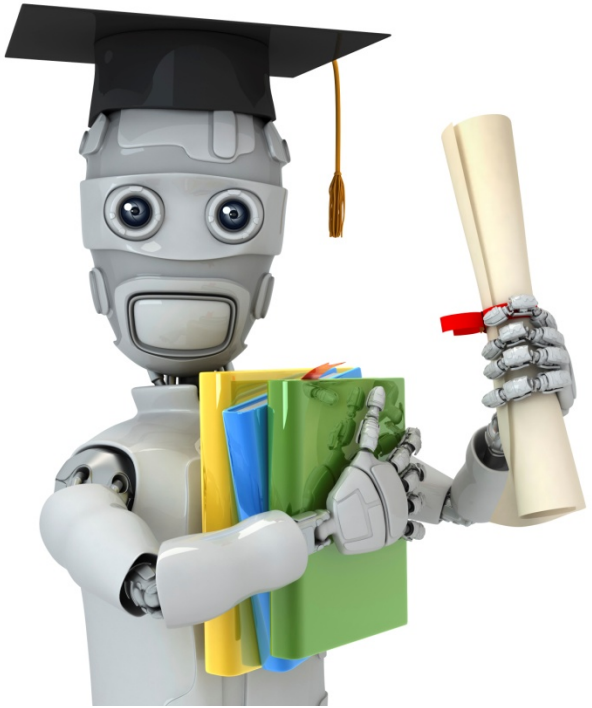

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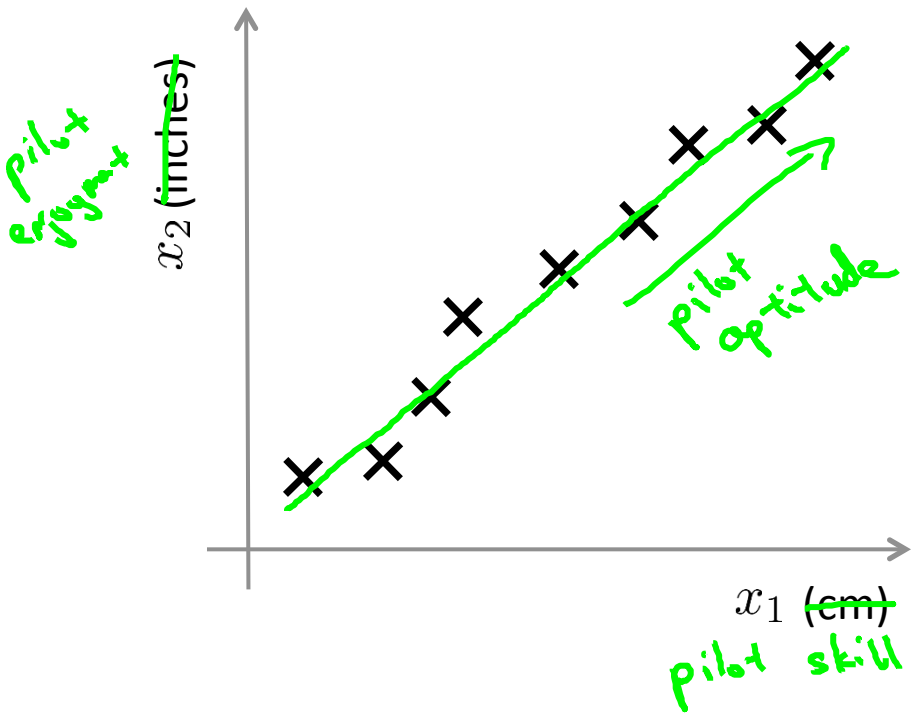
Dimensionality Reduction

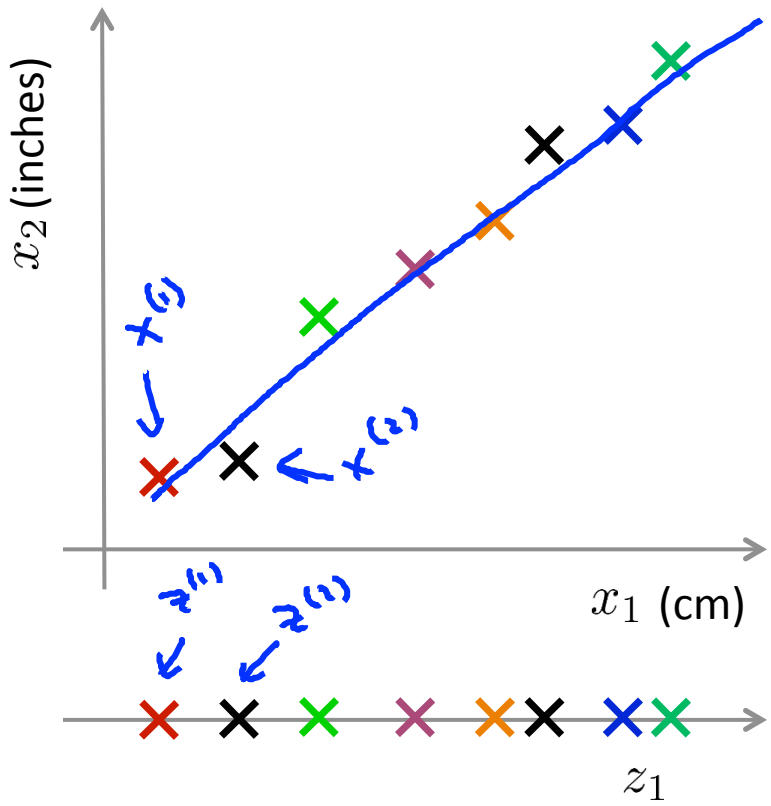
Motivation I: Data Compression

Data Compression



Reduce data from 2D to 1D

Data Compression



Reduce data from 2D to 1D

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

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

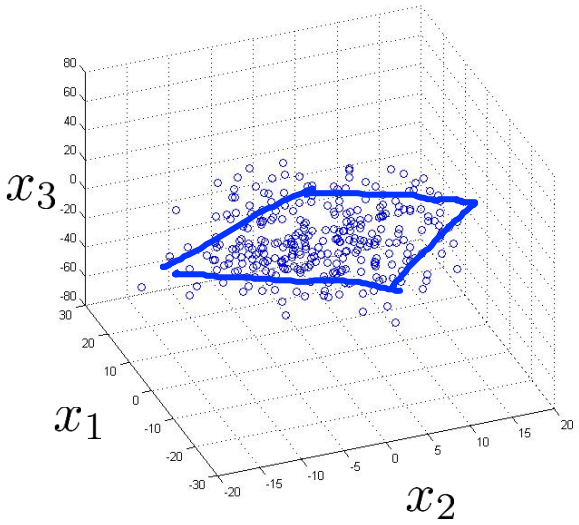
$$\vdots$$

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

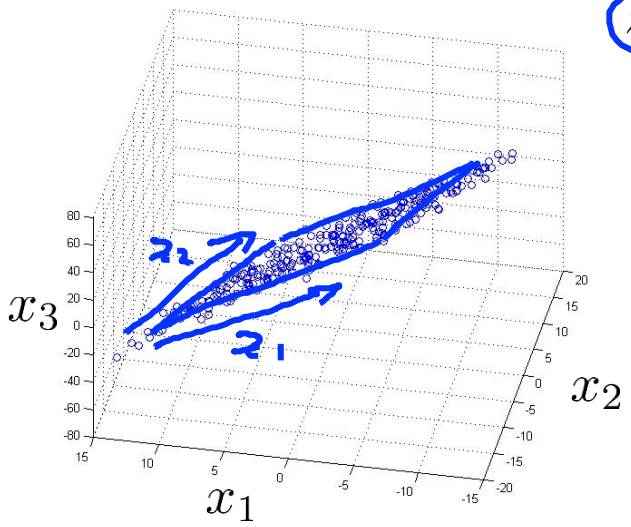
Data Compression

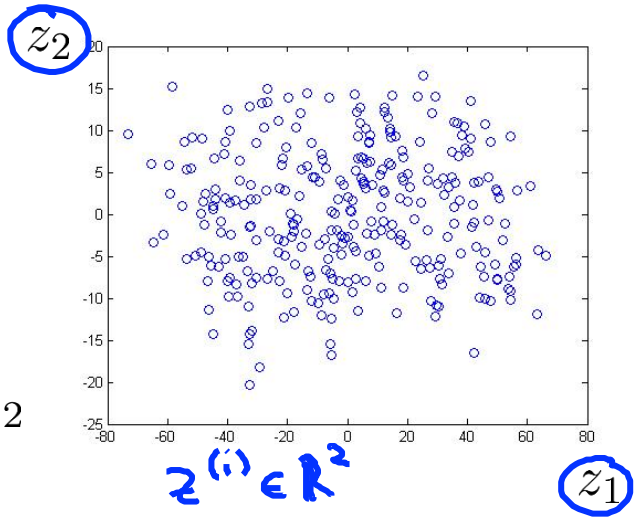
1000D → 100D

Reduce data from 3D to 2D



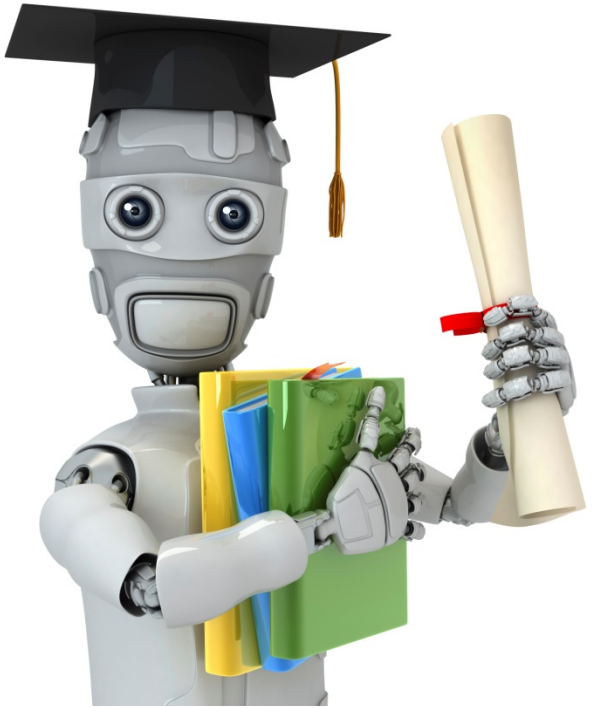
$x^{(i)} \in \mathbb{R}^3$





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

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



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Dimensionality Reduction

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]

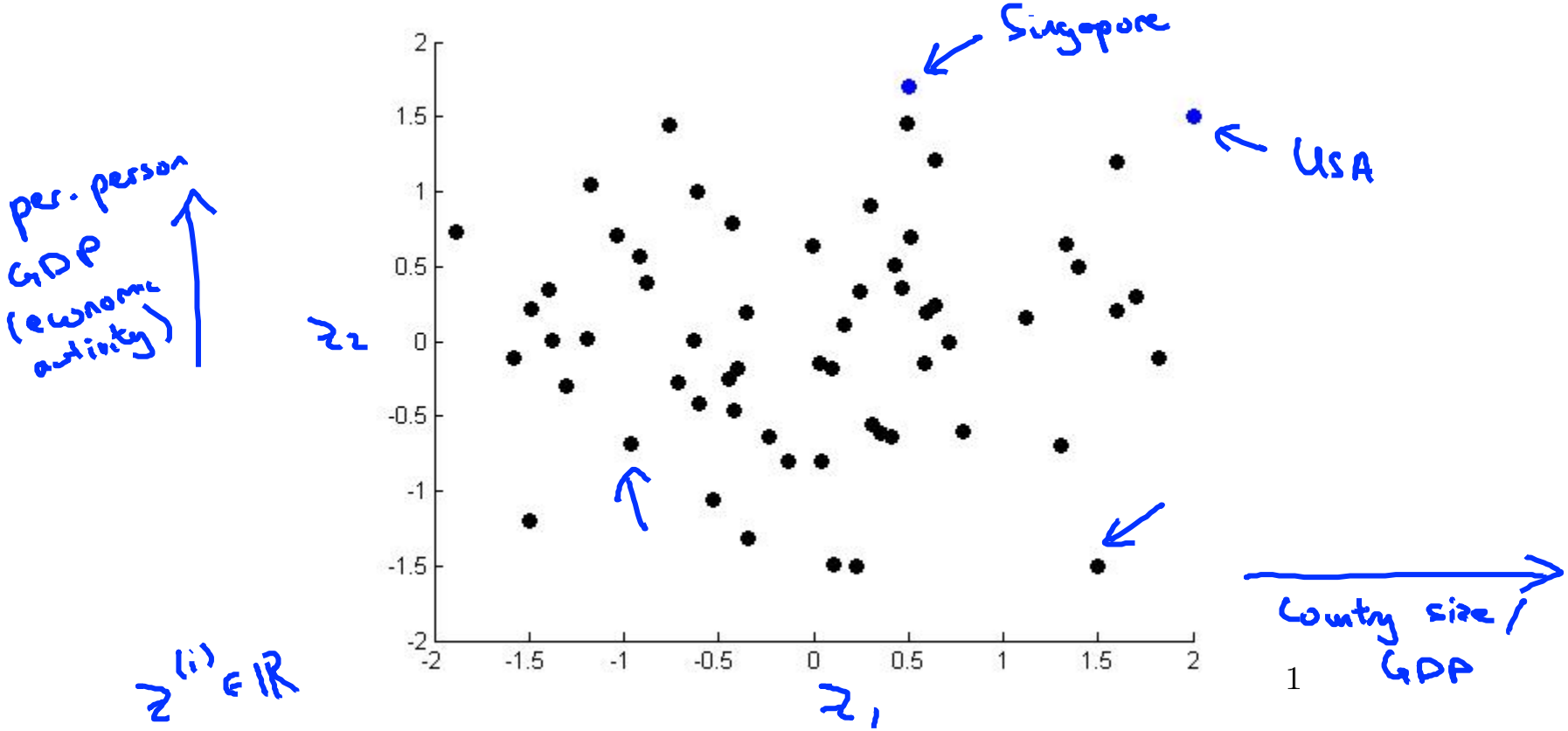
Data Visualization

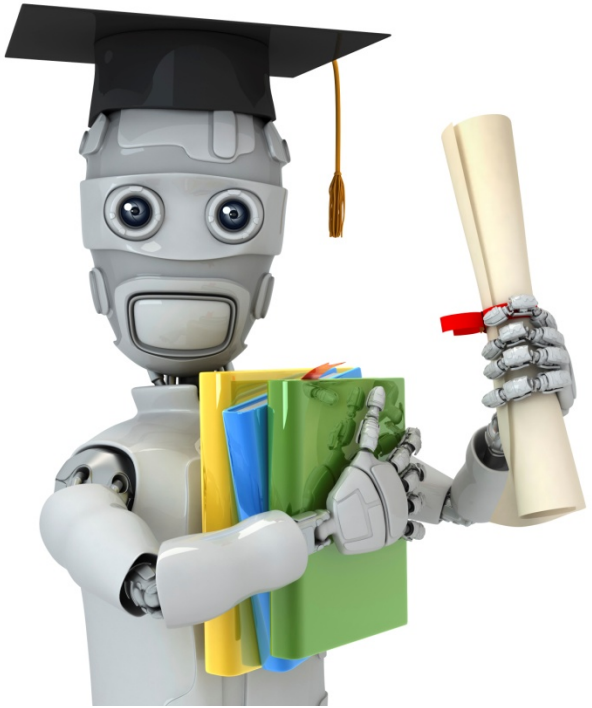
Country	z_1	z_2
Canada	1.6	1.2
China	1.7	0.3
India	1.6	0.2
Russia	1.4	0.5
Singapore	0.5	1.7
USA	2	1.5
…	…	…

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

Reduce data from 50D to 2D

Data Visualization



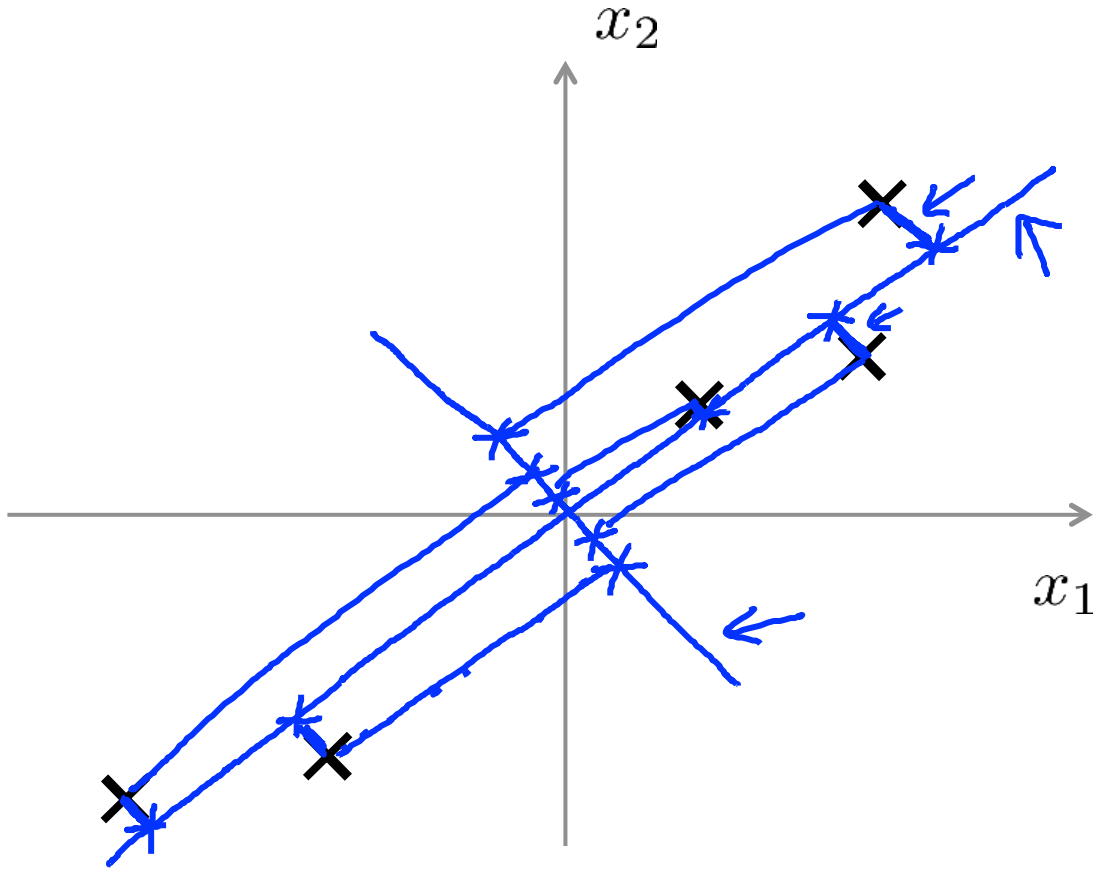


Machine Learning

Dimensionality Reduction

Principal Component Analysis problem formulation

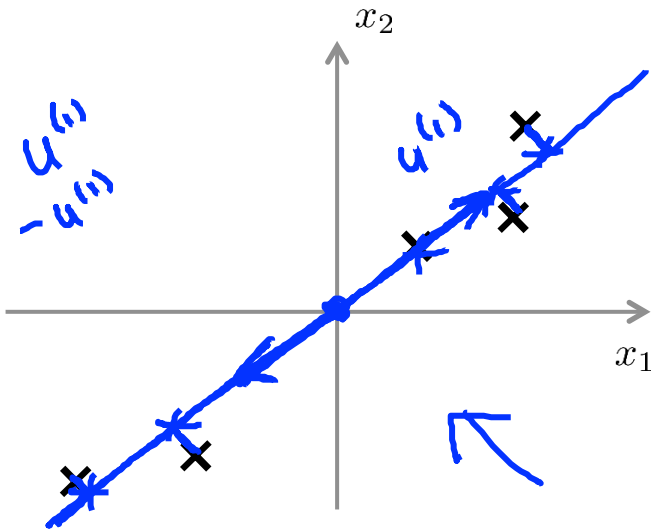
Principal Component Analysis (PCA) problem formulation

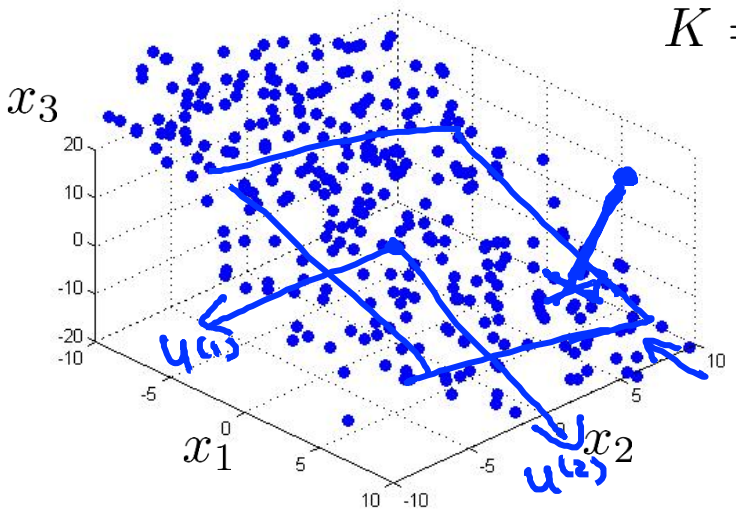


$x \in \mathbb{R}^2$

Principal Component Analysis (PCA) problem formulation

$3D \rightarrow 2D$
$K = 2$

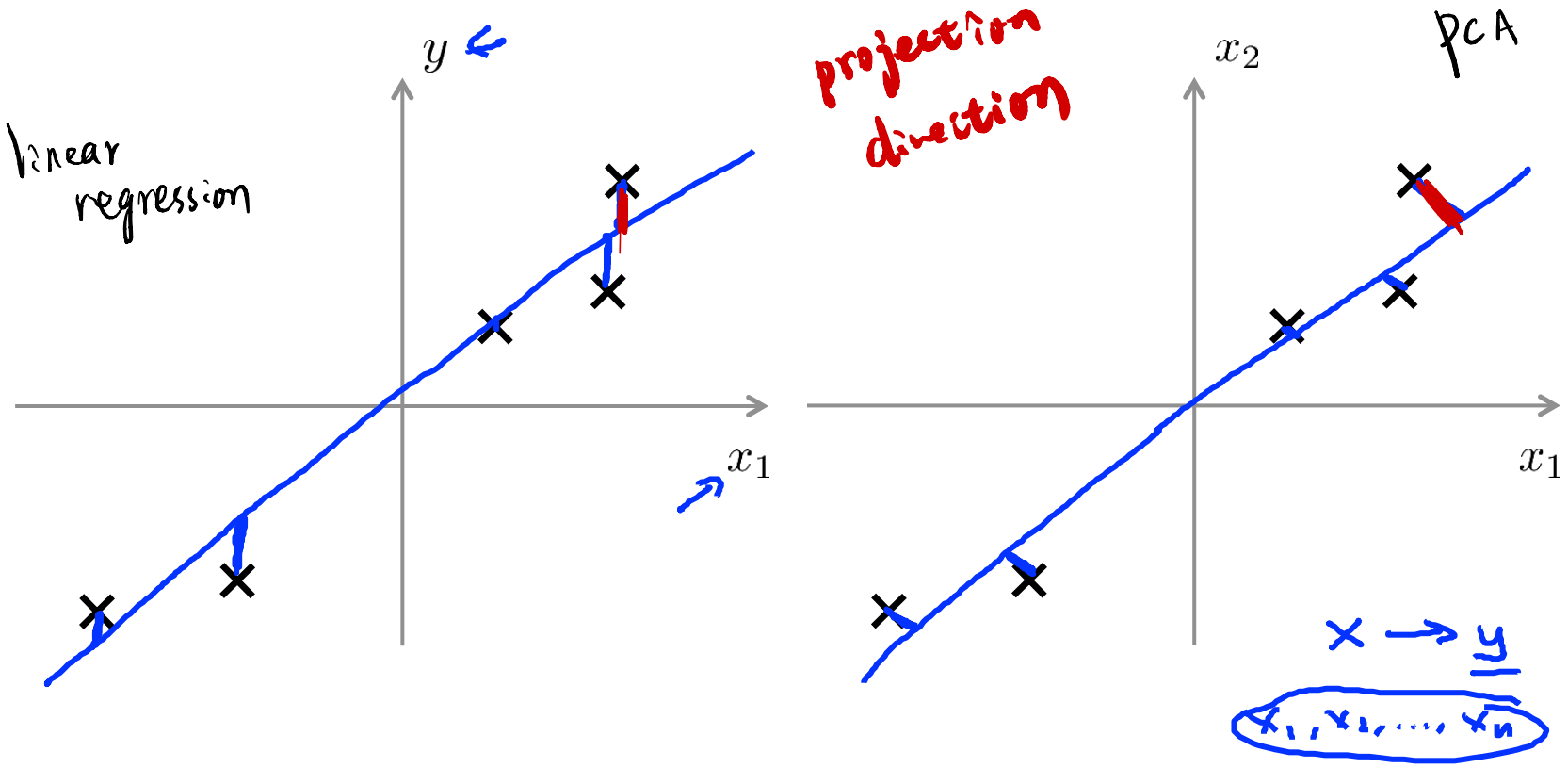




Reduce from 2-dimension to 1-dimension: Find a direction (a vector $u^{(1)} \in \mathbb{R}^n$) onto which to project the data so as to minimize the projection error.

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

PCA is not linear regression



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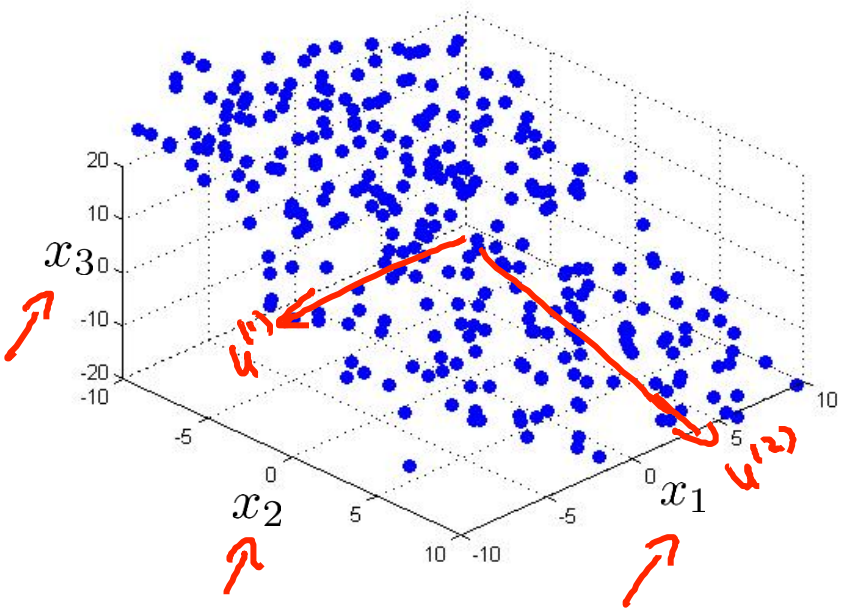
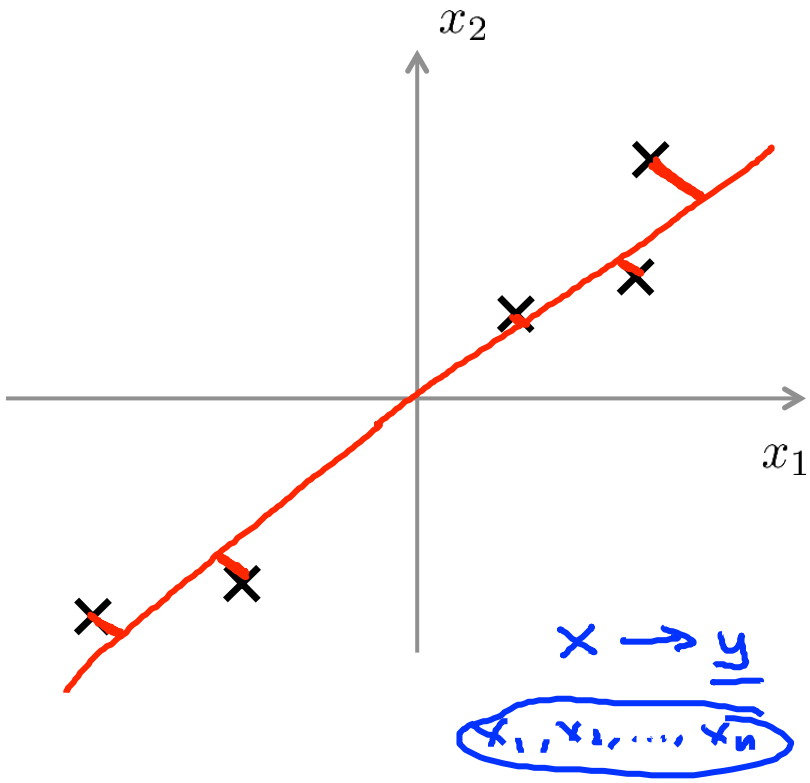
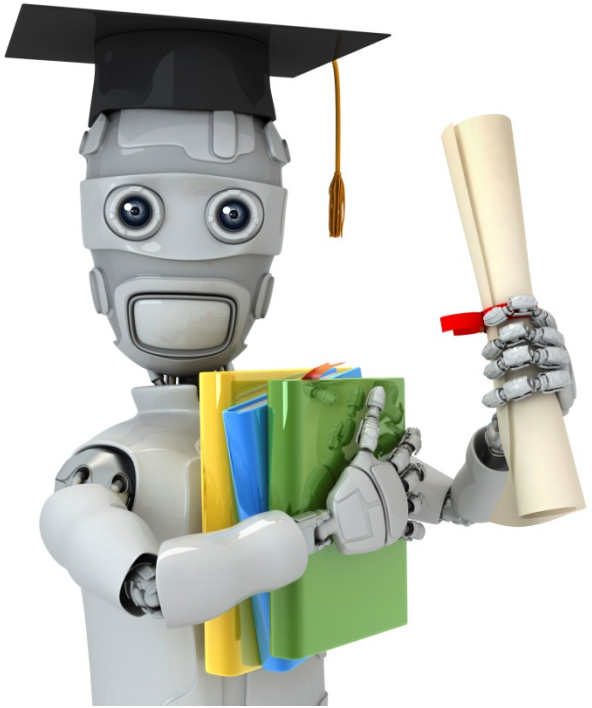






Machine Learning

Dimensionality Reduction

Principal Component Analysis algorithm

Data preprocessing

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

Preprocessing (feature scaling/mean normalization):

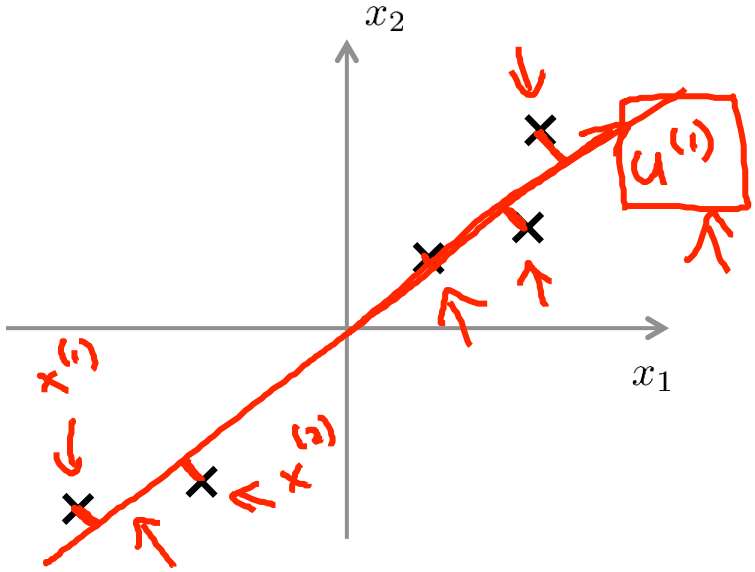
$$\mu_j = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} x_j^{(i)}$$

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

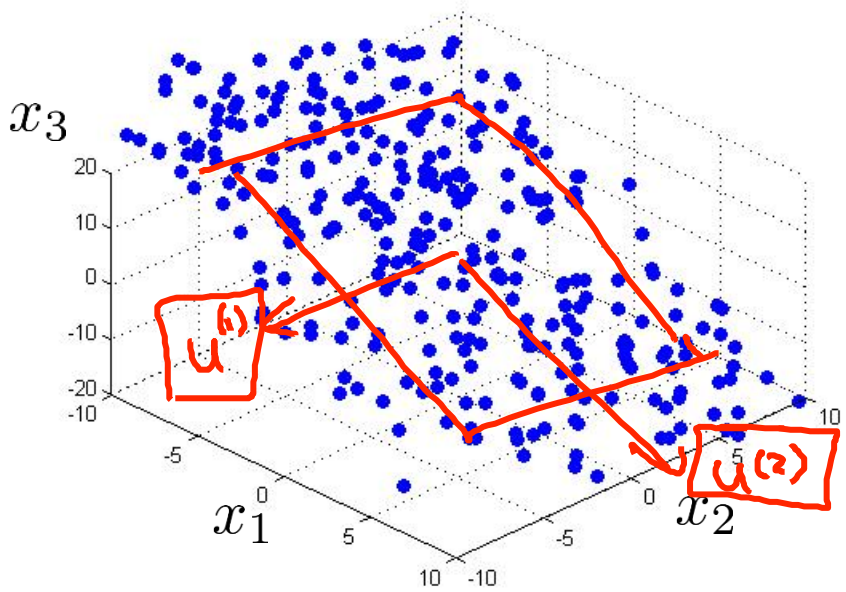
If different features on different scales (e.g., $x_1 =$ size of house, $x_2 =$ number of bedrooms), scale features to have comparable range of values.

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

Principal Component Analysis (PCA) algorithm



Reduce data from 2D to 1D



Reduce data from 3D to 2D

Principal Component Analysis (PCA) algorithm

Reduce data from n-dimensions to k-dimensions

Compute "covariance matrix":

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

Sigma

$n \times 1$ $\quad$ $1 \times n$ $\quad$ $n \times n$

Compute "eigenvectors" of matrix Σ:

```
[U,S,V] = svd(Sigma);
```

n×n matrix

→ Singular value decomposition

eig (Sigma)

svd (Sigma)

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

k

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

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

Principal Component Analysis (PCA) algorithm

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

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

k

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

$$z^{(i)} = \begin{bmatrix} | & | & & | \\ u^{(1)} & u^{(2)} & \cdots & u^{(k)} \\ | & | & & | \end{bmatrix}^T x^{(i)} = \begin{bmatrix} — (u^{(1)})^T — \\ \vdots \\ — (u^{(k)})^T — \end{bmatrix} x^{(i)}$$

$z \in \mathbb{R}^k$; $n \times k$; $k \times n$; $n \times 1$; $k \times 1$

Ureduce

Principal Component Analysis (PCA) algorithm summary

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

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

```
[U,S,V] = svd(Sigma);
Ureduce = U(:,1:k);
z = Ureduce'*x;
```

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

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Sigma = (1/m)* X' * X;
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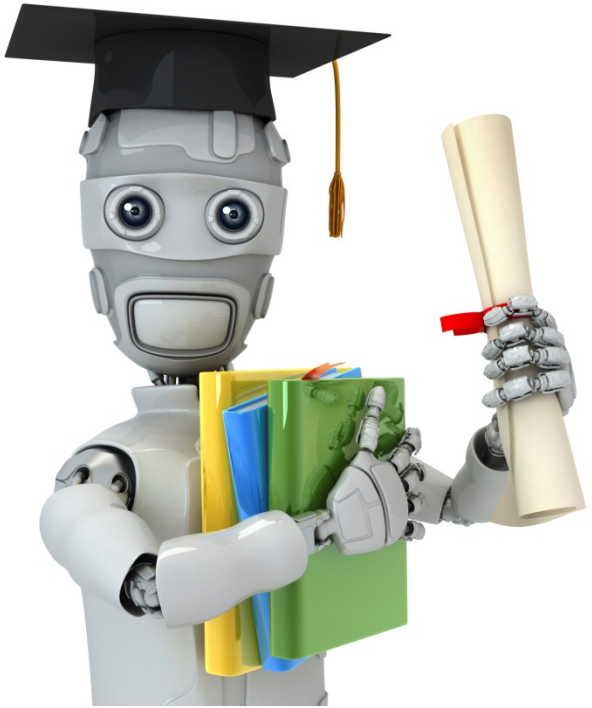
$x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ $\quad x_0 = 1$



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Dimensionality Reduction

Reconstruction from compressed representation

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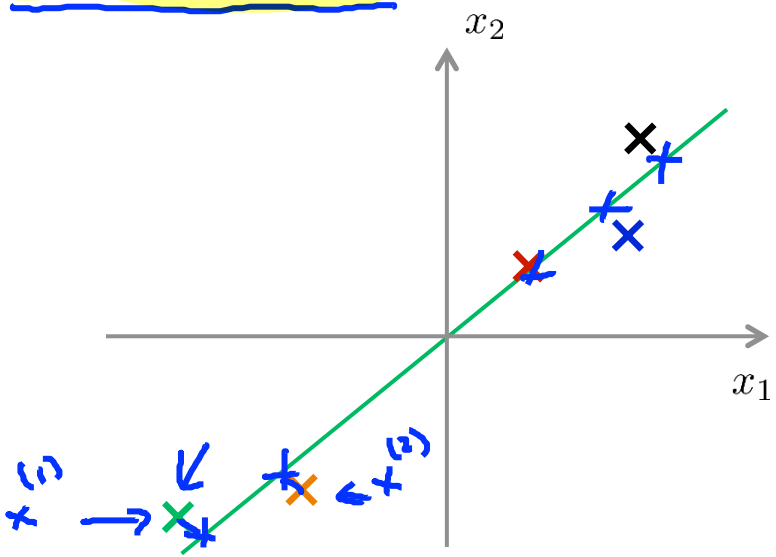
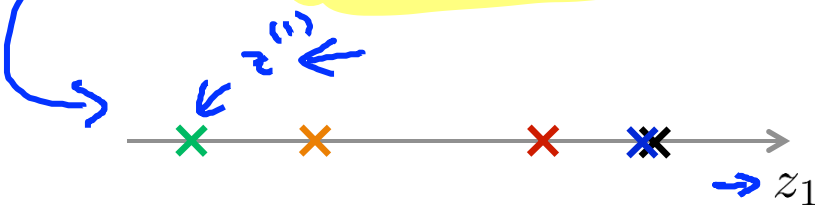
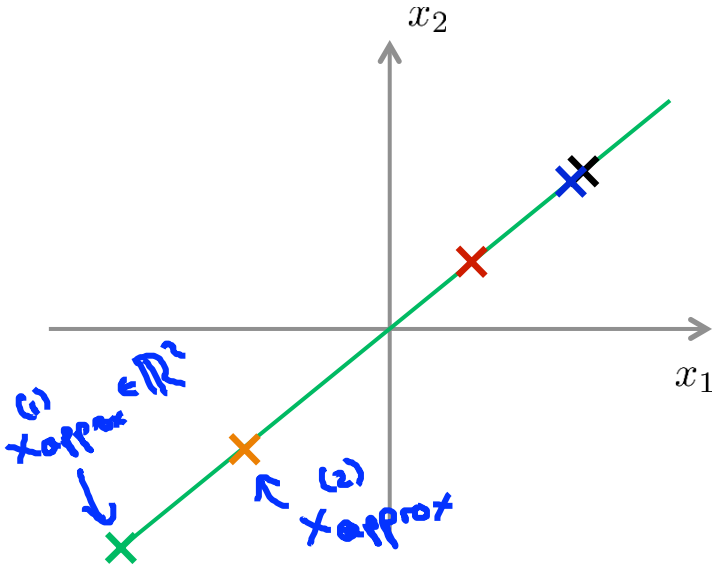


$$z = U_{reduce}^T x$$



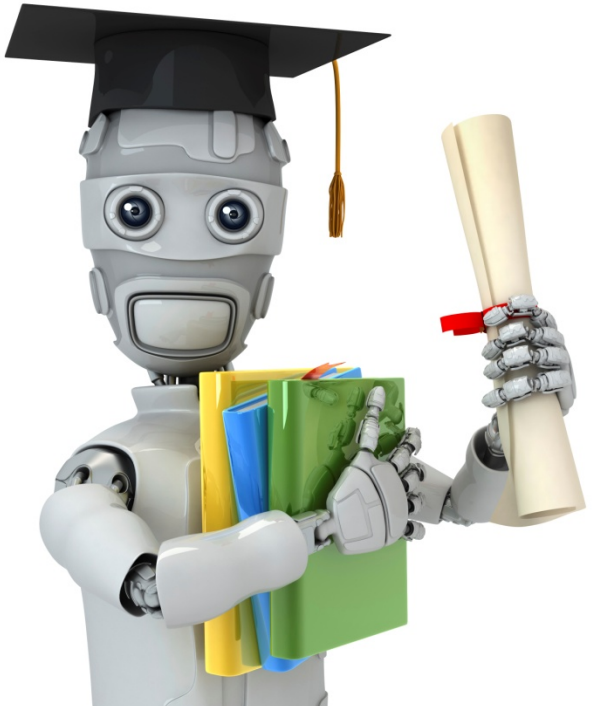


$z \in \mathbb{R} \rightarrow x \in \mathbb{R}^2$

$x_{approx}^{(1)} = U_{reduce} \cdot z^{(1)}$

$\approx x$

$\mathbb{R}^n$ $\quad n \times k$ $\quad k \times 1$ $\quad n \times 1$



Machine Learning

Dimensionality Reduction

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

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

0.05 0.10 5% (10%)

"99% of variance is retained"

95% 90%

Choosing k (number of principal components)

Algorithm:

Try PCA with $k = 1$

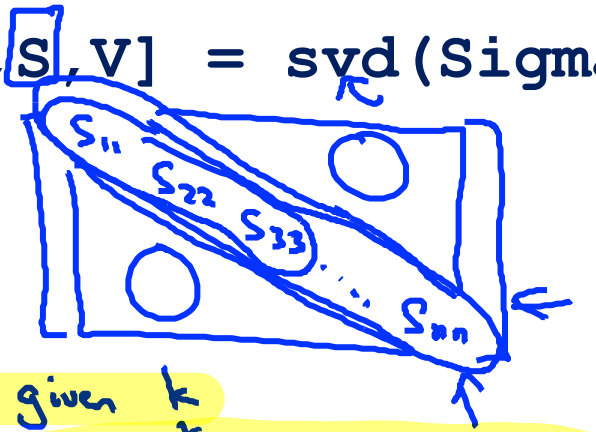
Compute $U_{reduce}, z^{(1)}, z^{(2)}, \ldots, z^{(m)}, x^{(1)}_{approx}, \ldots, x^{(m)}_{approx}$

Check if

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

$k = 17$

[U, S, V] = svd(Sigma)



For given k

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

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

Choosing k (number of principal components)

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[U,S,V] = svd(Sigma)
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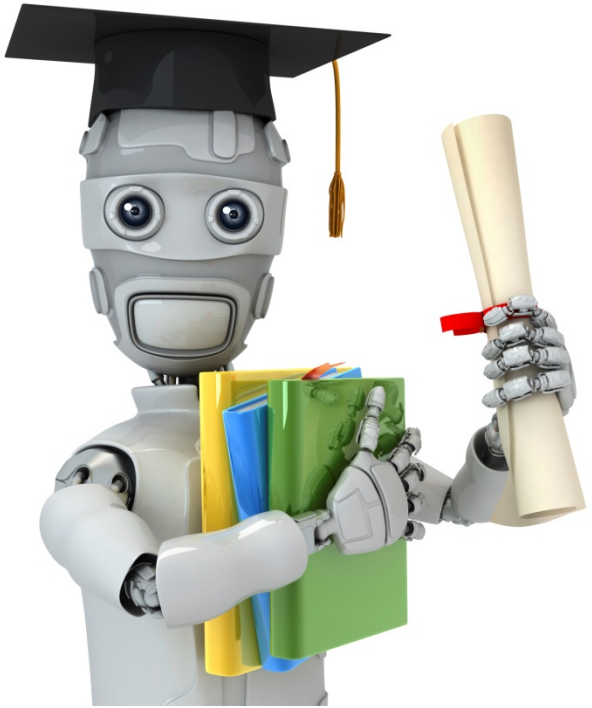
Pick smallest value of k for which

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

k=100

(99% of variance retained)



Machine Learning

Dimensionality Reduction

Advice for applying PCA

Supervised learning speedup

$(x^{(1)}, y^{(1)}), (x^{(2)}, y^{(2)}), \ldots, (x^{(m)}, y^{(m)})$

Extract inputs:

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

$\downarrow PCA$

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

New training set:

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

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 $x^{(i)}_{cv}$ and $x^{(i)}_{test}$ in the 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 $k < n$.

Thus, fewer features, less likely to overfit.

Bad!

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

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

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