

1. In class we showed that PCA finds the  $d$ -dimensional projection of  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  such that the new components have maximal variance. Now show that the interpretation that PCA finds the linear projection to a  $d$ -dimensional subspace such that the reconstruction error is minimized is equivalent. Note: we found the reconstruction error for using only  $d$  principal components in class (for data with zero mean).

Hint:

Minimizing the reconstruction error is given by the least squares problem:

$$\min_{\substack{\mu, V, \beta \\ V^T V = I}} \sum_{k=1}^n \|x_k - (\mu + V\beta_k)\|_2^2.$$

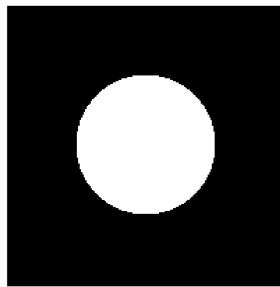
First find  $\mu$  and  $\beta$ .

2. Plot a simple example in 2D for which calculating the SVD of  $X$  is not equivalent to calculating the Principal components of  $X$ . Explain.
3. Consider a  $d \times n$  data matrix  $X$ , where  $d < n$ . Let  $\{u_i\}_{i=1}^d$  be the  $d$  principle components of  $X$ , and let  $\beta_i$  equal,

$$\beta_i = u_i^T (X - \mu_s),$$

where  $\mu_s \in R^d$  is the sample mean vector. In class we referred to  $\beta_i$  as the new *meta features*. Prove that different meta features  $\beta_i, \beta_j$  have zero mean and are uncorrelated.

4. Coding problem: For the following image (circle.png), extract all overlapping patches of size  $5 \times 5$  (for example using Matlab's `im2col` function or `feature_extraction.image.extract_patches_2d` in Python's `scikit-learn`).



Calculate PCA of the resulting patch set. Plot the top 3 principal components and the corresponding principal directions (reshaped as patches of  $5 \times 5$ ). Explain how the original image patches map onto the 3D coordinates and how this corresponds to the principal directions.

5. Compression. Load the file `numbers.mat`. The variable 'mat' is an image. Treat this image as a data matrix and apply PCA to it.

- Reconstruct the matrix  $\hat{X}_d$  and plot it as a grayscale image using  $d = 1, 10, 20, 100$  principal components (4 plots).
  - Calculate the reconstruction error.
  - Calculate the compression rate (using  $U_d, S_d, V_d$  instead of  $X$ ).
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