# Dynamic Mode Decomposition

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#### Abstract

Dynamic Mode Decomposition (DMD) is applied to a video of a skier and race car track to extract the background of the image from the moving objects. The foreground and background are extracted based on assumptions of the DMD's approximate low-rank reconstruction. The resulting background and foreground are demonstrated.

#### 1 Introduction and Overview

Dynamic Mode Decomposition (DMD) method is used on video clips that contain a foreground and background option. These are separated for a video stream. By assuming that the background video is in the DMD's approximate low-rank reconstruction, this can be subtracted from the original frames to identify the DMD's approximate sparse reconstruction. The resulting foreground and background objects are presented.

The theoretical background on DMD are provided in Section 2. The algorithm implementation and development to resolve the principle components are presented in Section 3. The computational results for the two videos are shown in Section 4. A conclusions are summarized in Section 5. Details about the MATLAB functions and the function written for this project are in Appendix A and the MATLAB code to run the analysis is in Appendix B.

## 2 Theoretical Background

Dynamic Mode Decomposition (DMD) can be used when validation of model equations is not possible or the governing equations are not known. DMD is a data-based algorithm that uses the low-dimensionality of experimental data and does not require governing equations, but instead relies on snapshots of measurements to predict and control the governing equations and dimensionality (Kutz, 2013). The DMD method decomposes experimental data into a set of dynamic modes based on snapshots of the data in time.

DMD requires that there is N spatial points saved per time snapshot, M number of snapshots taken, and regularly spaced intervals of the data collection in time (i.e.,  $t_{m+1} = t_m + \Delta t$ , where  $t_1$  is the start,  $t_m$  is the end, and  $\Delta t$  is the collection rate). The data is reshaped to an  $N \times M$  matrix with a constant time interval:

$$\mathbf{X}_{j}^{k} = [U(\mathbf{x}, t_1)U(\mathbf{x}, t_2)...U(\mathbf{x}, tM)]$$
(1)

The Koopman operator is a linear, infinite-dimensional operator that represented nonlinear, infinite-dimensional dynamics without linearization. These operator modes are approximated by

the DMD method, such that the eigenvalues and eigenvectors from low-dimensional modes of a linear model can approximate the dynamics, even if the dynamics is nonlinear. The Koopman operator  $\mathbf{A}$ , a linear time-independent operator, is defined such that

$$\mathbf{x}_{i+1} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}_i \tag{2}$$

where j indicates the time,  $\mathbf{A}$  is the nonlinear operator, and  $\mathbf{x}_j$  is an N-dimensional vector of the data at j times. A matrix  $\mathbf{X}_1^{M-1}$  is constructed to best represent the data collected as:

$$\mathbf{X}_{1}^{M-1} = [\mathbf{x}_{1}\mathbf{x}_{2}\mathbf{x}_{3}...\mathbf{x}_{M-1}] = [\mathbf{x}_{1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}_{1}\mathbf{A}^{2}\mathbf{x}_{2}...\mathbf{A}^{M-2}\mathbf{x}_{1}]$$
(3)

The columns of this matrix are elements in a Krylov space and the matrix fits the first M-1 data collection using the operator matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ . The dimensionality reduction method takes advantage of the low-dimensionality of the data and uses singular valued decomposition (SVD):

$$\mathbf{X}_{1}^{M-1} = \mathbf{U}\Sigma\mathbf{V}^{*} \tag{4}$$

Teh DMD will fail if the data is not low rank, whereas if the data is low rank it will use the low-dimensional structure to project into the future state of the system. The matrix can be generalized to:

$$\mathbf{AX}_{1}^{M-1} = \mathbf{X}_{2}^{M} = \mathbf{X}_{1}^{M-1}\mathbf{S} + re_{M-1}^{*}$$
(5)

where  $e_{M-1}$  is a M-1th unit vector, **S** is the approximate some of the eigenvalues of **A**. The low-rank matrix can be computed as:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{S}} = \mathbf{U}^* \mathbf{X}_2^M \mathbf{V} \Sigma^{-1} \tag{6}$$

Furthermore, using the low rank approximation for the eigenvalues and eigenvectors, the approximate solution for all future times  $\mathbf{X}_{DMD}(t)$  is given as:

$$\mathbf{X}_{DMD}(t) = \sum_{k=1}^{K} b_k(0)\psi_k(\mathbf{x}exp(\omega t)) = \Psi diag(exp(\omega t)\mathbf{b})$$
 (7)

where  $\psi_k = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{y}_k$ ,  $b_k(0)$  is the initial amplitude at each mode,  $\Psi$  is the matrix with columns that are eigenvectors,  $diag(\omega t)$  is the diagonal matrix. with the eigenvalues  $exp(\omega_k t)$ , and  $\mathbf{b}$  is a vector of coefficients  $b_k$ . The solution for  $\mathbf{b}$  can be defined as:

$$\mathbf{b} = \Psi^{+} \mathbf{x}_{1} \tag{8}$$

and can be found using a pseudo-inverse, where  $\Psi^+$  is the Moore-Penrose pseudo-inverse. The DMD does not requite an equation and is still able to predict the future states.

To find the sparse reconstruction  $X_{sparse}^{DMD}$ , the original images X are subtracted by the low-rank reconstruction  $X_{low-rank}^{DMD}$ :

$$X = X_{sparse}^{DMD} + X_{low-rank}^{DMD} \tag{9}$$

The negative residuals, R from the difference between  $X - X_{low-rank}^{DMD}$  are removed as presented in the homework assignment.

# 3 Algorithm Implementation and Development

The following processes is applied on each video. The videos are read into MATLAB, converted to black and white, and trimmed to remove any blank space (for the skier video). Example snapshots from the monte carlo and ski drop video are shown in Figure 1.

The sample data at N prescribed locations M times is reshaped into vectors with rows that are the reshaped pixels and the columns represent each snapshot in matrix X. The data snapshots are assumed to be evenly spaced in time by a fixed  $\Delta t$ . The singular valued decomposition (SVD) is computed for the matrix and the diagonals of  $\sigma$  are used to compute the covariance. The rank of the videos was selected by the first mode that is below 1% of the covariance percent.

Then from the data matrix X, the sub-matrices  $X_{m-1}$  and  $X_m$ . The SVD decomposition of  $X_{m-1}$  is computed and the matrix  $\tilde{S}$  is computed and the eigenvalues and eigenvectors are computed. Then the initial state of the system is projected onto the Dynamic Mode Decomposition (DMD) modes using the pseudo-inverse. The solution is computed at any future time using the DMD modes along the projection to the initial conditions and the time dynamics computed using the eigenvalues of  $\tilde{S}$ .

The initial frames is subtracted by the low-rank reconstruction to obtain the sparse reconstruction, and the residuals, R are removed.

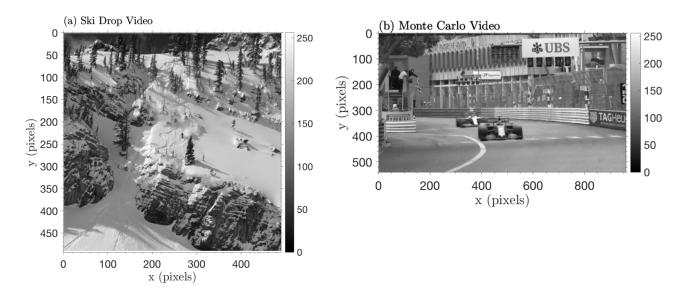


Figure 1: Example snapshots from the (a) trimmed ski drop video (frame 110) and (b) monte carlo (frame 180).

### 4 Computational Results

The results from the DMD low-rank (foreground) and sparse (foreground) reconstruction for the ski drop video (example snapshot in Figure 3) and monte carlo (example snapshot in Figure 4. The rank of the ski drop is 1 and of the monte carlo is 2, which as selected as described in the previous section. The ski drop video kept the snow and trees in the background, and the skier as well as the snow moving around the skier was the foreground. The monte carlo video background was the race car track and road, while the foreground was the race cars zooming by. There was

some shake in the camera, and therefore, the foreground image does have some outline of the background features.

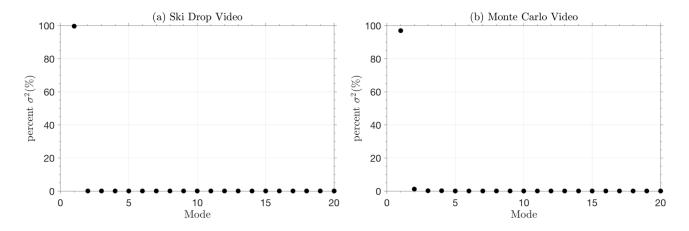


Figure 2: The percent of the total variance at the first 20 modes of the singular valued decomposition from the (a) ski drop and (b) monte carlo video.

# 5 Summary and Conclusions

Dynamic mode decomposition was used to sparse the foreground and the background from a video of a skier and of race cars. DMD is able to resolve the dynamics of an unknown governing equation and can predict the future timesteps. In this assignment, DMD successfully separated the skier from the mountain background and the race cars from the race track.

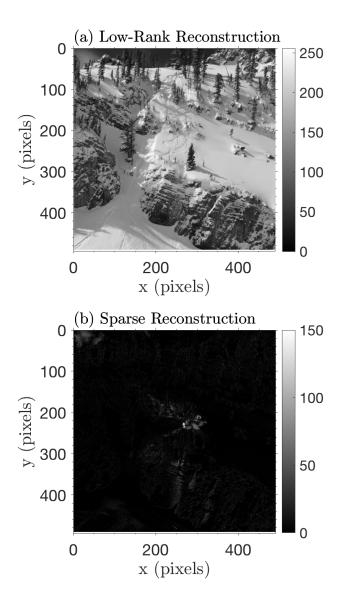
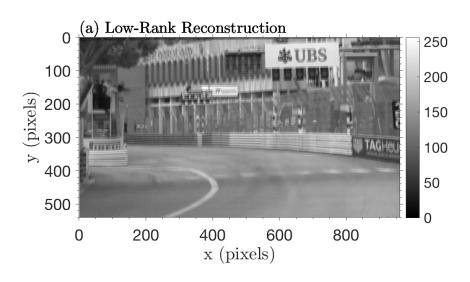


Figure 3: The (a) background (low-rank reconstruction) of the image and the (b) foreground (sparse reconstruction) from frame 110 of the ski drop video.



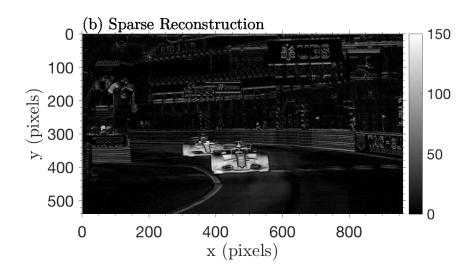


Figure 4: The (a) background (low-rank reconstruction) of the image and the (b) foreground (sparse reconstruction) from frame 180 of the monte carlo video.

# **Appendix**

# A MATLAB functions used and brief implementation explanation

- axis: indicate the limits for the current plotted axes
- abs: compute absolute value
- calc\_dmd: function to compute the DMD
- figure: open new figure
- find: find values meeting some threshold
- diag: extract diagonals
- double: change value to type double
- eig: compute eigenvalues
- grid: add grid lines to a figure
- imshow: plot image
- $\bullet$  \*label: label the x, y, z axes of plots
- length: find the length of the largest array dimension (grab the time-dimension in loops)
- load: load data from a .m file into workspace (load subdata.m)
- log: compute log
- pcolor: method to plot surfaces in 2d
- prep\_vid: read video and trim
- print: export and save figure
- repmat: created matrix with repeated values
- reshape: reshape data
- read: read the video frames
- rgb2gray: convert rgb image to gray
- scatter: create scatter plot
- set: manipulate a figure
- size: grab size of a matrix

- svd: compute singular value decomposition values
- text: define text for a figure
- VideoReader: read video
- zeros: create a matrix of zeros

Function to compute DMD:

```
function [u_dmd] = calc_dmd(f,r)
  % Compute the dmd
  % input: f - data matrix, r - rank
  \% output: u_dmd = dmd'ed u
  [nim, resxy] = size(f);
  t = linspace(0, nim, nim); dt = t(2) - t(1);
  \% x = linspace(0, resxy, resxy);
  \% figure (2)
  \% subplot (4,3,1), plot (\operatorname{diag}(s)/\operatorname{sum}(\operatorname{diag}(s)), 'ko', 'Linewidth', [2])
  % subplot (4,1,2), plot (t,v(:,1)/\max(v(:,1)),t,v(:,2)/\max(v(:,2)),
      Linewidth ', [2])
  \% \text{ subplot}(4,1,3), \text{ plot}(x,u(:,1)/\max(u(:,1)), 'Linewidth',[2])
  \% \text{ subplot } (4,1,4), \text{ plot } (x,u(:,2)/\max(u(:,2)), 'Linewidth', [2])
15
  X = f.; X1 = X(:, 1:end-1); X2 = X(:, 2:end);
  [U2, Sigma2, V2] = svd(X1, 'econ'); U=U2(:,1:r); Sigma=Sigma2(1:r,1:r);
     V=V2(:,1:r);
  % DMD J-Tu decomposition:
                                 Use this one
20
  Atilde = U'*X2*V/Sigma;
   [W,D] = eig(Atilde);
  Phi = X2*V/Sigma*W;
24
  mu = diag(D);
  omega = \log (mu)/dt;
26
27
  u0=f(1,:).;
  y0 = Phi \setminus u0;
                  % pseudo-inverse initial conditions
  u_{-}modes = zeros(r, length(t));
  for iter = 1: length(t)
        u_{-}modes(:, iter) = (v0.*exp(omega*t(iter)));
  end
  u_dmd = Phi*u_modes;
```

Function to read video:

#### B MATLAB code

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Code available at: https://github.com/cmbaker94/Baker_AMATH582
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```
clear all
  close all
  clc
  addpath (genpath ('/Users/cmbaker9/Documents/MTOOLS'))
  % STEP 0: Locate and load data
               = '/Users/cmbaker9/Documents/UW_Classes/
  datapath
     AMATH_Data_Analysis/HW5/data/;
               = '/Users/cmbaker9/Documents/UW_Classes/
     AMATH_Data_Analysis/HW5/figures/';
11
  % Load data
12
13
  vid = 'mon';
15
  if vid = 'ski'
16
      vname = 'ski_drop_low';
17
      trim = [234 726 44 533];
18
      rank = 1; % below 1% covariance (2nd is 0.1%)
19
  elseif vid == 'mon'
20
      vname = 'monte_carlo_low';
       trim = [1 960 1 540];
22
      rank = 2; % below 1% covariance (3rd is just below 1%)
23
  end
24
25
  videofile = [datapath, vname, '.mp4'];
  [frames, framerate] = prep_video(videofile, trim);
27
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```
% run svd on data
30
   [resx, resy] = size(frames, 1:2);
31
   nim = size (frames, 3);
32
33
   f = double(reshape(frames, resx*resy, nim))';
34
35
   [\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{s}, \mathbf{v}] = \mathbf{s}\mathbf{v}\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{f}', 'econ');
37
  % covariance
   lambda=diag(s).^2;
39
   figure ('units', 'inches', 'position', [1 1 10 6], 'Color', 'w');
41
  mode = 1: length(lambda);
42
   scatter (mode, lambda/sum(lambda) *100,100, 'k', 'fill')
  % plot(diag(s)/sum(diag(s)), 'ko', 'Linewidth', [2])
   hold on
  % title ('(a) Ski Drop Video', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'fontsize', 20);
   title ('(b) Monte Carlo Video', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'fontsize', 20, '
      Color', [0 0 0]);
   x \lim (\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 20 \end{bmatrix})
   xlabel ('Mode', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'fontsize', 20)
   ylabel('percent \$ sigma^2 (\%) \$', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'fontsize', 20)
   grid on
   box on
  h1=gca;
   set (h1, 'fontsize', 20);
   set(h1, 'tickdir', 'out', 'xminortick', 'on', 'yminortick', 'on');
   set (h1, 'ticklength', 1*get(h1, 'ticklength'));
   Sname1 = [figfolder, vid, '_covariance'];
   print (Sname1, '-dpng')
59
   [u_dmd] = calc_dmd(f, rank);
60
61
  % Seperate sections of image
62
63
   Xlr = abs(reshape(u_dmd, resx, resy, nim));
   Xsparse = double(frames) - abs(Xlr);
  \% \text{ Xsparse} = \text{abs}(\text{double}(\text{frames}) - \text{abs}(\text{Xlr}));
  R = Xsparse;
  R(R<0) = 0;
   Xsparse = Xsparse-R;
   Xlr = abs(Xlr)+R;
  % Create Plot
```

```
74
   figure ('units', 'inches', 'position', [1 1 8 20], 'Color', 'w');
   \% timeplot = 10;
   for timeplot = 100:10:200
        subplot (2,1,1)
78
        pcolor(Xlr(:,:,timeplot)); shading interp; colorbar
79
        hold on
80
        colormap('gray')
81
        caxis ([0 256])
82
        set(gca, 'YDir', 'reverse')
        \operatorname{text}(0, -25, '(a) \text{ Low-Rank Reconstruction'}, 'interpreter', 'latex', '
84
           fontsize',20,'Color',[0 0 0]);
        xlabel ('x (pixels)', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'fontsize', 20)
85
        ylabel ('y (pixels)', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'fontsize', 20)
86
        grid on
87
       box on
        axis equal
89
       xlim([0 resy])
90
        ylim([0 resx])
91
       h1=gca;
92
        set (h1, 'fontsize', 20);
93
        set(h1, 'tickdir', 'out', 'xminortick', 'on', 'yminortick', 'on');
94
        set(h1, 'ticklength', 1*get(h1, 'ticklength'));
95
96
        subplot (2,1,2)
97
98
        pcolor(Xsparse(:,:,timeplot)); shading interp; colorbar;
99
        hold on
100
        colormap(flipud('gray'))
        caxis ([0 150])
102
        set(gca, 'YDir', 'reverse')
103
        text(0,-25, '(b)) Sparse Reconstruction', 'interpreter', 'latex', '
104
           fontsize',20,'Color',[0 0 0]);
        xlabel('x (pixels)', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'fontsize',20)
105
        ylabel ('y (pixels)', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'fontsize', 20)
106
        grid on
107
       box on
108
        axis equal
109
        xlim([0 resy])
110
        ylim([0 resx])
111
       h1=gca;
112
        set (h1, 'fontsize', 20);
113
        set(h1, 'tickdir', 'out', 'xminortick', 'on', 'yminortick', 'on');
114
        set(h1, 'ticklength', 1*get(h1, 'ticklength'));
115
       drawnow
116
       Sname = [figfolder, '/', vname, '_', num2str(timeplot)];
117
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```
print (Sname, '-dpng')
118
   end
119
120
   figure ('units', 'inches', 'position', [1 1 8 8], 'Color', 'w');
121
   for timeplot = 100:10:200
122
        pcolor(double(frames(:,:,timeplot))); shading interp; colorbar
123
        hold on
124
        colormap('gray')
125
        caxis ([0 256])
126
        set (gca, 'YDir', 'reverse')
        \operatorname{text}(0, -25, '(b)) Monte Carlo Video', 'interpreter', 'latex', '
128
           fontsize',20,'Color',[0 0 0]);
        xlabel('x (pixels)', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'fontsize', 20)
129
        ylabel ('y (pixels)', 'interpreter', 'latex', 'fontsize', 20)
130
        grid on
131
        box on
132
        axis equal
133
        h1=gca;
134
        set (h1, 'fontsize', 20);
135
        set(h1, 'tickdir', 'out', 'xminortick', 'on', 'yminortick', 'on');
136
        set(h1, 'ticklength', 1*get(h1, 'ticklength'));
137
        xlim([0 resy])
138
        ylim([0 resx])
139
        Sname = [figfolder, '/', vname, '_orig_', num2str(timeplot)];
140
        print (Sname, '-dpng')
141
   end
142
```

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