

## Week 11 Section PCA + SVD

### Agenda for today

- Mini linear algebra review
- One derivation of PCA
  - to show how covariance matrix & eigenvectors show up
- generative forms of PCA
- SVD overview, relation to PCA

## Transpose of a matrix:

## { Useful linear algebra }

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 3} \xrightarrow{\text{flip along diagonal}} A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 2}$$

## Matrix multiplication:

$$A B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 5 \\ 2 & 4 & 6 \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 3} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1(0) + 3(1) + 5(2) & 1(1) + 3(0) + 5(0) \\ 2(0) + 4(1) + 6(2) & 2(1) + 4(0) + 6(0) \end{bmatrix}_{2 \times 2}$$

## Dot product between two vectors:

For any  $\vec{u}_a, \vec{u}_b$  that are both  $p$ -dimensional,

$$\vec{u}_a \cdot \vec{u}_b = \vec{u}_b^T \vec{u}_a = \vec{u}_a^T \vec{u}_b = \sum_{j=1}^p u_{aj} u_{bj} = u_{a1} u_{b1} + \dots + u_{ap} u_{bp}$$

This is a single number, good to think of it as  
the "overlap" between two vectors

Eg.  $v_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$

$$v_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

They're orthogonal, no overlap!

$$v_1^T v_2 = 1 \cdot 3 + 3 \cdot (-1) = 0$$

## Eigenvectors/Eigenvalues

$\vec{u}$  is an eigenvector of matrix  $A$  if  $A \vec{u} = \lambda \vec{u}$   
( $p \times p$ )

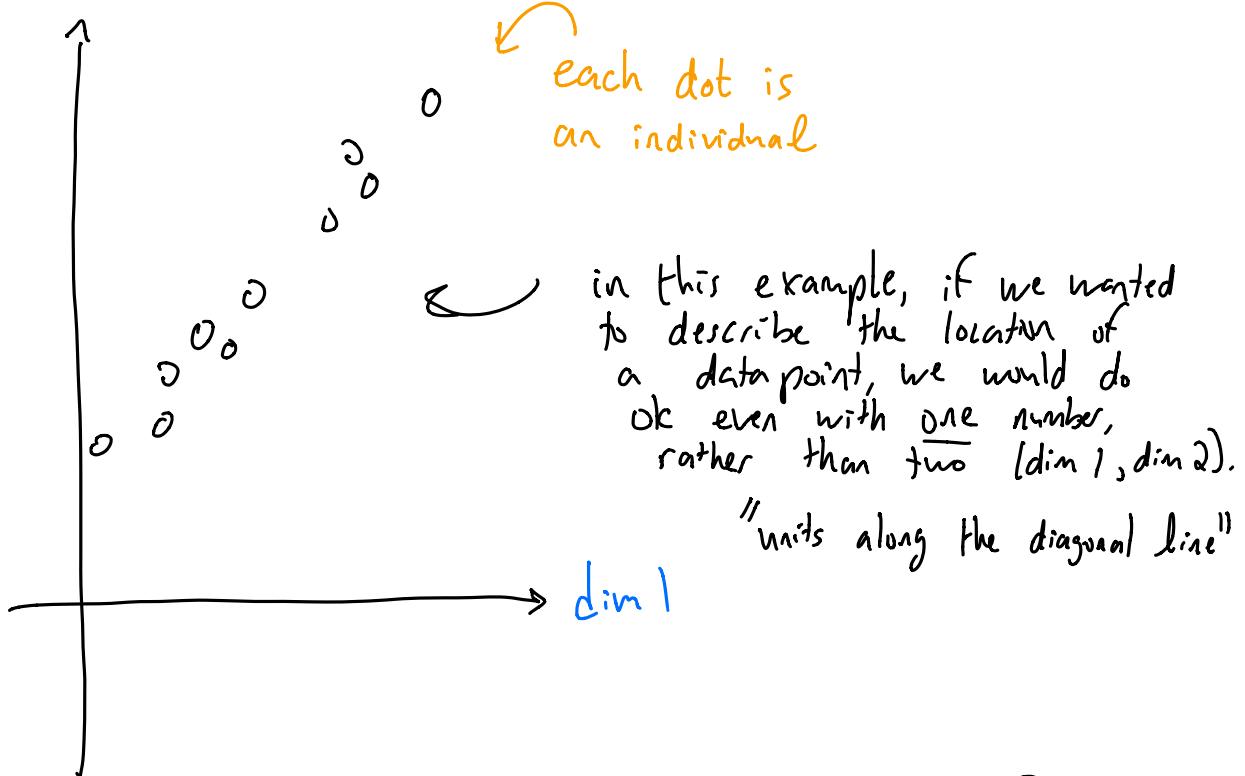
$\lambda$  a number,  
"eigenvalue"

Goal of PCA: find directions in p-dimension space that explain the most variation among N data points.

Data matrix:

$$X = \begin{matrix} n \\ \text{data pts} \end{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_{11} & \cdots & X_{1p} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ X_{n1} & \cdots & X_{np} \end{bmatrix}_{n \times p}$$

Ex.  $p=2$  dim 2

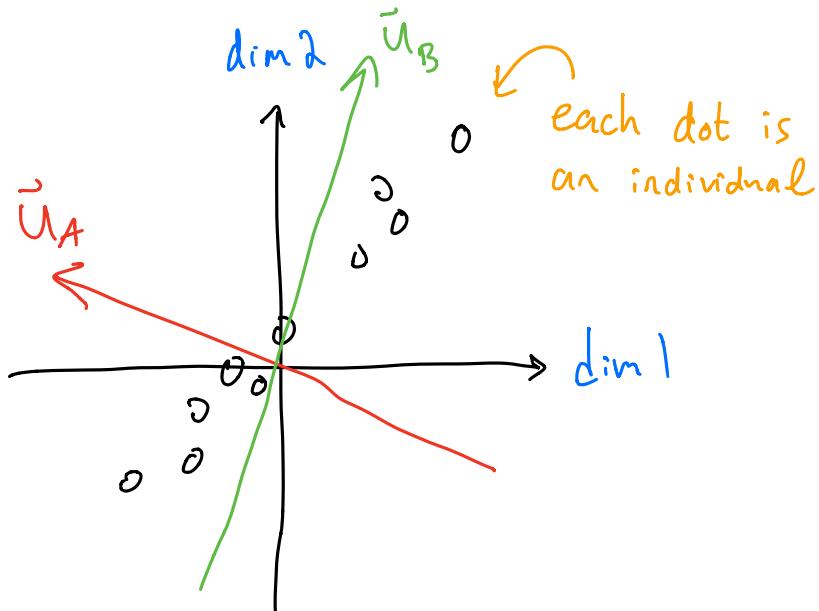


How do we get to this more compact representation?

Center the data:  $X^c = X - \text{ColMean}(X)$

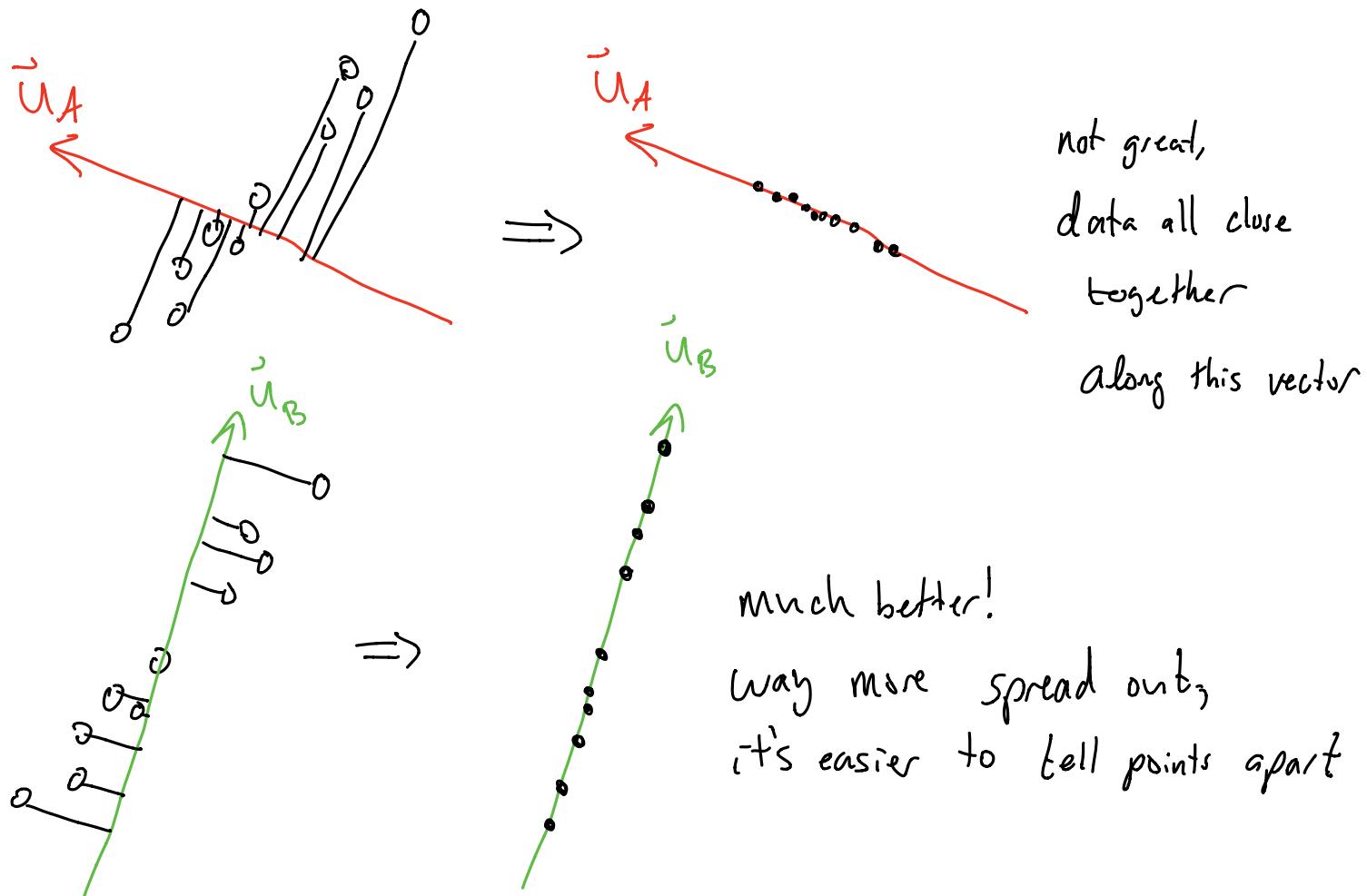
(subtract the mean along dim 1 from all X's dim1,  
subtract the mean along dim 2 from all X's dim2,...)

Centered data:



Which direction,  $\vec{u}_A$  or  $\vec{u}_B$ , describe the data most efficiently?

Take the projection of each point onto  $\vec{u}_A$  or  $\vec{u}_B$   
(form a perpendicular line from the point to the vector)



What would be the best direction?

The projection of data point  $x_i^c$  onto direction  $\vec{u}$  is

$$x_i^{cT} \vec{u} = (x_{i1}^c, \dots, x_{ip}^c) \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_p \end{pmatrix} = \sum_{d=1}^p x_{id}^c u_d = m_i$$

↓  
 the  $i^{th}$  row of  
 centered data  $X_{n \times p}$ 
↑ the  $d^{th}$  entry  
of  $x_i^c$

For many data points,

$$\begin{bmatrix} \cdots & x_1^c & \cdots \\ \cdots & x_2^c & \cdots \\ \vdots & & \\ \cdots & x_n^c & \cdots \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ \vdots \\ u_p \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1^{cT} \vec{u} \\ \vdots \\ x_n^{cT} \vec{u} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} m_1 \\ \vdots \\ m_n \end{pmatrix} \equiv \vec{m}$$

**Objective:** We want the  $m_1, \dots, m_n$  to be as far apart as possible!

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(\vec{m}) &= m_1^2 + \dots + m_n^2 && \text{← We can write this like so ONLY IF } X \text{ is centered} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n m_i^2 \\ &\equiv (m_1, \dots, m_n) \begin{pmatrix} m_1 \\ \vdots \\ m_n \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \vec{m}^T \vec{m} \\ &= (X^c \vec{u})^T (X^c \vec{u}) \\ &= \vec{u}^T X^c X^c \vec{u} \end{aligned}$$

We want to find vector  $\vec{u}$  that maximizes  $\vec{u}^T X^c X^c \vec{u}$

What is  $X^T X^c$ ?

$$X^c \top X^c = \begin{bmatrix} | & & | \\ X_1^c & \cdots & X_n^c \\ | & & | \end{bmatrix}_{p \times n} \quad \begin{bmatrix} x_1^c \\ \vdots \\ x_n^c \end{bmatrix}_{n \times p}$$

$$= \begin{matrix} \text{dim } j \\ \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} x_{11}^c & \cdots & \cdots & x_{n1}^c \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{1p}^c & \cdots & \cdots & x_{np}^c \end{array} \right] \end{matrix}_{p \times n} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{dim } k \\ \left[ \begin{array}{cccc} x_{11}^c & \cdots & \cdots & x_{1p}^c \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \cdot & & & \vdots \\ x_{n1}^c & \cdots & \cdots & x_{np}^c \end{array} \right] \end{matrix}_{n \times p}$$

The  $(j,k)^{th}$  entry of  $(X^c \bar{X}^c)$ :

$$\left( \begin{matrix} X^{cl} & X^c \\ \end{matrix} \right)_{jk} = X_{1j}^c X_{1k}^c + X_{2j}^c X_{2k}^c + \dots + X_{nj}^c X_{nk}^c$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n X_{ij}^c X_{ik}^c \quad \leftarrow \text{centered}$$

This is almost the sample covariance matrix!

$$\hat{\Sigma} = \frac{1}{n-1} X^c X^{cT}$$

Let's replace  $X^T X$  in our objective with  $\hat{\sum}$ :

We want to find vector  $\vec{u}$  that maximizes  $\vec{u}^T \sum \vec{u}$

We also want a unique  $\vec{u}$ , in particular a  $\vec{u}$  that satisfies  $\|\vec{u}\| = 1$  ( $\|\vec{u}\| = \vec{u}^T \vec{u} = \sum_{d=1}^p \vec{u}_d^2$ )

$\Rightarrow$  this is a constrained optimization problem.

$$\max_{\vec{u}} \quad \vec{u}^T \sum \vec{u} \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \|\vec{u}\| = 1$$

How to solve? Lagrange's method

$$\text{Maximize } \mathcal{L} = \vec{u}^T \sum \vec{u} - \lambda (\vec{u}^T \vec{u} - 1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \vec{u}} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{u}} \left( \vec{u}^T \sum \vec{u} - \lambda (\vec{u}^T \vec{u} - 1) \right) \\ &= 2 \sum \vec{u} - 2 \lambda \vec{u} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum \vec{u} = \lambda \vec{u}$$

good  
resource:  
Matrix  
cookbook

This is an eigenvalue relationship!

The solutions to our maximization problem are

the eigenvectors of  $\sum = \frac{X^T X}{n-1}$

(a vector  $\vec{u}$  is an eigenvector of matrix  $A$  if  $A\vec{u} = \lambda \vec{u}$ , where  $\lambda$  is a number)

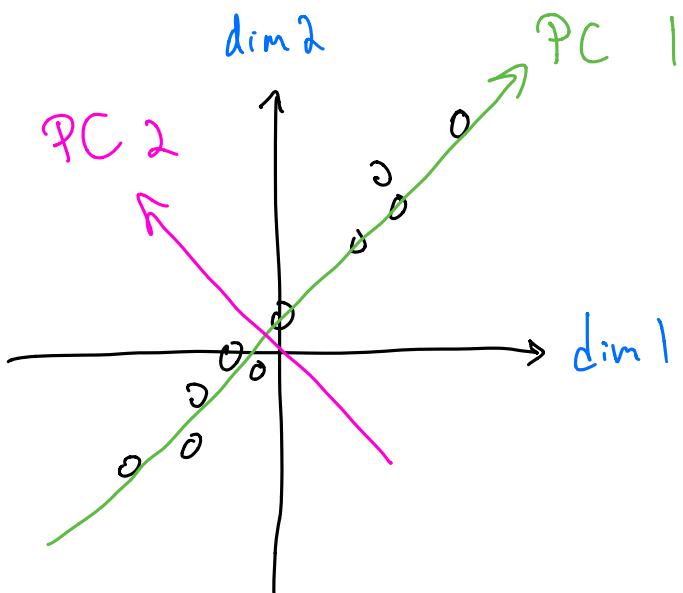
Going back to our objective, we want the vector  $\vec{u}$  that maximizes  $\vec{u}^T \hat{\Sigma} \vec{u}$ ,

$$\text{Var}(\text{data along } \vec{u}) = \vec{u}^T \hat{\Sigma} \vec{u} = \vec{u}^T \lambda \vec{u} = \lambda \vec{u}^T \vec{u} = \lambda$$

The eigenvector of  $\hat{\Sigma}$  with the largest eigenvalue is the "direction" that explains the most variance in the data ("PC 1")

What would be the next best direction?

The eigenvector w/ the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest eigenvalue ("PC 2")



See Jupyter notebook for a more involved example!

## Uses for PCA:

- the eigenvalues of the eigenvectors of  $\Sigma$  describe the variance in the data "explained" along these eigenvectors



- can project data onto the eigenvectors to get "scores"

$$X_1 = \text{(projection onto } PC_1\text{)} \begin{bmatrix} PC_1 \\ \vdots \\ PC_p \end{bmatrix}_p$$

$$+ \text{(projection onto } PC_2\text{)} \begin{bmatrix} PC_2 \\ \vdots \\ PC_p \end{bmatrix}_p$$

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- can look at "loadings" within the eigenvectors:  
the contribution of each dimension in that direction

PC 1: [contribution of gene 1, ..., contribution of gene p]

## Generative Models of PCA

$$X = Z \Lambda^{\frac{1}{2}} W^T$$

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1^T \\ \vdots \\ x_n^T \end{bmatrix}_{n \times p} = \begin{bmatrix} z_{11} & \cdots & z_{1p} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ z_{n1} & \cdots & z_{np} \end{bmatrix}_{n \times p} \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \sigma_p \end{bmatrix}_{p \times p} \begin{bmatrix} w_1^T \\ \vdots \\ w_p^T \end{bmatrix}_{p \times p}$$

each  $z_{ij} \sim N(0, 1)$ 
each  $\sigma_j$  sets the standard deviation
each  $w_j$  rotates  $z$  to the data

For data point  $X_k$ ,

$$(x_k^T) = (z_k^T) \begin{pmatrix} w_1^T \\ \vdots \\ w_p^T \end{pmatrix}$$

$\sigma_1 \quad \sigma_2 \quad \dots \quad \sigma_p$

If all of  $\sigma_1 = \dots = \sigma_p$ ,

$$X_k^T = Z_k^T \begin{bmatrix} \sigma \\ \vdots \\ \sigma \end{bmatrix} W^T \Rightarrow X_k = W Z_k$$

If we assume  $Z_k \sim N(0, I)$ , and there's further Gaussian noise,  $N(0, \epsilon^2 I)$ , then

$$X_k | Z_k \sim N(W Z_k, \epsilon^2 I)$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{LL}} X_k \sim N(0, W W^T + \epsilon^2 I)$$

marginalize over  $Z_k$

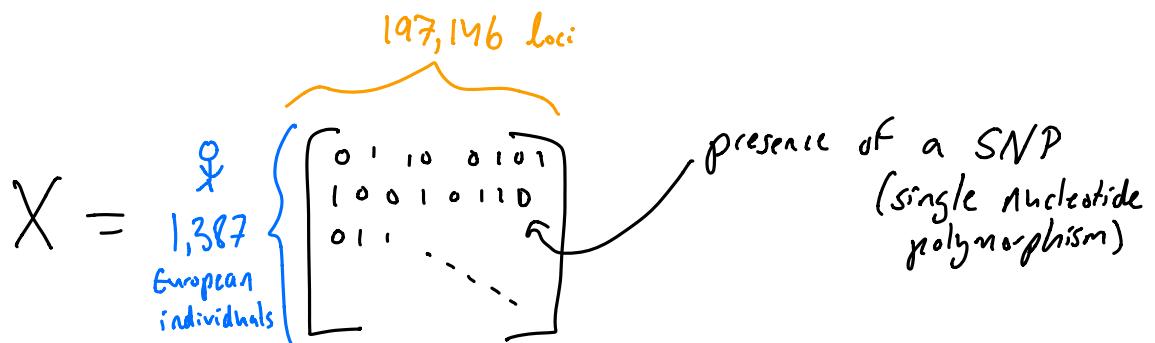
(Probabilistic PCA,

Tipping & Bishop 1999)

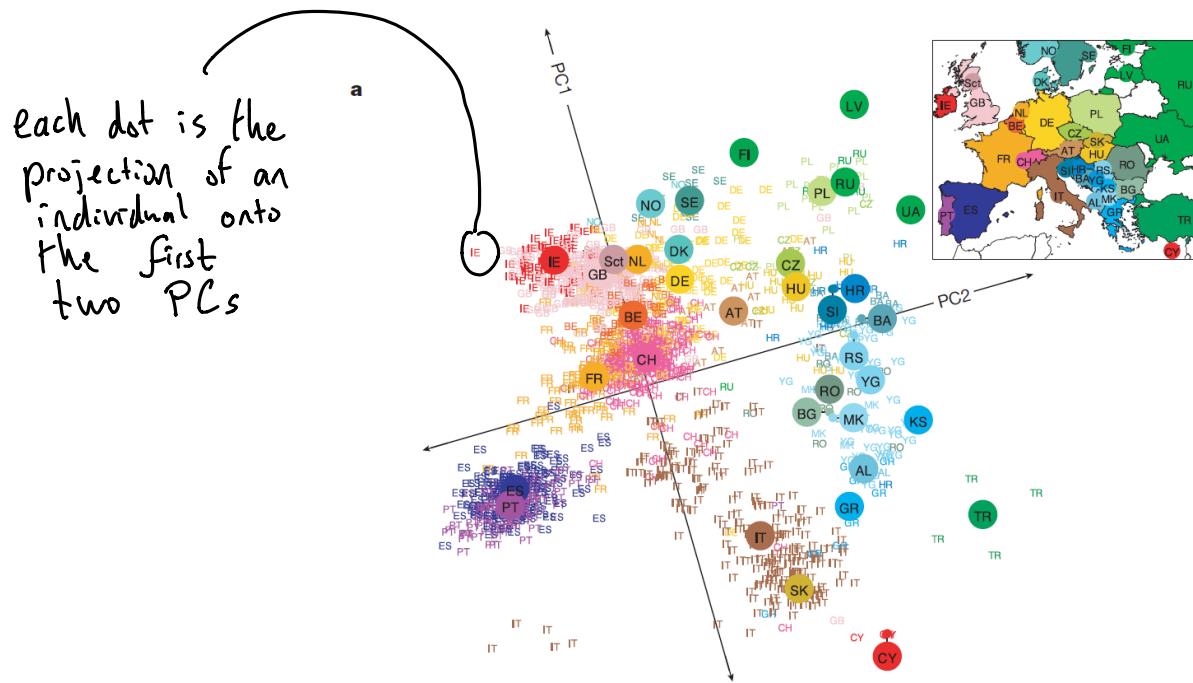
If  $\sigma_1 \neq \dots \neq \sigma_p$ , "factor analysis"

# Case Example: Novembre et al, 2008

Data:



Did PCA on  $X$  to find the directions in the data that explain the most variance



⇒ people of same country of origin cluster together in PC space!

⇒ the "directions" in gene space that maximize variation in the data resemble geography

# SVD: Singular Value Decomposition

A column-centered matrix  $X^c$  can be decomposed like so:

$$X_{n \times p}^c = U_{n \times n} S_{n \times p} W_{p \times p}^T$$


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$$U = \begin{bmatrix} | & & | \\ u_1 & \cdots & u_n \\ | & & | \end{bmatrix}_{n \times n}$$

each  $u_j \in \mathbb{R}^n$  ( $n$ -dimensional),  $j=1, \dots, n$ , is an eigenvector of  $X^c X^{cT}$  ( $n \times n$ )

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & s_r \end{bmatrix}_{n \times p}$$

a matrix w/  $r$  singular values along the diagonal, zeroes everywhere else.

↳  $r$  is the number of independent rows / columns in  $X$ .

for instance, for  $X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $r=2$

(columns 3, 4 are linear combinations of 1, 2)

$$W = \begin{bmatrix} | & \cdots & | \\ w_1 & & w_p \\ | & & | \end{bmatrix}_{p \times p}$$

each  $w_j \in \mathbb{R}^p$  ( $p$ -dimensional),  $j=1, \dots, p$ , is an eigenvector of  $X^{cT} X^c$  ( $p \times p$ )

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$$X_{n \times p}^c = \begin{bmatrix} | & & | \\ u_1, \dots, u_n \\ | \end{bmatrix}_{n \times n} \begin{bmatrix} s_1 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & s_r \end{bmatrix}_{n \times p} \begin{bmatrix} -w_1^T- \\ \vdots \\ -w_p^T- \end{bmatrix}_{p \times p}$$

If you believe me that we can write  $X^c = USW^T \dots$

$$\begin{aligned}
 X^c X^{c\top} &= (USW^T) (USW^T)^T && \text{plug in SVD} \\
 \underset{(n \times p) \times (p \times n)}{\underbrace{(n \times n)}} &= (USW^T) (WS^T U^T) && (ABC)^T = C^T B^T A^T \\
 &= USW^T WS U^T && \Sigma^T = \Sigma \\
 &= U S S U^T && W^T W = W^{-1} W = I \\
 &= U S^2 U^T
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 X^c X^{c\top} U &= U S^2 U^T U && \text{right-multiply } U \text{ on both sides} \\
 &= U S^2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$X^c X^{c\top} \begin{bmatrix} | & & | \\ u_1 & \cdots & u_n \\ | & & | \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} s_1^2 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & s_r^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} | & & | \\ u_1 & \cdots & u_n \\ | & & | \end{bmatrix}$$

For any  $\vec{u}_j$ ,  $X^c X^{c\top} \vec{u}_j = s_j^2 \vec{u}_j$ , so it's an eigenvector!

Similar for  $W$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
 X^{c\top} X^c &= (USW^T)^T (USW^T) && \text{plug in SVD} \\
 \underset{(p \times n) \times (n \times p)}{\underbrace{(p \times p)}} &= W S U^T U S W^T && \text{Same steps as before} \\
 &= W S^2 W^T
 \end{aligned}$$

$$X^{c\top} X^c W = W S^2$$

$$(X^{c\top} X^c)_{p \times p} \begin{bmatrix} | & & | \\ w_1 & \cdots & w_p \\ | & & | \end{bmatrix}_{p \times p} = \begin{bmatrix} s_1^2 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & s_r^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} | & & | \\ w_1 & \cdots & w_p \\ | & & | \end{bmatrix}_{p \times p}$$

# Connection between SVD and PCA

→ The  $w_1, \dots, w_p$  vectors from SVD

are eigenvectors of  $X^T X_{p \times p}$

only diff is  $\frac{1}{n-1}$ !

→ The principal directions in PCA

are the eigenvectors of  
the data covariance matrix,

$$\Sigma = \frac{X^T X}{n-1}$$

From above, using SVD:

$$(X^T X)_{p \times p} \begin{bmatrix} | & & | \\ w_1 & \cdots & w_p \\ | & & | \end{bmatrix}_{p \times p} = \begin{bmatrix} s_1^2 & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & s_r^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} | & & | \\ w_1 & \cdots & w_p \\ | & & | \end{bmatrix}_{p \times p}$$

Now divide both sides by  $n-1$ :

$$\hat{\Sigma} = \frac{X^T X}{n-1} \begin{bmatrix} | & & | \\ w_1 & \cdots & w_p \\ | & & | \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{s_1^2}{n-1} & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & \frac{s_r^2}{n-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} | & & | \\ w_1 & \cdots & w_p \\ | & & | \end{bmatrix}$$

So, the singular values  $s_1, \dots, s_r$  from SVD  
can be used to get the explained variance

for each principal component :

$$\frac{s_k^2}{n-1}, \quad k=1, \dots, r.$$