

# Brief Article

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ICF for Face recognition

Assumption on basis (Bias of Maximum Likelihood Estimation)

The MLE of the variance  $\sigma^2$  is biased

$$\xi[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2] = \frac{n-1}{n} \sigma^2 \neq \sigma^2 \quad (1)$$

Considering the univariate case, let  $\mu$  and  $\sigma^2$  be the mean and variance of the Gaussian

$$\sigma_n^2 = \Xi[\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2] \quad (2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{n-1} \Xi[\sum_{i=1}^n \{(x_i - \mu) - (\hat{\mu} - \mu)\}^2] \quad (3)$$

$$\frac{1}{n-1} \Xi[\sum_{i=1}^n \{(x_i - \mu) - 2(x_i - \mu)(\hat{\mu} - \mu) + (\bar{\mu} - \mu)^2\}] \quad (4)$$

$$\frac{1}{n-1} [\sum_{i=1}^n \{\Xi(x_i - \mu) - 2\xi(x_i - \mu)(\hat{\mu} - \mu) + \Xi(\bar{\mu} - \mu)^2\}] \quad (5)$$

$$\frac{1}{n-1} [\sum_{i=1}^n \{\Xi(x_i - \mu) - 2\xi(x_i - \mu)(\hat{\mu} - \mu) + \Xi(\bar{\mu} - \mu)^2\}] \quad (6)$$

$$(7)$$

$$\Xi[(x_i - \mu)(\hat{\mu} - \mu)] \quad (8)$$

The MLE derivation is different. The unbiased estimator for  $\Sigma$  is given by equation 3-21 (page 90). Where  $C$  is the sample covariance matrix and  $\hat{\Sigma}$  which equals:

$$\hat{\Sigma} = \frac{n-1}{n} C$$

Asymptotically unbiased (page 90)

PCA issue from hand out document