruction No. 01 and 02 | **Title: Assignment on PCA**
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Aim:

Apply the Principal Component Analysis for feature reduction on IRIS Dataset

Prerequisite:

Basic of Python, Data Mining Algorithm, Concept of Principal component analysis (PCA)

Theory:

Principal component analysis (PCA):

Principal Component Analysis is an unsupervised learning algorithm that is used for dimensionality reduction in machine learning. It is a statistical process that converts the observations of correlated features into a set of linearly uncorrelated features with the help of orthogonal transformation. These new transformed features are called the Principal Components. It is one of the popular tools that is used for exploratory data analysis and predictive modeling. It is a technique to draw strong patterns from the given dataset by reducing the variances.

PCA generally tries to find the lower-dimensional surface to project the high-dimensional data.

PCA works by considering the variance of each attribute because the high attribute shows the good split between the classes, and hence it reduces the dimensionality. Some real-world applications of PCA are image processing, movie recommendation systems, and optimizing the power allocation in various communication channels. It is a feature extraction technique, so it contains the important variables and drops the least important variable.

The PCA algorithm is based on some mathematical concepts such as:

- Variance and Covariance
- Eigenvalues and Eigen factors

Some common terms used in PCA algorithm:

- **Dimensionality:** It is the number of features or variables present in the given dataset. More easily, it is the number of columns present in the dataset.
- **Correlation:** It signifies how strongly two variables are related to each other. Such as if one changes, the other variable also gets changed. The correlation value ranges from -1 to +1. Here, -1 occurs if variables are inversely proportional to each other, and +1 indicates that variables are directly proportional to each other.
- **Orthogonal:** It defines that variables are not correlated to each other, and hence the correlation between the pair of variables is zero.
- **Eigenvectors:** If there is a square matrix M, and a nonzero vector v is given. Then v will be an eigenvector if Av is the scalar multiple of v.
- **Covariance Matrix:** A matrix containing the covariance between the pair of variables is called the Covariance Matrix.

Principal Components in PCA:

As described above, the transformed new features or the output of PCA are the Principal Components. The number of these PCs are either equal to or less than the original features present in the dataset. Some properties of these principal components are given below:

- The principal component must be the linear combination of the original features.
- These components are orthogonal, i.e., the correlation between a pair of variables is zero.
- The importance of each component decreases when going from 1 to n, it means the 1 PC has the most importance, and n PC will have the least importance.

Steps for PCA algorithm

1. **Getting   the   dataset**
   Firstly, we need to take the input dataset and divide it into two subparts X and Y, where X is the training set, and Y is the validation set.
2. **Representing   data   into   a   structure**
   Now we will represent our dataset into a structure. Such as we will represent the two-dimensional matrix of independent variable X. Here each row corresponds to the data items, and the column corresponds to the Features. The number of columns is the dimensions of the dataset.

3. **Standardizing the data**
   In this step, we will standardize our dataset. Such as in a particular column, the features with high variance are more important compared to the features with lower variance. If the importance of features is independent of the variance of the feature, then we will divide each data item in a column with the standard deviation of the column. Here we will name the matrix as Z.
4. **Calculating the Covariance of Z**
   To calculate the covariance of Z, we will take the matrix Z, and will transpose it. After transposing, we will multiply it by Z. The output matrix will be the Covariance matrix of Z.
5. **Calculating the EigenValues and EigenVectors**
   Now we need to calculate the eigenvalues and eigenvectors for the resultant covariance matrix Z. Eigenvectors or the covariance matrix are the directions of the axes with high information. And the coefficients of these eigenvectors are defined as the eigenvalues.
6. **Sorting the EigenVectors**
   In this step, we will take all the eigenvalues and will sort them in decreasing order, which means from largest to smallest. And simultaneously sort the eigenvectors accordingly in matrix P of eigenvalues. The resultant matrix will be named as P*.
7. **Calculating the new features Or Principal Components**
   Here we will calculate the new features. To do this, we will multiply the P* matrix to the Z. In the resultant matrix Z*, each observation is the linear combination of original features. Each column of the Z* matrices are independent of each other.
8. **Remove less or unimportant features from the new dataset.**
   The new feature set has occurred, so we will decide here what to keep and what to remove. It means, we will only keep the relevant or important features in the new dataset, and unimportant features will be removed.

Applications of Principal Component Analysis:

- PCA is mainly used as the dimensionality reduction technique in various AI applications such **as computer vision, image compression, etc.**
- It can also be used for finding hidden patterns if data has high dimensions. Some fields where PCA is used are Finance, data mining, Psychology, etc.

Step by Step PCA with Iris dataset

How does PCA work -

- Calculate the covariance matrix X of data points.
- Calculate eigenvectors and corresponding eigenvalues.
- Sort the eigenvectors according to their eigenvalues in decreasing order.
- Choose first k eigenvectors and that will be the new k dimensions.
- Transform the original n dimensional data points into k dimensions.

Implementing PCA on a 2-D Dataset

Step 1: Normalize the data

First step is to normalize the data that we have so that PCA works properly. This is done by subtracting the respective means from the numbers in the respective column. So if we have two dimensions X and Y, all X become □- and all Y become □-. This produces a dataset whose mean is zero.

Step 2: Calculate the covariance matrix

Since the dataset we took is 2-dimensional, this will result in a 2x2 Covariance matrix.

$$Matrix(Covariance) = \begin{bmatrix} Var[X_1] & Cov[X_1, X_2] \\ Cov[X_2, X_1] & Var[X_2] \end{bmatrix}$$

Please note that Var[X1] = Cov[X1,X1] and Var[X2] = Cov[X2,X2].

Step 3: Calculate the eigenvalues and eigenvectors

Next step is to calculate the eigenvalues and eigenvectors for the covariance matrix. The same is possible because it is a square matrix. λ is an eigenvalue for a matrix A if it is a solution of the characteristic equation:

$$det(\lambda I - A) = 0$$

Where, I is the identity matrix of the same dimension as A which is a required condition for the matrix subtraction as well in this case and 'det' is the determinant of the matrix. For each eigenvalue λ, a corresponding eigen-vector v, can be found by solving:

$$(\lambda I - A)v = 0$$

Step 4: Choosing components and forming a feature vector:

We order the eigenvalues from largest to smallest so that it gives us the components in order or significance. Here comes the dimensionality reduction part. If we have a dataset with n variables, then we have the corresponding n eigenvalues and eigenvectors. It turns out that the eigenvector corresponding to the highest eigenvalue is the principal component of the dataset and it is our call as to how many eigenvalues we choose to proceed our analysis with. To reduce the dimensions, we choose the first p eigenvalues and ignore the rest. We do lose out some information in the process, but if the eigenvalues are small, we do not lose much.

Output:

Plot the training points
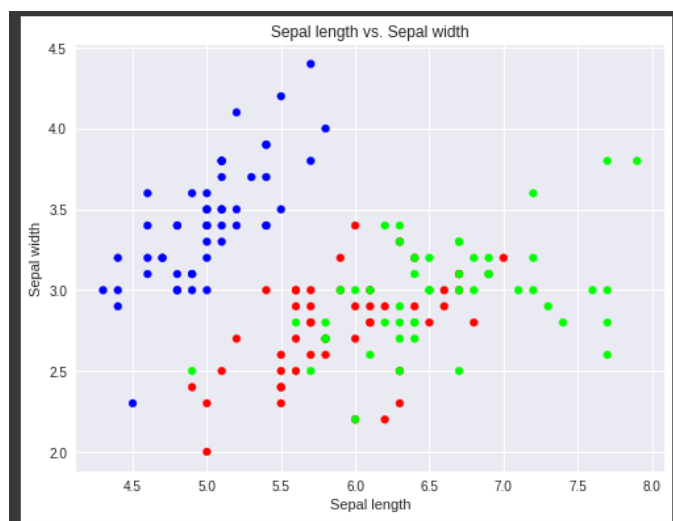
Standardize the Data

	sepal.length	sepal.width	petal.length	petal.width
0	-0.900681	1.019004	-1.340227	-1.315444
1	-1.143017	-0.131979	-1.340227	-1.315444
2	-1.385353	0.328414	-1.397064	-1.315444
3	-1.506521	0.098217	-1.283389	-1.315444
4	-1.021849	1.249201	-1.340227	-1.315444

PCA projection in 2D

	principal component 1	principal component 2
0	-2.264703	0.480027
1	-2.080961	-0.674134
2	-2.364229	-0.341908
3	-2.299384	-0.597395
4	-2.389842	0.646835

Visualize 2D Projection
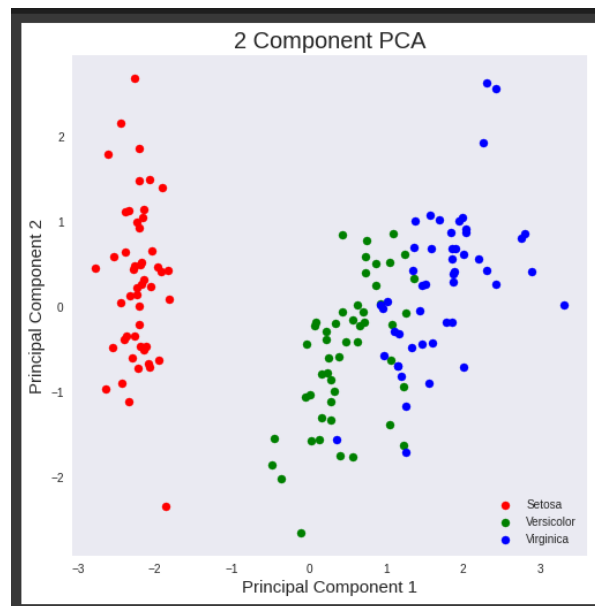
Conclusion:

Thus, students can understand & implement principal component analysis for feature reduction on IRIS Dataset successfully.

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