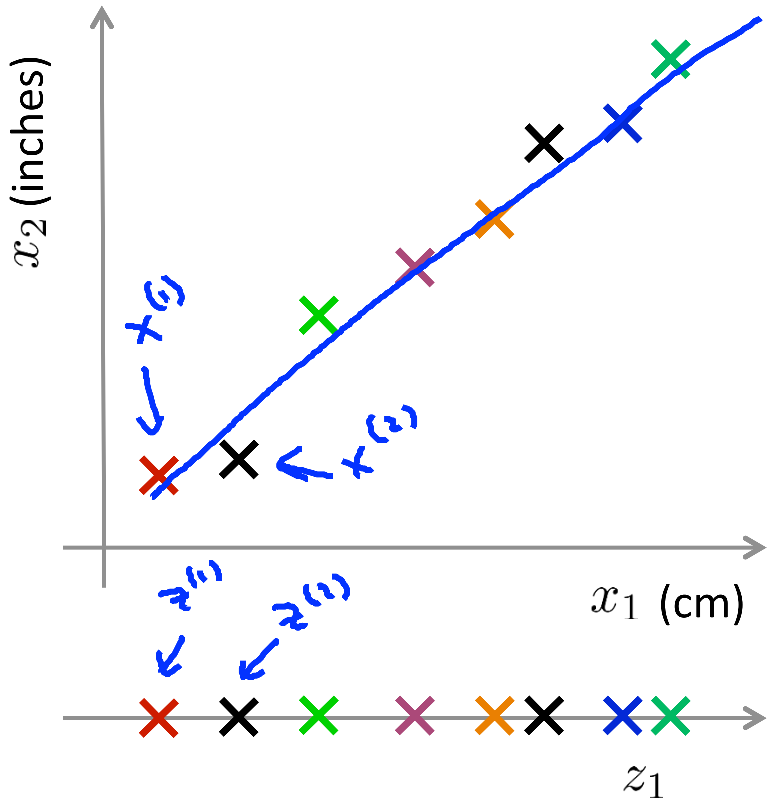
Dimensionality Reduction

Motivation I: Data Compression

Data Compression



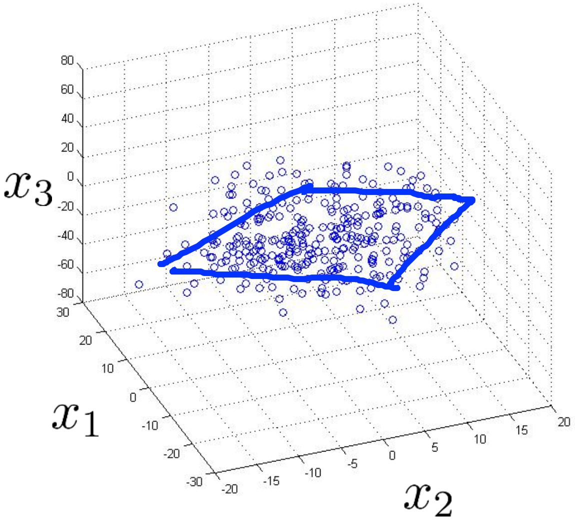
Reduce data from 2D to 1D

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

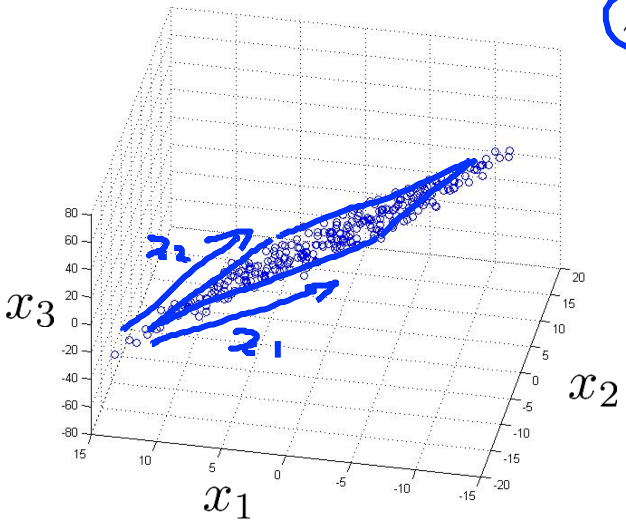
Data Compression

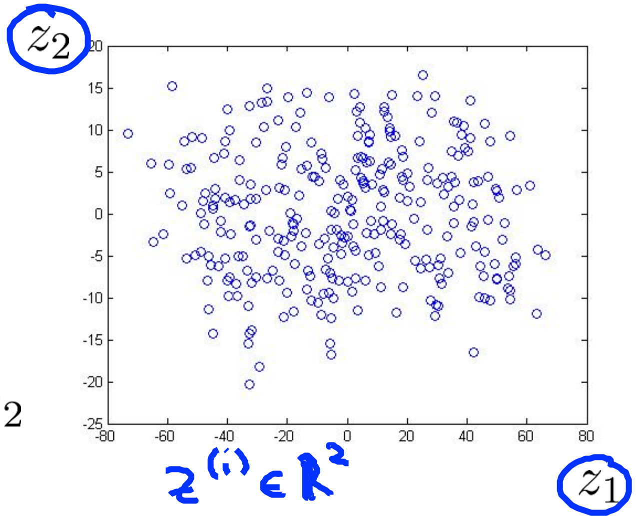
$1000D \rightarrow 100D$

Reduce data from 3D to 2D



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





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

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

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Motivation II: Data Visualization

Data Visualization

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

Country	x_1 GDP (trillions of US$)	x_2 Per capita GDP (thousands of intl. $)	x_3 Human Develop-ment Index	x_4 Life expectancy	x_5 Poverty Index (Gini as percentage)	x_6 Mean household income (thousands of US$)	…
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	…
…	…	…	…	…	…	…	

[resources from en.wikipedia.org]

Data Visualization

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
…	…	…

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

Reduce data from 50D to 2D

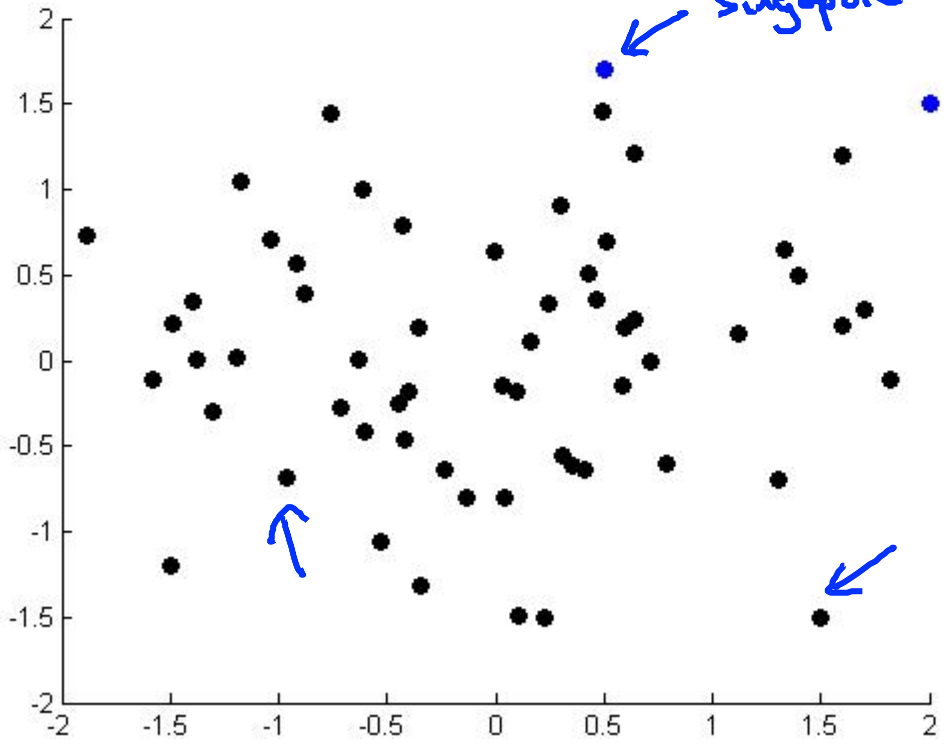
Data Visualization

Singapore

USA

per. person GDP (economic activity)

z_2



z_1

Country size / GDP

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

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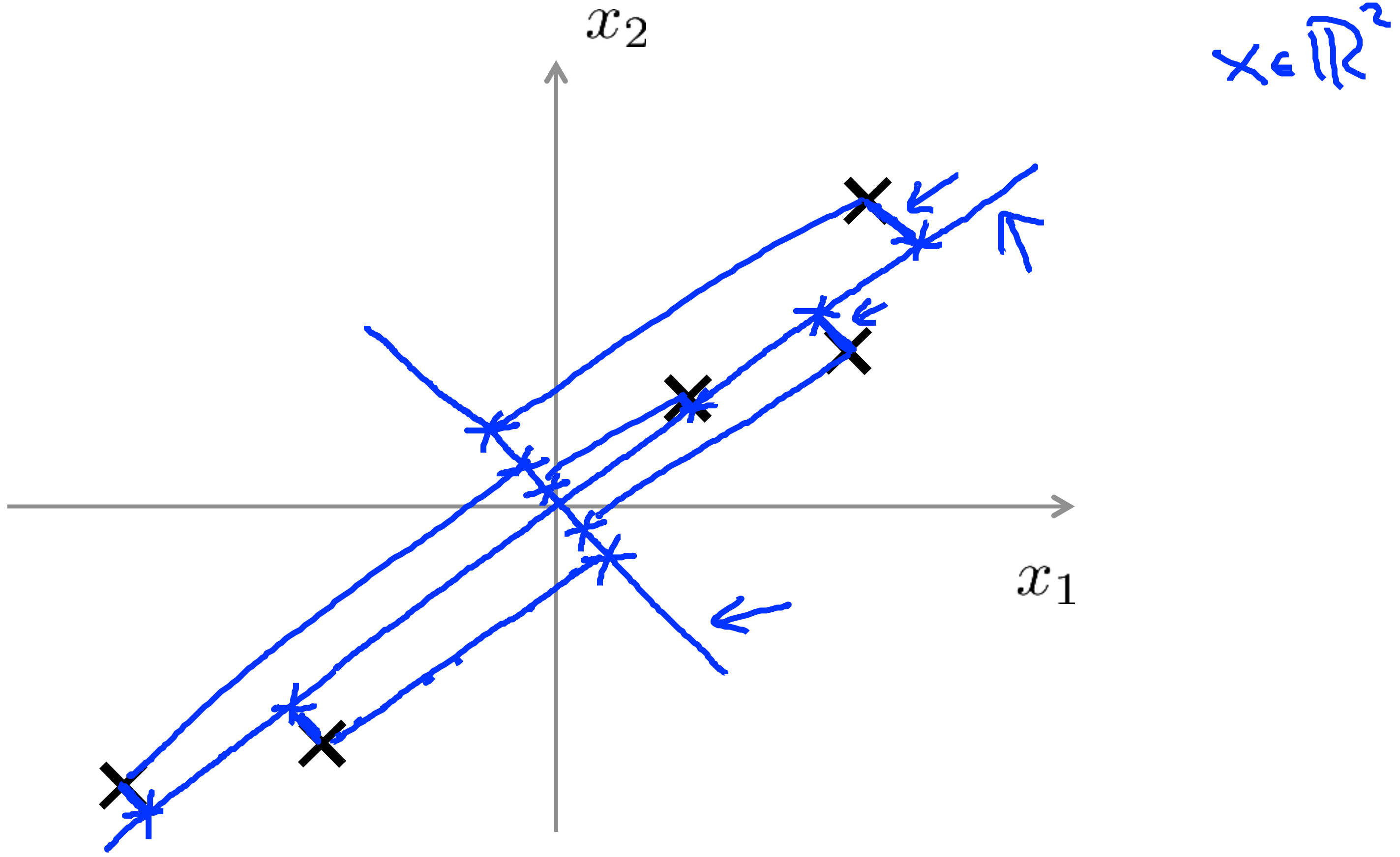
Principal Component Analysis problem formulation

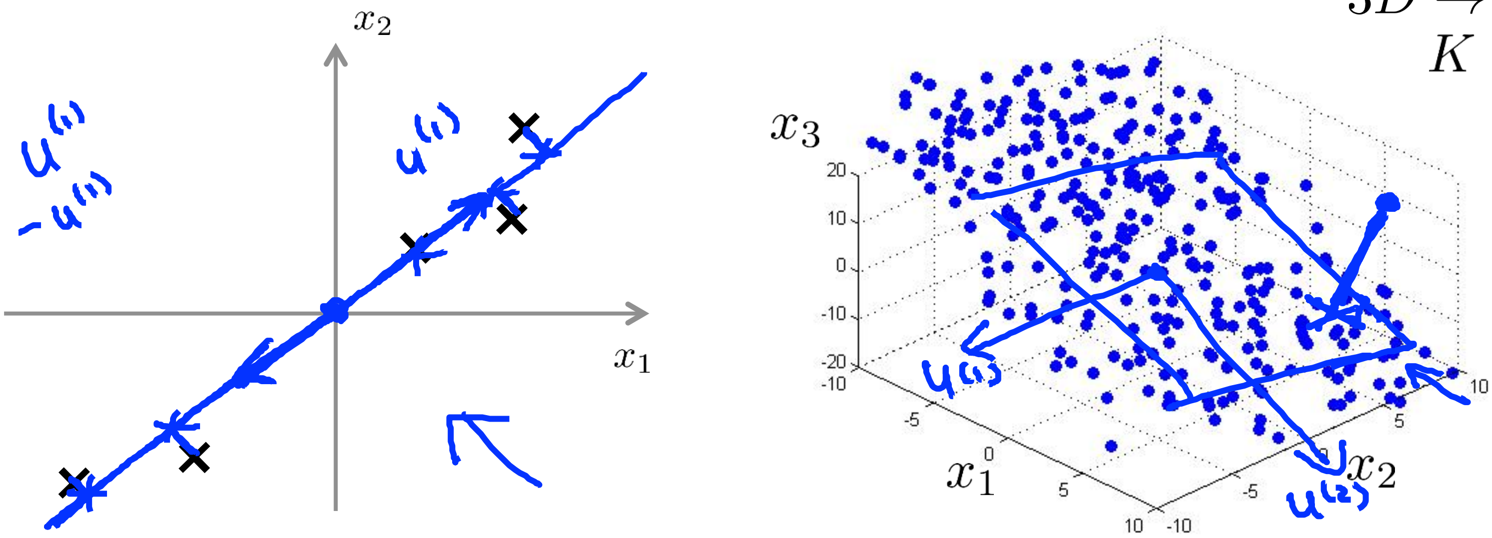
Principal Component Analysis (PCA) problem formulation



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 $u^{(1)}, u^{(2)}, \ldots, u^{(k)}$ onto which to project the data, so as to minimize the projection error.

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Principal Component Analysis algorithm

Data preprocessing

Training set: $x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \ldots, x^{(m)}$ ←

Preprocessing (feature scaling/mean normalization):

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

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.

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

Principal Component Analysis (PCA) algorithm

Reduce data from n-dimensions to k-dimensions

Compute "covariance matrix":

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

$n\times n$

Sigma

Compute "eigenvectors" of matrix Σ :

→ Singular value decomposition

eig(Sigma)

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[U,S,V] = svd(Sigma);
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$n\times n$ matrix.

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

k

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

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

Principal Component Analysis (PCA) algorithm

From `[U,S,V] = svd(Sigma)`, we get:

$$U = \left[\begin{array}{cccc} | & | & & | \\ u^{(1)} & u^{(2)} & \ldots & u^{(n)} \\ | & | & & | \end{array}\right] \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

k

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

$$z^{(i)} = \underbrace{\left[\begin{array}{cccc} | & | & & | \\ u^{(1)} & u^{(2)} & \ldots & u^{(k)} \\ | & | & & | \end{array}\right]}_{\substack{n \times k \\ U_{reduce}}}^{T} x^{(i)} = \underbrace{\underbrace{\left[\begin{array}{c} \text{---} (u^{(1)})^T \text{---} \\ \vdots \\ \text{---} (u^{(k)})^T \text{---} \end{array}\right]}_{k \times n} \underbrace{x^{(i)}}_{n \times 1}}_{k \times 1}$$

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

Principal Component Analysis (PCA) algorithm summary

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

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

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} — & x^{(1)T} & — \\ & \vdots & \\ — & x^{(m)T} & — \end{bmatrix}$$

$\boxed{\text{Sigma} = (1/m) * X' * X;}$

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[U,S,V] = svd(Sigma);
Ureduce = U(:,1:k);
z = Ureduce'*x;
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$x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ $\quad$ $\cancel{x_0 = 1}$

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Reconstruction from compressed representation

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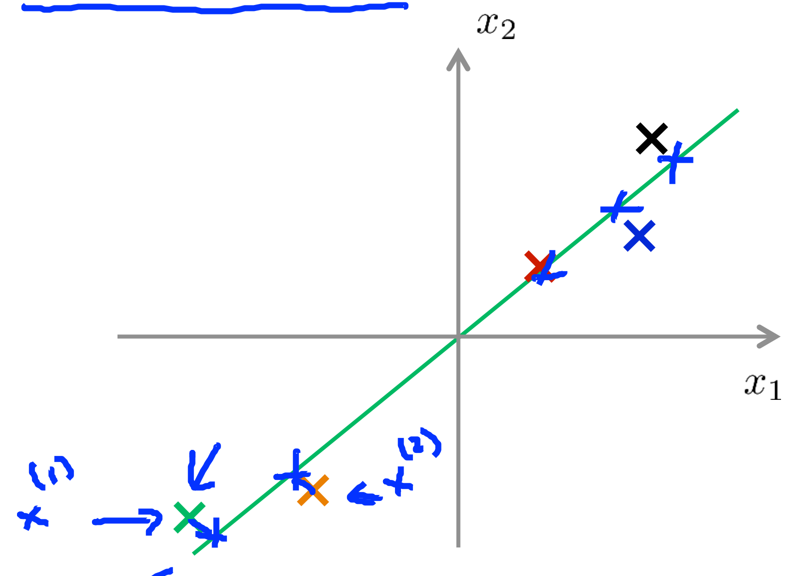
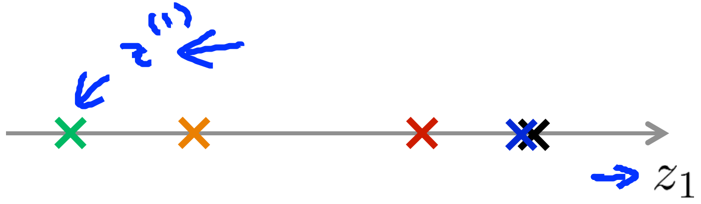
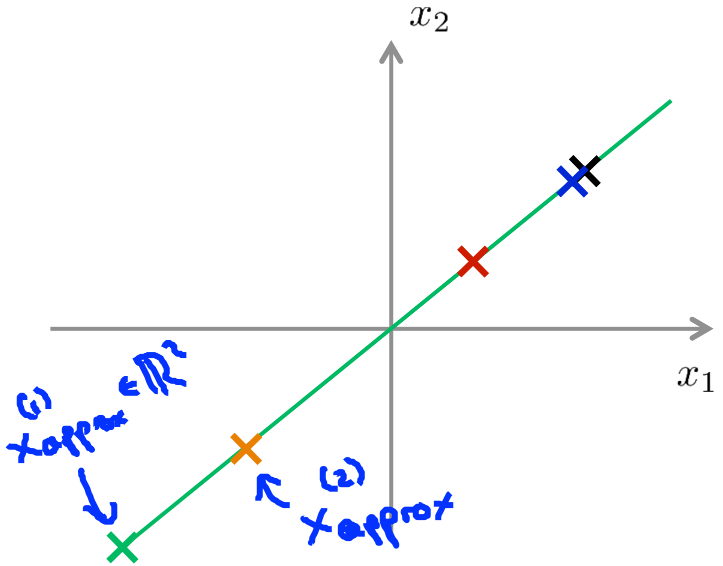


$$z = U_{reduce}^T x$$





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

$\tilde{x}$

$$\underbrace{x_{approx}^{(1)}}_{\mathbb{R}^n} = \underbrace{\underbrace{U_{reduce}}_{n \times k} \cdot \underbrace{z^{(1)}}_{k \times 1}}_{n \times 1}$$

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Choosing the number of principal components

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

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

$\cancel{0.05}$ $\cancel{5\%}$

0.10 (10%)

"~~99%~~ of variance is retained"

~~95%~~ 90%

Choosing k (number of principal components)

Algorithm:

Try PCA with $k = 1$

Compute $U_{reduce}, z^{(1)}, z^{(2)}, \ldots, z^{(m)}, x^{(1)}_{approx}, \ldots, x^{(m)}_{approx}$

Check if

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

```
[U, S, V] = svd(Sigma)
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$$S = \begin{bmatrix} S_{11} & & & & 0 \\ & S_{22} & & & \\ & & S_{33} & & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ 0 & & & & S_{nn} \end{bmatrix}$$

$k=3$

For given k

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

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

Choosing k (number of principal components) `[U,S,V] = svd(Sigma)`

Pick smallest value of k for which

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

k=100

(99% of variance retained)

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Advice for applying PCA

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 $\underline{z^{(i)}}$ instead of $\underline{x^{(i)}}$ to reduce the number of features to $\underline{k} < \underline{n}$. 10000

1000

Thus, fewer features, less likely to overfit.

Bad!

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

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

PCA is sometimes used where it shouldn't be

Design of ML system:

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

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 $\boxed{x^{(i)}}$. Only if that doesn't do what you want, then implement PCA and consider using $\underline{z^{(i)}}$.