Mean Values

Given a data set $\mathcal{D} = \{x_1, \dots, x_N\}$, $x_n \in \mathbb{R}^D$, we compute the mean of the data set as

$$\mathbb{E}[\mathcal{D}] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} x_n$$

Variances of 1D data sets

Given a data set $\mathcal{D} = \{x_1, \dots, x_N\}$, $x_n \in \mathbb{R}$, we compute the variance of the data set as

$$\mathbb{V}[\mathcal{D}] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} (x_n - \mu)^2$$

where μ is the mean value of the data set.

Variances of higher-dimensional data sets

Given a data set $\mathcal{D} = \{x_1, \dots, x_N\}$, $x_n \in \mathbb{R}^D$, we compute the variance of the data set as

$$\mathbb{V}[\mathcal{D}] = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} (\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu}) (\mathbf{x}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu})^{\top} \in \mathbb{R}^{D \times D}$$

where $\mu \in \mathbb{R}^D$ is the mean value of the data set.

Effect of Linear Transformations

Consider a data set $\mathcal{D} = \{x_1, \dots, x_N\}$, $x_n \in \mathbb{R}^D$, with

$$\mathbb{E}[D] = \boldsymbol{\mu}$$
$$\mathbb{V}[D] = \boldsymbol{\Sigma}$$

If we now modify every $x_i \in \mathcal{D}$ according to

$$x_i' = Ax_i + b$$

for a given A, b, then

$$\mathbb{E}[\mathcal{D}'] = A\mu + b$$

$$\mathbb{V}[\mathcal{D}'] = AQA^{\top}$$

where
$$D' = \{x'_1, ..., x'_N\}$$

Dot product

The **dot product** is defined as

$$\mathbf{x}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{y} = \sum_{l=1}^{D} x_d y_d, \quad \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^D.$$

► The **length** of *x* is then

$$||x|| = \sqrt{x^{\top}x}$$
.

• The **angle** ω between two vectors x, y can be computed using

$$\cos \omega = \frac{x^{\top} y}{\|x\| \|y\|}$$

Inner product

Consider a vector space V. A positive definite, symmetric bilinear mapping $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : V \times V \to \mathbb{R}$ is called an **inner product** on V.

- **symmetric**: For all $x, y \in V$ it holds that $\langle x, y \rangle = \langle y, x \rangle$
- ► **positive definite**: For all $x \in V \setminus \{0\}$ it holds that $\langle x, x \rangle > 0$, $\langle 0, 0 \rangle = 0$
- ▶ **bilinear**: For all $x, y, z \in V, \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\langle \lambda x + y, z \rangle = \lambda \langle x, z \rangle + \langle y, z \rangle$$

 $\langle x, \lambda y + z \rangle = \lambda \langle x, y \rangle + \langle x, z \rangle$

Inner product: Lengths and distances

Consider a vector space V with an inner product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$.

• The **length** of a vector $x \in V$ is

$$\|x\| = \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle}$$

► The **distance** between two vectors $x, y \in V$ is given by

$$d(x,y) = \|x - y\| = \sqrt{\langle x - y, x - y \rangle}$$

Inner product: Angles

Consider a vector space V with an inner product $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$. The **angle** ω between two vectors $x, y \in V$ can be computed via

$$\cos \omega = \frac{\langle x, y \rangle}{\|x\| \|y\|}$$

where the length/norm

$$\|x\| = \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle}$$

is defined via the inner product.

Projection onto 1D subspaces

Consider a vector space V with the dot product at the inner product and a subspace U of V. With a basis vector \mathbf{b} of U, we obtain the **orthogonal projection** of any vector $\mathbf{x} \in V$ onto U via

$$\pi_U(x) = \lambda b, \quad \lambda = \frac{b^\top x}{b^\top b} = \frac{b^\top x}{\|b\|^2}$$

where λ is the **coordinate** of $\pi_U(x)$ with respect to b. The **projection matrix** P is

$$P = rac{bb^ op}{b^ op b} = rac{bb^ op}{\|b\|^2}$$

such that

$$\pi_U(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{x}$$

for all $x \in V$.

Projection onto k-dimensional subspaces

Consider an n-dimensional vector space V with the dot product at the inner product and a subspace U of V. With basis vectors $\mathbf{b}_1, \ldots, \mathbf{b}_k$ of U, we obtain the **orthogonal projection** of any vector $\mathbf{x} \in V$ onto U via

$$\pi_U(x) = B\lambda$$
, $\lambda = (B^\top B)^{-1}B^\top x$
 $B = (b_1| \cdots |b_k) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k}$

where λ is the **coordinate vector** of $\pi_U(x)$ with respect to the basis b_1, \ldots, b_k of U.

The projection matrix P is

$$P = B(B^{\mathsf{T}}B)^{-1}B^{\mathsf{T}}$$

such that

$$\pi_U(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{x}$$

for all $x \in V$.

Key steps of PCA algorithm

- 1. Compute the mean μ of the data matrix $\mathbf{X} = [\mathbf{x}_1 | ... | \mathbf{x}_N]^{\top} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times D}$
- 2. Mean subtraction: Replace all data points x_i with $\tilde{x}_i = x_i \mu$.
- 3. Divide the data by its standard deviation in each dimension: $\bar{X}^{(d)} = \tilde{X}/\sigma(X^{(d)})$ for d = 1, ..., D.
- 4. Compute the eigenvectors (orthonormal) and eigenvalues of the data covariance matrix $S = \frac{1}{N} \bar{X}^{\top} \bar{X}$
- 5. Choose the eigenvectors associated with the *M* largest eigenvalues to be the basis of the principal subspace.
- 6. Collect these eigenvectors in a matrix $\mathbf{B} = [\mathbf{b}_1, ..., \mathbf{b}_M]$
- 7. Orthogonal projection of the data onto the principal axis using the projection matrix BB^{\top}

PCA in high dimensions

We need to solve the eigenvector/eigenvalue equation

$$\frac{1}{N}\bar{X}\bar{X}^{\top}c_i = \lambda_i c_i$$

where $c_i = \bar{X}b_i$

- We want to recover the original eigenvectors b_i of the data covariance matrix $S = \frac{1}{N} \bar{X}^\top \bar{X}$
- Left-multiplying eigenvector equation by \bar{X}^{\top} yields

$$\underbrace{\frac{1}{N}\bar{\boldsymbol{X}}^{\top}\bar{\boldsymbol{X}}}_{c_i}\bar{\boldsymbol{X}}^{\top}\boldsymbol{c}_i = \lambda_i\bar{\boldsymbol{X}}^{\top}\boldsymbol{c}_i$$

and we recover $\bar{X}^{\top}c_i$ as an eigenvector of S with (the same) eigenvalue λ_i

Note: To perform PCA as discussed in the lecture we need to make sure that $\|\bar{X}^{\top}c_i\| = 1$.